

Guide to the Saugatuck Congregational Church Records

Collection Overview:

REPOSITORY: Westport Museum for History and Culture, 25 Avery Place, Westport, CT

CALL NUMBER: RG 21

TITLE: Saugatuck Congregational Church Records

DATES: 1832-2014

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 4 linear ft. (9 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The Saugatuck Congregational Church Records contain original documentation tracing the history of the church from the time of its establishment in 1832.

HISTORICAL NOTE: In 1830 the Saugatuck Meeting House Association was formed to plan for the building of a meeting house in the area known at that time as Saugatuck. In 1832 the original thirty-six members of the church were dismissed by letter from the Green's Farms Congregational Church and on July 5 celebrated the dedication of their own meeting house.

The Sabbath School was organized in the summer of 1832. Classes met in the balcony and sanctuary, and a drum and fiddle assembled the children. In 1866, a social hall and church school extension were built at the rear of the sanctuary.

The Jesup Mansion, together with eight acres of property, was deeded to the Saugatuck Congregational Society of Westport in 1886 by Morris Jesup in memory of his grandfather and parents.

In 1947, a resolution was passed at the annual meeting authorizing the move of the meeting house from where it had stood for 115 years to the Jesup property on the other side of the Post Road. On August 28, 1950, the two hundred ton meeting house was moved one hundred yards diagonally across the Post Road, an endeavor that lasted ten hours and attracted nation-wide publicity.

An addition to the church was completed in 1956, which provided offices for the staff and enough class rooms for the 725 pupils then enrolled in the church school.

In November 2011 a fire caused major damage to the church. The congregation met in alternate locations until the damaged was repaired.

For additional historical information see <http://saugatuckchurch.org/about-via-banner/history/>.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This collection provides documentation of the establishment and growth of the Saugatuck Congregational Church from its founding in 1832 through the early 21st century. The documentation is most comprehensive for 19th and early 20th century.

Series 1 consists of bound record books that contain records of membership, sale of pews, meetings of the governing bodies, and financial records.

These bound records are supplemented by a sequence of unbound documentation in Series 2, Compiled Administrative, Governance and Financial Documents. The first folder in this series contains a handwritten copy of original bequest of \$1250 from Green's Farms Society to Saugatuck Society at the time of its formation in 1832. The subsequent documents in Series 2 were in packets that were arranged chronologically. They include reports of the church and its various subgroups, like the Woman's Beneficent Society, Sunday School, and Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. In 1852, one Sabbath every fourth month was designated by the church for the collection of money to be sent to domestic and foreign missions and receipts for the these payments are included in Series 2.

Series 3, Additional Reports, Publications, and Membership Records, contains membership letters, records of dismissions, as well as statistical reports, commemorative booklets, and other documentation that primarily postdates the chronological sequence found in Series 2.

Series 4, Records Relating to Church Building, primarily documents the period around the 1950 move of the church across the Post Rd. but also includes documentation of subsequent renovation projects and the recovery and restoration efforts after the 2011 fire.

Series 5, Photographs, primarily documents the move of church in 1950, as well as including older photos of the Jesup House.

Series 6, Collected Material, contains a genealogical history of the Jessup [Jesup] family as well as some documentation related to the Congregational denomination.

ARRANGEMENT

Series 1: Bound Record Books

Series 2: Compiled Administrative, Governance and Financial Documents

Series 3: Additional Reports, Publications, and Membership Records

Series 4: Records Relating to Church Building

Series 5: Photographs

Series 6: Collected Material

Series 1: Bound Record Books

Box	Folder		Date
		Five volumes labeled by the Connecticut State Library, Hartford, 1939 (Descriptions taken from title pages inserted by the Connecticut State Library)	
1	1	Volume I: - Subscription Book	1830-1834
1	2	Volume II: - Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Village of Saugatuck 1832 - Organization of the Ecclesiastical Society 1832 - Members; Admissions 1866-1895 - Society Meetings 1832-1885	1832-1895

		- Map of Burying Ground Lots and List of Persons Purchasing Lots	
1	3	Volume III: Meeting House Book: - Meetings of the Inhabitants of Saugatuck 1832 - Subscriptions 1832, 1850 - Sale of Seats 1833-1871 - Society Accounts 1832-1866	1832-1866
1	4	Volume IV: Historical notes: - Articles of Faith and Covenant; - Constitution; - Acts and Doings of the Church 1832-1883 - Annotated List of Members 1832-1883 - Admissions by Letter 1832-1856 - Marriages 1833-1875 - Baptisms 1833-1879 - Deaths 1833-1883	1832-1883
2	1	Volume V: Church Register: - Pastors 1833-1926 - Deacons 1832-1922 - Church Committee 1832-1902 - Communicants - Baptisms 1883-1926 - Marriages 1884-1925 - Deaths 1883-1925 - Prudential Committee Meetings 1913-1922 - Church Meetings 1882-1926	1832-1926
		Church Registers	
2	2	Church Register "Volume 3"	1926-1946
2	3	Church Register "Volume 4"	1946-1958
3	1	Church Register	1958-1973
		Minutes and records	
3	2	Minutes of Annual Congregational Meetings	1886-1958
3	3	Constitution and Records of Westport Woman's Missionary Society, Auxiliary to the New Haven Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions, Boson	1875-1902
		Financial records	
3	4	Financial record book	1866-1883
4	1	Financial record book	1891-1907
4	2	Financial record book	1906-1921
4	3	Financial record book	1921-1938
4	4	Record of Collection Money of Sunday School	1868-1872

Series 2: Compiled Administrative, Governance and Financial Documents

Box	Folder		Date
5	1	Handwritten copy of original bequest of \$1250 from Green's Farms Society to Saugatuck Society (original at Green's Farms Church)	1832 Jun 28
5	2	Receipt paid to Calkin & Stiles Publishers & Booksellers for 300 Church Manuals	1857 Mar 9
5	2	Receipt for contribution from Saugatuck Congregational Church to American Home Missionary Society	1857 Apr 21
5	2	Receipt for contribution to American Tract Society	1857 Aug 13
5	2	Receipt for contribution to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions (ABCFM)	1857 Nov 2
5	2	Treasurer's report for 1857, E. Wheeler Treasurer	1857
5	2	Treasurer account of D. Swift for March 1856 through December 1857, passed to E. Wheeler, Treasurer	1857
5	3	Receipt for contribution to American Seaman's Friend Society	1858 Apr 4
5	3	Receipt for contribution to American Home Missionary Society	1858 Aug 11
5	3	Receipt for contribution to ABCFM	1858 Nov 4
5	3	Treasurer's report for the year 1858, E. Wheeler Treasurer	1858
5	4	Receipt for contribution to American Education Society	1859 Mar 9
5	4	Note addressed to Rev. T. Atkinson thanking the church for contribution to Education	1859 Mar 9
5	4	Receipt for contribution to American Bible Society	1859 Mar 11
5	4	Receipts for contribution to American Tract Society	1859 May 7
5	4	Receipt for contribution to American Home Missionary Society	1859 Aug 29
5	4	Receipt for contribution to ABCFM	1859 Nov 7
5	4	Receipt for contribution to American Seaman's Friend Society	1859 Dec 11
5	4	Treasurer's report for 1859	1859
5	5	Receipt for contribution by to "a starving people"	1860 Feb 11
5	5	Receipt for contribution to American Congregational Union	1860 Apr 20
5	5	Receipt for contribution to American Home Missionary Society	1860 Jul 29
5	5	Receipt for contribution to American Home Missionary Society	1860 Aug 21
5	5	Receipt for contribution to Fund for the Relief of Destitute and Suffering in Syria	1860 Nov 1
5	5	Receipt for contribution to ABCFM	1860 Nov 19
5	5	Receipt for contribution to American Seaman's Friend Society	1860 Dec 9
5	6	Treasurer's report for 1859 Nov to 1861 Feb	1861 Feb
5	6	Confirmation of accuracy of Treasurer's report	1861 Feb
5	6	Receipt for contribution to Norwalk and Vicinity Bible Society	1861 Apr 21
5	7	Treasurer's report for 1861	1862 Jan 5
5	7	Receipt for contribution to American Education Society	1862 Jan 28
5	7	Receipt for contribution to Norwalk Bible Society	1862 Feb 18
5	7	Receipt for contribution ABCFM	1862 May 2
5	7	Receipt for contribution to American Seamen's Friend Society	1862 Jun 14
5	7	Receipt for contribution to American Home Missionary Society	1862 Nov 3
5	7	Receipt for contribution to ABCFM	1862 Nov 3
5	8	Treasurer's report for 1862	1863 Jan 30

5	8	Receipt for contribution to Norwalk and Vicinity Bible Society	1863 Feb 10
5	8	Receipt for contribution to American Missionary Society	1863 Jul 30
5	8	Receipt for contribution to American Congregational Union	1863
5	9	Treasurer's report for 1863 Mar to 1864 Jan	1864 Feb 4
5	9	Confirmation of accuracy of Treasurer's report	1864 Feb
5	9	Receipt for contribution to Norwalk and Vicinity Bible Society	1864 Feb 21
5	9	Receipt for contribution to American Seamen's Friend Society	1864 Apr 17
5	9	Receipt for contribution to American Home Missionary Society	1864 Sep 6
5	10	Treasurer's report for 1864	1865 Jan 1
5	10	Receipt for contribution to ABCFM	1865 Jan 4
5	11	Receipt for contribution to Norwalk and Vicinity Bible Society	1872 Jan 14
5	11	Receipt for contribution to Connecticut Home Missionary Society	1872 Jul 6
5	11	Receipt for contribution to General Conference of Congregational Churches in Connecticut	1872 Jul 13
5	12	Treasurer's report for 1872	1873 Jan
5	12	Receipt for contribution to General Conference of Congregational Churches in Connecticut	1873 Jan 13
5	12	Receipt for contribution to American Missionary Association	1873 Jan 14
5	12	Receipt for contribution ABCFM	1873 Jan 14
5	12	Receipt for contribution to American Congregational Union	1873 Jan 14
5	12	Receipt for contribution to American Missionary Association	1873 Mar 26
5	12	Receipt for contribution to Connecticut Home Missionary Society	1873 Mar 29
5	12	Receipt for contribution to American Seamen's Friend Society	1873 May 6
5	12	Receipt for contribution to American Missionary Society	1873 Sep 24
5	12	Receipt for contribution to Connecticut Home Missionary Society	1873 Aug 7
5	12	Receipt for contribution ABCFM	1873 Dec 20
5	12	Treasurer's report for 1873	1873
5	13	Annual report	1874
5	13	Treasurer's report for 1874	1874
5	14	Receipt for contribution to American Seamen's Friend Society	1875 Apr 2
5	14	Receipt for contribution to Norwalk and Vicinity Bible Society	1875 Jun 18
5	14	Receipt for contribution to ABCFM	1875 Jul 1
5	14	Receipt for contribution to Connecticut Home Missionary Society	1875 Sep 28
5	15	Receipt for contribution for support and purchase of Memorial Hall	1876 Sep 14
5	15	Receipt for contribution to American Missionary Association	1876 Nov 28
5	15	Receipt for contribution to ABCFM	1876 Dec 30
5	15	Treasurer's report for 1876	1876
5	16	Receipt for contribution to Norwalk and Vicinity Bible Society	1877 Apr 19
5	16	Receipt for contribution to American Missionary Association	1877 Oct 6
5	17	List of dollar collections by different organizations for May 5 – January 5	1878 Jan
5	17	Receipt for contribution to ABCFM	1878 Jan 17
5	17	Treasurer's report for 1878	1878
5	18	Receipt for contribution to American Bible Society	1879 Jul 24

5	19	Receipt for contribution to General Conference of Congregational Churches of Connecticut	1880 Oct 19
5	19	Receipt for contribution to ABCFM	1880 Nov 18
5	19	Receipt for contribution to Connecticut Bible Society	1880 Nov 22
5	20	Report of Sunday School for 1880	1881 Jan 9
5	20	Receipt for contribution to Italian Free Church	1881 Feb 12
5	20	Letter of thanks for contribution to American Tract Society	1881 Mar 28
5	20	Receipt for contribution to Brooklyn Colonel Howard Orphan Asylum	1881 Apr 19
5	20	Report of Sunday School for 1881	1882 Jan 8
5	21	Treasurer's report for the years 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884	1884
5	22	Treasurer's report for 1885	1885
5	23	Two letters requesting membership in church	1887 Apr 29, May 2
5	23	Letter to SCC from East Saugatuck School District re. forming committee to confer re. "matter in dispute"	1887 Nov 19
5	23	Letter to SCC from East Saugatuck School District agreeing to "dispose of whatever interest" in school house building and property to SCC for \$500	1887 Dec 10
5	23	Membership requests from George Fairchild and Wm. Weaver	1887 Dec 27
5	24	Notice of meeting on May 7 to elect officers and consider manner of disposing of seats	1888 May 1
5	24	Letter to G.B. Bradley, Standing Committee, from Rev. John E. Tuttle notifying church of his resignation	1888 Jul 22
5	24	Notice of meeting re. resignation of John E. Tuttle	1888 Jul 28
5	24	Letter from John E. Tuttle to committee listing men to present to committee: Mr. Hunt, Mr. Eastman, Mr. Pettibone, Mr. Greeley, Mr. Pratt	1888 Aug 5
5	24	Miscellaneous letters recommending candidates for filling vacant pulpit and individuals to do supply preaching	1888 Aug - Nov
5	24	Letter from John. E. Tuttle to church recommending Jabez Backus for pulpit	1888 Oct 31
5	24	Various letters of recommendation for Jabez Backus	1888 Nov
5	24	Letters exchanged between Jabez Backus and church to arrange visit and regarding references	1888 Nov
5	24	Report of meeting where it was voted unanimously to call Jabez Backus as pastor of church	1888 Dec 2
5	24	Various letters exchanged between Jabez Backus and church re. arrangements for his coming	1888 Dec
5	25	Letter of congratulations to SCC from Congregational Church of Elizabethtown, NY re. appointment of Rev. Backus	1889 Jan 1
5	25	Notice of meeting of Ecclesiastic Society on October 23 to discuss paying debt, selling school house, and improving grounds	1889 Oct 18
5	25	Notice of special meeting on December 29 to consider proposed settlement between SCC and East Saugatuck School District	1889 Dec 22
5	25	Treasurer's report for 1889	1889 Dec 31

5	26	Annual Statistical report for 1889, to be sent to Hartford	1890 Jan 1
5	26	Report of Woman's Missionary Society for 1889	1890 Jan
5	26	Notice of annual meeting on January 8, 1890	1890 Jan?
5	26	Notice of annual meeting	1890 May 28
5	26	Letter from Elizabeth M. Gorham offering gift of silver spoons to the church	1890 Dec 20
5	26	Report of the Clerk W.H. Saxton for 1890	1890
5	26	Treasurer's report of weekly offerings	1890 Jan 1
5	26	Report of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor (YPSCE) for 1890	1890
5	27	Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence of SCC for 1891	1891
5	27	Report of the Clerk W.H. Saxton for 1891	1891
5	27	Report of Secretary of Christian Endeavor Society for 1891 – 10 th anniversary of Society in November 1891	1891
5	27	Report of the Mission Band for 1891 – incl. re. committee meetings on schools in China, Turkey, and India	1891
5	27	Treasurer's report for 1891	1891 Dec 31
5	28	Report of Sunday School Superintendent for 1891	1892 Jan
5	28	Notice of special meeting on May 8	1892 Apr 25
5	28	Notice of meeting on May 28 regarding the organ and altering the fiscal year	1892 May 20
5	28	Notice of meeting on October 1 regarding materials for the organ	1892 Sep 26
5	28	Treasurer's report for 1892	1892 Dec 31
5	28	Annual report of Secretary of Westport Auxiliary of Woman's Board of Missions	1892
5	28	Report of Mission Band for 1892 – Annie Warren, Secretary	1892
5	28	Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence of SCC for 1892	1892
5	28	Report of Secretary of Woman's Beneficent Society for 1892	1892
5	28	Report of Treasurer of Woman's Beneficent Society for 1892	1892
5	28	Report of the Clerk W.H. Saxton for 1892	1892
5	29	Report on the Sunday School by Clerk W.H. Saxton for 1892 – 50 th anniversary of Sunday School	1893 Jan 14
5	29	Letter requesting copy of marriage certificate of Antoinette Bench to Simon F. Huntington	1893 Mar 7
5	30	Report of the Clerk W. H. Saxton for 1893	1894 Jan 3
5	30	Report of Junior Endeavor Society and Mission Band for 1893	1894 Jan
5	30	Annual report of Woman's Beneficent Society for 1893	1894 Jan
5	30	Report of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor (YPSCE) for 1893	1894 Jan 6
5	30	Woman's Beneficent Society financial report for 1893	1894 Jan 24
5	30	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1893	1894 Feb
5	30	Receipt for \$20 from Charles Wakeman, Treasurer Greens Farms Congregational Church	1894 Mar 10
5	30	Notice of annual meeting on May 7	1894 May

5	30	Notice of special meeting on September 14 to consider introduction of electricity for lighting church	1894 Sep 7
5	30	Treasurer's report for 1894	1894 Dec 31
5	31	Secretary's report for the Woman's Beneficent Society - Florence Wakeman, Secretary	1895 Jan
5	31	Receipt for \$6.00 received from Saugatuck Congregational Church (SCC)	1895 Jan 9
5	31	Report of the Clerk W.H. Saxton for the year 1894	1895 Jan 9
5	31	Notice of annual meeting on May 6 – reports of the Secretary, Treasurer, Election of officers	1895 Apr 27
5	31	Letter from Rev. Jabez Backus requesting 6 month leave of absence	1895 Aug 3
5	31	Notice of special meeting on September 28	1895 Sep 21
5	31	Special meeting to discuss giving Rev. Jabez Backus a leave of absence for six months	1895 Sep 28
5	31	W.E. Albin letter asking for membership at SCC	1895 Sep 30
5	31	Letter of condolence to Mrs. Belden on death of her husband	1895 Nov 24
5	31	Treasurer T. B. Hill's report for 1895	1895 Dec 31
5	31	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1895	1896 Jan 1
5	32	Treasurer's report for the Woman's Beneficent Society for 1895	1896 Jan 1
5	32	Report of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor (YPSCE) for 1895 - Annie Warren, Secretary	1896 Jan 7
5	32	Report of the Clerk, W. H. Saxton for the year 1895	1896 Jan 8
5	32	Resolution of "grateful appreciation" to Rev. E. C. Morton for pulpit supply for six months	1896 Mar 29
5	32	Request for a letter of admission from Lewis John Keeler	1896 Mar 29
5	32	Notice for Annual Meeting on May 6	1896 Apr?
5	32	Letter to W.H. Saxton with request for dismissal letter for Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Smith	1896 Jun 20
5	32	Letter to W. H. Saxton with thanks for letter re. recent death of husband R.J. Post	1896 Oct 7
5	33	Treasurer's report for Woman's Beneficent Society for 1896	1897 Jan 1
5	33	Secretary's report for Woman's Beneficent Society for 1896, incl. re. "successful fair"	1897 Jan 6
5	33	Clerk W. H. Saxton's report for 1896	1897 Jan 6
5	33	Secretary's report of Junior Endeavor and Cradle Roll for 1896	1897 Jan
5	33	Secretary's report for Woman's Foreign Missionary Society for 1896	1897 Jan
5	33	Invitation to review John E. Tuttle for installation as pastor of Union Congregational Church in Worcester, MA	1897 Jan 28
5	33	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1896	1897 Feb 1
5	33	Letter recommending Mr. and Mrs. Cooley to Congregational Church of Westport	1897 Nov 5
5	33	Treasurer's report for 1897	1897 Dec 31
		Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence of SCC for 1897	1897
5	33	Treasurer's report for Woman's Beneficent Society for 1897	1897

5	33	Secretary's report for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	1897/1898
5	34	Secretary's report for YPSCE for 1897 – 35 active members	1898 Jan 1
5	34	Treasurer's report of Woman's Beneficent Society for 1897	1898 Jan 1
5	34	Secretary's report for the Woman's Beneficent Society for 1897	1898 Jan 5
5	34	Clerk W. H. Saxton's report for 1897, incl. re. need for renovations in church	1898 Jan 5
5	34	Annual meeting of Woman's Beneficent Society	1898 Jan 13
5	34	Notice for Annual Meeting on May 1; reports	1898 Apr 28
5	34	Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence for 1898	1898
5	34	Report of YPSCE – 33 active members	1898
5	35	Clerk W. H. Saxton's report for 1898, incl. re. Colonial dinner at Toquet Hall	1899 Jan 1
5	35	Letter to W. H. Saxton requesting letter of dismissal for Mr. R. Post	1899 Jan 9
5	35	Notice of Annual Meeting of May 1, incl. re. budget	1899 Apr 24
5	35	Notice of meeting on May 8	1899 May
5	35	Invitation to review Benjamin Root for installation as pastor at Northfield Church in Weston	1899 Dec 31
5	35	Report of Treasurer of SCC	1899 Dec 31
5	35	Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence for 1899	1899
5	35	Repeal of resolution for electing deacons passed at Annual Meeting of 1897	1899
6	1	Treasurer's report for Woman's Beneficent Society for 1899	1900 Jan 1
6	1	Clerk W. H. Saxton's report for 1899	1900 Jan 3
6	1	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1899	1900 Feb
6	1	Notice of Annual Meeting on May 7	1900 May
6	1	Treasurer's report for 1900	1900 Dec 31
6	1	Clerk W. H. Saxton's report for 1900, inc. history of church during past century	1900
6	1	Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence for 1900	1900
6	1	Cash balance and expenses for 1900 by 18 members of Woman's Society	1900
6	1	Contributions by Sunday School for benevolent objects in 1900	1900
6	1	Contributions of YPSCE for 1900	1900
6	1	Meeting summary – officers elected, report accepted	n.d. – 1900/1901
6	2	Treasurer's report for the Women's Beneficent Society	1901 Jan 1
6	2	Report for Women's Missionary Society for 1900	1901 Jan 2
6	2	Secretary's report of the Women's Beneficent Society	1901 Jan 3
6	2	Annual meeting of the Women's Beneficent Society	1901 Jan 9
6	2	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1900	1901 Feb 5
6	2	Letter from Kate Harris with forwarded note from Rev. Jabez Backus	1901 Apr 19
6	2	Notice of Annual Meeting	1901 Apr 30
6	2	Treasurer's report for 1901	1901 Dec 31
6	2	Treasurer's report for Weekly Offerings and Benevolence	1901
6	2	YPSCE report for 1901	1901

6	3	Treasurer's report for Woman's Beneficent Society - Mrs. D.E. Hubbell Secretary	1902 Jan 1
6	3	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1901	1902 Jan 27
6	3	Notice of Annual Meeting	1902 May 5
6	3	Treasurer's report for Weekly Offerings and Benevolence	1902
6	3	YPSCE report for 1902	1902
6	4	Treasurer's report for 1902	1903 Jan 1, 7
6	4	Treasurer's report for Woman's Missionary Society for 1902	1903 Jan
6	4	Secretary's report for Woman's Missionary Society - Mary F. Coley Secretary	1903 Jan 7
6	4	Secretary's Report for Woman's Beneficent Society for 1902	1903 Jan 7
6	4	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1902	1903 Feb
6	4	Treasurer's report for 1903	1903 Dec 31
6	5	Treasurer's report for Woman's Beneficent Society for 1903	1904 Jan 1
6	5	YPSCE report for 1903 – Mrs. Cooley, Secretary	1904 Jan
6	5	Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence	1904 Jan
6	5	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1903	1904 Feb 8
6	5	Treasurer's report for 1904	1904 Dec 31
6	5	YPSCE report for 1904	1904
6	5	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1904	1904
6	6	Treasurers' report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence	1905 Jan 1
6	6	Treasurer's report of Woman's Beneficent Society	1905 Jan 1
6	6	Report of the Fairfield West Consociation re. resignation of Rev. Jabez Backus from Westport Congregational Church	1905 Jan 17
6	6	Letter to Mr. Backus from Grace Pouch requesting letter from church	1905 Mar 2
6	6	Letter from Rev. Jabez Backus requesting a letter of dismissal	1905 June 23
6	6	Letter from T.B. Hill, W.H. Saxton, and Rufus Wakeman recommending W.P. Landers to be new pastor of the church	1905 Aug 13
6	6	Letter from Warren P. Landers accepting the call to the pastorate of SCC	1905 Aug 25
6	6	Letter to Rev. W.P. Landers from Jabez Backus, sending regrets, congratulations	1905 Nov 18
6	6	Note to church and pastor W.P. Landers from J.E. Tuttle	1905 Nov 20
6	6	Letter to Rev. W.P. Landers from Andrew Hetrick re. participation in recognition service; includes info re. early church history	1905 Nov 20
6	6	Letter from Morris K. Jesup thanking Rev. Landers for invitation	1905 Nov 23
6	6	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1905	1905/06
6	6	Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence for 1905	1905/06
6	6	Clerk's report for 1905, with info re. membership	1905/06
6	6	Report for Sunday School for 1905 – Robert Hubbard, Secretary	1905/06
6	6	YPSCE report for 1905	1905/06
6	6	Draft note thanking Morris K. Jesup for his interest and generous gifts	1905 or 1906
6	7	Treasurer's report for 1905	1906 Jan 3

6	7	Report of the Prudential Committee re. envelope system for offerings	1906 Jan 3
6	7	Letter from moderator of Fairfield West Consociation inviting Westport Congregational Church to send delegate to examine Rev. Charles S. Macfarland as pastor	1906 Oct 19
6	7	Letter from Green's Farms Congregational Church inviting Congregational Church of Westport to worship with them on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 29 at 10:30	1906 Nov 13
6	7	Letter to Rev. Landers thanking him for invitation to annual meeting, from previous members Mr. and Mrs. Ely	1906 Dec 26
6	7	Letter from Department of Commerce and Labor request church statistics	1906 Dec 26
6	7	Letter from John Ellery Tuttle sending congratulations, with reminiscences of church members	1906 Dec 28
6	7	Treasurer's report for 1906	1906 Dec 31
6	7	Report of Women's Foreign Missionary Society for 1906	1906/07
6	7	Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence for 1906	1906/07
6	7	Secretary's report of Woman's Beneficent Society for 1906	1906/07
6	7	Secretary's report of Christian Endeavor Society for 1906	1906/07
6	8	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1906	1907 Jan 1
6	8	Treasurer's report for Woman's Missionary Society	1907 Jan
6	8	Report of Woman's Missionary Society	1907 Jan 1
6	8	Greetings to church members from Emily Benedict	1907 Jan1
6	8	Greetings from Emma Saxton (P.S. 145 8&9)	1907 Jan 1
6	8	Greetings from Anna and Mary Coley	1907 Jan 1
6	8	Annual Meeting – Prudential Committee; after supper greetings, music, prayers and reports	1907 Jan 2
6	8	Pastor's report	1907 Jan 2
6	8	Clerk W.H. Saxton letter requesting Treasurer M.C. Woodworth to list contributions to "benevolent objects"	1907 Jan 7
6	8	Report of Sunday School, Cradle Roll department	1907 Jan
6	8	2 nd annual meeting of Cradle Roll – picnic at Parsonage Park	1907 Jul 24
6	8	Cornerstone box found, which had been placed September 13, 1866. Additional items added to box, returned to cornerstone	1907 Oct
6	8	Treasurer's report for 1907	1907 Dec 31
6	8	Organization of Princess Sunshine Club – J.L. Haggeman, Secretary	1907
6	8	Treasurer's report of Weekly Offerings and Benevolence for 1907	1907
6	9	Secretary's report of Christian Endeavor Society for 1907	1908 Jan 1
6	9	Letter to Mr. Saxton from Alice Baily Song, unable attend annual meeting	1908 Jan 3
6	9	Secretary's report of Woman's Beneficent Society	1908 Jan 8
6	9	Treasurer's report of Woman's Beneficent Society	1908 Jan 11
6	9	Report of Woman's Beneficent Society annual meeting	1908 Jan 15
6	9	Letters from Mr. and Mrs. William Coanfield re. missing annual meeting	1908 Jan 28

6	9	Pastor's annual message	1908 Jan 29
6	9	Report of K.O.K.A.	1908 Jan
6	9	Annual Statistical Circular – report for 1907	1908 Jan
6	9	Listing of members of Sunday School – total 167	1908 Jan
6	9	Clerk W.H. Saxton requesting accounts of contributions paid to various societies	1908 Feb 15
6	9	Annual Statistical Survey	1908 Feb 24
6	9	Letter from Pastor Warren Landers submitting his resignation effective September 1, 1908	1908 Mar 14
6	9	Report of Supply Committee	1908 Dec 13
6	9	Notices of meetings re. ministerial calls and resignations (1887-1908)	1908 Dec 13
6	9	Treasurer's report for 1908	1908 Dec 31
6	9	Treasurer's report for Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	1908
6	10	Report of the Christian Endeavor Society 1908 Jan 1- 1909 Jan 1	1909 Jan 1
6	10	Annual Meeting and Social Reunion of the Saugatuck Church	1909 Jan 6
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6	10	Letter requesting dismissal letter from Warren P. Landin	1909

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8	5	Centenary Manual 1832-1932	1932
8	5	Commemorative booklets for 125 th , 150 th , and 175 th anniversaries of the church	1957, 1982, 2007
8	6	Register of members 1882-1999	1999
8	7	Brochure re. Memorial Gift Program	n.d.
8	7	Flyer related to church activities and finances	1968

Series 4: Records Related to Church Building

8	8	Building Committee records	1947-1949
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8	9	Building Committee records	1950
8	10	Building Committee records, including list of contents of cornerstone box sealed March 16, 1951	1951
8	10	Information about Jesup House	n.d.
8	10	Memo re. Daniels Room in church	1994
8	11	Blueprints	
8	12	Booklet re. renovation of church; brochure about moving the church; article on church move	1951
8	13	Report on recovery and restoration of church after fire of 2011; Rebuilding timeline & Building Committee reports	2011-2014

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9	1	Photos documenting moving of church on August 28, 1950	1950
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9	4	Minutes of General Conference and General Assembly of Congregational Churches of Connecticut	1880, 1881
9	5	Minutes of General Conference and General Assembly of Congregational Churches of Connecticut	1882, 1883, 1884
9	5	Report of the Committee on Structure United Church of Christ	1969
4	5	Framed etching of church	n.d.