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The subject property has design value as a representative example of a Mid-Century Modernist church. St. Peter's Estonian Lutheran Church was designed by Estonian-Canadian architect Michael Bach in 1955. The technical achievement of Bach's design includes the use of structural laminated wood beams arranged in a crossing pattern and terminating as pillars at grade. The Glulam arched beams and the wood roof decking are exposed within the interior, and the beams are visually represented in the copper-sheathed roof on the exterior.



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St. Peter's holds historical value for its association with the Canadian-Estonian community, which founded the congregation of St. Peter's in 1948 following their flight to Canada after the Second World War. The building reflects the work or ideas of architect Michael Bach, who was also a well-known innovator and educator as a member of the Faculty of Architecture at the University of Toronto. The subject property has contextual value for its status as an architectural landmark, a distinction it has held since its completion seventy years ago.



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