METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH
London, Ontario

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History of the United Church in Canada

Methodist Episcopal prior to 1833
Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada 1833 - 1840 (part of the circuit withdrew and formed a continuing Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada circuit in 1834).
Division 1840 - 1847 between "Canadian" and "British Wesleyans" (circuit divided) Reunited 1847
Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada 1847 - 1874
Methodist Church of Canada 1874 - 1884
Methodist Church, Canada, Newfoundland, Bermuda 1884 - 1925
United Church of Canada 1925 +

History of the London United Church.

First church building 1833 (Ridout Street north of Carling Street)
Second church building 1839 (King and Talbot Streets)
Third church building 1841 (Richmond Street, south of Dundas)
   (this was a British Wesleyan Church - sold 1852)
Fourth church building 1854 (North Street and Clarence - S. W. corner)
   (later renamed "Queen's Avenue Church" - burned Feb. 2, 1895)
Fifth church building 1895 (Wellington and Dufferin Streets)
   (named the "First Methodist Church")
   (renamed "Metropolitan United Church" in 1925)
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MacNiven, Dr. W. E. Correspondence 1948
Metropolitan Newsletter, 1976-1987,
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Trustee Board
1. Minutes, 1847, August 2 - 1860, August 9
2. Minutes, 1860, August 23 - 1889, December 12
3. Minutes, 1890 - 1920 missing
5. Correspondence, 1918, 1935 +

Trustee Board
1. Finance Committee, Minutes, 1898, May 31 - 1917 - Sept. 16
2. Finance Committee, Minutes, 1917, Nov. 9 - 1925, June 17
3. Miscellaneous Correspondence 1922 - 23
4. Few Rents, 1918 - 1919 (3 volumes)

Building Committee
1. Minutes, 1895, May 23 - 1898, Mar. 25
2. Accounts, 1928 - 1931

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First Methodist/Metropolitan United Church
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Queen's Avenue, First Methodist/Metropolitan United Church
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2a. Efficiency Contest, 1923
3. Knights of Honour, 1929 - 1930
4. Executive Committee, Minutes, 1951 - 1953
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6. Epworth League, Minutes, 1914, Nov. 15-1921, July 14
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The Rollins Baptismal Record 1929 - 1959
Memorial Organ Fund 1950 - 1952
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Bank of Montreal Bank Account 1930 - 1933
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Treasurer's Book 1926 - 1929
Scottish Canadian Assurance Corporation Register of Fire Policies Issued and Renewed 1926 - 1952
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Cash Book Pew Steward's 1877 - 1904
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Register of Members' Names Roll Book May 1901 - July 1913'
Roll Book Register of Member's Names July 1909 - 1910
Young People's Union Minutes Jan. 20, 1948 - Jan. 6, 1954
Attendance Record Apr. 23, 1956 - Mar. 18, 1957
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Women's Evening Auxiliary Minute Book 1946 - 1953
Women's Evening Auxiliary Minute Book 1957 - 1961
Women's Missionary Auxiliary Minute Book 1932 - 1936
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Women's Association Metropolitan United Church Treasurer Account Book Jan. 1939 - Dec. 1954
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Women's Association Minute Book Jan. 1949 - Mar. 1957
Metropolitan Badminton Club Account and Minute Book Account Book Jan. 1939 - Dec. 1954
Minutes Jan. 3, 1956 - May 23, 1961
Metropolitan Badminton Club Account and Minute Book Huron and Erie Bank Book and Cheque Book Minutes Nov. 11, 1947 - Jan. 11, 1955
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Minutes of Meetings of Trustee Board Nov. 18, 1910 - Feb. 21, 1921 Minute Book
The Annual Congregational Meeting of Metropolitan United Church Minute Book

Meeting of the Quarterly Official Board May 5, 1925 - Oct. 15, 1935 Minute Book
Music Committee Letter Book 1921, 1922, 1923
Sunday School Register 1887 - 1897
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Women's Missionary Society Correspondence Record Book 1918 - 1929
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Financial Statements 1957
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Organ Committee Minute Book Apr. 29, 1922 and Letters 1917, 1920