

Guide to the Church and Cemetery Records: Clark County, WI, 1844-1983

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Summary Information

Title: Church and Cemetery Records (Genealogical Society of Utah Project): Clark

County, Wisconsin

Inclusive Dates: 1844-1983

Call Number: Eau Claire Micro 33

Quantity: 6 reels of microfilm (35mm)

Repository: Housed at the Area Research Center, William D. McIntyre Library, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire; owned by the Wisconsin Historical Society, Library-Archives Division

Archival Locations: UW-Eau Claire McIntyre Library / Eau Claire Area Research Ctr.

Abstract: Copies of records of numerous churches and cemeteries in Clark County, Wis., microfilmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah in cooperation with the State Historical Society of Wisconsin. Representing various denominations, the records usually consist of membership and sacramental record books.

Note: This collection is available only on microfilm. This microfilm was produced in 1983-1984 by the Genealogical Society of Utah which holds the master negative.

Language: English, German, Norwegian, Danish

Scope and Content Note

The Genealogical Society of Utah (GSU) and the Wisconsin Historical Society cooperated in a project to borrow and film Wisconsin church and cemetery records of interest to genealogists. The project produced 311 reels of microfilm containing records from 32 Wisconsin counties, dating from the 1830s to the 1980s. Positive copies of the microfilm are available at the Wisconsin Historical Society and the Area Research Centers; each location houses different portions of the collection.

The microfilm has been grouped according to county where the church or cemeteries are located and each county group has been assigned a unique call number. Due to the filming process, there is occasionally a record of a church or cemetery from a different county located on a reel of film predominantly of another county, but generally a reel of microfilm almost always contains only

records of churches and cemeteries from one county. Each call number therefore represents records primarily of one county (call number "Milwaukee Micro 70" for Milwaukee county records for example). An exception is "Stout Micro 25" which contains records from both Dunn and Barron counties.

Accuracy of this finding aid is limited by readability of the film, completeness of the record, and staff knowledge of foreign languages and scripts. In-depth research into church history was not done by Archives staff. Some records do not name the church which created them; in those cases the information recorded by the filmer is used and often is the present custodian of the record. Missing information, particularly the "record type" in the reel lists, is due to the occasional necessity of working from camera operators' reports or other finding aids rather than from the film itself. Annotations and corrections can be forwarded to the Wisconsin Historical Society for inclusion in future versions of this finding aid.

A separate reel list finding aid is provided for each call number. The reel lists contain detailed information on types of records included and years covered. The reel lists also indicate the languages in which the records were written and the GSU film number, in the event that a duplicate needs to be ordered. The reel lists include brief descriptions of the record types (birth, baptism, marriage, etc.); this information was compiled from the film itself. Occasionally sections, especially languages and record types, were left blank when incomplete information was available.

Place Names

A few locations are not now governmental units but apparently were in use at the time the records were created. In cases where churches moved or merged, the record is still listed under only one location. Sometimes a single record contains information crossing county lines, especially in the case of missions or circuits. If exact location is not clear, rather than misled the user with a possibly incorrect place name, the more general location of just the county is used. Thus it is important for the user to be imaginative in searching for place names.

Church and Cemetery Names

Church names, if in a foreign language, are usually entered in the English form if doing so will bring all records for one church -- both before and after the church adopted English as its language. "Saint" is sometimes spelled out and sometimes abbreviated to "St." making it necessary for the user to search both ways.

Denomination is listed as it appeared in the records with no additional research done on denominational changes that have occurred in the 150-year scope of this collection. Thus lines are not always exact between, for example, Methodist and Methodist Episcopal or Evangelical Lutheran and Lutheran. In some cases the present denomination is indicated for a church that has changed through the years. For example, United Church of Christ may indicate churches which were formerly Congregational or Evangelical and Reformed. Some knowledge of church history is useful to the user. A denomination could not be determined for some records.

Administrative/Restriction Information

Use Restrictions

Copies may be purchased by libraries or other research organizations, with the written consent of the custodial congregation, from the Genealogical Society of Utah.

Acquisition Information

The original records were loaned for copying by their custodians and were returned when copying was completed. Accession Number: M83-305, M84-048, M84-174

Processing Information

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Search Terms/Subject Terms

- Catholic Church—Wisconsin
- Congregational Church—Wisconsin
- Lutheran Church—Wisconsin
- Methodist Church—Wisconsin
- Reformed Church—Wisconsin
- Cemeteries—Wisconsin—Clark County
- Church records and registers—Wisconsin—Clark County Clark County (Wis.)—Church history-Sources
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Genealogical Dept.

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Reel/Item 1/1	Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran, 1901-1922 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Dorchester Record types: Dobte, Confirmations, Agtivede, Nadverdgjester, Begrande, Gudstjnutir, Dagsregister, Medslemmer Languages: Norwegian GSU Number: 1377716
	Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran, 1844-1901

Reel/Item 1/2	Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Dorchester Record types: Menigdslemmer, Konfirmation, Agtevichen, Communicants, Dabshandinger, Dobte, Dodsfall Languages: Norwegian GSU Number: 1377716
Reel/Item 1/3	Reformed Friedens Church, 1901-1956 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Curtiss Record types: pastors, beamtons, glieders, baptism, confirmations, marriage, sterbefalfe, collections, history Languages: German GSU Number: 1377716
Reel/Item 1/4	Norwegian Lutheran Church, 1893-1909 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Curtiss Record types: Dobte, Confirmations, Agleiede, Fordfasdede, Communicants, Register Languages: Norwegian GSU Number: 1377716
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Reel/Item 1/6	Halway Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1915-1941 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Clark Co. Record types: Samfundet, baptisms, confirmation, Viede Jordfaestede, Nadvergjester, Menighetslemmer Languages: Norwegian GSU Number: 1377716
Reel/Item 2/1	Saint Stephen's Parish, 1912-1960 Note: Denomination: Catholic Place name: Chili Record types: members, baptism, confirmations, marriage, deaths Languages: English

	GSU Number: 1392619
Reel/Item 2/2	Greenwood Norwegian Evangelical, 1873-1911 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Greenwood Record types: minutes, communicants, Agleviede, Dobte Languages: Norwegian GSU Number: 1392619
Reel/Item 2/3	Greenwood Norwegian Evangelical, 1900-1958 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Greenwood Record types: Dobte, Konfirmerde, Agteviiede, Jordfastede, Nadvergjaster, Fortoneise over Menighedslemmer Languages: Norwegian GSU Number: 1392619
Reel/Item 2/4	Emmanuel Norwegian Lutheran, 1881-1983 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Longwood Record types: baptism, confirmations, marriage, communicants, members Languages: Norwegian English GSU Number: 1392619
Reel/Item 2/5	Trondhjen Evangelical Lutheran, 1914-1948 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Clark Co. Record types: members, baptism, confirmations, marriage, burials, communicants Languages: Norwegian, English GSU Number: 1392619
Reel/Item 2/6	Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, 1891-1911 Note: Denomination: Methodist Episcopal Place name: Greenwood Record types: history, members, probationers, marriage, baptism Languages: English GSU Number: 1392619
Reel/Item	Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, 1913-1932 Note: Denomination: Methodist Episcopal Place name: Greenwood Record types: history, members, probationers, baptism, marriage,

2/7	burial Languages: English GSU Number: 1392619
Reel/Item 3/1	Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1893-1937 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Withee Record types: history, baptism, confirmation, marriage, burial, Aaltergaster Languages: Danish GSU Number: 1392620
Reel/Item 3/2	Nazareth Lutheran Church Cemetery, 1893-1983 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Withee Record types: Lot owners, burial records Languages: Danish, English GSU Number: 1392620
Reel/Item 3/3	Salem Reformed Church, 1891-1925 Note: Denomination: Reformed Place name: Warner Twn Record types: baptism, marriage, communicants families, minutes Languages: German GSU Number: 1392620
Reel/Item 3/4	Immanuel Reformed Church, 1887-1938 Note: Denomination: Reformed Place name: Warner Twn Record types: names, baptism, confirmations, marriage, communicants, Sterbefalle Languages: German GSU Number: 1392620
Reel/Item 3/5	Immanuel Reformed Church, 1860-1884 Note: Denomination: Reformed Place name: Warner Twn Record types: baptism, marriage, confirmations, communicants, deaths, pastors Languages: German GSU Number: 1392620
Reel/Item	Zion Evangelical Reformed Church, 1905-1950 Note: Denomination: Reformed Place name: Greenwood Record types: members, marriage, communicants, deaths,

3/6	minutes Languages: German GSU Number: 1392620
Reel/Item 3/7	Friedens Reformed Church, 1888-1897 Note: Denomination: Reformed Place name: Hixon Twn Record types: baptism, confirmations, families Languages: German GSU Number: 1392620
Reel/Item 4/1	Colby and Unity Circuit, 1888-1943 Note: Denomination: Methodist Episcopal Place name: Colby Record types: pastors, members, probationers, marriage, baptism Languages: English GSU Number: 1392621
Reel/Item 4/2	Colby and Unity Circuit, 1909-1945 Note: Denomination: Methodist Episcopal Place name: Colby Record types: pastors, probationers, baptism, members, marriage, burial Languages: English GSU Number: 1392621
Reel/Item 4/3	Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1882-1914 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Dorchester Record types: members, baptism, confirmations, communicants, marriage, deaths Languages: German, English GSU Number: 1392621
Reel/Item 4/4	Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1915-1983 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Dorchester Record types: baptism, confirmations, marriage, deaths Languages: German, English GSU Number: 1392621
	Zion Reformed Church, 1899-1946 Note: Denomination: Reformed Place name: Neillsville

Reel/Item 5/1	Record types: constitution, deacons, members, marriage, baptism, communicants, deaths, history Languages: English, German GSU Number: 1401776
Reel/Item 5/2	Congregational Church, 1891-1904 Note: Denomination: Congregational Place name: Neillsville Record types: Constitution, members, baptism, minutes Languages: English GSU Number: 1401776
Reel/Item 5/3	Congregational Church, 1905-1908 Note: Denomination: Congregational Place name: Neillsville Record types: minutes, marriage Languages: English GSU Number: 1401776
Reel/Item 6/1	Saint John's Evangelical Lutheran, 1886-1936 Note: Denomination: Lutheran Place name: Neillsville Record types: baptism, deaths, marriage, confirmation, communicants, history Languages: German, English GSU Number: 1401775
Reel/Item 6/2	Methodist Episcopal Church, 1912-1932 Note: Denomination: Methodist Place name: Neillsville Record types: pastors, probationers, baptisms, members, marriage, burial Languages: English GSU Number: 1401775