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corporated. Services were held in a one story frame building on mile north of Canterbury, 1780-1856. Present building dedicated in 1856. Rebuilt 1900. A one story frame structure with belfry and bell. First settled clergyman, Rev. Daniel Lemden, 1856-? (Any records kept 1780-1909 now missing) Minutes, 1900--, 1 vol.; Register (including financial), 1910--, 1 vol.; in possession of pastor, Rev. Daniel J Ford, Camden. Sunday School, 1935--, 3 vols.; in possession of superintendent, James Powell, Felton, Ladies' Aid Society, 1929--, 1 vol.; in possession of Mrs. Clara Rents, Felton, Record of incorporation: Kent Co. Recorder's office, Deeds Record; VOL. k4 P. 277L

209. CHESTER BETHEL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 1760--, Faulk Road in Brandywine Hundred, (Summit, Pa.).

Organized 1780 as an outgrowth of meetings held for some years previously in private homes. The first of these were revival meetings under the leadership of Captain Thomas Webb. A church is said to have been built in 1780 near the present site. In 1797 an acre of ground was purchased on Faulk Road and a small stone church erected. This served until 1874 when the present church was built nearby. Two Story brick building with green serpentine stone front. Gothic style. First settled clergyman, Rev. Henry Senderson, 1874-75. See: articles in Wilmington newspapers, Every Evening, Oct. 12, 1912; Morning News, Mar. 31, 1936.

Minutes, 1857--, 3 vols.; in possession of Mrs. Herbert Talley, Faulk Road. Register, 1875--, 3 vols.; in possession of pastor, Rev. William E. Habbart P.F.D. 2, Wilmington. Financial, 1927--, 1 vol.; in possession of Leonard Talley, Faulk and Shipley Roads. Sunday School, 1872--, 2 vols.; in possession of Mrs. Harry Halbert, R.F.D. 3, Wilmington. Records of incorporation and deeds: New Castle. Co. Recorder's office, Deeds Record, vol. S2, p. 242; vol. A10, p.161; vol. M21, p. 248; vol. H24, p.362. (Except for the notes for several copy-books, now kept in a bank vault, records 1780-1856 are loath.

210. MT. PLEASANT METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 1780--, 3 miles SW of Laurel.

Organized 1780 and called Moore's Chapel. Services were held in private homes until 1781 when the present building was dedicated. Rebuilt 1892 and 1925. A one story frame building with steeple and bell. This is one of the few churches still having a camp meeting. First settled clergyman, Rev. Thomas Dunn, 1805-06. See: articles in Wilmington newspapers, Morning News, Feb. 15, 1933; Sunday Star, April 28, 1936.

Minutes, 1925--, 1 vol.; Financial, 1840--, 1 vol.; Sunday School, 1900--, 1 vol.; in possession of George Hill, R.F.D., Laurel Register 1900--, 3 vols.; in possession of pastor, Rev. Jacob C. Hanby. Records of incorporation and deeds: Sussex Co. Recorder's office, Deeds Record; vol. CCD129, p. 416; vol. CCH139, p. 445; vol. DGH 244, p. 554.

211. BETHEL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 1781--, on Delaware – Maryland line near Oak Grove.

Organized 1781. Incorporated March 5, 1807. First church built on present site used from 1781 until 1894 when present church was dedicated. One story frame building. First settled clergyman, unknown.

Minutes, 1894--, 1 vol.; Financial, 1894--, 1894--, 1 vol.; in possession of Daniel Calloway, R.F.D., Seaford. Sunday school, 1894--, 1 vol.; in possession of Frank Wagner, R.F.D., Seaford. Records of 11; vol. CCS144, p. 153.