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Bay City First United Methodist Church Records, 1868-2013

History Note:

The congregation which became First United Methodist was formed in 1868 and a church was built and dedicated in November 1869 in what was then the Village of Wenona. In January 1883, the church was destroyed by fire and a new building was constructed, the one which stands today, in 1885. The church remained open until June 2013 when it merged with Bay City Christ United Methodist Church to form Bay City Grace United Methodist Church.

Scope Note:

In addition to a history file, the collection contains Sunday bulletins; and minutes and other documents for the Official Board/Administrative Board/Administrative Council and various committees within the church; church vital records such as membership, baptisms, and marriages; minutes of church conferences; and minutes of women's organizations within the church - Ladies Aid Society, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Woman's Home Missionary Society, Woman's Society of Christian Service, and United Methodist Women.

Extent:

16.9 linear feet (ca. 33,800 pages)

Access Restrictions:

The collection is open to research.

Restrictions on Use:

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Appointments List

- 1866-1867: Addison C. Shaw
- 1867-1868: Alexander Gee
- 1868-1869: Joel B. Goss
- 1869-1871: Jacob Horton
- 1871-1874: William Q. Burnett
- 1874-1876: Roland Woodhams
- 1876-1877: Dustan W. Misener
- 1877-1880: William M. Dawe
- 1880-1883: Lewis P. Davis
- 1883-1886: Matthew C. Hawks
- 1886-1888: Andrew J. Richards
- 1888-1889: Nelson G. Lyons
- 1889-1891: Charles H. Morgan
- 1891-1894: James H. Kilpatrick
- 1894-1898: Charles B. Steele
- 1898-1900: Herman C. Scripps
- 1900-1904: William B. Pope
- 1904-1908: John P. Varner
- 1908-1917: John R. Gregory
- 1917-1921: Guy V. Hoard
- 1921-1925: Hartley Cansfield
- 1925-1931: Clifford E. Doty
- 1931-1935: William Clyde Donald
- 1935-1939: Edward F. Dunlavy
- 1939-1952: Charles F. Wolfe
- 1952-1961: T. Leonard Sanders
- 1961-1968: Arthur B. Howard
- 1961-1964: Earl J. Plumb (Associate)
- 1964-1966: Charles Kolb Jr. (Associate)
- 1966-1968: Herbert W. Thompson (Associate)
- 1968-1972: G. Russell Nachtrieb
- 1970-1972: Wallace Robinson (Associate)
- 1972-1979: Benjamin C. Whaley
- 1972-1973: Perry Foor (Associate)
- 1973-1975: Charles Dibley (Associate)
- 1975-1976: Harold Nessel (Associate)
- 1977-1979: Timothy Queen (Associate)
- 1979-1984: Ronald D. Carter
- 1980-1982: Wayne Ferrigan (Associate)
- 1982-1984: John W. Elliott (Associate)
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