

Elevation of the Holy Cross Church

Object no. 29 | Zámecké náměstí (Chateaux Square), Teplice

The older of the two churches in Chateaux Square is a neo-Gothic building which directly links to the Chateaux. Although it received its design in the 18th century the original sanctuary was built by the owner of Teplice's estate, Volf of Vřesovice, between 1549 and 1568.

The original church was of late Gothic style. Conservationists have discovered Renaissance graffiti under today's added plinth; at present, similar graffiti can be seen in Teplice only in Kolostůj's steeples. The building was extended towards the square by Saint Antonio Chapel in the seventeenth century and then completely rebuilt. Thanks to the rebuilding of both exterior and interior the church ranges among the first examples of Romantic-Gothic architecture in our country.

The church has been the Orthodox Church of the Elevation of the Holy Cross since 1950.

There is a crypt under the church where Volf of Vřesovice himself is buried.

You can see the interiors of the church only on Sundays in the time of regular office. Their schedule is placed on the church notice-board.