



SOUTH CAROLINA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Christ Church Parish Records, 1694-2016 SCHS Call # 325.00

Description: 7 linear feet

Biographical/Historical note: One of the ten ecclesiastical subdivisions created in 1706 by the Church Act of the General Assembly. Christ Church Parish, Charleston District, South Carolina laid the foundation for Christ Church in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina in 1707.

Scope and content: Collection contains records and documents from Christ Church Parish in Mount Pleasant (S.C.), dating from 1694 to 2016. Materials include vestry correspondence, financial records, insurance records, legal records, property records, vestry minutes, and registers. Correspondence (1765-1957) include letters from Rev. Albert A. Muller, William Hort, James Gregorie, Thomas Barksdale, Arnold Bonneau, James Hibben, and others. Financial records (1763-1963) include account books, poor tax records, subscription lists, receipts, and invoices. Legal records (1811-1856) concern equity suits between the vestry and other parties. Property records consist of a lease agreement from 1885 and items pertaining to repair work done on the church between 1810 and 1834. The vestry minutes (1711-2011) consist of manuscript volumes, 20th century transcriptions, and later 20th and 21st century volumes. Registers (1694-2016) contain records of baptisms, marriages, and burials performed at the church. There are also registers of services (1974-2016). The earlier vestry minutes and registers were transcribed in the early 20th century by Anne King Gregorie in preparation for her published history of Christ Church Parish.

Other items in the collection include secretary books (1928-1950) and minutes (1919-1928) from the Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church and annual lists (1826-1842) of the members of the Parish Society Auxiliary, which was affiliated with the Protestant Episcopal Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina. Also included are some records and correspondence from St. Andrews Chapel, which functioned informally as a chapel of ease for Christ Church until it separated from Christ Church in 1954.

Note: Some records in fragile condition. Please use copies where available. Early records available on microfilm, SCHS 54/24-26.

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Search terms:

Christ Episcopal Church (Mount Pleasant, S.C.)

Christ Episcopal Church (Mount Pleasant, S.C.) -- Records and correspondence.

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St. Andrew's Chapel (Mount Pleasant, S.C.)
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Registers of births, etc. -- South Carolina -- Christ Church Parish.
Mount Pleasant (S.C.) -- Church history.

Container listing:

BOX 1

0325.01 (C): Vestry Correspondence, 1765-1957

0325.01 (C) 01: Loose correspondence, 1765-1957
0325.01 (C) 02: Letter Book, 1822-1831

0325.01 (F) 01: Financial Records, 1763-1959

0325.01 (F) 01 (a) 01: Account Books, general (1801-1809, 1822-1837)
0325.01 (F) 01 (a) 02: Account Book, Ministers' salary, 1820-1842
0325.01 (F) 01 (f) 01: Fragments and undated items
0325.01 (F) 01 (p) 01: Poor Tax Records, 1770-1774
0325.01 (F) 01 (r) 01: Receipts, bills, and miscellaneous, 1763-1959
0325.01 (F) 01 (r) 02: Receipt Book, 1822-1846
0325.01 (F) 01 (s) 01: Subscription lists, 1763-1957

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0325.01 (I) 01: Insurance Records, 1888-1957

0325.01 (L) 01: Legal Records (Equity Suits), 1811-1856

0325.01 (L) 01 (1811): McCalla Suit, 1811
0325.01 (L) 01 (1846): Vestry vs. Barksdale, 1846
0325.01 (L) 01 (1856): Effingham Wagner, Daniel Lesesne, George Kinloch vs. Vestry, 1856

0325.01 (M) 01: Miscellaneous church material

Boy scout letter, German letter, parish house photo, note about service held, fragments)

0325.01 (M) 02: Minutes of Vestry, 1711-1957

0325.01 (M) 02 (1708-1847): Vestry minutes, 1708-1759, 1797-1847 (typescript transcription, ca. 1930s, also includes "Register, 1700-1784," 1 volume)
0325.01 (M) 02 (1708-1936): Vestry minutes, 1708-1936 (typescript transcription ca. 1936, also contains Register of baptisms, marriages, and burials, 1708-1843, 1 volume)
0325.01 (M) 02 (1711-1750): Vestry minutes (ms, 1 volume, OVERSIZED)
0325.01 (M) 02 (1936-1954): Vestry minutes (typescript, 1 volume)
0325.01 (M) 02 (e) 01: Extracts from minutes, meetings, reports, and rough notes, 1760-1957

BOX 3

0325.01 (P) 01: Property Records, 1810-1885

0325.01 (P) 01 (l) 01: Lease Agreement, 1885

0325.01 (P) 01 (r) 01: Repair Work on Church, correspondence, bills, and estimates, 1810-1834

0325.01 (R) 01: Registers, 1694-1945

0325.01 (R) 01 (1694-1789): Register, 1694-1789 (ms, split up into sections because of poor condition, OVERSIZED)

0325.01 (R) 01 (1700-1784): Register, 1700-1784 (typescript transcription ca. 1930s, see above under "Minutes")

0325.01 (R) 01 (1708-1843): Register, 1708-1843 (typescript transcription ca. 1936, see above under "Minutes")

0325.01 (R) 01 (1737-1788): Register, 1737-1788 (ms, 1 volume)

0325.01 (R) 01 (1737-1805) Register, 1737-1805 (ms, 1 volume, OVERSIZED)

0325.01 (R) 01 (1866-1921): Register, 1866-1921 (ms, 1 volume, 1955)

0325.01 (R) 01 (1921-1945): Register, 1921-1945 (ms, 1 volume)

0325.02: Records of Auxiliary Organizations

0325.02.01: Christ Church Parish Society, Auxiliary to the Protestant Episcopal Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina, 1826-1842

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0325.02.02: Women's Auxiliary, 1919-1951

0325.02.02 (M) 01: Minutes, 1919-1950

0325.02.02 (S) 01: Sunday School Roll and Records, 1919-1940

0325.03: St. Andrew's Church Papers:

0325.03(P) 01: Property records, 1843-1880

0325.03(T) 01: Records of transference, 1954-1955

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0325.01 (F) 01 Financial Records

0325.01 (F) 01 (1953-1963): account book, 1953-1963 (1 volume, OVERSIZE)

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0325.01 (M) 02: Vestry Minutes and Records

0325.01 (M) 02 (1954-1979): Vestry minutes and records, 1954-1979

0325.01 (M) 02 (1954-1979) A: loose items removed from vestry book, 1954-1979

0325.01 (M) 02 (1980-1987): vestry minutes and records, 1980-1987

0325.01 (M) 02 (1980-1987) A: loose items removed from vestry book, 1980-1987

0325.01 (M) 02 (1988-1989): vestry minutes and records, 1988-1989 (removed from binder)

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0325.01 (M) 02 (1990): vestry minutes and records, 1990
0325.01 (M) 02 (1991): vestry minutes and records, 1991
0325.01 (M) 02 (1992): vestry minutes and records, 1992
0325.01 (M) 02 (1993): vestry minutes and records, 1993
0325.01 (M) 02 (1994): vestry minutes and records, 1994

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0325.01 (M) 02 (1995): vestry minutes and records, 1995
0325.01 (M) 02 (1996): vestry minutes and records, 1996
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0325.01 (M) 02 (2000): vestry minutes and records, 2000
0325.01 (M) 02 (2001): vestry minutes and records, 2001
0325.01 (M) 02 (2002) 01: vestry minutes and records, 2002, January – March
0325.01 (M) 02 (2002) 02: vestry minutes and records, 2002, April – December
0325.01 (M) 02 (2003): vestry minutes and records, 2003

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0325.01 (M) 02 (2004) 01: vestry minutes and records, 2004, January – May
0325.01 (M) 02 (2004) 02: vestry minutes and records, 2004, June – December
0325.01 (M) 02 (2005): vestry minutes and records, 2005
0325.01 (M) 02 (2006): vestry minutes and records, 2006

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0325.01 (M) 02 (2007): vestry minutes and records, 2007
0325.01 (M) 02 (2008): vestry minutes and records, 2008
0325.01 (M) 02 (2009) 01: vestry minutes and records, 2009, January – June

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0325.01 (M) 02 (2010) 01: vestry minutes and records, 2010, January – June
0325.01 (M) 02 (2010) 02: vestry minutes and records, 2010, July – December
0325.01 (M) 02 (2011) 01: vestry minutes and records, 2011, January – June
0325.01 (M) 02 (2011) 02: vestry minutes and records, 2011, July – December

BOX 12

0325.01 (R) Parish and service registers
(NB: registers of baptisms, marriages, confirmations, etc. are overlapping.)

0325.01 (R) 01 (1921-1975): parish register, 1921-1975
0325.01 (R) 01 (1974-1982): parish register, 1974-1982
0325.01 (R) 01 (1950-1991): parish register, 1980-1991 (bulk 1980-1985)
0325.01 (R) 01 (1983-1992): parish register, 1983-1993

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0325.01 (R) 01 (1989-1994): parish register, 1989-1994
0325.01 (R) 01 (1994-2002): parish register, 1994-2002
0325.01 (R) 01 (1998-2003): parish register, 1998-2003
0325.01 (R) 01 (2003-2008): parish register, 2003-2006 (note says 2004 baptisms are missing)

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0325.01 (R) 01 (2007-2014): parish register, 2007-2014
0325.01 (R) 01 (2010-2016): parish register, 2010-2016
0325.01 (R) 02 (1959-1974): service register, 1959-1974
0325.01 (R) 02 (1974-1985): service register, 1974-1985
0325.01 (R) 02 (1985-1993): service register, 1985-1993

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0325.01 (R) 02 (1993-2003): service register, 1993-2003
0325.01 (R) 02 (2003-2016): service register, 2003-2016