



Michigan Conference United Methodist Archives

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Owosso Central United Methodist Church Records, 1874-1992

History Note:

Owosso Central United Methodist Church was founded as an Evangelical Church in 1855 by two missionaries from the Ohio Conference, Revs. Christian Roehm and Stephen Henne. It was part of the Pontiac Mission with Flint, Thetford, Goodrichville, and Groveland. The Owosso Evangelical Church was formally organized on 22 April 1862. When the Michigan Conference was formed in 1864, it was part of the Owosso Circuit with West Haven, Bennington, DeWitt, and Delta. The first church building was built in 1866. When the church began, all services were in German, but the English language was gradually introduced and by 1911, all services were in English. In 1905, a new church building was erected. The church began construction on a new building in 1951 and dedicated it in 1952. Central United Methodist closed in 1992.

Scope Note:

In addition to a History File on the church, the collection contains vital records, minutes of the Administrative Council and other church bodies, documents concerning Church Conferences, and financial reports. Although the vital records cover much of the history of the church, the other records mostly cover the last decade that the church was open.

Extent:

2.2 linear feet (ca. 4,400 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

- 1864-1866: John Meck
- 1866-1868: John M. Haug
- 1868-1869: Christian Ude
- 1869-1870: Christian Ude & Christian F. Weisbrod
- 1870-1871: Christian F. Weisbrod & Christoph Roehm
- 1871-1872: Christoph Roehm & Joseph Long
- 1872-1873: Lewis Brumm & John M. Fuchs
- 1873-1874: John M. Fuchs & J. George Haller Sr.
- 1874-1876: Stephen Henne
- 1876-1877: Abraham Frye & John Orth
- 1877-1879: Frederick Schweitzer
- 1879-1882: Lewis Brumm
- 1882-1885: John M. Fuchs
- 1885-1888: Joseph K. Pontius
- 1888-1890: Ernest H. Hess
- 1890-1893: Lewis Brumm
- 1893-1896: Henry T. Strauch
- 1896-1898: John Schmaus
- 1898-1900: William F. Vogel
- 1900-1901: William F. Vogel & J. Adolph Halmhuber
- 1901-1905: William Berge
- 1905-1906: Albert R. Fischer
- 1906-1910: Philip H. Pohly
- 1910-1913: Charles C. Staffeld
- 1913-1917: Albert Ostroth
- 1917-1919: Albert H. Butzbach
- 1919-1921: Charles Rodesiler
- 1921-1922: Charles Rodesiler & Carl H. Trueschel
- 1922-1923: Charles A. Sanders & Carl H. Trueschel
- 1923-1924: Charles A. Sanders & Earnest Haines
- 1924-1925: Charles A. Sanders & Edward Young
- 1925-1926: Edward Young & Henry W. Link
- 1926-1931: Henry W. Link
- 1931-1939: Fred W. Fall
- 1939-1943: Edward F. Bailey
- 1943-1946: Maurice C. Beers
- 1946-1951: Glenn B. Ball
- 1951-1960: LeRoy E. "Roy"
- 1960-1966: Marvin R. Jewell
- 1966-1970: Robert E. Betts
- 1970-1973: Thomas Wood
- 1973-1977: Horace Murry
- 1977-1980: Max Weeks
- 1980-1980: Marvin Jewell
- 1980-1986: Lois Glenn
- 1986-1990: James Britt
- 1990-1992: Linda Donelson

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