Your Local History

In Chapter 13, when Scout and Jem visit Calpurnia's church, I would tell students about a historic "black church" in our own area. It was founded in 1866, just after the Civil War. It began under a brush arbor on donated land and later a church was erected. It eventually had to be rebuilt, and a picture of the current structure is below.



For today, I would like for you to investigate whether your area has any type of historic building for African Americans. It could be a church, school, etc. You can ask your older people, do an internet search, or search the online "National Register for Historic Places" for your area to see if any are listed. If you do find something, write what you discover below.