Baccalaureate Programs

Dates: 1877-2015

Volume: 0.25 linear foot

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Biographical/Historical Sketch:
Baccalaureate is an occasion of prayer, song, and celebration held each year on
the eve of Commencement. Mulberry Street United Methodist Church first
hosted Wesleyan’s Commencement exercises in 1852. Wesleyan College’s
tradition of the Marker Ceremony began in 1986 during the celebration of the
College’s sesquicentennial anniversary. On the evening before Commencement
every year since, graduating seniors and faculty process in regalia from the Old
Wesleyan campus site on College Street to Mulberry Street United Methodist
Church for Baccalaureate Ceremonies. The route followed today is the same that
students took when walking to church services from the downtown campus.

Information from:
http://www.wesleyancollege.edu/studentlife/upload/BaccalaureateAndMarkerWebsiteMAH-2.pdf

Scope and Content:
The Baccalaureate Programs collections consists of programs from 1877 until
present day. Also included are invitations and an address.

Collection Inventory:

Box 1
Folder 1: Addresses (unknown speaker) June 20, 1877
Folder 5: Programs [2] June 1, 1947
Folder 10: Programs [2] June 1, 1952
Folder 16: Programs [2] June 1, 1958