

INDIANA UNITED METHODIST COMMISSION ON ARCHIVES AND HISTORY

The Commission on Archives and History's main actions are to fulfill our goals to promote awareness of the Indiana United Methodist Archives and the Commission's mission to provide a way for local churches to preserve the records and promote the stories of their church by the following:

1. Offer aid to local church historians with a packet informing them what we had available through the Conference Office and the Indiana United Methodist Archives at DePauw University.
2. Collecting records from possible disaffiliated churches. We have worked with the conference superintendents via email with help in collecting those records. The first truckload of records was delivered to the Archives in March.
3. Promoted the Church Heritage Award by making presentations to Grace United Methodist Church in Franklin, Indiana.
4. Recognized the 2020 and 2021 Bicentennial churches. Bicentennial churches are Indiana United Methodist Churches which have continuously provided and nurtured Christians for 200 years. The following churches are recognized as Bicentennial churches:

2023 Bicentennial Churches –

Spencer United Methodist, Spencer, Owen County
Pendleton First United Methodist, Pendleton, Madison County
Centerville United Methodist, Centerville, Wayne County
Hopewell United Methodist, Fountain City, Wayne County
Richmond First United Methodist, Richmond, Wayne County
Newport United Methodist, Newport, Vermillion County
Perrysville United Methodist, Perrysville, Vermillion County
Clinton First United Methodist, Clinton, Vermillion County
Greensburg United Methodist, Greensburg, Decatur County

The Commission has developed six goals, which we believe will motivate churches to use its history to inform its present and guide its future in Christ.

- To continue to recognize Bicentennial Churches
- Encourage and promote the Heritage Church Award
- Preserve the records and promote the histories of conference and congregations through the tools available which the DePauw University Archives has developed.
- To facilitate the smooth transition of archival materials from disaffiliating local churches to the Indiana United Methodist Archives at DePauw University
- To celebrate milestones in the history of Indiana Methodism such as celebrating Camp Riverdale's centennial in 2023
- Continue to work with the Indiana United Methodist Historical Society to promote and encourage the exploration of United Methodist history.

In addition, like other annual conferences of the UMC, we encourage all congregations to use the resources that have been developed by the General Board of Archives and History. During the 2023 Conference year, we hope to see more congregations and local church historians drawing upon the Local Church Historian training modules available from GBHEM. In addition, we encourage clergy and laity to make use of some of the new resources developed under the leadership of Dr. Ashley Boggan D., particularly the **Un-tied Methodism** podcast <https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/un-tied-methodism-podcast>.

1 **Budget**

2 The Indiana United Methodist Commission has developed a 2023 budget which will help it reach
3 its goal to help churches discover and maintain its history to inform its present and guide its future
4 in Christ.

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6 *Michael G. Cartwright, Chairperson*
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9 Indiana United Methodist Commission on Archives and History
10 Budget 2023
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12 <i>Line Items</i>	12 <i>Budget</i>
13 Jurisdictional Dues	\$100.00
14 Special Projects	\$200.00
15 Annual Conference	\$200.00
16 Local Church Historians School	\$100.00
17 Recognition and Publicity	\$200.00
18 Special Events	\$ 75.00
19 Discretionary	<u>\$ 125.00</u>
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21 Total	\$1000.00