



Montclair History Center

Guide to the *Watchung Congregational Church Collection*

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Summary of Collection

This collection contains a variety of files on the history of the Watchung Congregational Church. It includes a wealth of information on specific people as well as events and occurrences from the church's history. It highlights the people and members of the church and their marriages, deaths, church transfers, and baptisms. Through the many types of documents in these files, we are able to gain insight into the various facets of life of the Watchung Congregational Church from their early years.

Creator(s):

Watchung Congregational Church committees, G.D. Holmes (clerk), Rev. A.J. Buttrey, Emma Brehm (secretary), Grace Roehr (secretary), outside churches, etc.

Dates:

20th century, with bulk in early- mid century

Location:

Clark House, 3rd Floor (upstairs Library)

Quantity:

2 Boxes

Scope and Content

The types of documents in this collection include (but are not limited to) correspondence, reports, bulletins, pamphlets, blueprints, newsletters, and newspaper articles. Some of the documents were created as late as 1991, but the majority was created in the 1940s and 1950s. It is made up mostly of originals, with a few photocopies. The documents pertain to the Watchung Congregational Church and its history in the 20th century. The majority of the records refer to deaths, marriages, transfers, and baptisms. This collection is limited primarily to people and events.

History of Watchung Congregational Church

The church first began services on January 18, 1903 in the basement of a local Watchung school. Services continued to be held there until December of 1905. Dr. Amory H. Bradford was the first to preach at the new church's services, followed by Reverend Horace Porter in April 1903. On November 15, 1903, the church was properly organized with a charter membership that included 31 members. In 1904, the church permanently changed its name from Watchung Congregational Church to Watchung Avenue Congregational Church. Later that year, ground was broken for the new church on Watchung Avenue. In December of 1905, the church was accepted into the Fellowship of Congregational Churches. On May 12, 1910, Rev. Thomas Travis became regular pastor of the church, with the Travis Memorial Chimes being dedicated in his honor in 1947. The church was completely remodeled in the 1950s. A big merger of fellow churches occurred in 1957, with Watchung joining soon after. 1974 saw the tragic fire that eventually led the church to disband and become part of the Union Congregational Church.

Arrangement Note

The files in this collection are arranged by subject. The staff and volunteers responsible for the processing of this collection felt that this was the most sensible arrangement because the materials are intended for frequent access. This collection has been entered by file folder into the PastPerfect database. Corresponding accession numbers are listed on each folder.

Container List

This is an inventory of the collection. It includes box number, the folder title, and the folder contents.

<i>Box Number</i>	<i>Folder Title</i>	<i>Folder Contents</i>
Box 1	Service Bulletins 1939-1976	-“Service Dedication of the Travis Memorial Chimes,” June 1, 1947 -“Watchung Church to Dedicate Memorial

		<p>Chimes" flier, 1947</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Welcome to the Installation of J. Vernon Wittenburg as Pastor and Teacher,” Oct. 18, 1970 -“Report of Pastoral Committee” -“Sunday After Christmas,” Dec. 26, 1976 -“Third Sunday in Lent,” March 17, 1974 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“The Inkling,” poem -“Celebrating Our 70th Anniversary Year,” Jan. 14, 1973 -“Second Sunday In Lent,” March 10, 1974 -“Report of the Pulpit Committee,” 1965 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Newark Gets Pastor,” <i>Newark News</i>, Oct. 3, 1965 -“New Pastor At Watchung Gives Plans,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Nov. 18, 1965(?) -“60th Anniversary Service,” Jan. 18, 1963 (4 copies) -“Rededication Services,” Sept. 30-Oct. 7, 1951 (2 copies) -“Golden Anniversary Service,” Jan 18, 1953 -“Service of Installation of Reverend Walter Horace Upton,” Nov. 30, 1954 -“Fortieth Anniversary,” Nov. 14-21, 1943 -“Service of Dedication of the Roll of Honor,” Sept. 26, 1943 -“Service of Dedication of the Travis Memorial Chimes,” June 1, 1947 (2 copies) -“Installation of Adelbert John Buttrey as Minister,” March 23, 1939 -“Fortieth Annual Meeting and Dinner,” Jan. 20, 1943 (2 copies) -“Christmas Eve Candlelight Service,” Dec. 24, 1976 -“Fourth Sunday in Advent,” Dec. 19, 1976 -“Loyalty Sunday,” Dec. 6, 1942 -“Seventieth Year,” Jan. 5, 1974 -“World Wide Communion Service,” Oct. 4 (?) -“Loyalty Sunday,” Nov. 18, 1951
Box 1	Correspondence 1921-1974	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -from Robert Kemper to George Papadopoulos, April 7, 1967 -history of Watchung Church, 1903-1951 -“Milestones of Watchung Congregational Church,” 1903-1918 -“Church Membership by count,” April 21, 1944 -“Watchung Church Staff” -from Mary Travis Army (Director of Christian

		<p>Education) to unknown, June 11, 1956</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -church attendance, 1939-1956 -sketch of church, Phyllis Smith -from Hazel L. Cunard to George D. Holmes, Dec. 1, 1921 -“My Church,” William Henry Boddy -from Stella Bradford to Watchung Church -general information on the Church, -“Loyalty Sunday,” Nov. 21, 1954 -from Robert Post to members, June 13, 1969 -from Bob Kemper to unknown, May 25, 1969 -from Albert Asborn to Diaconate, March 21, 1971 -“Public Affairs Forum,” Oct. 8 -list of names (members?), Oct. 1946 -from A.J. Buttrey to W.K. Newman, March 9, 1974 -from Robert Kemper to members, March 13, 1974 -memo, from Montclair Dramatic Club to Church -from Horace Meeker to Reverend Whittenburg, March 19, 1974 -from John Wightman to Vernon Whittenburg, March 14, 1974 -from Cleo Nesbit to Church -from Marion Tyner to Rev. Whittenburg, March 14, 1974 -from Community Church of Hudson New Hampshire to Church, March 14, 1974 -from J. William Giles to Mr. Whittenburg, March 14, 1974 -from Elizabeth Schmid to Pastor and people of the Church -from Marie Molitor to Mr. Whittenburg, March 20, 1974 -from Sargent to Vernon Whittenburg, March 21, 1974 -“Our Community Church: Proud of its heritage-building for the future,” Adelbert J. Buttrey -invite to reception for Dr. and Mrs. Walter H. Upton, Sept. 19 (?)
Box 1	Clippings 1953-1959	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“”Has Served the Community Well,” unknown publication and date -“United Church of Christ Merged Groups Make First Contacts,” <i>Bethlehem Globe-Times</i>, Feb. 15, 1958

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Communications, Inc., at work at Watchung Congregational Church,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, June 4, 1959 (2 copies) -“Rebuilding Asked at Biblical Fort,” unknown publication, March 27, 1956 -“Montclair Church Mission Society Sponsors Candle Sale for Advert,” <i>Newark Evening News</i>, Dec. 15, 1956 -“Completely Renovated Interior,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Feb. 4, 1954 -“Edward Johnson to be ‘Family Night’ Speaker,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Nov. 5, 1953 -“Trick of Treat for UNICEF,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Oct. 29, 1953 -“Watchung Minister Resigns Position,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Sept. 24, 1953 -“Resigns Pulpit in Montclair,” <i>Newark Evening News</i>, Sept. 24, 1953 -“Watchung Congregational Will Use New Curriculum in Sunday School,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Sept. 17, 1953 -“Call Dr. Porter to California,” unknown publication, June 14, 1909 -“Church Plans Modernization,” unknown publication and date -“G.D. Holmes Dead at 86,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Dec. 22, 1953 -“G.D. Holmes Dies at 86,” <i>Newark Evening News</i>, Dec. 21, 1953 -“Rev. Dwight Smith to be Guest Minister,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Dec. 17, 1953 -“Dr. Samuel W. Keck to Speak at Watchung,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Dec. 20, 1953 -“Christmas Bazaar Scheduled Dec. 4 at Watchung Congregational Church,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Nov. 24, 1953 -“Earl B. Moffatt, 62, Dies; Former Official of ‘D.L.’,” <i>Scranton Times</i>, Nov. 16, 1953 -“He Started Out Pumping the Organ,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Nov. 12, 1953 -“Church’s Future Weighed After Flames Swept Watchung Church,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, unknown date -“Photos reveal some of damage done to rook and stained glass windows by \$150,000 fire,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, March 21, 1974 -2 photos of children sitting in circle and reading
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Box 1	Financial Statements 1911-1946	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Annual Financial Reports, 1917” -“Financial Statements, 1918,” booklet -“Financial Statements, 1919,” booklet -“Financial Statements, 1920,” booklet -“Financial Statements, 1921,” booklet -“Financial Statements, 1922,” booklet -“Report to the special committee appointed Oct. 21, 1943, to select and purchase a parsonage” -“A Racial Relations Service,” Feb. 10, 1946 -“Financial Statement, 1911,” booklet -“Financial Statement, 1912” booklet -“Financial Statement, 1913,” booklet -“Financial Statement, 1914,” booklet -“Financial Statement, 1915,” booklet -“Financial Statement, 1916,” booklet
Box 1	50 th Anniversary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Watchung Congregational Church, 1903-1953,” booklet (6 copies) -“Fiftieth Anniversary” dinner details -“My Church,” William Henry Boddy -“Golden Anniversary Service,” Jan. 18, 1953
Box 1	Scrapbooks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“New Jersey Guide.” <i>New York Times</i>, March 24, 1991 -“Weekend Guide,” <i>Star-Ledger</i>, April 5, 1991 -“Antiques Show, April 5, 6 at Montclair Women’s Club,” unknown publication, March 28, 1991 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Camera Session at Crane House,” unknown publication and date -“In Museums,” unknown publication and date -“Historical Society Presents Lecture on Tiffany Windows,” unknown publication and date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Montclair Historical Society,” unknown publication and date -“This Old House,” unknown publication, March 21, 1991 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Community Bulletin Board,” unknown publication and date -“In Museums,” <i>Star-Ledger</i>, Dec. 28, 1990 -“February Exhibit to Focus on Crane House, 1920-1965,” unknown publication, Feb. 7, 1991 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“About Town,” unknown publication, Jan. 10, 1991 -“Children’s Cooking Classes,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Feb. 14, 1991 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Craft Classes,” unknown publication, Feb. 7,

		<p>1991</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Historical Society to run crafts classes in Montclair,” <i>Star-Ledger</i>, Feb. 15, 1991 -“Soup-a-thon at Crane House,” <i>The Progress</i>, Jan. 17, 1991 -“Basket Maker,” unknown publication, Jan. 31, 1991 -“Soup-a-thon at Crane House,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Jan. 10, 1991 -“Woodenware is Topic,” Feb. 7, 1991 -“And the Winners are...,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Jan. 10, 1991 -“A Multi-colored quilt,” unknown publication and date -“Workshops, Seminars,” unknown publication and date
Box 1	Blueprints	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Alterations to Watchung Congregational Church,” Ferrenz & Taylor, architects -front and side elevation, exact title torn off
Box 1	Scrapbook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -<i>The Inkling</i>, Vol. VII, No. 1, Sept. 17, 1972 -“Dr. W.H. Upton is New Minister,” unknown publication and date -“Dr. Thomas Travis, our Pastor Emeritus...,” slivers of page -“Chronological Notes on the Founding and Early History of the Watchung Avenue Congregational Church,” Dec. 11, 1919 -“Church’s Birthday Party,” unknown publication, Dec. 13, 1919 -“List of Officers,” Nov. 15, 1903 to Sept. 1, 1909 -“Watchung’s Twentieth Anniversary: Interesting Things You Want to Know About Your Home” -“Christmas Sunday, Dec. 24, 1924,” pamphlet -“Watchung Took Name From Indian Village,” unknown publication, 1926? -“Watchung Avenue Church,” brochure -“Sunday, Jan. 10, 1926,” pamphlet -“Easter Sunday, April 17, 1927,” pamphlet -“Sunday, Dec. 23, 1928,” pamphlet -“Sunday, May 12, 1929,” pamphlet -“The Christmas Story,” Dec. 22, 1929, pamphlet -photo of statue of boy holding basin -“A tribute to An Active Parishioner: Dr. Thomas Travis,” <i>New York Times</i>, Jan. 26, 1930 -“Dedicated with Appropriate Ceremony,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Jan. 22, 1930

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Sunday April 20, 1930,” pamphlet -“Sunday March 27, 1932,” pamphlet -“Sunday Dec. 20, 1931,” pamphlet -“Sept. 19, 1937,” pamphlet -“Christmas Service, Dec. 25, 1938,” pamphlet -resignation letter from Thomas Travis, Oct. 2, 1938 -letter from George Holmes to Dr. Travis, Nov. 7, 1938 -“The Installation of Adelbert John Buttrey,” March 23, 1939 -“Oct. 20, 1946,” pamphlet -“Recently purchased Parsonage,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, May 6, 1943 -“Fortieth Anniversary, Nov. 14 to 21, 1943,” pamphlet (2 copies) -“Service of Dedication of the Roll of Honor,” Sept. 26, 1943 -letter from A.J. Buttrey to the members, Nov. 10, 1943 -“Loyalty Sunday, Nov. 28, 1944,” pamphlet -“The Watchung Calendar,” Dec. 19, 1943 -“Dr. Thomas Travis Dies in Florida,” unknown publication and date -“Service of Dedication of the Travis Memorial Chimes,” June 1, 1947 -“Middle Atlantic Conference,” <i>Missionary Herald</i>, Dec. 1948 -“Leading Figures in Service of Installation,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, March 21, 1939 -“Leading Clergy will take part in installation,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, March 17, 1939 -“Lenten School of Religion,” 1949 brochure -“They Serve the Town,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Nov. 20, 1947 -“Sunday, May 25, 1952,” pamphlet -“Remodeling Completed at Watchung Congregational,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Sept. 27, 1951 -“Watchung Minister to Leave,” unknown publication, June 5, 1952 -invitation for “Party for the Buttreys,” 1952 -“Local Church History,” <i>Congregational Christian Historical Society News Letter</i>, Vol. III, No. 3, Summer 1956 -“Loyalty Sunday,” Nov. 23, 1952 -“Mrs. Frances S. Coulter,” unknown publication and date
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“A Half-Century of Service,” unknown publication, 1953 (2 copies) -letter from Joseph H. Stein, Conference Minister and Superintendent, to Members of Watchung Congregational Church, Jan. 13, 1953 -invitation to “Ecclesiastical Council Session and Installation Service for Reverend Robert Ernest Sanders,” Dec. 3, 1952 -“Installation of Reverend Robert Ernest Sanders,” pamphlet, Dec. 3, 1952 -“Church Honors First Members,” unknown publication, 1953 (2 copies) -“Watchung Church Planning Fiftieth Anniversary Fete,” unknown publication, Jan. 8, 1953 (2 copies) -“G.D. Holmes Dead at 86,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Dec. 22, 1953 -“Watchung Congregational Church, 1903-1953,” pamphlet
Box 1	Marriage, Membership, Transfer, and Death records	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -letter, from Church to G.D. Holmes, Jan 1952, constitution of Watchung Church -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, Jan 31, 1950, on putting John F. Mylod on the active list -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, June 7, 1950, on transfer or Glenna Garniss and marriage of Betty Schaumburg and Charles Greenwood -letter, to Mr. Holmes, Feb. 27, 1951 -letter, from Lawrence Fairchild to Dr. Buttrey, March 14, 1951, on transfer of Mrs. Eleanor Reeves Wall -letter from Emma Brahm to Mr. Holmes, Jan. 4, 1952, on death of Russell Thatcher -letter, to Mr. Holmes, Jan. 6, 1951 -letter, to Mr. Holmes, Jan. 3, 1951 -letter, to Mr. Buttrey, Dec. 30, 1951 -letter, from George Rath to Mr. Buttrey, March 16, 1951, on membership of Robert Bloom -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, March 8, 1950, on dismissal of Jean Russell/Mrs. Orrin Roundy and retirement of Arlene Nesbit/Mrs. Ashton Craig and Marion Russell/Mrs. George Keller -letter, from Hastings to George, Feb. 28, 1951, asking for record of Frank Allen Swuarton -letter, to Mr. Holmes, Jan. 17, 1952 -letter, from Emma Brahm to Mr. Holmes,

		<p>Nov. 7, 1951, on retirement of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Pinkney, Lucille Ogden, Robert Ogden, Mrs. Albert Noll, Leon Richtmyre, and Mrs. W.M. Ryan</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, April 4, 1951</p> <p>-letter, from Minister Buttrey to Minister of First Methodist Church in Tunkhannock, PA, April 26, 1950, on transfer of Ella Bliss</p> <p>-Certificate of Membership, March 20, 1950, Mr. and Mrs. H. Baenninger</p> <p>-transfer of Mrs. John (Ruth Smith) Snowdon and Mildred Bakley to Watchung, March 30, 1950</p> <p>-dismissal of Mildred Bakley from First Congregational Church in Irvington, NJ, March 30, 1950</p> <p>-dismissal of Lucy Burnham Gesell from South Congregational Church in Middletown, CN, Dec. 14, 1949</p> <p>-letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, Dec. 5, 1950, on transfer of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris</p> <p>-letter, on transfer of Mrs. Frank Pearce to Central Brick Presbyterian Church in East Orange, NJ, May 3, 1951</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Buttrey, March 21, 1950, on transfer of Mr. and Mrs. Phillips</p> <p>-Certificate of Dismission, Ann Luca, from Presbyterian Church of Upper Montclair, March 28, 1950</p> <p>-letter from Albert Judd to Mr. Buttrey, Feb. 10, 1950, on removal of Randall Decker</p> <p>-Certificate of Transfer, Lawrence Fuller, from Glendale Methodist Church, March 13, 1950</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, April 13, 1951, on death of Jessie Pundt</p> <p>-transfer of Mr. and Mrs. Graham Riddell from First Congregational Church of Oak Park, IL, April 4, 1951</p> <p>-letter, from Mrs. P.N. Gahres to Mr. Holmes, April 16, 1951, on transfer of Betty Schaumburg Greenwood</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, May 4, 1951, on re-instatement of Mrs. Frank Pearce</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, April 10, 1951, on transfer of Mr. and Mrs. Grahame Riddell to Watchung and death of Isaac Kilburn</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, June</p>
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		<p>26, 1951, on marriages of Nancy Snell to Alfred Reed, Jr. and Margaret Shirley to Jay Musselman</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, April 6, 1951, on marriage of Maria Bluman to Junius Powell and letter of transfer for Grahame Riddell</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, Dec. 4, 1951, on church letter for Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Green to Watchung</p> <p>-Certificate of Dismission, Morris Hoover, Jr. from First Presbyterian Church of Turtle Creek, PA, Dec. 30, 1945</p> <p>-Certificate of Dismission, Mrs. Richard Steele (Florence Rodey), from Central Presbyterian Church, March 14, 1951</p> <p>-letter, from Raymond Williams to Mr. Holmes, March 30, 1951, on transfer of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, April 4, 1951</p> <p>-letter, from A.J. Buttrey to Mr. Holmes, Oct. 5, 1951, on transfer of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bortell, Otto Boschen, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boschen</p> <p>-letter, from Charles Stires to Mr. Buttrey, March 20, 1951, on transfer of Mrs. Florence Bleecker Hooven</p> <p>-Certificate of Transfer, Mrs. Emma Nelson Brehm, to Watchung, Dec. 18, 1951</p> <p>-Certificate of Dismission, Mrs. John Fritts (Edith Kline) from Central Presbyterian Church, March 20, 1951</p> <p>-“Members for Dec. 2, 1951”</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, Dec. 5, 1951, on membership of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Shand, Jr.</p> <p>-letter, from William Harris to Mr. Buttrey, Nov. 27, 1951, on dismissal of Lulu Vreeland from West Caldwell Union Church</p> <p>-dismissal of Muriel Morse from Central Congregational Church, Nov. 14, 1951</p> <p>-dismissal of Mrs. William Bertche from Flatbush-Tompkins Congregational Church, Nov. 7, 1951</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, Nov. 30, 1951</p> <p>-letter, from Marvin Maris, on dismissal of Mrs.</p>
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		<p>John Padgett (Shirley Trumpy) from Universalist Church of Avon, IL, Nov. 19, 1951</p> <p>-dismissal of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Green from the Congregational Church of Monhaseek, NY, Nov. 30, 1951</p> <p>-dismissal of Richard Steele from Union Congregational Church, March 16, 1951</p> <p>-Certificate of Dismission, Mrs. Frank Walton (Jean Fraser) from Lafayette Ave. Presbyterian Church of Buffalo, NY, Jan. 3, 1951</p> <p>-dismissal of Mrs. Elizabeth Chambers from First Congregational Church, Nov. 21, 1951</p> <p>-dismissal of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rathban from First Congregational Church of Salananca, Nov. 18, 1951</p>
Box 2	Church Membership Rolls	-brown envelope addressed to "Mr. Geo. Holmes"
Box 2	History of Watchung Church	<p>-notes on Church congregation</p> <p>-history from 1903 to 1919</p> <p>-postcard from "Parque Natural Obo"</p>
Box 2	Watchung Church Pamphlets 1906-1952	<p>-invitation to council, Oct. 4, 1906</p> <p>-"Congregational Year-Book, Schedule for use of the Church for 1910"</p> <p>-"Apportionment Plan Schedule for 1913"</p> <p>-invitation to honor John R. Mott, 1914</p> <p>-Service of Installation of Rev. Jay T. Stocking, 1915</p> <p>-Feb. 21, 1926, pamphlet</p> <p>-Jan. 17, 1926, pamphlet</p> <p>-June 13, 1926, pamphlet</p> <p>-Jan. 2, 1927, pamphlet</p> <p>-Dec. 4, 1927, pamphlet</p> <p>-Jan. 8, 1928, pamphlet</p> <p>-Feb. 12, 1928, pamphlet</p> <p>-April 15, 1928, pamphlet</p> <p>-June 30, 1929, pamphlet</p> <p>-Feb. 9, 1930, pamphlet</p> <p>-April 13, 1930, pamphlet</p> <p>-Sept. 7, 1930, pamphlet</p> <p>-Oct. 26, 1930, pamphlet</p> <p>-Nov. 2, 1930, pamphlet</p> <p>-Dec. 21, 1930, pamphlet</p> <p>-March 22, 1931, pamphlet</p> <p>-March 29, 1931, pamphlet</p> <p>-April 5, 1931, pamphlet</p> <p>-April 12, 1931, pamphlet</p> <p>-June 28, 1931, pamphlet</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Dec. 13, 1931, pamphlet -May 8, 1938, pamphlet -Nov. 27, 1938, pamphlet -June 28, 1942, pamphlet -Dec. 7, 1952, pamphlet
Box 2	War Damage Insurance Records, 1942	-letters between Montclair Trust Company, Sloat Agency Insurance, and James Hyde
Box 2	40 th Anniversary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -letter from Adelbert Buttrey to members, Nov. 10, 1943 -“Announcement of Program for Fortieth Anniversary,” Nov. 14 to 21, 1943 (2 copies) -letter, from Jay Jacobs to Warren Holmes, Oct. 8, 1943, with tentative plans -“Meeting of 40th Anniversary Committee,” July 1, 1942 -letter from Arthur Bradford to Mr. Buttrey, Nov. 24, 1943 -“Peronalia,” about Rev. Henry Smith Leiper -“Biographical Notes,” about Lieut. H.C.W. Albrecht -letter, from unknown to Mr. Buttrey, Nov. 15, 1943 -letter, “Life Begins at Forty,” from A.J. Buttrey to members, Nov. 10, 1943 (2 copies) -“Mount Vernon Church,” May 17, 1942, pamphlet -layout for “Announcement of Program for Fortieth Anniversary” pamphlet -“Members of the 40th Anniversary Committee, 1943” -letter, from M.M. Witherspoon, District Chaplain, to Rev. A.J. Buttrey, Oct. 25, 1943 -“70th Anniversary Celebration, 1867-1937,” pamphlet -“40th Anniversary Committee, 1903-1943”
Box 2	Newsletter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -April 12, 1950 -June 18, 1952 -Sept. 16, 1952 -Oct. 22, 1952 -Sept. 3, 1952 -“A Thanksgiving Faith,” 1952 -Nov. 26, 1952, page 2 -Nov. 14, 1952, page 2
Box 2		-reports for church year book, 1948-1951
Box 2		-“Middle Atlantic Conference of Congregational Christian Churches, 1950,” booklet

		-“Middle Atlantic Conference of Congregational Christian Churches, 1949,” booklet
Box 2	Articles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Thy New Creation,” ordination of Suzanne Harris, Dec. 14, 1985, pamphlet -photo of group of men, c.1960 -“Watchung’s Twentieth Anniversary: Interesting Things You Want to Know About Your Home” -“Rededication Services,” Sept. 30-Oct. 7, 1953, pamphlet -“Service of Dedication of Travis Memorial Chimes,” June 1, 1947, pamphlet (12 copies) -“Installation of J. Vernon Wittenburg,” Oct. 18, 1970, pamphlet -“Watchung Congregational Church, 1903-1953,” pamphlet (3 copies) -“Easter,” 1953, pamphlet -“The Lord’s Supper,” pamphlet -“Centennial Notes,” April 1, 1952, pamphlet -scrapbook <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“4 Substitute Pastors Names,” <i>Montclair Times</i>, Sept. 7, 1952 -“Watchung Church to Share In Bible Celebration,” unknown publication, Oct. 5, 1952 -“New Pastor for Watchung,” unknown publication and date -“Watchung Church Planning Fiftieth Anniversary Fete,” unknown publication and date -“Church Honors First Members,” unknown publication and date -“Church Booklet Notes Half-Century Progress,” unknown publication and date -“A Quest for Religious Resources,” unknown publication and date -“Watchung Church Announces Courses,” unknown publication and date -“Watchung Church to Seek Funds,” unknown publication and date -“Rev. Frank Grebe to Give Address,” unknown publication and date -“Watchung Minister Resigns Position,” unknown publication and date -“At Watchung Church: Mrs. Paul F. Mehl,” unknown publication and date -“Congregational Conference of New Jersey,” April 19-20, 1910, program

Box 2	Service Pamphlets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Every Member Canvass,” Nov. 30, 1941, pamphlet -“Why Back the Church,” pamphlet -“Service of Dedication of Roll of Honor,” Sept. 26, 1943, pamphlet, -“Constitution and By-Laws of Watchung Mens’ Club”
Box 2	History and Standing Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Woman Describes Death of Lincoln,” <i>New York Times</i>, Feb. 12, 1950 -“J. Howard Diltses Will Be Honored,” unknown publication and date -members list, unknown date -June 29, 1930, pamphlet -“Welcome New Members!,” pamphlet -“New Members-Received March 25, 1951” -“Announcement of Program for Fortieth Anniversary,” Nov. 14 to 21, 1943, pamphlet -“Watchung Calendar,” Dec. 12, 1943, pamphlet -“Watchung Calendar,” Feb. 10, 1945, pamphlet -Nov. 11, 1928, pamphlet -April 24, 1927, pamphlet -Oct. 11, 1931, pamphlet -Oct. 7, 1928, pamphlet -Feb. 22, 1931, pamphlet -April 19, 1931, pamphlet -“50th Anniversary Dinner and Reception,” Jan. 21, 1953, schedule -post card invitation to Pilgrim Church and Swedish, Dec. 12, 1905 -letter, from Thomas Travis to Dr. Bliss, Nov. 2, 1923 -“International Christian Police Association,” pamphlet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -letter, from J.R. Spicer to G.D. Holmes, July 18, 1910 -Meeting of Standing Committee notes, Jan. 28, 1908 -“Member who joined after Charter Members, Nov. 15, 1903” -report of Standing Committee, 1909 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 17, 1917 -report of Standing Committee, 1917 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 15, 1919 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 23, 1920 -report of Standing Committee, Jan 18, 1921 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 19, 1922 -report of Standing Committee, Jan 17, 1923

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 16, 1924 -report of Standing Committee, Jan 21, 1925 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 20, 1926 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 16, 1929 -report of Standing Committee, 1929 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 20, 1931 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 18, 1933 -report of Standing Committee, Dec. 31, 1933 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 20, 1927 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 19, 1938 -report of Standing Committee, March 15, 1939 -report of Standing Committee, Jan. 17, 1940 -report of Standing Committee, 1927 -report of Standing Committee, 1935
Box 2	Membership Dismissals and Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Dismission, Betty Wadham, May 31, 1949 -Dismission, Ruth Wadham, 1949 -Dismission, Dorothy Monsees, April 7, 1949 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -State Street Church of Portland, Maine, dismissal, Mrs. Robert Edwards, April 6, 1949 -Broadway Tabernacle, dismissal, Theodore Hannant, Jan. 30, 1949 -Dismission, Cynthia Schwinn Post, March 31, 1949 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, April 19, 1949 -list of new members, April 15, 1949 -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, Jan. 20, 1949 -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, Dec. 7, 1950 -letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, May 28, 1952 -letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, March 7, 1952 -letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, Nov. 15, 1951 -Dismission, Cara Hill, May 25, 1950 -“Report of the Nominating Committee, 1950” -letter, from Lee Morrison to A.J. Buttrey, June 6, 1949 -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, May 24, 1949 -letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, April 9, 1952
Box 2	Newspaper Clippings of Marriages and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Samuel J. Parker,” unknown publication and date -“Hirsch-Hulse,” unknown publication, 1937

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Box 2	Membership Transfers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mrs. Edwin B. Bachman, June 1, 1949 -Gerald D. Wood, Sept. 15, 1949 -Mrs. Verna F. Mackay, June 1, 1949 -“Recommendation from the Board of Trustees to the Annual Meeting,” -invitation to become pastor, to Robert Sanders, Oct. 20, 1952 -“Names to be placed on ‘retired list,’” Jan. 18, 1950 -Frank L. Allen, Jr., June 7, 1946 -Ralph E. Traber, Oct. 3, 1946 -list of new members, Dec. 11, 1946 -list of new members, Oct. 9, 1946 -list of new members, Sept. 28, 1946

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Box 2	Baptism Records	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, June 14, 1949 -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, May 12, 1949, on Allan Krom and Thomas Koster -letter, to Mr. Holmes, May 15, 1950, on Thomas Traber and Holly Rhoades -letter, to Mr. Holmes, June 23, 1950, on Sarah Burton -letter, to Mr. Holmes, Oct. 28, 1947, on Janet

		<p>Fardelmann</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, Nov. 30, 1947, on James Franciose</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, Nov. 24, 1947, on Laura Monsees</p> <p>-letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, Dec. 10, 1952, on Charles Burgi, III and John Runge</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, July 24, 1952, on Gail Moodie, Geoffrey Eshbaugh, Deborah Brent, and Dolores Vincent</p> <p>-letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, April 7, 1948, on Raymond Hall, Donald Salmond, and Virginia Salmond</p> <p>-“Baptisms-Sunday-June 13, 1948,” Peter Clarke and Sally Wesson</p> <p>-letter to Mr. Holmes, Oct. 31, 1949, on William Halbrook</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, Oct. 19, 1949, on Susan McDonough</p> <p>-“Children Baptized on Children’s Day-June 12, 1949,” William Alenson, Caroline Alenson, Ruth Wagner, and Paul Delatuah</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, Jan. 9, 1950, on Jefferson Hughes, Jr.</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, March 14, 1950, on Robert Runge</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, June 27, 1950, on Bruce Essig, Andre Adidge, and Douglas Fritts</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, Oct. 9, 1950, on Gregg Monsees</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, Jan 4, 1950, on David Johnson, Jr. and Donald Fardelmann, Jr.</p> <p>-letter, from Hastings to Mr. Holmes</p> <p>-letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, June 19, 1951, on Sally Ward, Caroline Colton, Suzanne Colton, Albert Colton, and Helen Steele</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, Dec. 18, 1951, on Laurinda Chin</p> <p>-“Data on Baptisms,” baptized on Mother’s Day, May 1952, Richard Egginton, Gerlinda Ellen Franciose, John Padgett, Gail Padgett, Thomas Padgett</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, June 10, 1952, on Deborah Brent, Geoffrey Eshbaugh, ail Moodie, and Dolores Vincent</p> <p>-letter, to Mr. Holmes, July 29, 1952, on Gary Snowdon, Alfred Reed, III</p>
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Box 2	Death Records	-letter, to Mr. Holmes, Jan. 1, 1950, on Mrs. Morehead, Mrs. B.S. Rodey, Mrs. Rose Moore, Mr. C.W. Andrus, and Mr. C.W. Wiessmann -letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, Sept. 19, 1952, on Matilda Bloom -letter, from Grace Roehr to Mr. Holmes, Nov. 21, 1950, on C. Walton Andrus and Charles Wiessmann -letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, April 11, 1951, on Charles Street -letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, Sept. 18, 1951, on George Atkins -letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, June 7, 1951, on William Stewart -letter, from Emma Brehm to Mr. Holmes, June 15, 1951, on Charles Lamcken and Herman Hupfeld
Box 2	Church Proceedings	-letter, from George Farrand to Mr. Holmes, June 14, 1949 -letters between Congregational Churches in Northern NJ, 1906-1907 -letter, from First Congregational Church to Watchung, April 4, 1908 -“Board of Trustees Watchung Congregational Church, Resolution” -“Mid Atlantic Conference of Congregational Christian Churches” -letter, Feb. 6, 1950 -“Membership in the General Council of Congregational Christian Church” -“Unit Groupings”
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