



Michigan Conference United Methodist Archives

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Detroit Redford United Methodist Church

Records, 1927-1984 (2001)

History Note:

From 1832 to 1838, circuit riders held meetings in homes in the Bell Branch region of Redford Township. Around 1840, a meeting house was built to house these meetings. In 1882, services began at Duboisville. Ten years later, Duboisville Church was built. In 1912, the congregations of Bell Branch and Duboisville joined together and built Redford Methodist Episcopal Church. The church was later called Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, then Calvary Methodist Church, and eventually became known as Redford United Methodist Church. In 1978, Detroit St. Matthew's United Methodist Church and Redford United Methodist Church combined congregations, staying in the Redford church building and keeping that name. Redford United Methodist Church merged into Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Redford, Michigan in 2005.

Scope Note:

In addition to a History Files on the church, the collection contains bulletins, architectural drawings, legal documents, photographs, meeting minutes, merger information, reports, and other documents.

Extent:

2.4 linear feet (ca. 4,800 pages)

Access Restrictions:

The collection is open to research.

Restrictions on Use:

Photocopying is handled by the staff and may be limited in certain instances. Before using any material for publication from this collection a formal request for permission to publish is expected and required.

Appointments List

- 1882-1885: Levi L. Houghton
- 1885-1888: Robert C. Lanning
- 1888-1889: Henry Marshall
- 1889-1890: Appleton Smith
- 1890-1891: To be supplied
- 1891-1893: Arthur S. Tedman
- 1893-1898: Josiah G. Morgan
- 1898-1902: Nathaniel Dickey
- 1902-1905: Edward G. Johnson
- 1905-1906: Horace Palmer
- 1906-1907: To be supplied
- 1907-1908: John E. Mealley
- 1908-1911: George P. Davey
- 1911-1913: Chester Miller Loomis
- 1913-1917: Frank C. Watters
- 1917-1918: Fred I. Walker
- 1918-1919: Edwin W. Stricker
- 1919-1923: [Marshall R. Reed](#)
- 1923-1926: Henry W. Kuhlman
- 1926-1935: John A. Yeoman
- 1935-1940: Charles C. Becker
- 1940-1943: John E. Martin
- 1943-1952: John W. Greenwood
- 1952-1954: John Meredith
- 1954-1961: Alfred Landon
- 1961-1967: John W. Barkley
- 1967-1970: Glenn Kjellberg
- 1970-December 1974: Robert W. Boley
- 1970-1971: S. Joe Robertson (Associate)
- 1971-1974: Maurice D. Sharai Jr. (Associate)
- December 1974-1977: John S. Jury
- 1977-1980: P. Glen Trembath
- 1977-1980: James G. Kellerman (Associate)
- 1980-1986: A. Theodore Halsted
- 1980-1982: Mildred M. Hiner (Associate)
- 1982-September 1985: G. Patrick England (Associate)
- September 1985-1988: Kenneth A. Kohlmann (Associate)
- 1986-1990: Juanita J. Ferguson
- 1988-1990: Charles Knight (Associate)
- 1990-June 1993: John R. Wallace
- July 1993-1997: George Covintree
- 1997-2000: Barbara E. Welbaum
- 2000-2005: Bea B. Soots

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