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## Chicago, Ill. Washington Park Congregational Church records, 1889-1927, 1948. RG5226

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Congregational Library & Archives
<b>Creator:</b>	Washington Park Congregational Church (Chicago, Ill.)
<b>Title:</b>	Chicago, Ill. Washington Park Congregational Church records, 1889-1927, 1948.
<b>ID:</b>	RG5226
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1889-1927
<b>Date:</b>	1948
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1.58 Cubic Feet (4 boxes)
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Washington Park Congregational Church was gathered in 1891 and remained open until 1927. It was located on South Michigan Ave in the Washington Park area of Chicago. The records in this collection gather together administrative and organizational records, ministerial and church correspondence, and the church's vital records.

### Preferred Citation

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## Historical Note

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The Washington Park Congregational Church was gathered in 1891 and remained open until 1927. It was located on South Michigan Ave in the Washington Park area of Chicago.

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## Scope and Contents

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The records in this collection gather together administrative and organizational records, ministerial and church correspondences, and the church's vital records covering the whole operational history of Washington Park Congregational Church. Also included within the records are dismissals, organizational reports, financial reports, and records related to various efforts to find new pastors.

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## Arrangement

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The collection has been arranged into three series, listed below. Within each series, materials have been arranged topically.

**Series 1:** Administrative records, 1889-1927

**Series 2:** Correspondence, 1892-1919

**Series 3:** Organizations and Outreach, 1897-1923, 1948

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## Administrative Information

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### Revision Description

William McCarthy. Made minor changes to the finding aid to make it more accurate. 2018-11-26

## Restrictions on Access

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## Acquisition Information

Received from Chicago Theological Seminary in two deposits, second deposit was accessioned 9/30/14. Accession: 2014-73.

## Processing Information

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- City churches -- Illinois -- Chicago.
- Church records and registers.
- Chicago (Ill.) -- History.
- Church correspondence.
- Community organization.
- Congregationalism -- Membership.
- Washington Park Congregational Church (Chicago, Ill.)

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## Collection Inventory

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### **Administrative, 1889-1927**

Physical Description: 18 Items (13 Folders, 5 Volumes)

**Scope and Contents**

Series includes administrative related records, including dismissal records, baptismal records, church registers and meeting minutes.

<b>Title/Description</b>	<b>Instances</b>	
Letter of Dismissal, 1889-1920	box 1	folder 8
Church Register, 1891-1906	box 2	volume 1
Historical Sketch and Constitution, 1892	box 1	folder 1
Church Register, 1892-1915	box 2	volume 2
Certificates of Dismissal 1, 1892-1919	box 1	folder 5
Certificates of Dismissal 2, 1892-1919	box 1	folder 6
Letters of Petitions for Dismissal, 1892-1920	box 1	folder 11
Treasurer Reports, 1894-1903	box 3	folder 15
Church Annual Reports, 1894-1912	box 1	folder 9
Letters of Resignation, 1899-1900	box 1	folder 4
Latest Church Register, 1900-1927	box 2	volume 3
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes, 1901-1908	box 2	volume 4
Reports, 1913	box 1	folder 10
Baptismal Records, 1918-1919	box 1	folder 12
Request for Transfers, 1922-1924	box 1	folder 2
Letter of Dismissal, 1922-1924	box 1	folder 7
Baptismal Records, 1922-1926	box 1	volume 1
Acknowledgement of Transfer from our church to others, 1923-1924	box 1	folder 3

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**Correspondence, 1892-1919**

Physical Description: 6 Folders

**Scope and Contents**

Series includes ministerial and church correspondences.

<b>Title/Description</b>	<b>Instances</b>	
Resolution Balance Sheets, 1892-1906	box 3	folder 14
Correspondence of Rev. William E. Danforth, 1897-1899	box 3	folder 12

Church Correspondence, 1898-1920	box 3	folder 13
Correspondence of Rev. Frank Burhans, 1899, 1911	box 3	folder 11
Correspondence of Rev. Clarence M. Burkholder, 1912	box 3	folder 10
Council Meetings and Ordination Correspondences, 1919	box 3	folder 9

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## Organizations and Outreach, 1897-1923, 1948

Physical Description: 12 Items (8 folders, 4 volumes)

### Scope and Contents

Series includes organizational reports, membership lists, committee reports and meeting minutes, and club records.

Title/Description	Instances	
Yearbook Reports and Membership Lists, 1897-1920	box 3	folder 6
Sunday School Teacher's Meeting Minutes, 1905-1911	box 4	volume 3
Brotherhood of the Washington Park Church, 1908-1912	box 4	volume 2
Washington Park Messenger, 1915-1920	box 4	volume 1
Order of Services, 1915-1921	box 3	volume 1
War Work Committee, 1918	box 3	folder 7
Reports of Organizations, 1918	box 3	folder 1
Reports of Organizations, 1919	box 3	folder 2
Reports of Organizations, 1921	box 3	folder 3
Reports of Organizations, 1922	box 3	folder 4
Reports of Organizations, 1923	box 3	folder 5
Material of Child Study Club, 1948	box 3	folder 8

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