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**FONDS 1024: UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA KENT PRESBYTERY FONDS. - 1903-2018.** – 72 cm of textual records.

Presbyteries in the United Church of Canada are courts of the Church within geographical boundaries made up of a number of Pastoral Charges. Presbytery membership consists of ordained ministers of the Charges within the Presbytery, United Church lay persons, and corresponding members. A grouping of Presbyteries within a larger geographical area makes up a Conference, a higher court of the Church. The functions of the Presbytery include: overseeing Pastoral Charges within its bounds, including the designation of new Charges; receiving and disposing of petitions and appeals from lower governing bodies or courts; transmitting the above to higher bodies or courts; licensing lay persons recommended after examination; overseeing education of students looking forward to ministry and supervision of members of the Order of Ministry within its bounds.

Kent Presbytery was established in 1925 within the boundaries of the London Conference. Prior to 1925 the Kent Presbytery was called the Presbytery of Chatham within the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Kent Presbytery disbanded on December 31, 2018 with the reorganization of the United Church of Canada governance structure. Communities of faith within the Presbytery boundaries became part of Antler River Watershed Regional Council.

Fonds consists of the following series: Presbytery minutes, 1920-1987; records relating to committees/organizations, 1903-1945; subject/correspondence files, 1955-1962; and women's group records, 1961-2018.

**SERIES 1: PRESBYTERY MINUTES. – 1920-1987. – 48 cm of textual records.**

Series consists of regular, special and Executive minutes of Presbytery meetings (includes Presbyterian Church in Canada Presbytery of Chatham), 1920-1987.

Minutes, 1925-1962, are available on 2 microfilm reels: positive and negative; 35 mm.

<b>Acc. No.</b>	<b>Box/File</b>	<b>Reel</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>89.007C</b>	TR-1		Special meeting minutes (includes Presbytery of Chatham)	1920-1946
<b>84.019C</b>	1-1	1	Minutes	1925-1932
	1-2	1	---	1932-1940
	2-1	1,2	---	1935-1950
	2-2	2	---	1950-1957
	3-1	2	---	1958-1962
	3-2		---	1963-1967
	3-3		---	1967-1973
	3-4		---	1973-1976
<b>2012.037C</b>	1-1		---	1973-1979
	1-2		---	1979-1982
	1-3		---	1983-1987

**SERIES 2: RECORDS RELATING TO COMMITTEES/ORGANIZATIONS. - 1903-1945. - 7 cm of textual records.**

Series consists of Young Peoples Union minutes, 1903-1945, and programs, 1926-1927.

<b>2016.083C</b>	TR-1		Young People's Executive minutes (includes Epworth League minutes)	1903-1929
<b>1984.019C</b>	3-5		Young Peoples minutes and programs	1926-1945

SERIES 3: SUBJECT/CORRESPONDENCE FILES. - 1955-1962. - 3 cm of textual records.

Series consists of general correspondence, 1955-1962.

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1984.019C	4-1		General correspondence	1955-1962

SERIES 4: WOMEN'S GROUPS RECORDS. – 1961-2018. – 14 cm of textual records.

Series consists of minutes, 1961-1972, scrapbooks, 1962-1976, and annual reports, 2004, 2008-2018, of Kent Presbyterial United Church Women, 1961-1976.

See also records of United Church Woman's Association (Fonds 524); United Church of Canada Woman's Missionary Society (Fonds 505, Series 24)

83.068C	8-1		United Church Women minutes (includes Provisional Committee)	1961-1972
	8-2		U.C.W scrapbook	1962-1969
	9-1		---	1970-1975
	9-2		---	1976
2019.126C	TR-1		U.C.W. annual reports	2004
	TR-2		---	2008-2018