

**Church Women United Naperville**  
**1963-2011, n.d.**

**Creator:** Church Women United Naperville

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**Administration Information**

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**Separations:** 1.25 linear feet of materials; including .33 linear feet of duplicate brochures, shredded .25 linear feet of personal checks made to CWUN; .25 linear feet of duplicate or poor quality photographs, two ink stamps, and two fabric banners.

**See Also:** Church Women United Records; Church Women United Elmhurst, Villa Park, Lombard Records; Church Women United Peoria Records; and Church Women United Wilmette Records at the Women & Leadership Archives.

**Biographical/Administrative History**

Church Women United Naperville (CWUN) was a local unit of the larger national organization Church Women United (CWU). Church Women United (CWU) is an ecumenical movement of church women founded in 1941, including Protestant, Roman Catholic, Orthodox and other religions who work together for a peaceful and just society. They identify as “a racially, culturally, theologically inclusive Christian women’s movement, celebrating unity in diversity and working for a world of peace and justice.” Church Women United is organized into over 1,200 local and state units in the US and Puerto Rico as of 2011.

A local branch of CWU, Church Women United Naperville began in 1917, when four societies united as the Federated Union of Women’s Missionary Societies. In 1946 the Federated Union of Women’s Missionary Societies affiliated with the state and national United Church Women. CWUN members participated in local meetings, state assemblies, regional and national meetings. The group also participated in local campaigns and activities, as well as annual activities such as Human Rights Day, Fall Retreat, and Annual Assembly. Three central annual events, May Fellowship Day (May), World Day of Prayer (March), and World Community Day (November) have numerous materials in this collection, many in the form of programs, handouts, newspaper clippings and notes of attendance and actions. Naperville church and individual members worked with non-profit organizations such as Loaves and Fishes, Fellowship of the Least Coin, and UNICEF to aid women and children internationally. All activities and campaigns were aligned with the national CWU organization. CWUN closed in 2011.

## **Scope and Content**

Church Women United Naperville spans the years 1967-2011. The collection is arranged into five thematic series: Administrative Materials, Events, Publications, Audiovisual Materials, Scrapbooks and 3D Objects. All series are arranged alphabetically. The bulk of the collection corresponds to the history and administrative branch of CWUN which includes their board and meeting minutes, and the organizations activities and celebrations.

### **Series 1: Administrative Materials, 1971-2011, n.d., Boxes 1-5**

Contains materials relating to the organization's administration including: bylaws, finances, lists of officers and members, board meeting agendas and minutes, and correspondence. Other materials include local projects, reports, and donation information.

### **Series 2: Events, 1967-2011, n.d., Boxes 6-10**

The bulk of materials in this series relates to the three celebration days of CWU: May Friendship Day, World Community Day, and World Day of Prayer. Also included are materials related to Human Rights Day, retreats, and CWUN's farewell celebration.

### **Series 3: Publications, 1992-2010, n.d., Boxes 10-11**

Includes the *Churchwoman*, *Churchwoman News*, *Illinois Interpreter*, and various newspaper and journal articles about CWUN.

### **Series 4: Audiovisual Materials, 1995-2011, n.d., Box 12**

Contains an audiocassette of hymns, compact discs containing CWUN history, music, World Day of Prayer materials, and photographs from CWUN events. Slides featuring Poland, Romania, Panama, and Samoa along with corresponding slide text from World Day of Prayer presentations are included in this series.

### **Series 5: Scrapbooks and 3D Objects, 1963-2011, n.d.**

Three scrapbooks are contained in this series; one details the history of CWUN and the other two focus on the organization's events. The scrapbooks contain newspaper articles, event programs, fliers, and pamphlets. This series also contains a signed World Day of Prayer banner from 2004.

### **Subjects:**

Church Federation of Greater Chicago  
Church group work  
Church Women United  
Human Rights Day  
Naperville (Ill.)  
Women in Community Service (U.S.)  
Women's World Day of Prayer

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>
<b>Series 1: Administrative Materials, 1971-2011, n.d.</b>			
1	1	Administrative Reports	1987-1990
	2	Annual Assembly	1998-2003, n.d.
	3	Annual Assembly	2004-2005, n.d.
	4	Annual Assembly	2006-2008, n.d.
	5	Annual Assembly	2009-2010, n.d.
	6	Annual Report	2008
	7	Annual Reports	1972-2001
	8	Annual Reports/Yearbooks	1987-2004
	9	Annual Reports/Yearbooks	2006-2011
	10	Approved Resolutions	2005-2008
	11	Award Nomination Forms	n.d.
	12	Bills and Receipts	2000, n.d.
	13	Bills and Receipts	2001, n.d.
	14	Bills and Receipts	2003, n.d.
	15	Bills and Receipts	2004, n.d.
	16	Bills and Receipts	2006
	17	Bills and Receipts	2007
	18	Bills and Receipts	2008
	19	Bills and Receipts	2009
	20	Bills and Receipts	2010
	21	Bills and Receipts	2011
	22	Board Meeting Agendas	2006-2010
2	1	Board Meeting Minutes	1978-1984
	2	Board Meeting Minutes	1985-1998
	3	Board Meeting Minutes	1999-2001, n.d.
	4	Board Meeting Minutes	2002-2005
	5	Board Meeting Minutes	2006-2008
	6	Board Meeting Minutes	2009-2010
	7	Board Reports	1989-1995
	8	Brochures	2007, n.d.
	9	By-laws	1998-2003, n.d.
	10	Checkbook Transaction Register	2005-2010
	11	Checking Account Balances	2003
	12	Child Centered Advocacy Materials	2002-2010, n.d.
	13	Christmas Card Collection Project	2008-2010, n.d.
	14	Convention for the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)	2002, n.d.
	15	Correspondence	1965-2010, n.d.
	16	Correspondence: Donations	2000-2010
	17	Correspondence: Donation Thank Yous from CWU Naperville	2010-2011, n.d.

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	18	Correspondence: Donation Thank Yous to CWU Naperville	2007-2009
	19	Correspondence: Finances	2003-2004, n.d.
	20	Correspondence: Representatives	2010, n.d.
	21	Directory and Information Handbook	1996-1998
3	1	Disbursement Records	2003
	2	Disbursements and Income Logs	2006
	3	Ecumenical Action Report	2008, n.d.
	4	Ecumenical Action Update	2005
	5	Ecumenical Development Materials	2010-2011, n.d.
	6	Elections	2008
	7	Facilitator's Guide: Learning Economics	n.d.
	8	Farewell Assembly	2011, n.d.
	9	Fellowship of the Least Coin	2002-2008, n.d.
	10	Finances	2001-2010
	11	Financial Report	2010
	12	Fundraising Manual	1993
	13	History	2000-2002, n.d.
	14	Host Churches Lists	2010, n.d.
	15	Human Rights Award	2006-2008, n.d.
	16	Illinois AIM Packet	2010-2011, n.d.
	17	Illinois CWU State Assembly Event Packet	2005-2006, n.d.
	18	Income and Disbursement Statements	1993, n.d.
	19	Information Handbook and Directory	1998-1999
	20	"In Praise of Frugality" Packet	n.d.
	21	Local and State CWU Officers	n.d.
	22	Local Unit Handbook	1993, n.d.
	23	Local Unit Handbook and By-laws	1998-1999
	24	Local Unit Handbook: Finance	1999
	25	Logos and CWU IL Stationary	n.d.
	26	Member Churches Directory	2009, n.d.
	27	Member Directory	2000, n.d.
	28	Member Lists	2007-2009, n.d.
	29	Member Memorials	2008-2009
	30	Membership and Event Guest Lists	2002-2008, n.d.
	31	Mission Statement	1998, n.d.
	32	Nanduti Lace Project	2009, n.d.
	33	National Farm Worker Ministry Materials	2004-2010, n.d.
4	1	National CWU Handbook and Directory	2002
	2	National Office Administrative Materials	1997-1998, n.d.
	3	National Office Annual Reports	1994-1995
	4	National Office Handouts	2005-2006, n.d.
	5	Officer Installation Ceremonies	1984-2005, n.d.
	6	"On Our Way Together" Booklet	1976

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	7	Order Forms and Resource Catalogs	2010
	8	Participant Packet: Learning Economics	n.d.
	9	Peace Centered Projects	2003-2009, n.d.
	10	Postcard Event Invitations	1995-2004
	11	President's Handbook	n.d.
	12	Representative Materials	2006-2010, n.d.
	13	Share-in Plan Donations	2007, n.d.
	14	Share-in Plan Donations	2008, n.d.
	15	Share-in Plan Donations, 1 of 2	n.d.
	16	Share-in Plan Donations, 2 of 2	n.d.
5	1	Social Policies	2004
	2	State Assembly Meeting Materials	2005-2006, n.d.
	3	Stationary	n.d.
	4	Sustaining Churches List	2005-2010
	5	Task Force on Global Mission	n.d.
	6	Tax Exemption Status Letter	2009
	7	Treasurer's Binder	1990-1995, n.d.
	8	Treasurer's Report	2004
	9	Treasurer's Report	2006, n.d.
	10	Treasurer's Report	2007
	11	Treasurer's Reports	1991-1998, n.d.
	12	Treasurer's Reports	2002-2003
	13	UNICEF and Tap Project Materials	2007-2008, n.d.
	14	UNICEF Materials, "Kids Helping Kids"	1997, n.d.
	15	U.S. Bank Records	2003
	16	U.S. Bank Records	2006
	17	U.S. Bank Records	2007
	18	U.S. Bank Records	2008
	19	U.S. Bank Records	2009
	20	U.S. Bank Records	2010-2011
	21	Valiant Woman Award	2005-2010, n.d.
	22	Women and Children Advocacy Programs	2005-2009, n.d.
	23	Yearbooks	1971-1986
	24	Yearbooks	1994-1997
	25	Yearbooks	2003-2004

**Series 2: Events, 1967-2011, n.d.**

6	1	Celebrations Planning Packet	n.d.
	2	Ecumenical Celebration Reports	1999-2010, n.d.
	3	Event and Celebration Planning Documents	2001-2002, n.d.
	4	Event Fliers	2002-2008, n.d.
	5	Fall Retreat	1983, n.d.
	6	Fall Retreat	1985, n.d.
	7	Fall Retreat	1986, n.d.

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	8	Fall Retreat	1987-1988, n.d.
	9	Fall Retreat	1989, n.d.
	10	Fall Retreat	1990, n.d.
	11	Fall Retreat	1991, n.d.
	12	Fall Retreat	1992, n.d.
	13	Fall Retreat	1993, n.d.
	14	Fall Retreat	1994-1995, n.d.
	15	Fall Retreat	1996, n.d.
	16	Fall Retreat	1998, n.d.
	17	Fall Retreat	2000, n.d.
	18	Fall Retreat	2001, n.d.
	19	Fall Retreat	2002, n.d.
	20	Fall Retreat	2003-2004, n.d.
	21	Fall Retreat	2005
	22	Farewell Celebration	2011
	23	Human Rights Day	2006, n.d.
	24	Human Rights Day	2007, n.d.
	25	Human Rights Day	2008, n.d.
	26	Human Rights Day	2009, n.d.
7	1	Human Rights Day	2010, n.d.
	2	Human Rights Day Evaluation Forms	2008, n.d.
	3	Human Rights Day Planning Guide	2006
	4	May Friendship Day	1990, n.d.
	5	May Friendship Day	1991
	6	May Friendship Day	1992-1995, n.d.
	7	May Friendship Day	2001-2002, n.d.
	8	May Friendship Day	2003-2005, n.d.
	9	May Friendship Day	2006
	10	May Friendship Day	2007
	11	May Friendship Day	2008, n.d.
	12	May Friendship Day	2008, n.d.
	13	May Friendship Day	2009
	14	May Friendship Day	2010, n.d.
	15	May Friendship Day Programs	1967-2006, n.d.
	16	May Friendship Day Program	2008
	17	Retreat Days	2008
8	1	World Community Day	1990
	2	World Community Day	1991
	3	World Community Day	1992-1996
	4	World Community Day	2001-2002, n.d.
	5	World Community Day	2003-2004, n.d.
	6	World Community Day	2005-2006, n.d.
	7	World Community Day	2007-2008, n.d.
	8	World Community Day	2009, n.d.

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	9	World Community Day	2010, n. d.
9	1	World Community Day Planning Packet	1999, n.d.
	2	World Community Day Programs	1976-2005
	3	World Day of Prayer	1984-1993, n.d.
	4	World Day of Prayer	1994-1996, n.d.
	5	World Day of Prayer	1999, n.d.
	6	World Day of Prayer	2001-2002, n.d.
	7	World Day of Prayer	2003-2004, n.d.
	8	World Day of Prayer	2005
10	1	World Day of Prayer	2006, n.d.
	2	World Day of Prayer	2007, n.d.
	3	World Day of Prayer	2008, n.d.
	4	World Day of Prayer	2009, n.d.
	5	World Day of Prayer	2010
	6	World Day of Prayer	2011
	7	World Day of Prayer Programs	1976-2006

**Series 3: Publications, 1992-2010, n.d.**

10	8	<i>Churchwoman</i>	1996-1998
	9	<i>Churchwoman</i>	2000-2002
	10	<i>Churchwoman News</i>	2002-2009
	11	<i>Churchwoman News</i>	2010
11	1	<i>Church Women United Illinois Interpreter</i>	2000-2005
	2	<i>Church Women United Illinois Interpreter</i>	2005-2008
	3	<i>Church Women United Illinois Interpreter</i>	2009-2010
	4	Journal Articles	2001
	5	Local Publicity	2008, 2010, n.d.
	6	Newspaper Articles	1961-2011, n.d.
	7	News Releases	1992, n.d.
	8	World Day of Prayer Newspaper Articles	2007, n.d.

**Series 4: Audiovisual Materials, 1995-2011, n.d.**

Audio Cassettes

12	1	Audio Cassette Tape: World Day of Prayer Hymns	1995
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Compact Discs

	2	Compact Disc: Celebration Music	2010
	3	Compact Disc: "Reflecting on our Heritage"	2008
	4	Compact Discs (4): World Day of Prayer Materials	2006-2010, n.d.

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Photographs

5	Annual Assembly	2001-2008
6	Boycott Taco Bell	2004
7	Events	2011, n.d.
8	Human Rights Day	2006-2007
9	May Friendship Day	2002-2005, n.d.
10	Meetings	2007-2010
11	Retreats	2001, 2005
12	Unidentified Events	2000-2010
13	Unidentified Events	n.d.
14	Valiant Woman Award	2004-2010, n.d.
15	World Community Day	2000-2009
16	World Day of Prayer	2001-2010

Slides

17	Poland Slides	n.d.
18	Poland Slide Text	n.d.
19	Romania Slides	n.d.
20	World Day of Prayer: Panama Slides	n.d.
21	World Day of Prayer: Panama Slide Text	2003, n.d.
22	World Day of Prayer: Samoa Slides	n.d.
24	World Day of Prayer: Samoa Slide Text	2001, n.d.

**Series 5: Scrapbooks and 3D Objects, 1963-2011, n.d.**

13	1	Events Scrapbook A: Brochures	n.d.
	2	Events Scrapbook A: Correspondence	2008, n.d.
	3	Events Scrapbook A: Event Materials	2007-2008
	4	Events Scrapbook A: Fliers	2007-2008, n.d.
	5	Events Scrapbook A: Handouts	1979-2008, n.d.
	6	Events Scrapbook A: Invitation Postcards	2006-2008
	7	Events Scrapbook A: Programs	2007-2008, n.d.
	8	Events Scrapbook A: Newspaper Articles	2007-2008, n.d.
	9	Events Scrapbook B: Brochures	n.d.
	10	Events Scrapbook B: Correspondence	2009
	11	Events Scrapbook B: Fliers	2009
	12	Events Scrapbook B: Handouts	2008-2010, n.d.
	13	Events Scrapbook B: Invitation Postcards	2009-2010, n.d.
	14	Events Scrapbook B: Programs	2009-2011, n.d.
	15	Events Scrapbook B: Newspaper Articles	2009-2010, n.d.
14	1	History Scrapbook	1963-2006, n.d.



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World Day of Prayer Banner

2004