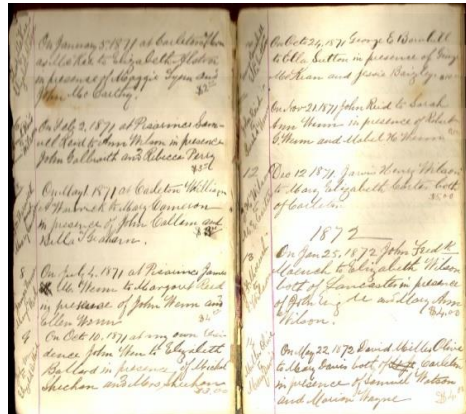


WHAT RECORDS SHOULD COME TO THE ARCHIVES?



Marriage register from Carleton Presbyterian, Saint John, NB

- Baptism/marriage/burial registers and membership rolls
- Minutes and other records of all boards, committees, groups
- Sunday School records
- Legal/property/building records
- Correspondence
- Church histories/biographical information
- Financial records
- Annual reports and newsletters
- Photographs/audio-visual records
- Architectural records



Summerfield United Church, Summerfield, PEI

OUR FACILITIES

Records are very susceptible to a number of threats including fire, water, UV rays, inappropriate temperature/humidity levels, bugs, and contaminated air. To best protect our records, we have a purpose-built archives storage vault in the Regional Council office building.

Our archival storage space was designed in consultation with a member of the Canadian Association of Professional Conservators and conforms to archival standards for building materials, insulation, lighting, and climate control. The temperature is maintained at 15° Celsius and the relative humidity at 30%.

There is a monitored security system in place, including smoke detectors and sprinklers.



Archives storage vault

Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council & Regional Council 15 Archives

The United Church of Canada



21 Wright Street
Sackville, NB E4L 4P8
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Hours: Wednesdays to Fridays
9:00 am-4:00 pm
Appointments recommended

ABOUT US

The Archives is mandated to collect, preserve, and provide access to the records of the Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council and Regional Council 15 of The United Church of Canada. These records include the pre-1925 records of the Presbyterian, Methodist, and Congregational congregations which joined The United Church in 1925.



The first gathering of Maritime Conference, 1925

Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council and Regional Council 15 encompasses New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, the Gaspé coast of Quebec, and Bermuda.

Our holdings include records from:

- Communities of Faith
- The Regional Council office
- Pine Hall Divinity Hall
- Church camps
- Individuals and families connected to the church



CGIT camp at Augustine Cove, PEI, 1947

WHY ARE ARCHIVES IMPORTANT?



Wolfville Presbyterian Church, 1914

Records help hold the church accountable by documenting the decisions made by church bodies. Archiving these records will ensure they are available when future generations need to draw upon the wisdom of those who have gone before them.



Escuminac United Church, Escuminac QC

Archives tell the continuing story of the church and function as our memory. We keep records to bear witness to the life, ministry, and growth of our church.

The Archives serves a valuable administrative function by preserving and providing access to documents which are required for legal or decision-making purposes.



St. David's Methodist Church, Bermuda

OUR HISTORY

The development of the collections in the Regional Council Archives began in 1866 when the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces of British North America created a committee tasked with collecting the historical documents of the Presbyterian Church in the Maritimes. These documents were placed in the Presbyterian College, Halifax (known as Pine Hall Divinity Hall after 1925).

After the United Church of Canada was formed in 1925, the Pine Hill Library also became a repository for United Church records.

In 1903, the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Methodists organized a society to promote the study of church history. The documents collected by the society were held at Mount Allison University until they were moved to Pine Hill in 1968.

The entire collection at Pine Hill was moved to Sackville, New Brunswick in 1998. In 2012, the records were moved to the newly constructed Regional Councils office building in Sackville.

