



Liberty First Presbyterian Church Records, 1829-1998

PA 38

Overview

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Collection Information:

Scope and Content Note

Records of the Liberty First Presbyterian Church in Liberty, Union County, Indiana, dated 1829-1998. Documents and topics include session minutes, member registers, anniversary programs, church history, founding members, disciplinary actions taken against members, admissions and dismissals, lists of pastors, financial records, annual meetings, committee reports, women's suffrage, divorce, and worship issues. The collection contains vital statistics information, including death, marriage, and baptismal records.

Historical Information

The Liberty Presbyterian Church was organized on 21 January 1829. It merged with the Dunlapville Presbyterian Church in the 1980s.

Administrative Information:

Related Items:

Related materials may be found by searching the [Hanover College online catalog](#).

Acquisition:

Loan.

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Container List

Box	Folder	Folder Title	Date	Notes
1	1	Session Minutes/ Register	1829-1996	Member register and meeting minutes; hundredth anniversary program; short church history; lists of founding members; membership changes; correspondence with Presbyterian agencies; church dissolved in 1840; reorganized in 1848; documentation of actions taken against members (alcohol, profanity, lying); church register follows minutes with a full list of members from founding with full names, dates and some notes; rolls of pastors, elders, deacons and communicants; records include some deaths and baptisms; admission and dismissal records
1	2	Church Register	1829-1967	Church register providing lists of pastors, elders, deacons, trustees and deacons; communicant rolls; admission and dismissal records; baptisms; marriages; deaths; burials
1	3	Session Minutes	1906-1930	Meeting minutes; two founding accounts of the church giving a brief history and complete list of members; memberships; names of officers; agencies formed; acts of discipline; correspondences; financial accountings; Andrew Carnegie donated a new organ to the church in 1904; Annual meeting minutes; Missionary work in the Near and Far East in the 1920's.
2	1	Session Minutes	1915-1940	Meeting minutes; membership changes; personnel changes; committee reports; financial records; plans and activities of the church; Planned suffragette meeting denied in 1915 as it was deemed political in nature; letters to the session; report of synod committee looking for corruption in the church; dismissal of the entire board; Session meeting discusses the "New Era Movement"; annual meeting notes; 1919 church roll

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2	2	Session Minutes	1940-1955	Meeting minutes; changes in membership; personnel; committee reports; financial records; discipline; projects; annual reports
2	3	Session Minutes	1955-1979	Meeting minutes; changes in membership and personnel; committee reports; financial records; church projects; list of officers; Annual reports; synod meeting
3	1	Session Minutes	1979-1987	Meeting minutes; membership and personnel changes; committee reports; financial records; disciplinary actions; histories of local churches; merger of Liberty and the Dunlapville Presbyterian church; annual reports; peace making task force focuses on peace in families, divorce, community issues, Northern Ireland; statement on divorce
3	2	Session Minutes	1987-1998	Meeting minutes; membership and personnel changes; committee reports; annual meeting notes; church projects; disciplinary and worship issues; annual reports