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## GERMAN METHODIST CHURCH, INDIANAPOLIS RECORDS, 1864–CA. 1960 (BULK 1864–1869)

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### COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 manuscript box, 1 oversized folder
COLLECTION DATES:	1864–69 (bulk 1864–69)
PROVENANCE:	Jay T. Weaver, 7232 E. 16 <sup>th</sup> Street, Indianapolis, IN 46219, 16

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RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS: None

RELATED HOLDINGS: None

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998.0358

NOTES:

## HISTORICAL SKETCH

The first German Methodist preacher to arrive in Indianapolis was Rev. Louis Nippert. The first minister assigned to Indianapolis by the bishop in Cincinnati was Conrad Muth who arrived in 1849 and organized the first church in June 1850. The cornerstone for the German Methodist was laid in July 1869, with Gottlob Trefz as pastor of the 210-member congregation. The German Methodist Church was absorbed by the Indiana Conference of the Methodist Church in September 1933.

Sources: Information in collection.  
*Indianapolis Star*, 28 September 1933.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of items found in the building's cornerstone box. Items discovered in the box include a copy of the church's history in German with an English translation dating from the 1960s. Also included in the collection is a German calendar, 1869, and publications regarding the German Methodist Church, 1864, 1866. The cornerstone box also contained German and English language newspapers from Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Cleveland, and New York City.

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Cornerstone box, 1869

Artifacts: 1998.0358

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