



LUTHERAN CHURCH ARCHIVES

Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library
Gustavus Adolphus College
800 West College Avenue, Saint Peter, MN 56082-1498

**Gustavus Adolphus College, Lutheran Church Archives,
St. Peter, Minnesota**

**Augustana Lutheran Church. Lutheran Minnesota Conference.
Annual Conference Minutes, Reports, and Related Papers of the
Lutheran Minnesota Conference, 1858-1962.**

LCA Collection 195

Augustana Lutheran Church. Lutheran Minnesota Conference. Annual Convention Minutes, Reports, and Related Papers of the Lutheran Minnesota Conference, 1858-1962. LCA Collection 195. 2 Records Center Cartons and 1 Hollinger box.

ABSTRACT:

The Lutheran Minnesota Conference Minutes and Reports collection contains the published minutes, reports, programs, and other supplements from the Conference's annual conventions. Included in the minute books and reports are directories, convention agendas, financial reports, statistics, and reports from various committees, congregations, and affiliated church bodies. Also included are handwritten copies of the minutes from 1858-79. Minutes were published in Swedish until 1929, when they began publishing them in English. From 1920-28, both a Swedish and an English edition were published.

HISTORICAL NOTE:

The Lutheran Minnesota Conference was officially organized on 8 October 1858 in Chisago Lake Church in Center City, Minnesota, as the Minnesota Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Northern Illinois. "Membership was defined as follows: 'All members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Northern Illinois, living in Minnesota and near-by states, who are members in good standing in the said synod, shall have the right of membership in this conference and shall be considered as members of the same after having been present at a regular conference meeting and having made application therefor.'"¹

The Minnesota Conference was under the Synod of Northern Illinois for a short time. Afterwards it was part of:

- Scandinavian Evangelical Augustana Lutheran Synod (1860-1870)
- Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod (1870-1948)
- Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church (1948-1962)

The Red River Valley Conference was created in 1912, and the Canada Conference in 1913, both from areas that were originally part of the Minnesota Conference.

In 1962, The Lutheran Minnesota Conference of the Augustana Lutheran Church and The English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest combined to create the Minnesota Synod, which was part of the Lutheran Church in America.

¹ *A Church is Planted: The Story of the Lutheran Minnesota Conference, 1851-1876* by Emeroy Johnson (pg. 7).

RESTRICTIONS:

There are no restrictions on the use of this collection for research purposes. The researcher assumes full responsibility for observing all copyright, property, and libel laws as they apply.

Researchers must use collection in accordance with the policies of the Lutheran Church Archives, the Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library, and Gustavus Adolphus College.

COLLECTION CITATION:

Augustana Lutheran Church. Lutheran Minnesota Conference. Annual Convention Minutes, Reports, and Related Papers of the Lutheran Minnesota Conference, 1858-1962. LCA Collection 195. Gustavus Adolphus College, Lutheran Church Archives, St. Peter, Minnesota.

PROCESSED BY:

Adrianna Darden processed this collection and developed the finding aid during March 2014.

RELATED COLLECTIONS IN THE ARCHIVES:

Augustana Lutheran Church. Annual Minutes, Reports, and Related Papers of the Augustana Lutheran Church, 1860-1962. LCA Collection 197.

Lutheran Church in America. Minnesota Synod. Annual Convention Minutes, Reports, and Related Papers of the Minnesota Synod, 1962-1987. LCA Collection 193.

Augustana Lutheran Church. Red River Valley Conference. Annual Convention Minutes and Reports of the Red River Valley Conference, 1913-1962. LCA Collection 198.

Augustana Lutheran Church. Lutheran Minnesota Conference. Manuscript Minutes of the Annual Conventions of the Lutheran Minnesota Conference, 1858-1962. LCA Collection 205.

DIGITAL CONTENT:

Portions of this collection have been digitized and are available online through our [digital collections](#).

SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod of North America. Minnesota Conference.

LCA Collection 195	Box	Folder
1858-79, Minutes (handwritten copies)	3	5
1868-79, Minutes	1	1
1879-90, Minutes	1	2
1890-94, Minutes	1	3
1892-1900, Minutes	1	4
1897, Program	2	21
1898, Program	2	21
1900, Program	2	21
1901, Minutes	1	5
1902, Minutes	1	5
1902, Program	2	21
1903-08, Minutes	1	6
1904, Program	2	21
1906, Program	2	21
1907, Program	2	21
1908, Program	2	21
1909, Minutes	1	7
1909, Program	2	21
1910, Minutes	1	7
1911, Minutes	1	8
1912, Minutes	1	8
1912, Program	2	21
1913-16, Minutes	1	9
1915, Program	2	21
1917-19, Minutes	1	10
1917, Program	2	21
1920, Minutes (Swedish and English)	1	11
1921, Minutes (Swedish and English)	1	12
1921, Rules of Students' Aid Fund	2	21
1922, Minutes (Swedish and English)	1	13
1922, Program and A Friendly Request for Pastors and Congregations	2	21
1923, Minutes (Swedish and English)	1	14
1923, Reports	2	22
1924, Minutes (Swedish and English)	1	15
1924, Program and Reports	2	22
1925, Minutes (Swedish and English)	1	16
1925, Reports	2	23
1926, Minutes (Swedish and English)	2	1
1926, Program and Reports	2	24
1927, Minutes (Swedish and English)	2	2
1927, Program and Reports	2	24
1928, Minutes (Swedish and English)	2	3
1928, Program and Reports	2	25

1929, Minutes	2	4
1929, Program	2	26
1930, Minutes	2	4
1930, Program and Reports	2	26
1931, Minutes	2	5
1931, Program, Reports, and Delegates Information	2	26
1932, Minutes	2	5
1932, Program and Reports	2	26
1933, Minutes	2	6
1933, Program and Reports	2	27
1934, Minutes	2	6
1934, Program and Reports	2	27
1935, Minutes	2	7
1935, Program and Reports	2	28
1936, Minutes	2	7
1936, Program, Reports, and Résumé	2	28
1937, Minutes	2	8
1937, Program, Reports, Résumé, and Papers	2	29
1938, Minutes	2	8
1938, Program, Reports, and Résumé	2	29
1939, Minutes	2	9
1939, Program and Reports	2	30
1940, Minutes	2	9
1940, Program, Reports, Résumé, and Home Mission Summary	2	30
1941, Minutes	2	10
1941, Program, Reports, Résumé, A Study of Our Financial System, Conference Resolutions, Nominating Committee Report, and Summary of Statistics	2	31
1942, Minutes	2	10
1942, Program, Reports, Résumé, Conference Resolutions, and Summary of Statistics	2	31
1943, Minutes	2	11
1943, Program and Résumé	2	32
1943, Reports, Conference Resolutions, and Summary of Statistics	3	6
1944, Minutes	2	11
1944, Program and Reports	2	32
1945, Minutes	2	12
1945, Program, Reports, President's Report, and Official Ballot	2	33
1946, Minutes	2	12
1946, Program, Reports, and President's Report	2	33
1947, Minutes	2	13
1947, Program, Reports, President's Report, and Report of Resolutions Committees and Nominating Committee	2	34
1948, Minutes	2	13

1948, Program, Reports, President's Report, and Report of Resolutions Committees and Nominating Committee	2	34
1949, Minutes	2	14
1949, Program and Reports	2	35
1950, Minutes	2	14
1950, Program and Reports	2	35
1951, Minutes	2	15
1951, Program, Reports, and President's Report	2	36
1952, Minutes	2	15
1952, Program and Reports and Resolutions	2	36
1953, Minutes	2	16
1953, Program and Reports and Resolutions	2	37
1954, Minutes	2	16
1954, Program and Reports and Resolutions	3	6
1955, Minutes	2	17
1955, Program. Reports and Resolutions, Petitions from Districts, and Constitution	3	1
1956, Minutes	2	17
1956, Program and Reports and Resolutions	3	1
1957, Minutes	2	18
1957, Program and Reports and Resolutions	3	2
1958, Minutes	2	18
1958, Program and Reports and Resolutions	3	2
1959, Minutes	2	19
1959, Program and Reports and Resolutions	3	3
1960, Minutes	2	19
1960, Programs and Reports and Resolutions	3	3
1961, Minutes	2	20
1961, Program and Reports and Resolutions	2	38
1962, Minutes	2	20
1962, Program and Reports and Resolutions	2	38
Index to Minutes of the Lutheran Minnesota Conference, 1858-1962	3	4