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Open and Affirming Coalition United Church of Christ's collection, 1969-2015.

Creator(s):

Open and Affirming Coalition United Church of Christ
United Church of Christ Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Concerns
United Church Coalition for Lesbian/Gay Concerns
Gay Caucus

Dates:

1969-2015

Extent:

7 record cartons, 1 document case, 1 shoebox (8.3 cubic feet)

Collection ID #:

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Abstract:

This organization, originally called The Gay Caucus when it was founded in 1972, was created to advocate for the inclusion of gays and lesbians into the life of the United Church of Christ. Types of material include council minutes; correspondence to and from leadership (national coordinator and some chapter representatives); events; subject files and resources; regional chapters; public relations; publications; and news articles related to Coalition interests.

Acquisition Information:

Collection materials arrived in several installments from several creators and were given as gifts to the Congregational Library & Archives.

Accruals:

There have been several accruals since the original deposit in 2009 and further accruals are expected periodically.

Description

Historical Note

The Gay Caucus was founded in 1972 by Reverend William Johnson, the first openly gay minister ordained in the United Church of Christ, Nancy Krody and others to advocate for the inclusion of gays and lesbians into the life of the United Church of Christ. The Caucus evolved into the Coalition for Lesbian/Gay Concerns. The Coalition made its first appearance at the 1973 General Synod in St. Louis, MO with an objective of making sure that when discussions about gays and lesbians took place that gays and lesbians were included. In 1997, the Coalition changed its name to the United Church of Christ Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Concerns.

In 1981, annual National Gatherings started taking place as a way to provide personal support to gays and lesbians, their families and friends.

In 1985, General Synod passed a Resolution urging local congregations to Declare Themselves Open and Affirming. The Coalition took on the responsibility of implementing this resolution. The ONA program included resources and personal guidance to any UCC church willing to go through a discussion process with the goal of adopting a statement that welcomed gays, lesbians, bi-sexual and transgender people into their congregations. By 2012, the 1,000th UCC congregation declared itself as ONA. In 2015, the Coalition changed its name to [Open and Affirming Collation of the United Church of Christ](#).

Scope of Collection

Types of material include council minutes; correspondence to and from leadership (national coordinator and some chapter representatives); events; subject files and resources; regional chapters; public relations; publications; and news articles related to Coalition interests.

Due to the nature of the donations and record-keeping by individuals, there are unpredictable focal points and gaps in the records. The nature of the Coalition was very de-centralized for the first decades of its existence. It evolved to have an office in the late 1990s and is now incorporated into the United Church of Christ headquarters. Leadership was responsible for maintaining their own records until that

office was created, and only a few people have shared their files with this central archive project. When material has come in, if a clear creator or collector was present, it's noted on the folder. This sometimes informs organizational choices. This can result in multiple folders per topic when multiple contributors hand similar content. Contributors to this collection include:

- Administrative office (Mitzi Eiltz)
- Susan B. Echo
- Jan Griesinger
- Richard Taylor
- Marnie Warner (and rose ann olmstead)

Further Searches

Subject Headings

[Open and Affirming Coalition United Church of Christ](#)

[United Church of Christ Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Concerns](#)

[United Church of Christ. Gay Caucus](#)

[United Church Coalition for Gay Concerns](#)

[Wood, Robert Watson](#)

[Griesinger, Jan](#)

[Eiltz, Mitzi](#)

[Logan, Jeff](#)

[Johnson, William Reagan, 1946-](#)

[Taylor, Richard H. \(Richard Henry\), 1943-](#)

[Essays on homosexuality](#)

[Homosexuality](#)

[Gay liberation movement - Religious aspects](#)

[Homosexuality - History - 20th century](#)

[Homosexuality - Religious aspects - Christianity](#)

[Homosexuality - Childhood and youth](#)

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[AIDS \(Disease\) - Religious aspects](#)

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[Same-sex marriage](#)

[Lesbians](#)

[Transsexuals](#)

[Bisexuals](#)

[Gay adoption](#)

[Hate crimes](#)

[Suicide - Prevention - Childhood and youth](#)

Related Materials

[Robert Wood papers](#) (MS4704)

[Raymond H. Bradley, Jr.'s collection on marriage equality in Rhode Island](#) (MS5066)

[Waves. The national newsletter of the United Church Coalition for Lesbian / Gay / Bisexual / Transgender Concerns](#)

[Coalition News. United Church Coalition for LGBT Concerns, Rocky Mountain Chapter.](#)

Items Removed From the Collection

[Waves. The national newsletter of the United Church Coalition for Lesbian / Gay / Bisexual / Transgender Concerns](#)

Arrangement

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Contents

Series I: Administrative, National

Date: 1969-2007

Extent: 1 box

Scope of Series: Includes material created by the organization at the executive or administrative level; also includes denominational material; correspondence; finance and budget; membership. Due to the nature of the donations and record-keeping by individuals, there are unpredictable focal points and gaps in the records.

Arrangement: Arranged into loose categories.

| | Date | Box/Folder |
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| By-laws, polity | 1984- 1997, undated | B1/F1 |
| Early records | 1969- 1970s | B1/F2 |
| History of the organization | 1972- 1979, 1984 | B1/F3 |
| Histories – Coalition/Open and Affirming | 1981- 2014 | B1/F42 |
| Annual reports and updates | 1994, 2003- 2008 (gaps) | B1/F4 |
| Council records | 1979- 1988 | B1/F5 |

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| Resolutions | 1970s- 1980s | B1/F12 |
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| Official statements, press releases | 1980s | B1/F14 |
| Press releases | 1987- 1988 | B1/F15 |
| Reports, surveys: Ask the churches about faith and sexuality | 1986 | B1/F16 |
| Strategic planning | 1993- 1994, 2000- 2002 | B1/F17 |
| Visioning, survey feedback | 2003- 2005 | B1/F18 |
| Ohio UCC Conference – records, correspondence | 1979- 1989 | B1/F19 |
| UCC Pension Policy: Domestic Partner Benefits | 1991- 1997 | B1/F20 |
| Budget and finances | 1982- 1997 | B1/F21 |

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| Budget and finances | 1984- 1989 | B1/F22 |
| Fund Raising, grants | 1986- 1988 | B1/F23 |
| Fundraiser letters | 1980s- 1990s | B1/F24 |
| Homeland Ministries financial support | 1997- 1998 | B1/F25 |
| Nomination Committee | undated | B1/F26 |
| Demographic survey | 1998 | B1/F27 |
| Coalition membership, Open and Affirming contacts | 1998- 1999 | B1/F28 |
| Membership renewal | 1998 | B1/F29 |
| Membership renewal | 1999 | B1/F30 |
| Membership renewal | 2000 | B1/F31 |
| Membership directory | 2001- 2002 | B1/F32 |
| Membership | 2002- 2007 | B1/F33 |
| Address to Executive Council by Rev. William Johnson | October 30, 1973 | B1/F43 |
| A Pastor Struggles with A Christian Response to Homosexuality | 1973 | B1/F44 |
| Suggested Priorities for the Board during Retreat | October 1990 | B1/F45 |
| | 1999 | |

Series II: Events

Date: 1981-2015

Extent: 2 boxes

Scope of Series:

The Coalition's annual meeting is called the National Gathering. Records generated from that event, from the UCC's annual meeting (General Synod), as well as smaller activities, symposiums; lectures; copies of speeches made at events. There has been a great deal of effort to organize and provide leadership training for regional organizers. The records of those activities are also in this series.

Arrangement:

The Coalition's annual meetings called National Gathering is listed first in chronological order, followed by all other activities listed in chronological order. The final section is for training and leadership activities listed in chronological order.

| | Date | Box/Folder |
|---|-------------|-------------------|
| Events - National Gathering | | |
| National Gathering index, 1981-2015 | 2015 | B1/F34 |
| National Gathering resolutions | 1982-1993 | B1/F35 |
| National Gathering | 1983-1984 | B1/F36 |
| National Gathering | 1985 | B9/F1 |
| National Gathering | 1988 | B1/F37 |
| National Gathering | 1989-1993 | B1/F38 |
| National Gathering | 1993 | B1/F39 |
| National Gathering | 1994-1996 | B1/F40 |
| National Gathering [includes annual report] | 1997-1999 | B1/F41 |
| National Gathering | 2012 | B9/F2 |
| | Date | Box/Folder |
| National Gathering | 1999 | B2/F1 |

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| National Gathering | 2000-2001 | B2/F2 |
| National Gathering | 2002-2003 | B2/F3 |
| National Gathering | 2004 | B2/F4 |
| National Gathering | 2005 | B2/F5 |

Events - General

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|--|-----------|--------|
| General Synod not coalition specific | 1981-1985 | B2/F6 |
| Events | 1983-1988 | B2/F7 |
| UCC National Women's Meeting | 1984 | B2/F8 |
| Homosexuality Symposium | 1985 | B2/F9 |
| Iliff Women's Week | 1987 | B2/F10 |
| Washington march | 1987 | B2/F11 |
| Women's Space | 1988 | B2/F12 |
| General Synods | 1989-1996 | B2/F13 |
| General Synod Coalition activities | 1989 | B2/F14 |
| Eilts, Mitzi: Installation as National Coordinator | 1997 | B2/F15 |
| Anniversary - ONA 10th | 1995 | B9/F5 |
| Anniversaries and celebrations | 1997-2004 | B2/F16 |
| Anniversary – ONA 20th | 2005-2006 | B9/F6 |
| Blessing National Office | 1998 | B2/F17 |
| Events | 1998-1999 | B2/F18 |

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| Witness our Welcome (WOW) | 2000 | B2/F19 |
| Witness our Welcome | 2000, 2003 | B2/F20 |
| Events | 2001, 2009, undated | B2/F21 |
| General Synod | 2003 | B2/F22 |

Training and Leadership

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|---|---------------|--------|
| Called out for good | 1998- 2007 | B2/F23 |
| Search and Call Conference | 1998 | B2/F24 |
| National Religious Leadership Roundtable | 2000 | B2/F25 |
| Southern Conference organizing | 2004 | B2/F26 |
| Organizing | 2005- 2006 | B2/F27 |
| Creating Change | 2006 | B2/F28 |
| Local field organizer meeting | 2006 | B2/F29 |
| Out Front, Kansas City, building LGBT faith alliances | 2007 | B2/F30 |
| Ecumenical leadership training | 2008 | B2/F31 |
| Fellowship leadership retreat | 2008 | B2/F32 |

Series III: Correspondence

Date: 1971-2007

Extent: 2 boxes

Scope of Series: Types of material includes correspondence, working files, leadership's subject files. Centralized administrative subject files and programs are in Series V. Most of this series was created by Jan Griesinger, but also include Susan Echo, Jeff Logan, and the Coalition

headquarters administration after it was centrally located in Cleveland.

Arrangement: Materials are arranged chronologically by creator.

| | Date | Box/Folder |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|
| Susan B. Echo / Jeff Logan | | |
| Johnson, Bill | 1975, 1980s | B2/F33 |
| Coordinating Center for Women | 1977- 1984 | B2/F34 |
| Correspondence and resources | 1982- 1985 | B2/F35 |
| Correspondence and working files | 1983- 1987 | B2/F36 |
| Susan Echo - working file | 1983- 1995 | B2/F37 |
| Jeff Logan - working file | 1984- 1985 | B2/F38 |
| Correspondence, Echo and Logan | 1984- 1985 | B2/F39 |
| RESTRICTED until 2020 - Correspondence, Echo | 1986 | B2/F40 |
| Theological education, Echo | 1987- 1998 | B2/F41 |
| United Board for Homeland Ministries, volunteering, Echo | 1992 | B2/F42 |
| Jan Griesinger | | |
| Wood, Robert - correspondence, essays, speeches | 1971, 1985- 1989 | B2/F43 |
| Working files | 1982- 1997 | B2/F44 |
| Correspondence | 1984 | B2/F45 |

| | Date | Box/Folder |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Correspondence | 1985 | B3/F1 |
| Correspondence | 1986 | B3/F2 |
| Correspondence | 1987- 1988 | B3/F3 |
| Correspondence | 1989- 1990 | B3/F4 |
| Correspondence | 1990- 1991 | B3/F5 |
| Correspondence | 1991- 1992 | B3/F6 |
| Correspondence | 1992- 1993 | B3/F7 |
| Correspondence | 1992- 1993 | B3/F8 |
| Correspondence | 1993 | B3/F9 |
| Correspondence | 1994 | B3/F10 |
| Correspondence | 1995- 1996 | B3/F11 |
| Correspondence | 1996- 1997 | B3/F12 |
| Richard Taylor | | |
| Correspondence | 1997 | B3/F13 |
| Mitzi Eilts | | |
| Correspondence | 1997- 2002 | B3/F14 |
| Correspondence | 1998- 1999 | B3/F15 |
| Correspondence, non-members | 1999- 2000 | B3/F16 |

Administrative Office

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|---|---------------|--------|
| Wood, Robert. Early history narrative | undated | B3/F17 |
| Miller, Mary - letter, photograph, AIDS/HIV memorials | 1989- 2005 | B3/F18 |
| Sherry, Paul. "Now No Condemnation" letter and related material, response to Matthew Shepard murder | 1998- 1999 | B3/F19 |
| d'Helen, Lark | 2001- 2002 | B3/F20 |
| Warner, Gertrude. Play scripts circa 1950s | 2007 | B3/F21 |

Marnie Warner, rose ann olmstead

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| Boston, Mass. Church of the Covenant's work with ONA/LGBT work | 1981- 2001 | B9/F3 |
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Series IV: Regional Chapters

Date: 1982-2009

Extent: 2 boxes

Scope of Series: The Coalition is divided into several regional groups, which create their own records and are maintained by the regional coordinators. Additionally, there are records from the parents chapter (UCC PFLAG) and the youth and young adult program. Most files are sparsely populated with fliers, brochures, newsletters, membership lists, and occasionally correspondence. Material from Ohio and Rocky Mountain chapters are more thorough because contributors Jan Griesinger and Susan Echo were both regional representatives. The Youth and Young Adult folders include more resources, supportive essays, and talking points than the regional groups.

Arrangement: The first section is general, administrative followed by an alphabetic listing of regional chapters. Also included are parents groups and youth and college campus groups listed after geographic regions.

| | Date | Box/Folder |
|--|-------------|-------------------|
| Chapters, general | 1998-2007 | B3/F22 |
| Chapters, correspondence and newsletters | 1984-1988 | B3/F23 |
| Chapters, correspondence and newsletters | 1988-1993 | B3/F24 |
| Chapters and coordinators correspondence and newsletters | 1993-1998 | B3/F25 |
| California, Northern | 1998-2001 | B3/F26 |
| California, Southern | 1998-2000 | B3/F27 |
| | Date | Box/Folder |
| California, Southern | 2001-2009 | B4/F1 |
| Connecticut | 1983-2001 | B4/F2 |
| Florida | 1998-1999 | B4/F3 |
| Hawaii | 1997-1999 | B4/F4 |
| Illinois | 1994-2000 | B4/F5 |
| Illinois | 1997-1999 | B4/F6 |
| Illinois | 2000-2002 | B4/F7 |
| Iowa | 1997-1998 | B4/F8 |
| Massachusetts | 1999 | B4/F9 |

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| Massachusetts | 1983- 2006 | B9/F4 |
| Minnesota | 1996- 1999 | B4/F10 |
| Minnesota | 2001- 2008 | B4/F11 |
| Missouri | 1998- 1999 | B4/F12 |
| New Hampshire | 1999 | B4/F13 |
| New York, Metro | 1998- 1999 | B4/F14 |
| Ohio with UCC Ohio Conference | 1982- 1987 | B4/F15 |
| Ohio | 1983- 2004 | B4/F16 |
| Ohio with UCC Ohio Conference | 1988- 1991 | B4/F17 |
| Ohio | 1996- 2000 | B4/F18 |
| Pennsylvania North and South | 1997- 1999 | B4/F19 |
| Pennsylvania Southeast | 2000- 2002 | B4/F20 |
| Rhode Island | 1998- 1999 | B4/F21 |
| Rocky Mountain | 1982- 1983 | B4/F22 |
| Rocky Mountain | 1985- 1988 | B4/F23 |
| Rocky Mountain | 1997- 2000 | B4/F24 |

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| Rocky Mountain | 2001-2003 | B4/F25 |
| South Central | 1999 | B4/F26 |
| Southwest | 1998-1999 | B4/F27 |
| Southwest | 2000-2001 | B4/F28 |
| Washington, North Idaho | 1998 | B4/F29 |
| Parents, UCC PLG | 1991-2002 | B4/F30 |
| UCC PFLAG | 1990-1998 | B4/F31 |
| Youth, Young Adult Program | 1989-2000 | B4/F32 |
| Youth, Young Adult Program | 1992-1998 | B4/F33 |
| Youth, Young Adult Program | 1997-2008 | B4/F34 |
| Youth, Young Adult Program, Our Whole Lives sexuality training | 2009 | B4/F35 |
| Youth, Young Adult Program Suicide prevention resources | 1999, 2008 | B4/F36 |
| Youth, Young Adult, College campus care packet | 2005 | B4/F37 |

Series V: Subject Files and Resources

Date: 1980-2009

Extent: 3 boxes

Scope of Series: Includes resources; newspaper clippings; correspondence; event publicity; essays, sermons, speeches; and support documents on the topics that the Coalition has interest in. The majority of the material focuses on marriage equality.

Arrangement:

The first section, which comprises subject files, campaigns, and programs, are in alphabetical order. There is a more general section following that of resources that are not more topically described. The final section is for the essays, sermons, and speeches. These are in chronological order. A reason for multiple folders per topic includes different sources for the information and an intention to keep original order.

| | Date | Box/Folder |
|---|---------------|-------------------|
| Adoption | 2006-2009 | B4/F38 |
| Adoption amicus brief | 1999-2001 | B4/F39 |
| AIDS-related | 1980-1993 | B4/F40 |
| AIDS-related | 1987-1993 | B4/F41 |
| AIDS Ministry Notebook | 1980s | B4/F42 |
| AIDS resources, educational material | 1987 | B4/F43 |
| Anti-racism | 1994-2006 | B4/F44 |
| | Date | Box/Folder |
| Bibliographies | 2006, undated | B5/F1 |
| Bisexuality | 1999-2002 | B5/F2 |
| Black history month | circa 2006 | B5/F3 |
| Boy Scouts discriminatory policies, UCC resource packet | 2001 | B5/F4 |
| Clergy: "And So We Speak" booklet | 1998 | B5/F5 |
| Clergy: placement of lesbian/gay clergy | 1989 | B5/F6 |

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| Clergy: search and call for LGB survey | 1998 | B5/F7 |
| Clergy: pastoral care/homosexuality resources | 1985 | B5/F8 |
| Clergy: pastoral care packet | 1986 | B5/F9 |
| Colorado's Amendment 2 [discriminatory] | 1993 | B5/F10 |
| Covenant of Community | undated | B5/F11 |
| deCygne, permission for use, Identity | 2007 | B5/F12 |
| Hate crimes, external resources | 2001 | B5/F13 |
| Hate crimes, violence towards gays and lesbians | 1989 | B5/F14 |
| Hispanic Ministries Implementation Team | 1995- 2004 | B5/F15 |
| Institute For Welcoming (IFW) | 2006 | B5/F16 |
| Marriage equality coordinators | 2003- 2004 | B5/F17 |
| Marriage equality endorsements for Synod resolution | 2005 | B5/F18 |
| Marriage equality "Greatest of these is love" book of Massachusetts marriages | 2005 | B5/F19 |
| Marriage equality photographs | 2004 | B5/F20 |
| Marriage equality press releases, position papers, support | 2005 | B5/F21 |
| Marriage equality resources produced by the UCC and Coalition | 2004, undated | B5/F22 |
| Marriage equality resources, articles, support | 2000- 2005 | B5/F23 |
| Marriage equality resources and organizing "Called to Equality" | 2004 | B5/F24 |
| Marriage equality resources, Lambda Legal | 1998- 1999 | B5/F25 |
| Marriage equality, same sex marriage and get out the vote | 2004 | B5/F26 |
| Open and Affirming | 1984- 1986 | B5/F27 |
| Open and Affirming | 1985 | B5/F28 |

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| Open and Affirming | 1986- 1997 | B5/F29 |
| Open and Affirming | 1992- 1993 | B5/F30 |
| Open and Affirming | 1985- 2001 | B5/F31 |
| Open and Affirming advisory committee | 2000- 2004, undated | B5/F32 |
| Open and Affirming | 2003 | B5/F33 |
| Open and Affirming resources | 1980s | B5/F34 |
| Open and Affirming resources | 1999- 2000 | B5/F35 |
| Transgender resources | 1997- 2008 | B5/F36 |

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General Resource

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|---|------------------------|-------|
| Request for resources | 1984 | B6/F1 |
| Request for resources | 1989 | B6/F2 |
| Request for resources | 1998- 1999, 2000 | B6/F3 |
| Bibliographies | 1980s | B6/F4 |
| Resources in Denver | 1980s | B6/F5 |
| Resources | 1980s- 1990s | B6/F6 |
| Resources | 1990s | B6/F7 |
| Resources, support, articles by non-coalition/non-UCC sources | 1990s | B6/F8 |
| Resources, support, articles by non-coalition/non-UCC sources | 1990s | B6/F9 |

Articles, lectures, speeches, sermons

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|---|-----------------|--------|
| Lectures, educational | 1980s- 1990s | B6/F10 |
| Lectures, educational | 1980s- 1990s | B6/F11 |
| Writings in support of gay, lesbian causes, personal stories | 1980s | B6/F12 |
| Sherman, Read S. The Effects of Polity on Gay People in the UCC | 1985 | B6/F13 |
| Echo, Susan B. "Toward a Lesbian-feminist Theology" | 1987 | B6/F14 |
| Addresses and speeches given at National Gathering and other events | 1987- 1993 | B6/F15 |
| Open and Affirming sermons | 2001 | B6/F16 |

Series VI: Allied Groups

Date: 1983-2007

Extent: 1 box

Scope of Series: Material includes information and contact with groups that support LGBT groups, primarily ecumenical/religious groups, although some material is non-religious. There are a few individual folders for groups that did not have concise material, otherwise most of the organizations are grouped in the Ecumenical groups folders.

Arrangement: Arranged in alphabetical order

| | Date | Box/Folder |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Alternative churches | 1983 | B6/F17 |
| Ecumenical gay, lesbian groups | 1987 | B6/F18 |
| Ecumenical LGBT groups | 1980s- 2000s | B6/F19 |
| Faith in America | 2006 | B6/F20 |

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| Human Rights Campaign | undated | B6/F21 |
| More Light Presbyterians | 2003-2005 | B6/F22 |
| National Gay/Lesbian Taskforce | 1999-2006 | B6/F23 |
| National Religious Leadership Roundtable | 1999-2007 | B6/F24 |
| National Task Force on Human Sexuality, stories and correspondence | 1980-1983 | B6/F25 |
| Religious Institute for Morality | 1999-2001 | B6/F26 |
| UCC-related allied groups, departments | 1999-2001 | B6/F27 |
| Wider Church Ministries | 2004 | B6/F28 |
| Women's Taskforce | 1976-1977 | B6/F29 |
| UCC Task Force on Women | 1974-1978 | B6/F30 |
| World Pride | 2006 | B6/F31 |

Series VII: PR and Publications

Date: 1984-2012

Extent: 2 boxes

Technical Access: CDs and DVDs require an optical disk drive to view files; VHS video tapes require a VCR to view.

Scope of Series: Materials include photographs; press releases; newsletters; periodicals; audio-visual material; photographs; and news items that report on topics relating to the Coalition specifically or on issues and events that affect the Coalition and its constituents. The bulk of the material in this series comes from a broad set of sources. Much of that material has not been

created by the Coalition, its members, or the UCC. However, given the marginalized nature of the gay rights movement and the decentralized nature of the Coalition, all this material was maintained to provide a deeper understanding of what the Coalition was collecting in order to support their causes.

Arrangement:

Arranged by type of material, and then alphabetically within each sub-section when possible. General folders of one-off issues precede specific newsletters, which are primarily arranged by denomination rather than by specific title.

| | Date | Box/Folder |
|---|------------------|-------------------|
| Photograph of Coalition March | undated | B6/F32 |
| Photographs | 2003, undated | B6/F33 |
| | Date | Box |
| Winifred Johnson, National Gathering, VHS cassette | 1986 | B8 |
| Gary Comstock, keynote speaker, National Gathering VHS cassette | 1986 | B8 |
| National Gathering photographs | 1991 | B8 |
| National Gathering photographs | 1992 | B8 |
| National Gathering photographs | 1994 | B8 |
| National Gathering photographs | circa 1995 | B8 |
| Just and Loving Relationships, National Gathering, DVD | 2004 | B8 |
| | Date | Box/Folder |
| Public Relations | 2010- 2012 | B6/F34 |
| Publicity, clippings on members | 1993- 1995 | B6/F35 |
| Publicity, news | 1984- 1989 | B6/F36 |

Publicity, news 1984-1989 B6/F37

Publicity, news circa 1984 B6/F38

Publicity, news 1998-1999, 2008 B6/F39

Publicity, news 2000-2005 B6/F40

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Newsletters 1983, 1998-2004 B7/F1

Newsletters 1984-1989 B7/F2

Newsletters 1996-2004 B7/F3

Newsletters 1996-2004 B7/F4

Newsletters 1996-2000 B7/F5

Newsletters 1998-2000 B7/F6

Bi-Women newsletter (Boston) 2000-2001 B7/F7

Brethren Mennonite newsletters 1998-2001 B7/F8

Disciples Alliance newsletters 1991-2001 B7/F9

Gay Community News 1984 B7/F10

Open Hands 1999-2000 B7/F11

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| Presbyterian Newsletter (More Light) | 2000- 2004 | B7/F12 |
| UCC based publicity, news | 1993- 2008 | B7/F13 |
| United Church News | 1985- 1989 | B7/F14 |
| Unitarian Universalist newsletter | 1999- 2004 | B7/F15 |
| United Methodist newsletter | 1996- 2000 | B7/F16 |

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Pins

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|--|---------------|----|
| Drugs Kill God Saves, UCC Youth Against Drugs | undated | B8 |
| United Church Coalition Lesbian/Gay Concerns Friends – Pink triangle on white background | undated | B8 |
| The Coalition UCC Coalition for L.G.B.T. Concerns Friends – Pink triangle on white background | undated | B8 |
| United Church Coalition For Lesbian/Gay Concerns – Pink triangle on black background | undated | B8 |
| Concilio Para Ministerios Hispanos – Council for Hispanic Ministries – Black writing, red seal, beige background | undated | B8 |
| The UCC Coalition for LGBT Concerns God's Extravagant Welcome – Purple writing, white background square button. 3 copies | undated | B8 |
| God is still speaking, Dios habla todavia – black writing, red background, comma | undated | B8 |
| UCC Coalition Pledge I've upped mine Up Yours II. 2 copies | 1999- 2000 | B8 |