

Mennonite Heritage Center
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First Mennonite Church of Philadelphia/Huntingdon Valley, PA
Archival Collection

Inventory as of October 21, 2014:

Items outside of boxes:

Die Bibel presented to First Mennonite Church by Mrs. Elizabeth Shoemaker, 1867
Membership register book, 1865-1963; Infant Consecration, 1921-1964
Annual congregational meeting minute book, 1923-29
Treasurer's record book, 1945-1953
Finance Drive and Pledge box and book, 1953
Trustee financial records book, 1936-1953 (three books)
Sunday School treasurer's record book, 1925-1979 (three books)
Ladies Aid Society financial secretary book, 1936-1965
Framed certificate from International Sunday School Council of Religious Education for establishment of Young People's Department/ Winsome Class, 1925
Folder: Certificates from International Sunday School Council of Religious Education for Adult Department/Truth Seekers Class, 1907, Young Men's Class, 1909, Sunshine Workers Class, 1921
Folder: Poster of Mr. & Mrs. Charles H. Moyer, S.S. superintendent from 1875-1926
Resolution of appreciation for Norman R. Bechtel from EDC, 1890
Baptismal certificate for Sarah Bean

Box 1:

History of church written by N.B. Grubb (copy, original in Bluffton University Historical Library, Bluffton, Ohio)
Constitution (in German) and congregational meeting minutes, 1871-1922
Charter and by-laws, 1886-1957
Deeds, 1883-1889
Mortgages and bonds, 1924
Photographs

Box 2:

Early membership records, 1865-1885
Wedding certificates, 1936-1953
Membership records, 1948-1975 (incomplete)
Funeral records, 1936-1952
Church membership course, circa 1940
Miscellaneous membership records

Box 3:

Annual Records/Directories, 1891-1919 (incomplete), 1921-1939, 1941-1963 (incomplete), 1985, 1989, 1995

Annual reports, 1958-1966, 1974, 1981, 1984/1985, 1987, 1990, 1992/1993, 1994-2002

Box 4:

Spiritual Council minute books, 1906-1915, 1916-1929

Spiritual Council minutes, 1930-1950

Spiritual Council correspondence, 1948-1966

Letter (translated) from Johannes Oberholtzer, 1894

Spiritual Council minutes, 1951-1966

Box 5:

Minute book of Elected Officers (forerunner of Church Council) meeting minutes, 1916-1929

Church Council minutes, 1931-1942, 1960-1962, 1991-1998

Congregational meeting minutes, 1990-1996

Miscellaneous Committee reports, 1962-1969

Newsletter "Mennonite Endeavor", 1897, 1899

Newsletter, "Church News", 1942-1944

Newsletter, "Peer-O-Scope", 1956-1958

Newsletter, "Messenger", 1992-1993

Box 6:

Trustee meeting minutes (6 books), 1886-1936 (missing 1896-1901), 1902-1916, 1917-1936

Box 7:

Correspondence, Pastor Albert E. Funk, 1875-1883

Correspondence, Pastor N.B. Grubb, 1883-1903

N.B. Grubb anniversaries and memorials

Pastor' Notes, 1968-1969

J.J. Plenert's call to the pastorate correspondence, 1935-1936

Correspondence, Pastor Wesley Ewert, 1949

Correspondence, 1929-1966

Correspondence, Wilhemina Kuyf (missionary)

Box 8:

50th Anniversary booklets and notes, 1915

70th Anniversary report, 1935

75th Anniversary booklets, membership list, program, correspondence etc., 1940

85th and 90th Anniversary reports, 1950, 1955

100th Anniversary booklets, photos, etc., 1965

110th and 125th Anniversary booklet, 1975, 1990

Special Anniversary programs, souvenirs, calendar, 1883, 1909, 1940, 1925, 1932, 1962

Newspaper articles

Bound bulletins, 1904-1935

Box 9:

Bulletins, 1936-1950

Box 10:

Bulletins, 1951-1960

Box 11:

Bulletins, 1961-1972

Box 12:

Bulletins, 1973-1989

Box 13:

Bulletins, 1990-1998

Box 14:

Treasurer's record book, 1873-1885

Treasurer's record books (7), 1886-1944

Treasurer's reports, 1925-1965

Financial records, 1898-1900

Financial Committee pledge records, 1926-1943

Pledge book, 1944-1958

Sunday School collection record books (2), 1917-1923

Menno-Friendly Beneficial Association memberships, 1902-1958

Menno-Friendly Beneficial Association minutes, 1955-1967

Box 15:

Correspondence with Oswin W. Shelley, architect, 1989-1900

Parsonage purchase, 1947-1951

Plan of Survey for Abington Township, Montgomery County, October 17, 1962

Building Campaign, 1963

Sale of Reese Street property, 1964

Renovation Program, 1977-1983

Huntingdon Valley blueprints

Board of Trustee miscellaneous correspondence, 1898-1955

Guest book, 1944-1971

Choir record book, 1902-1920

Mennonite Choral Society choir programs

Mennonite Hymnal, 1894

Box 16:

Sabbath School library book, circa 1880

Sunday School reports, 1877, 1880, 1886, 1931, S.S. By-laws

Sunday School special programs, 1894, 1905

Sunday School secretary's financial record book, 1951-1964
Sunday School attendance pin and numerals
Christian Endeavor constitution (1892), minute and record book, 1882-1903
Christian Endeavor minute book, 1900-1903
Live Wire S.S. class treasurer's records, 1954-1967
Victor S.S. class meeting minutes, 1946-1950
Truth seeker's S.S. class meeting minutes and treasurer's records, 1931-1947, 1949-1959
Mission S. S. financial report, 1899
Rally Day and Harvest Home Committee minutes, 1941-1963
Woman's Missionary Society financial records, 1951-1963
Woman's Organization meeting minutes, 1969-1977
Women's Organization, 1956, 1966
Mission Society minutes and financial reports, 1936-1939
Men's and Women's special programs, 1959
Ladies Aid Society annual reports, 1904, 1921-1941 (incomplete)
Ladies Aid Society meeting minutes, 1940-1951
Ladies Aid Society financial reports, 1946-1964
Sewing Circle secretary and treasurer records, 1946-1964
Committee on Inter-Racial Mission Work, 1957
Missionary money for India records, 1922-1927
Mission Chapel Fund records, 1898-1899, 1905-1922
Charity Fund records
Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor meeting minutes, 1893-1900, 1929-1938
Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, 1938-1942
Christmas Committee minutes, 1919-1959