

# **Guide to The Church of the Redeemer (New Haven, Conn.) Records - Addendum A**

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## Collection Overview

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**SUMMARY:** Reports and publications document the history of The Church of the Redeemer, United Church of Christ (New Haven, Conn.)

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f. folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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### Preferred Citation

Church of the Redeemer (New Haven, Conn.) Records - Addendum A (RG 266A), Special Collections, Yale Divinity School Library.

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## Biographical / Historical

Historical statement by Elliott Barske, Church Historian

In 1838 the City of New Haven celebrated its bicentennial year and the fourth Congregational Church in the area came into being when on November 4th the Chapel Street Congregational Church was organized and declared a Church of Christ with 61 members. This congregation was eventually to become the Church of the Redeemer.

Two hundred years before in 1638, the New Haven Colony was settled under the leadership of Reverend John Davenport and Theophilus Eaton who established the First Church, now Center Church on the Green. Gradually over the early years schisms arose and the period of The Great Awakening and the teachings of Jonathan Edwards led to the formation of dissenting groups such as the White Haven Church and the Fair Haven Society. These two groups merged in 1796 to form North Church on the Green, the Second Church of New Haven, now known as United Church.

The Third Congregational Church was formed in 1826 under the leadership of Dr. Nathaniel W. Taylor, a Professor of Theology in Yale College and a former pastor of Center Church. The founding members of the Third included 19 from Center Church and 10 from United Church. This congregation was disrupted after a new pastor, Dr. E. L. Cleaveland, who was installed in 1833, would not accept the "new theology" of Nathaniel Taylor. Many members of Third stood by Dr. Taylor and under his spiritual guidance organized and founded the Chapel Street Congregational Church. At the organization meeting Timothy Dwight, Jr., son of the President of Yale, acted as Chairman and became very active in the government of the new church.

During the over 170 years of our history, there have been 17 Pastors of whom the longest serving were Reverend John E. Todd 1869-1890 and Reverend Watson L. Phillips 1890-1915. Both were serving during the two major relocations of the church. Todd was present when our Second House of Worship at Orange and Wall Streets was dedicated on May 25, 1871 and the name changed to the Church of the Redeemer. Phillips was involved in the move to Cold Spring Street and Whitney Ave where the Parish House was dedicated on October 10, 1920. After 30 years of planning and fund raising the present Main Sanctuary was completed and dedicated on May 20, 1951 during the pastorate of the Reverend Robert E. Luccock.

MINISTRIES PAST TO PRESENT Rev. John O. Colton 1839-1840 Rev. Joseph P. Thompson 1840-1845 Rev. Leverett Griggs 1845-1847 Rev. William T. Eustis 1848-1869 Rev. John E. Todd 1869-1890 Rev. Watson L. Phillips 1890-1915 Rev. Roy M. Houghton 1917-1931 Rev. R. Hawley Fitch 1932-1935 Rev. Phillip G. Scott 1936-1949 Rev. Robert E. Luccock 1950-1962 Rev. Charles L. Ives 1962-1964 Rev. C. Arthur Bradley 1964-1981 Rev. Dr. Thomas Burgett-Leutner 1981-1994 Rev. Olivia Robinson 1994-1996 (interim) Rev. Lillian F. Daniel 1996-2004 Rev. Dr. Duncan Newcomer 2004-2006 (interim) Rev. Dr. Rochelle A. Stackhouse 2006-Present

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## Scope and Contents

Reports and publications document the history of The Church of the Redeemer, United Church of Christ (New Haven, Conn.)

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### Series I: Historical Records, 1840–1989

Early records of the church, likely duplicated at the New Haven Museum.

b. 1, f. 1	Chapel Street Congregational Church (Chapel St and Union Ave)	1840-1871
b. 1, f. 2	Church of the Redeemer (Orange and Wall Sts.)	1872-1881
b. 1, f. 3	Church of the Redeemer (Orange and Wall Sts.)	1891-1893
b. 1, f. 4	Church of the Redeemer (Orange and Wall Sts.)	1895-1910
b. 1, f. 5	Church of the Redeemer (Whitney Ave at Cold Spring St., as of 1920)	1911–1963, 1981, 1989, n.d.

**Series II: Administrative Records, 1966–2000**

Annual reports		
b. 1, f. 6	Annual report	1966
b. 1, f. 7	Annual report	1971
b. 1, f. 8	Annual report	1972
b. 1, f. 9	Annual report	1975
b. 1, f. 10	Annual report	1976
b. 1, f. 11	Annual report	1977
b. 1, f. 12	Annual report	1978
b. 1, f. 13	Annual report	1979
b. 1, f. 14	Annual report	1980
b. 1, f. 15	Annual report	1981
b. 1, f. 16	Annual report	1982
b. 1, f. 17	Annual report	1983
b. 1, f. 18	Annual report	1984
b. 1, f. 19	Annual report	1985
b. 1, f. 20	Annual report	1986-87
b. 1, f. 21	Annual report	1988
b. 1, f. 22	Annual report	1989
b. 1, f. 23	Annual report	1990
b. 1, f. 24	Annual report	1991
b. 1, f. 25	Annual report	1992
b. 1, f. 26	Annual report	1993
b. 1, f. 27	Annual report	1994
b. 1, f. 28	Annual report	1995
b. 1, f. 29	Annual report	1996
b. 1, f. 30	Annual report	1998
b. 1, f. 31	Annual report	2000
	Annual report, 2003	
	Annual report, 2004	

## Annual reports &gt; Annual report (continued)

Annual report, 2005	
Annual report, 2006	
Annual report, 2007	
Annual report, 2008	
Annual report, 2009	
Annual report, 2010	
Annual report, 2011	
Annual report, 2012	
Annual report, 2013	
Annual report, 2014	
Annual report, 2015	
Annual report, 2016	
Annual report, 2017	
Annual report, 2018	
Annual report, 2019	
Annual report, 2001	
Annual report, 2002	
Financial records	
Trustees' minutes	1979-1981
b. 11, f. 1	Trustees minutes, 1970-1978
Trustees' minutes	1982-1986
Trustees' minutes	1987-1991
Trustees' minutes	1992-1996
Trustees' minutes	1997-2004
Trustees' minutes	2006-2012

**Series III: Boards and Committees, 1964–2004**

Series 3, Church Governing Bodies, includes records of the Church Council, Board of Deacons, Christian Education and various church committees.

Church Council		
b. 6, f. 1	Minutes (bound volume)	1964-1980
b. 6, f. 2	Minutes	1977-1981
b. 6, f. 3	Minutes	1982-1984
b. 6, f. 4	Minutes (bound volume)	1981-1984
b. 6, f. 5	Minutes	1985-1991
b. 6, f. 6	Minutes	1992-1999
b. 6, f. 7	Minutes	2000-2004
Executive Committee of the Church Council		
b. 6, f. 8	Minutes	1986-1995
Board of Deacons		
b. 6, f. 9	Minutes	1973-1979
b. 6, f. 10	Minutes	1980-1983
b. 6, f. 11	Minutes	1984-1986
b. 6, f. 12	Minutes	1987-1992
b. 6, f. 13	Minutes	1993-1999
b. 6, f. 14	Minutes	2000-2004
Christian Education Committee		
b. 6, f. 15	Minutes	1969-1979
b. 6, f. 16	Minutes	1980-1986
b. 6, f. 17	Minutes	1987-1995
b. 6, f. 18	Mintues	1996-2003
b. 6, f. 19	Job descriptions of Christian Education staff	1985, 1989, 1999, 2000
b. 6, f. 20	Christian Education Director Search Committee	1996
b. 6, f. 21	Christian Education Staff	1984, 1999, 2005
b. 6, f. 22	Christian Education Handbook	2004–05
Long Range Planning Committee		



## Long Range Planning Committee (continued)

b. 6, f. 23	Minutes	1972
b. 6, f. 24	Minutes	1973-1974
b. 6, f. 25	Minutes	1975-1977
Missions Committee		
b. 6, f. 26	Minutes, including Our Christian World Missions/Our Church's Wider Mission	1974-1981
b. 6, f. 27	Minutes	1982-2004
Community Action Committee		
b. 7, f. 1	Minutes and correspondence	1970-1972
b. 7, f. 2	Minutes and correspondence	1973-1978
b. 7, f. 3	Minutes and correspondence	1979-1984

**Series IV: Clerk Files: Membership and Staff Records, 1962–2006**

b. 8, f. 1	Clerk's records (bound volume)	1962-1971
b. 8, f. 2	Clerk's records (bound volume)	1977-1984
b. 8, f. 3	Membership directories	1963-1979
b. 8, f. 4	Membership directories	1980-1988
b. 8, f. 5	Membership directories	1991-1997
b. 8, f. 6	Membership directories	1998-2004
b. 8, f. 7-8	The Rev. C. Arthur Bradley: sermons, prayers	1979-1986
b. 8, f. 9	Installation of the Rev. Thomas A. Burgett-Leutner (a.k.a. Thomas A. Leutner), Senior Minister	1981 Nov 29
b. 8, f. 10	Ordination of Sue E. Kasserman	1984 Dec 2
b. 8, f. 11	Ordination of Tina F. Burgett-Leutner (a.k.a. Tina F. Burgett)	1986 June 15
b. 8, f. 12	Installation of Elizabeth C. Myrick, Associate Minister	1987 Sep 27
b. 8, f. 13	Service of celebration and recognition of the ministry of The Rev. Ron Kittel	1989 May 7
b. 8, f. 14	Ordination of Verlee Ann North-Shea	1989 May 28
b. 8, f. 15	Senior Minister Search Committee	1995-1996
b. 8, f. 16-17	The Rev. Lillian F. Daniel, Senior Minister: sermons	1996-1998
b. 8, f. 18	Kenneth Minkema: lay sermon	1997 Feb 16
b. 8, f. 19	Tom Caruso: lay sermon	1997 Jul 13
b. 8, f. 20	The Rev. Dr. Richard Wood: sermon	1997 Oct 26
b. 8, f. 21	Chris Olson, Intern: sermon	1997 Nov 30
b. 8, f. 22	Ordination of Philip Gerenia	1998 May 30
b. 8, f. 23	The Rev. William Oliver III: sermons	1998 Mar 22, Jul 5
b. 8, f. 24	Thomas Holahan: lay sermon	1998 Jul 12
b. 8, f. 25	Sam Dexter, Intern: sermons	1998 Oct-Nov
b. 8, f. 26	Ordination of Samuel Adam Dexter, Associate Minister	2000 Oct 14
b. 8, f. 27	The Rev. Dr. Duncan D. Newcomer, Interim Senior Minister: sermons	2004-2005
b. 8, f. 28	Kaji Spellman, Intern: sermon	2004 Aug 29
b. 8, f. 29	Member testimonies	2004 Jul-Aug
b. 8, f. 30	Installation of The Rev. Dr. Rochelle A. Stackhouse, Senior Minister	2006 Oct 1

b. 8, f. 31	Weddings	1984-2003
b. 8, f. 32	Funerals	1981-2003
b. 8, f. 33	Farewell to the Warren family	[n.d.]

**Series V: Publications, 1982–2009**

## Bulletins

b. 9, f. 1	Bulletins, 1978 Dec 24, 31	
b. 9, f. 2	Bulletins, 1980 Jan-Dec	
b. 9, f. 3	Bulletins, 1981 Jan-Mar	
b. 2, f. 1	Bulletins	1982 Jun-Dec
b. 2, f. 2	Bulletins	1983 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 3	Bulletins	1984 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 4	Bulletins	1985 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 5	Bulletins	1986 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 6	Bulletins	1987 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 7	Bulletins	1988 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 8	Bulletins	1989 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 9	Bulletins	1990 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 10	Bulletins	1991 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 11	Bulletins	1992 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 12	Bulletins	1993 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 13	Bulletins	1994 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 14	Bulletins	1995 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 15	Bulletins	1996 Jan-Dec
b. 2, f. 16	Bulletins (draft copies)	1997 Sep-Dec
b. 2, f. 17	Bulletins	1997 Jan-Dec
b. 3, f. 1	Bulletins (drafts)	1998 Jan-May
b. 3, f. 2	Bulletins	1998 Jan-May
b. 3, f. 3	Bulletins (drafts)	1998 Jun-Sep
b. 3, f. 4	Bulletins	1998 Jun-Sep
b. 3, f. 5	Bulletins (drafts)	1998 Oct-Dec
b. 3, f. 6	Bulletins	1998 Oct-Dec
b. 3, f. 7	Bulletins (drafts)	1999 Jan-Mar
b. 3, f. 8	Bulletins	1999 Jan-Mar

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b. 3, f. 9	Bulletins (drafts)	1999 Apr-Jun
b. 3, f. 10	Bulletins	1999 Apr-Jun
b. 3, f. 11	Bulletins (drafts)	1999 Jul-Sep
b. 3, f. 12	Bulletins (drafts)	1999 Oct-Nov
b. 3, f. 13	Bulletins (drafts)	1999 Dec
b. 3, f. 14	Bulletins	1999 Jul-Dec
b. 3, f. 15	Bulletins (drafts)	2000 Jan-Mar
b. 3, f. 16	Bulletins	2000 Jan-Mar
b. 3, f. 17	Bulletins (drafts)	2000 Apr-Jun
b. 3, f. 18	Bulletins	2000 Apr-Jun
b. 3, f. 19	Bulletins (incl. drafts final)	2000 Jul-Oct
b. 3, f. 20	Bulletins (incl. drafts final)	2000 Nov-Dec
b. 4, f. 1	Bulletins (drafts)	2001 Jan-Mar
b. 4, f. 2	Bulletins (drafts)	2001 Apr-Jun
b. 4, f. 3	Bulletins	2001 Jan-Jun
b. 4, f. 4	Bulletins (drafts)	2001 Aug-Nov
b. 4, f. 5	Bulletins	2001 Jul-Nov
b. 4, f. 6	Bulletins (incl. drafts final)	2001 Dec
b. 4, f. 7	Bulletins	2002 Jan-Dec
b. 4, f. 8	Bulletins	2003 Jan-Dec
b. 4, f. 9	Bulletins	2004 Jan-Jun
b. 4, f. 10	Bulletins	2004 Jul-Dec
b. 4, f. 11	Bulletins	2005 Jan-Jun
b. 4, f. 12	Bulletins	2005 Jul-Dec
b. 4, f. 13	Bulletins	2006 Jan-Jun
b. 4, f. 14	Bulletins	2006 Jul-Dec
b. 4, f. 15	Bulletins	2007 Jan-Jun
b. 4, f. 16	Bulletins	2007 Jul-Dec
b. 4, f. 17	Bulletins	2008 Jan-June
b. 4, f. 18	Bulletins	2008 Jul-Dec

## Bulletins (continued)

b. 4, f. 19	Bulletins	2009 Jan-Jun
b. 4, f. 20	Bulletins	2009 Jul-Dec
b. 9, f. 4	Bulletins	2010 Jan-Jun
b. 9, f. 6	Bulletins, 2011 Jan-Jun	
b. 9, f. 7	Bulletins, 2011 Jul-Dec	
b. 9, f. 8	Bulletins, 2012 Jan-Jun	
b. 9, f. 9	Bulletins, 2012 Jul-Dec	
b. 9, f. 10	Bulletins, 2013 Jan-Jun	
b. 9, f. 11	Bulletins, 2013 Jul-Dec (incl. 175th Anniversary Service, Nov. 3) 175th Anniversary Service, November 3, 2013.	
b. 9, f. 12	Bulletins, 2014 Jan-Jun	
b. 9, f. 13	Bulletins, 2014 Jul-Dec	
b. 9, f. 14	Bulletins, 2015 Jan-Jun	
b. 9, f. 15	Bulletins, 2015 Jul-Dec	
b. 9, f. 16	Bulletins, 2016 Jan-Jun (incl. 2016 Confirmation class faith statements) Includes 2016 Confirmation Class faith statements.	
b. 9, f. 17	Bulletins, 2016 Jul-Dec	
b. 9, f. 18	Bulletins, 2017 Jan-Jun (incl. Godspeed service for Rev. Shelly Stackhouse, May 7) Godspeed Service for The Rev. Rochelle A. Stackhouse on May 7, 2017.	
b. 9, f. 19	Bulletins, 2017 Jul-Dec (incl. Rev. Susan J. Murtha as Transitional Minister, beginning Oct 15) The Rev. Susan J. Murtha began as Interim Senior Minister/Transitional Minister on October 15, 2017.	
b. 9, f. 20	Bulletins, 2018 Jan-Jun	
b. 9, f. 21	Bulletins, 2018 Jul-Sep	
b. 9, f. 22	Bulletin, 2019 Apr 28 (Final Service of Thanksgiving and Celebration) Final Service of Thanksgiving and Celebration	
Newsletters		
b. 5, f. 1	Newsletters	1985-1986
b. 5, f. 2	Newsletters	1987-1988
b. 5, f. 3	Newsletters	1989-1990
b. 5, f. 4	Newsletters	1991-1992

## Newsletters (continued)

b. 5, f. 5	Newsletters	1997-1998
b. 5, f. 6	Newsletters	1999
b. 5, f. 7	Newsletters	2000
b. 10, f. 1	Newsletters	2001-2005
b. 10, f. 2	Newsletters	2007
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	Newsletters	2014
	Newsletters	2015
	Newsletters	2016
	Newsletters	2017
	Newsletters	2018
b. 10, f. 14	Newsletters, 2019 (Final year)	
	Other	
	Informational brochures	1983-1985

**VI: Memorabilia, artifacts**

Communion tankards (2) and chalices (2), silver plate  
Rogers, Smith and Company, Gold and Silver Plate

Awards won by or awarded to The Church of the Redeemer and/or Welcome Hall, 1923-1938	1923-1938
Junior League Defenders Cup, Interchurch Basketball, YMCA	[n.d.]
Interchurch Basketball, Intermediate League, won by Welcome Hall	1929-1930
Interchurch Baseball Junior League, won by Welcome Hall	1928
Interchurch Baseball Junior League, won by Welcome Hall	1926
Interchurch Basketball Intermediate League, won by Church of the Redeemer	1923-1924
Interchurch Basketball Junior League, won by Welcome Hall	1928-1929
Interchurch Basketball Intermediate League, won by Welcome Hall	1927-1928
Church Reg Fed New Haven YMCA Baseball, won by Welcome Hall	1935
Junior's 2nd Division, T. A. League, won by Church of the Redeemer Presented by Tamber E. Loas	[n.d.]
Efficiency Contest, Northeast District	1925
Kirby Defenders Trophy, Intermediate Basketball League of the Interchurch Boys Federation. Winners listed.	1924-1931
Kirby Trophy, Annual Stunt Night, Interchurch Older Boys Federation	1922-1923
Plaques in memory of church benefactors Wood plaques with gold engraved plates describing objects and their provenance. Most were gifts from church members, groups, or ministers.	
Clare Embree Award (winners listed)	1951-1965
Sterling Memorial Room plaque	1974
"Furnished in memory of Arthur Alling"	1957