

87B-033 John Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church Site and Cemetery 22919 Christ Church Road

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The John Wesley Methodist Church was initiated in April 1866, when John Gray, a freedman, and his wife, Matilda, deeded two acres that Gray had recently purchased to himself and four other trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the purpose of erecting a house of worship. By 1873, a chapel had been erected on the site and was in use. In 1906, a new chapel was constructed to replace the original. A church hall was constructed c. 1955, and is now known as John Wesley Hall. In 1961, the church building was replaced with the stucco building that serves the successor congregation today, Christ United Methodist Church. The church cemetery lies west and northwest of the church. The earliest grave marker identified dates from 1915.