

Title: Summerfield United Methodist Church Records

Manuscript Number: Mss-3370

Inclusive Dates: 1855, 1911-1965

Quantity: 1.0 cu. ft. total

Location: ER, Sh. G004 (0.8 cu. ft.)
OS SM "S" (0.2 cu. ft.)

Abstract: Summerfield United Methodist Church was founded in 1852 by the congregation under the original name Jackson Street Methodist Episcopal Church. The physical church in Milwaukee was built in 1904 and named for John Summerfield, an Irish Methodist preacher. The 1st Women's Foreign Missionary Society in Milwaukee and Wisconsin was organized in the Church (later the United Methodist Women) and Goodwill Industries of Wisconsin was founded in the basement. Summerfield remains the oldest Methodist congregation in Wisconsin listed on the state register of historic landmarks and the National Register of Historic Places. The current building is located in Juneautown (East Town) on E. Kilbourn Ave and N. Van Buren St. in Milwaukee's downtown, with the last service on June 25th, 2023.

Scope and Content: The Summerfield United Methodist Church records contain various financial record books from 1911-1953 with recordings of church expenditures, cash received (weekly offerings), check numbers, receipts, and other materials related to the finances of the church. Included are notecards and their envelopes, including a singular notecard with drawings of the church, and a journal from the Wisconsin Conference Evangelical United Brethren Church 1965. Also included is a German Bible possibly owned by the church since 1855.

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English

Notes: WSCS books are currently unavailable due to mold and water damage.

Administrative Note: Processed by Lydia Schlais, February-March 2024.

Arrangement:

Series One	Box #	Folder #
Box 1 Folder Heading		
Finance Records, 1911-1912	1	Loose in Box
Finance Records, 1914-1918	1	Loose in Box
Finance Records, 1914-1918	1	Loose in Box
Finance Record, 1922-1926	1	Loose in Box
Finance Records, 1927-1928	1	Loose in Box
Finance Records, circa 1935	1	Loose in Box
Finance Records, 1948-1953	1	Loose in Box
Fence Proposal, 1929	1	1

Church Notecards/Conference Journal, 1965	1	2
German Bible, 1855	2	Loose in Box
Oversized Material	Location	
Financial Records and Receipts, 1927-1928	OS SM "S"	
Records of Cash Received, 1929-1932	OS SM "S"	