

## Church of Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith

Individual Landmark

1421 5th Avenue



*Church of Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith. Photo: Lorraine Colbert*

The Church of Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith was originally the three-story Mount Morris Theatre. Designed by Hoppen and Kohen Architects in 1911, it was, at the time, the only theater on Fifth Avenue. In the 1940s, it became the Teatro Hispano, one of the only places in New York City that screened Spanish-language films, in response to East Harlem's growing Latino population. The Church sits on a lot that is 88 feet wide by 110 feet long, and its exterior is made with red brick and beige stone slabs. The building is currently owned by the religious organization of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Its primary facade facing west from 5th Avenue features multiple bright red painted entry doors, engaged columns made of stone that sweep up the building's elevation, and a heavily protruding dental cornice.