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Summary Information

Repository:	Congregational Library & Archives
Creator:	United Armenian Calvary Congregational Church
Title:	Troy, N.Y. United Calvary Congregational Church records, 1906-2021.
ID:	RG5420
Date [inclusive]:	1906-2021
Physical Description:	0.77 Cubic Feet (2 boxes, 1 folder)
Language of the Material:	English , Armenian , Turkish .
Abstract:	In 1906, the United Armenian Calvary Congregational Church formed under the moniker "Armenian Presbyterian Church of Troy." After the completion of a church building in 1914, the church was separated into the Presbyterian Church and "The Armenian Congregational Church of Troy, N.Y." which cooperated closely and worked out of the same church building. These churches were reunited in 1919 under their final name, The United Armenian Calvary Congregational Church, up until the church was closed in 2020. This collection records the activities and membership of this organization through church record books, membership records, photograph collections, and financial records.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Note

The beginning of The United Armenian Calvary Congregational Church in 1906 followed a wave of immigration from modern-day Turkey resulting from the Armenian massacres of 1895. The church formed under the moniker "Armenian Presbyterian Church of Troy", but after

the completion of a church building in 1914, the church was separated into the Presbyterian Church and "The Armenian Congregational Church of Troy, N.Y." which cooperated closely and worked out of the same church building. These churches were reunited in 1919 under their final name, The United Armenian Calvary Congregational Church, up until the church was closed in 2020. The church operated a sunday school which focused on teaching about Armenian heritage and forming connections with Armenian communities throughout the United States. Every holiday and season, the church hosted a food kitchen in which feasts were prepared for its members. A list of the pastors who served the church follows:

Ministers	
Rev. Sarkis O Kerian	1910-1911
Rev. Mihran T Kalajjian	1912-1918
Rev. Puzant Levonian	1918-1920
Rev. Samuel Rejebian	1920-1926
Rev. Ephraim Jernazian	1927-1940
Rev. Mihran Renjilian	1944-1959
Rev. Charles Baboian	1957-1965
Rev. Jirair Sogomian	1965-1968
Rev. Dennis Durgin	1968-1971
Rev. Vigen Galustian	1971-1975
Rev. Vincent Kumjian	1973-1978, 2005-2006
Rev. William Hammann	1978-1989
Rev. Joanne Gulezian-Hartunian	1989-1997
Rev. Munro Roberts	1998-1999
Rev. Stanley Skinner	1999-2000, 2002-2005
Rev. Mihran Kupeyian	2000-2002

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Scope and Contents

The Troy, N.Y. United Calvary Congregational Church records include church record books, membership records, church correspondence, photograph collections, and anniversary reports. Also included are financial records, in the form of treasurer's records, receipts, and building records.

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Arrangement

Materials have been arranged in chronological order by start date, and further by relation when appropriate.

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Acquisition Information

Materials were donated to the Congregational Library & Archives by the United Armenian Calvary Congregational Church in March 2021; RG5420.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Armenian massacres, 1894-1896.
- Baptismal records.
- Church buildings.
- Church correspondence.
- Church finance.
- Church membership.
- Church records and registers.
- Marriage records.
- Necrologies.
- Photographs.
- Obituaries.
- United Armenian Calvary Congregational Church
- Troy (N.Y.) -- Church history.

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Church records, 1906-1960	box 1	volume 1

Language of the Material: English, Armenian, Turkish.

Church records, 1927-1978

box 2

volume 2

Language of the Material: English.

Separated Materials:

Separated Materials

Material was removed from this item and moved to
"Materials from Church Records, 1927-1978"

Materials from church records, 1927-1978, 1929-1942

box 2

folder 2

Language of the Material: English, Armenian, Turkish.

Separated Materials:

Separated Materials

This material was taken from the item "Church Records,
1927-1978"

Church records, 1976-2020

box 2

volume 1

Language of the Material: English.

Separated Materials:

Separated Materials

Material was removed from this item and moved to
"Materials from Church Records, 1976-2020"

Materials from church records, 1976-2020

box 1

folder 5

Language of the Material: English.

Separated Materials:

Separated Materials

This material was taken from the item "Church Records,
1927-1978"

Church history, 1914-2020

box 2

folder 3

Language of the Material: English.

Photographs: groups, 1961-1990

box 1

folder 2

Language of the Material: English.

Testimonial photographs, 1972

box 1

folder 3

Language of the Material: English.

Special event records, 1972-2001

box 1

folder 4

Language of the Material: English.

Photographs: church gatherings, 1977-1991

box 1

folder 6

Language of the Material: English.

Scrapbook, 1978-1992

box 2

folder 1

Language of the Material: English.

Financial records and by-laws, 1991-2021

box 2

folder 7

Language of the Material: English.

Building records, 2015-2020

box 2

folder 8

Language of the Material: English.

Closure worship service, 2020

box 2

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Disk 1

Language of the Material: English.

Photographs: groups, undated

folder 4