## **Historical Staircase Overview**

The German Free School is missing a key element that was part of the original design of the building and removed by the previous owner in the early 1950's, a Historical covered porch and staircase that connected the current stone walkway with the 2<sup>nd</sup> level balcony.

A noticeable gap exists between the stone walk way and the porch area, as seen in the following photos. By re-constructing the historical covered porch and staircase will restore the German Free School back to its original design and appearance dating back to the 1800's. Having a connection between the two buildings from an exterior perspective will help tremendously with visitor and guest flow during festivals, events, and regular scheduled programs.

**German Free School Photos from cira 1949**, clearly show the historical wooden covered porch and staircase, which made a seamless connection between the stone walkway and the existing porch. Grden and side view from 10<sup>th</sup> street



## **GTHS Photos from 2019 / 2020**

Photos from today, clearly show where the historical covered porch and staircase that would have connected the stone walkway and covered balcony existed. Today, a gap exists between these two structural elements.



