

CHURCHES OF DELMARVA

**POSTAL ZIP CODE listing of Methodist Churches in Sussex County, DE**  
**Green Highlight** – means there is a **Picture** of that **Church** in the Pictorial Directory

19947	Asbury M.E.	De Rte 28, Hardscrabble	Georgetown, DE	1812
19947	Bethesda M.E.	25074 Bethesda Road, Stockley	Georgetown, DE	1831
19947	Cokesbury M.E.	99953 Road 529	Georgetown, DE	1803
19947	Epworth M.E.	(Now at Marvel Museum)	Georgetown, DE	1803
19947	Faith Chapel M.P.	Off US 113, Redden	Georgetown, DE	1898
19947	Grace M.P.	Market & King Streets	Georgetown, DE	1891
19947	Hebron M.P.	18275 Seashore Highway 282, DE Rte 18	Georgetown, DE	1888
19947	Iglesia U.M.	310 South Railroad Avenue	Georgetown, DE	
19947	McColley's Chapel M.E.	18168 Redden Road	Georgetown, DE	1837
19947	Pepper's M.E.	2 miles W/o Georgetown	Georgetown, DE	1894
19947	Providence M.P.	Shortly Road & Piney Grove Road	Georgetown, DE	1886
19947	Redden M.E.	Redden-Ellendale Road	Georgetown, DE	1894
19947	St. John's M.E.	Springfield Road & De Rte 30	Georgetown, DE	1852
19947	Sand Hill M.E.	Georgetown-Milton Road	Georgetown, DE	1859
19947	Wesley M.E.	102 East Laurel & Race Street	Georgetown, DE	1792
19950	Grace M.P.	West market Street	Greenwood, DE	1880
19950	Greenwood M.E.	West Market & Church Street	Greenwood, DE	1880
19950	St. Johnstown M.E.	East of Greenwood	Greenwood, DE	1786
19966	Bethel M.E.	36656 Line Road, Whitesville	Gumboro, DE	1841
19966	Gumboro M.E.	36633 Main Street, Gumboro	Gumboro, DE	1865
19945	Line M.E.	Line Road, Whitesville	Gumboro, DE	1785
19966	Westwoods M.E.	2 miles E/o Gumboro	Gumboro, DE	1890
19951	Beaver Dam /Harbeson M.P.	18647 Harbeson Road, Harbeson	Harbeson, DE	1820-Pres
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19952	Lebanon M.E.	De Rte 36 & Co Rd 224, Staytonsville	Harrington, DE	1840-1930
19956	Bethesda M.E.	7 Miles SE of Laurel near Pepper Box	Laurel, DE	1816
19956	Brown's M.E.	North of Hearn's Pond	Laurel, DE	1883
19956	Centenary M.E.	Market & Poplar Streets	Laurel, DE	1801
19956	Christ M.P.		Laurel, DE	1831
19956	Epworth M.E.	Was 6 Miles East of Laurel (See: Georgetown)	Laurel, DE	1889
19956	Horsely M.P.	West of Laurel off Sharptown Road	Laurel, DE	1895
19956	Kings M.E.	3 Miles East of Bacon Switch	Laurel, DE	1842
19956	Laurel Camp Meeting Grounds	2 Miles NE/o Laurel on Bus US 113	Laurel, DE	
19956	Mt. Calvary M.E. (N)	Portsville	Laurel, DE	1832
19956	Mt. Lebanon /Portsville M.P.	31060 Dogwood Dr., Portsville	Laurel, DE	1832
19956	Mt. Pleasant /Moore's M.E.	Mt. Pleasant Road, Rte 493A	Laurel, DE	1780-Pres
19956	Moore's /Mt. Pleasant M.E.	Mt. Pleasant Road, Rte 493A	Laurel, DE	1780-Pres
19956	Mount Zion M.E.	28315 Seaford Rd, North of Laurel	Laurel, DE	1809-1852
19956	Mount Zion M.E.	28315 Seaford Rd, North of Laurel	Laurel, DE	1809
19956	New Zion M.E. (N)	430 W 6 <sup>th</sup> Street	Laurel, DE	

**Alphabetical Listing of Methodist Churches in Sussex County, DE**  
 Grey Highlight – means there is an Excerpt or History of that Church in the Histories  
 Yellow Highlight – means the Church received a Pastor under appointment in 2013

19973	St John's M.E.	300 North Pine Street, Split of Bochim	Seaford, DE	1818-Pres
19931	St. John's M.P.	Main Street, Bethel	Bethel, DE	1858-1902
19950	St. Johnstown M.E.	13471 Johnstown Road, E/o Greenwood,	Greenwood, DE	1786-
19944	St. Matthews By The Sea U.M.	1000 Coastal Highway	Fenwick Island, DE	
19958	St. Paul's M.E. (N)	West 4th Street & Park Avenue	Lewes, DE	1882-Pres
19956	St. Paul's M.P.	32827 Old Stage Road	Laurel, DE	1863-1923
19940	St. Stephens U.M.	101 East State Street	Delmar, DE	1964-Pres
19966	St. Thomas M.E.	7 miles W/o Millsboro	Millsboro, DE	1840-1925
19975	Salem M.E.	29 West Church Street	Selbyville, DE	1789-Pres
19947	Sand Hill M.E.	Georgetown-Milton Road	Georgetown, DE	1859-
19971	Scott M.E.	20 Baltimore Avenue	Rehoboth Beach, DE	1871-1913
19975	Selbyville M.P.	De Rte 17	Selbyville, DE	1909-1923
19973	Shiloh M.E. (N)	Previously was Middleford M.E.	Seaford, DE	1883-1918
19956	Shiloh M.P.	2 miles E/o Laurel, Shiloh Church Road	Laurel, DE	1873-Pres
19963	Slaughter Neck M.E.	Argo's Corner, De Rte 1	Milford, DE	1777-Pres
19933	Smith's /Union M.E.	1 Mile E/o Oakley then 2 Miles North	Bridgeville, DE	1821-1945
19975	Sound M.E.	Lighthouse Road, De Rte 54	Selbyville, DE	1784-Pres
19933	Trinity M.E.	4385 Dublin Hill Road	Bridgeville, DE	1843
19933	Trinity M.E. (N)	2 miles W/o Dublin Hill Road	Bridgeville, DE	1886
19956	Trinity M.P.	17249 Phillips Hill Road	Laurel, DE	1866-Pres
19963	Tub Mill /First M. P.	Co Rd 119 off De Rte 1 N/o Milford	Milford, DE	1875-1883
19956	Union	1203 Pine Street, Delmar	Laurel, DE	
19933	Union /Bridgeville M.E.	2 North Laws Street	Bridgeville, DE	1780-1805
19933	Union M.E.	Street	Bridgeville, DE	1805-1889
19933	Union M.E.	2 North Laws Street	Bridgeville, DE	1889-1970
19933	Union M.E.	2 North Laws Street	Bridgeville, DE	1970-Pres
19968	Union M.E. (N)	Milton	Milton, DE	1892
19933	Union /Smith's M.E.	1 Mile East Oakley then 2 Miles North	Bridgeville, DE	1821-1945
19970	Union Wesley M.E. (N)	32137 Powell farm Road, Clarksville,	Ocean View, DE	1873-Pres
19958	Unity M.E.	De Rte 23, Fairmount	Lewes, DE	1810-1925
19956	Wallace M.E.	Laurel to Cannon's Ferry	Laurel, DE	1881
19968	Weigand's Chapel M.P.	2 miles S/o Milton, Cave Neck Road	Milton, DE	1887-1930
19968	Wesley Chapel	Road 215, Milton is 23115 Slaughter Neck Road,	Lincoln, DE	1853
19947	Wesley M.E.	102 East Laurel & Race Street	Georgetown, DE	1792-Pres
19958	Wesley /Faith M.E. (N)	Belltown, De Rte	Lewes, DE	1873-Pres
19960	Wesley Chapel M.E. (N)	23115 Slaughter Neck Road	Lincoln, DE	1853-Pres
19970	Wesley M.E. (N)	32137 Powell farm Road, Clarksville	Ocean View, DE	1873-Pres
19973	Wesley M.E.	22025 Atlanta Road	Seaford, DE	1861
19966	Westwoods M.E.	2 miles E/o Gumboro	Gumboro, DE	1890
19968	White's Chapel M.E.	De Rte 1, Overbrook	Milton, DE	1838
19975	Williamsville M.P.	De Rte 54, Williamsville	Selbyville, DE	1905-1913
19973	Woodland M.E.	5123 Woodland Church Road	Seaford, DE	1832
19968	Zion M.E.	De Rte 16 at De Rte 1	Milton, DE	1818-Pres
19975	Zion M.E.	35901 Zion Church Road, Frankford	Selbyville, DE	1839Pres
19966	Zoar M.E.	24463 Gravel Hill Road, De Rte 30	Millsboro, DE	Pre 1800-Pres
19975	Zoar M.E. (N)	Roxanna Road, De Rte 17	Selbyville, DE	1883-Pres

## WESTWOODS METHODIST CHURCH

During the spring of 1779, Methodist pioneer Freeborn Garrettson visited this area to bring the message of his faith to the people. The efforts of Reverend Garrettson and others who followed were met with considerable success. Numerous "societies" or "classes" were organized as a result. Meetings were often held in private residences, there being a considerable distance to travel to the nearest organized church.

Around 1880 a group of local residents began to hold services in the Good Hope School House. Soon after, they started to conduct "woods" or "bush" meetings in the open air nearby. A camp meeting ground was subsequently constructed. In 1892, on one day alone, fifty-eight youth were baptized at Westwoods Camp. While meetings were well-attended, they were discontinued in the mid-1890's when the services were merged with those that were being held at other churches nearby.

In 1890 the congregation began the construction of a church. On March 23, 1891, trustees were elected, and the land where the church was built was conveyed to them by Joshua G. West. The building was completed later that year. The church was affiliated with the Gumboro Circuit of the Methodist Episcopal denomination. It was given the name Westwoods to reflect its wooded surroundings, and to honor Joshua G. West and the other members of his family who had been instrumental in its creation and growth.

LOCATION: *North of Gumboro, North side of Road 426 (Westwoods Road), approximately .75 miles west of the intersection of Road 426 and State Road 30.*

[Archives.delaware.gov/markers/SC](http://Archives.delaware.gov/markers/SC)

On January 31, 1785, a one acre plot of ground called :PLEASANT GROVE: situated just south of Whitesville Delaware, partley in Delaware and partley in Maryland was deeded, for the sum of two pounds current money of the state of Delaware, by Planter Shores of Sussex county, to the following trustees, Soloman Vinson, Benjamine Vinson, Thomas Wells, Jacob Jones, of Sussex County, Delaware, and John Farlow, William Farlow Hezekiah Maddson, Jabob Evans, Thomas Mc,Clish, of Worcestor County Maryland.

The deed stipulated that the trustees would build a preaching house for the use of Methodist Preachers or the frendly clogry of the church of England.

Soon thereafter a house of worship was built on the Maryland side of the Line neere the present site of Line church.

The Rev, Francis Asbury, preached here in Line church on Nov: 12 1788

fifty years later in ~~the year 1838~~ 1838 there was a need for a larger church, and it was built.

And in 1840 Laurel Circut was formed and the first Quartley Conference of the new cirout was held in the Line meeting house July, 18, 1840.

In 1874 there was a need for a new church, a contest was held beteen the two states to ~~see~~ see if it should be built in Maryland or Delaware Delaware won out, so the present church was erected on the Delaware side, it was remodeled in 1895 and the building still stands with modifications.

On November 6, 1874 another small peice of land on the Delaware side adjoining that which was already presented, was deeded to the Trustees by James P McFadden, Additional land was deeded to Trustees on Feb, 17, 1932 by Chawney A Mitchell

In 1938 a Social hall was built about on the site of the old church and near by but across the road from the church is an original mason and Dixon stone marker, close by is a conerite marker with a bronze plate placed by the U.S, Geodetic Survey in 1932 showing only a slight deviation from the line as run by Mayson and Dixon.