



# MORRIS COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION

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## Flanders United Methodist Church

2006	\$19,000	Stained Glass
2007	\$25,960	Stained Glass
2008	\$16,040	Preservation Plan

**Grant Recipient:** Flanders United Methodist Church

**Location:** Mount Olive Twp.

The Flanders United Methodist Church is a contributing building within the Flanders Historic District, which has been certified as eligible for the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places. Flanders, established in the late 18th century, is a well-preserved agrarian support community, with buildings dating primarily from the 1820's to the late 19th century. Small-scale grist and saw mill operations on the North Branch of the Raritan River, stores, schools, taverns, and religious institutions all factored in the importance of Flanders in the 19th century.

The church's congregation was established in 1786. The current church building was constructed in 1857 and has been a center for community life in Flanders for over 150 years.

The 2006 and 2007 grants assisted with the preservation of the building's stained glass windows.

The 2008 grant provided for the preparation of a Preservation Plan for the building and the adjoining parish house.