

**Historical Marker - L2182 - Methodist Episcopal Church / Methodist Episcopal Church
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Methodist Episcopal Church

“Circuit riding” ministers brought Methodism to Williamston during the 1850s. The congregation organized in 1859 and built a small church on this site in 1871. The growing membership set about building a new church in 1896. The sanctuary of this church was dedicated on October 10, 1897. Lightning struck the steeple in 1919 and later much of the bell tower was removed. In 1999 the church interior was restored.

Significant Date:

Industry and Invention (1875-1915)

Registry Year: 2006 **Erected Date:** 2006

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In July 1896, 101 farmers and teams of horses delivered 219 wagonloads of fieldstone to this site. The farmers participated in the “Great Stone Bee”, a contest to gather and deliver “hard heads” with which to build this Methodist Episcopal Church. The church was designed by Detroit architect Wells D. Butterfield and built by C. C. Shafer of Howell. The Jackson Glass Works made the stained glass windows.

Marker Location

Address: 211 South Putnam Street

City: Williamston

State: MI **ZipCode:** 48895

County: Ingham

Township: Williamston

Lat: 42.68874468 / **Long:** -84.28286075

Web URL: