

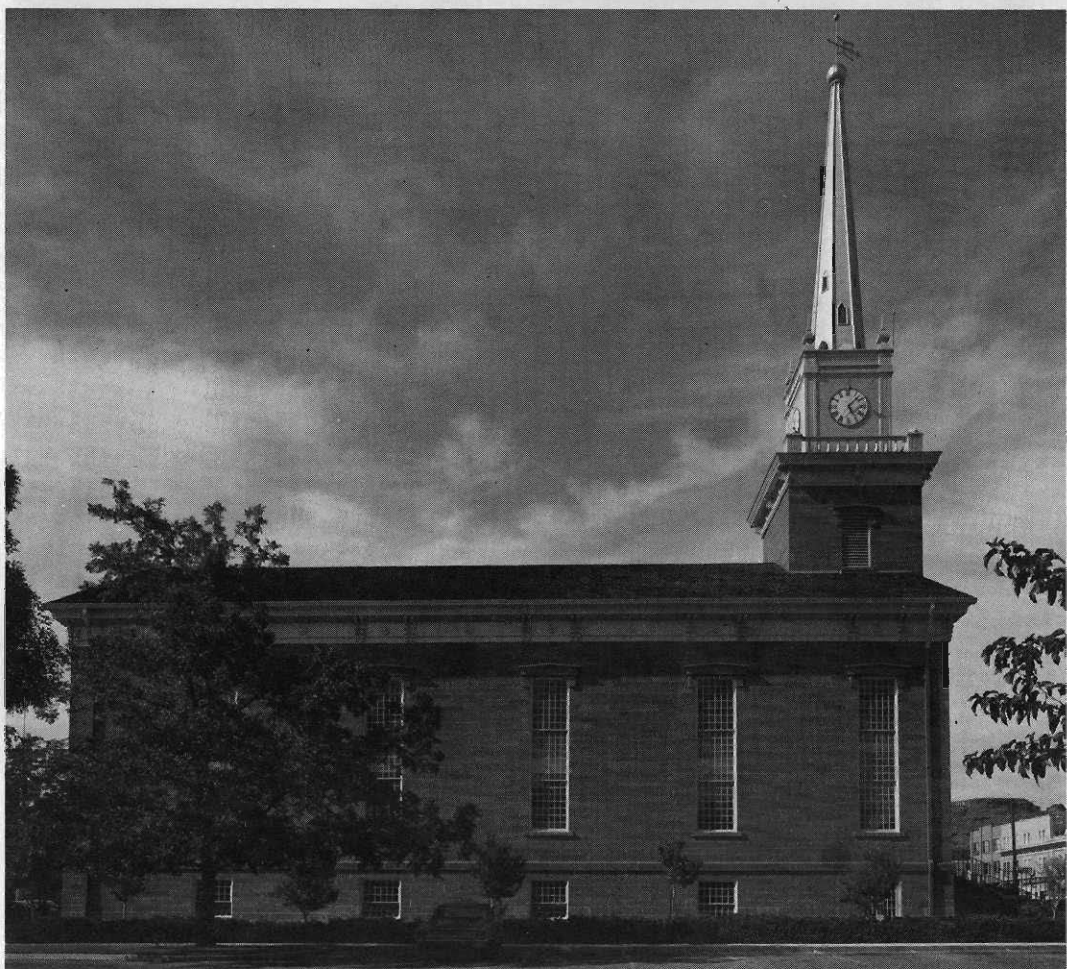
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the st. george
tabernacle

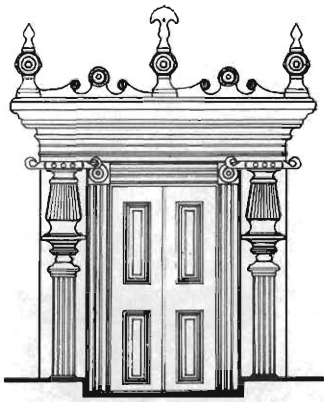
As I have already informed you, I wish you and the brethren to build, as speedily as possible a good, substantial, commodious well furnished meeting house, one large enough to comfortably seat at least 2000 persons, and that will not only be useful, but also an ornament to your city, and credit to your energy and enterprise.

I hereby place at your disposal, expressly to aid in the building of aforesaid meeting house, the labor, molasses, vegetable and grain tithing of Cedar City and all other places south of that city. I hope you will begin the building at the earliest practicable date; and be able, with the aid thereby given, to speedily prosecute the work to completion.

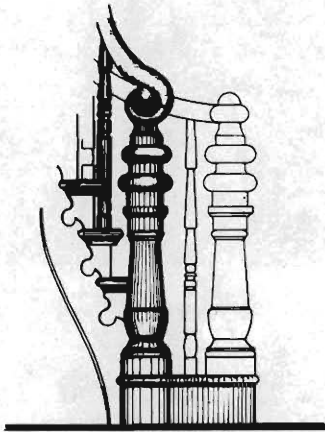
— Letter from Brigham Young to Erastus Snow dated October 1, 1862



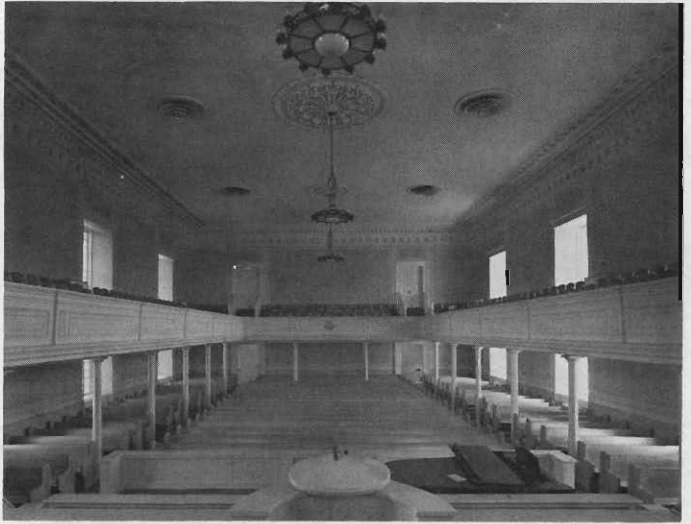




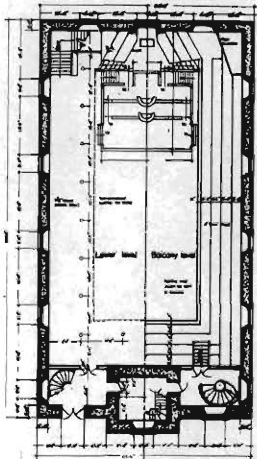
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The corner stones of the St. George Tabernacle were laid on Brigham Young's birthday, June 1, 1863 and the interior was completed in 1875. The Tabernacle is still used extensively today and stands as a monument not only to the pioneers who sacrificed to build it but to the leadership of St. George Stake and the people of St. George who have maintained it in immaculate condition — have added modern improvements with unusual sensitivity. The photos are by Kent Fairbanks and photos and detailed drawings are courtesy of The Utah Heritage Foundation. They were made as part of a continuing survey of the historical sites — a project funded jointly by the National Park Service and the Utah Heritage Foundation.



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