

Congregational Library & Archives
 Everett, Mass. First United Parish of Everett records, 1848-2013.
 RG5220

Summary

Creator: First United Parish (Everett, Mass.)
 Winthrop Congregational Church (Malden, Mass.)
 First Congregational Church (Everett, Mass.)
 United Church of Christ (First Congregational) (Everett, Mass.)
 First Federated Parish (Everett, Mass.)
 South Malden Congregational Society (Everett, Mass.)
 First Methodist Episcopal Church (Everett, Mass.)
 First United Methodist Church (Everett, Mass.)

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Dates: 1848-2013

Extent: 2 record storage cartons, 1 half record storage carton, 3 clamshells, 3 short lid boxes (4.95 cubic feet)

Collection ID Number: RG5220

Language: English

Abstract: The First United Parish included the First Congregational Church (ancestor churches going back to 1848) and the First Methodist Episcopal Church (founded 1870). It dissolved in 2013. Records consist of ledgers, reports, minutes, directories, bulletins, histories, photographs and a newsreel.

Collection History and Status

Acquisition Information: Gift to the Congregational Library & Archives by First United Parish in September 2014.

Repository:

Congregational Library & Archives
 14 Beacon Street
 Boston, MA 02108
 617-523-0470
<http://www.congregationallibrary.org>

Processing Information: Processed by Nick Ver Steegh, October 2014, using DACS Second Edition.

Accessing and Using the Collection

Conditions Governing Access: Access to this collection is unrestricted and open to the public.

Technical Access: Newsreel film requires a projector.

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Description

Historical Note:

The Congregationalists of the First United Parish traced their origins back to the founding of the South Malden Sunday School Union by Joanna T. Oliver in 1847. Attendance at this school grew so large that eventually a council was held to institute the Winthrop Congregational Church on March 16th, 1848. The First Congregational Church of Everett was formed in an 1870 merger between the Winthrop and South Malden (established 1858) Congregational Churches. Arthur B. Patten, lyricist of the hymn "Faith of Our Mothers," was minister at this church from 1895-1897. It joined the First Federated Parish in the 1970s along with the First Methodist Episcopal Church. This organization became the First United Parish in 1994, which dissolved in 2013.

List of Congregational and Parish ministers:

J.A. Benton 1848-1849
 Francis G. Pratt 1849-1857
 James Cruikshank 1859-1860
 George B. Denham 1861-1862
 Oliver Brown 1862-1864
 David M. Bean 1864-1868
 Albert Bryant 1869-1874
 Webster Hazelwood 1875-1876
 William Bolster 1876-1881
 George W. Washburn 1882-1889
 Eddy T. Pitts 1889-1894
 Arthur B. Patten 1895-1897
 William J. Sweet 1897-1911
 Cyrus Richardson, D.D. 1911-1912
 Ansel E. Johnson 1912-1919
 Hugh MacCallum 1920-1938
 Arthur M. Ellis, PAD 1938-1939
 Harlin M. Campbell 1939-1942
 Willis E. Smith, Litt. D. 1942-1945
 William G. Fagan 1945-1947
 David Fraser 1947-1948
 Gordon S. Kenison 1948-1958
 George Ratcliffe 1958-1959
 Robert A. Roberts 1959-1967
 James Marks 1967-1968
 Robert E. Stiles 1968-1973
 Forrest White 1973-1979
 Gary Parker 1979-1979
 John Snook 1979-1979
 David Montzingo 1979-1987
 Ruth Douglas Merriam 1987-1993
 Thomas F. Kepler 1993-1993

William J. Fleming Jr. 1993-1997
 George L. Hodgkins Jr. 1993-2003
 Dean E. Benedict 2003-2004
 Nizzi Santos Digan 2004-2006
 Althea V. Jackson 2006-2007
 Marion C. Grant 2007-2013

Scope of Collection: The First United Parish records document the history of the First Congregational and First Methodist Episcopal Churches, including their finances, church life, membership and history. These records consist of ledgers, reports, minutes, directories, bulletins, histories, photographs and a newsreel.

Further Searches

Subject Headings:

First United Parish (Everett, Mass.)
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 Congregational churches -- Massachusetts -- History
 Massachusetts -- Church history
 Church buildings -- Massachusetts -- Everett
 Registers of births, etc. -- Massachusetts -- Everett
 Patten, Arthur Bardwell
 American Revolution Bicentennial, 1976
 Malden (Mass.) -- History
 Church records and registers -- Massachusetts -- Everett
 Scrapbooks -- Church history

Related Materials: Enter any additional resources as described in the DACS application profile.

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Arrangement: The First United Parish records have been divided into a Congregational series and a Methodist series.

Contents

Series I: Congregational Records

Date: 1848-2013

Extent: 2 record storage cartons, 1 half record storage carton, 3 clamshells, 3 short lid boxes

Scope of Series: The Congregational Records series contains the records of the First Congregational Church of Everett, Winthrop Congregational Church, South Malden Congregational Church and their successor churches. Each subseries focuses on a particular aspect of these churches, and is ordered mostly chronologically.

Arrangement: The Congregational Records subseries are:

- Governance
- Membership
- Finances
- Bulletins and Newsletters
- Church Histories
- Church Life
- Photographs
- Newsreel

Subseries 1: Governance	Date	Box 1/Volume
Church records	1848-1861	B1/V1
Church records	1861-1890	B1/V2
	Date	Box 2/Volume
Church records	1891-1899	B2/V1
Church records	1899-1914	B2/V2
	Date	Box 3/Volume
Church records	1914-1925	B3/V1
	Date	Box 4/Volume
Church records	1925-1938	B4/V1
	Date	Box 5
First Congregational Church minutes	1852-1891	B5
	Date	Box 6/Folder
Church committee meeting minutes	1887-1899	B6/F1
Church committee meeting minutes	1899-1910	B6/F2
Parish council meeting minutes	1983-1984	B6/F3
Parish council meeting minutes	1984-1985	B6/F4
Parish council meeting minutes	1985	B6/F5
Parish council meeting minutes	1986	B6/F6
Parish council meeting minutes	1987	B6/F7
Annual meeting reports, unbound binder	1938-1961	B6/F8
Annual reports	1961-1962, 1986- 2012 (gaps)	B6/F9
Year end report	1991 December 31	B6/F10
Parish council quarterly reports	1993	B6/F11
By-laws and parish profile inventory	1870-2008	B6/F12
Subseries 2: Membership		
Complete member database printout, unbound binder	2001	B6/F13
Vital statistics, unbound binder	1987-1994	B6/F14

Federated membership register	Date 1988-1994	Box 3/Volume B3/V2
Vital statistics, separated from federated membership register	Date 1995-2011	Box 6/Folder B6/F15
Parish directories	2006, 2009	B6/F16
Subseries 3: Finances	Date	Box 7/Volume
Financial reports	1949-1953	B7/V1
Financial reports	1960-1966	B7/V2
Financial reports	Date 1964-1994	Box 8/Volume B8/V1
Financial reports	1967-1973	B8/V2
Financial reports	Date 1973-1983	Box 7/Volume B7/V3
Financial reports	1974-1984	B7/V4
Financial reports	Date 1985-1994	Box 4/Volume B4/V2
Financial reports	Date 1924, 1964-1994 (gaps)	Box 6/Folder B6/F17
Quarterly report to board of business affairs	1992	B6/F18
Transactions	1995	B6/F19
City assessor's form 3ABC	2003-2004, 2006	B6/F20
Memorial committee report	1969-1985	B6/F21
Legal documents	Date circa 1870s-1975	Box 9/Folder B9/F11
Subseries 4: Bulletins and Newsletters	Date	Box 6/Folder
Anniversary bulletins	1910-2013	B6/F22
Bulletins	1912-1959 (gaps)	B6/F23
Programs	1927-2006 (gaps)	B6/F24
Newsletter	2006 December	B6/F25
Subseries 5: Church Histories		
Church history 1848-1900, unbound binder	circa 1990	B6/F26
Church history 1900-1924, unbound binder	circa 1990	B6/F27
Church history 1925-1969, unbound binder	circa 1990	B6/F28
Church history 1952-1990, unbound binder	circa 1990	B6/F29
Church history 1970-1991, unbound binder	circa 1990	B6/F30
E.D. Hengen historical writings	1982-1983, 1994	B6/F31
Church history notes and documents	1914-2009	B6/F32
W. Fleming papers	1994, 1997, 2007	B6/F33
Correspondence	1956, 2007	B6/F34

Subseries 6: Church Life

Ladies' missionary and aid society	1891-1896	B6/F35
Sigma Sigma Gamma treasurer's reports	1920-1933	B6/F36
Sigma Sigma Gamma treasurer's book	1936-1944	B6/F37
Sigma Sigma Gamma treasurer's book	1944-1974	B6/F38
Girl Reserves meeting minutes	1925-1928	B6/F39
	Date	Box 9/Folder
Delta Alphas meeting minutes	1962-1981	B9/F1
World Vision sponsor children information, unbound binder	1983-1992	B9/F2
World Vision sponsor children information, separated from unbound binder	1990-2001	B9/F3

Subseries 7: Photographs

Photographs	1875-1944, 1991	B9/F4
Photographs	1906-1909	B9/F5
	Date	Box 7
Photo album containing past members	2001	B7
	Date	Box 8/Volume
Book of memories	1943	B8/V3
	Date	Box 9/Volume
Presidents of the Women's Organizations photo album	1927	B9/V1

Subseries 8: Newsreel

Newsreel film of bicentennial service	1976	B7
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Series II: Methodist Records**Date:** 1870-1992**Extent:** 1 record storage carton, 1 half record storage carton, 2 short lid boxes**Scope of Series:**

The Methodist Records series contains the records of the First Methodist Episcopal Church. They are ordered by the aspect of the church they concern, then approximately chronologically.

	Date	Box 5
Church register	1870-1887	B5
Church register	1887-1923	B5
Church register	1913-1922	B5
	Date	Box 7/Volume
Church register	circa 1930s-1961	B7/V5
	Date	Box 9/Folder
Materials separated from church register circa 1930s-1961	circa 1930s-1961	B9/F6
	Date	Box 8/Volume

Church register	1923-1939	B8/V4
Church register	1923-1957	B8/V5
	Date	Box 5
Church register	1957-1963	B5
Church register	1957-1992	B5
	Date	Box 9/Folder
Vital statistics	1965-1992	B9/F7
Financial papers	1894-1991	B9/F8
Legal documents	1870-1957	B9/F12
Anniversary bulletins	1898-1991	B9/F9
"Our church," poem	1874	B9/F13
Lay speaker's certificate	1990	B9/F10