

**RICHEY, RUSSELL E.**  
**Russell E. Richey papers, 1816-2011, undated**

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**Creator:** Richey, Russell E.  
**Title:** Russell E. Richey papers, 1816-2011, undated  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 434  
**Extent:** 16 cubic ft. (32 boxes)  
**Abstract:** Contains professional office files and personal papers detailing the life and career of Russell E. Richey.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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## **Collection Description**

### **Biographical Note**

Born in Asheville, North Carolina in 1941, Russell Earle Richey earned his B.A. at Wesleyan University in Connecticut before earning advanced degrees at Union Theological Seminary and Princeton University. His professional career began at Drew University in 1969 where he served numerous roles including Professor of Church History and Assistant to the President. In 1986, Richey became the Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Research Professor of Church History at Duke University; he later served as Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Professor of Church History from 1992-2000. Following his time at Duke, Richey went to Emory University where he was the Dean and Professor of Church History for the Candler School of Theology. During his time at Emory, Richey also served as the Professor of Church History and the William R. Cannon Distinguished Professor of Church History. Finally in 2011, Richey was named Dean Emeritus of Candler and the William R. Cannon Distinguished Professor of Church History Emeritus; he was also a Research Fellow for the Center for Studies in the Wesleyan Tradition at the Duke University Divinity School.

### **Scope and Content Note**

The Russell E. Richey papers consist of correspondence, papers and essays, course material, and other files detailing his days as a college student at Wesleyan University, Union Theological Seminary, and Princeton University. Comprising most of the collection are his professional papers taken from Drew University, Duke University, and Emory University's Candler School of Theology, including correspondence, course materials from class taught by Richey, commission and North Georgia Conference files, speeches, and faculty files. His personal materials include book reviews, certificates, correspondence, collected printed material, as well as passports and other travel documents.

### **Arrangement Note**

Organized into 5 series: (1) Early Materials, (2) Drew University Files, (3) Duke University Files, (4) Candler School of Theology Files, and (5) Personal Materials.

## **Description of Series**

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**Series 1**  
**Early Materials, 1963-1969, undated**  
**Boxes 1-3**

**Arrangement Note**

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<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
1	1	Bachelor of Divinity thesis, UTS, 1965
1	2	College papers, unsorted, 1967, undated
1	3	College papers and essays, undated
1	4	Correspondence, The North Carolina Fund, 1965
1	5	Correspondence, scholarships, 1964-1966
1	6	Course materials: "American Christianity and Colonial Revolution," undated
1	7	Course material: "19th Century Frontier Revivalism" (1 of 3), 1964, undated
1	8	Course material: "19th Century Frontier Revivalism" (2 of 3), 1964, undated
1	9	Course material: "19th Century Frontier Revivalism" (3 of 3), 1964, undated
1	10	Dissertation, typescript draft (1 of 2), undated
1	11	Dissertation, typescript draft (2 of 2), undated
2	1	Joseph Priestly paper, undated
2	2	"New Testament 377, Dr. Heschel" notes, undated
2	3	Princeton University, correspondence, 1967-1969
2	4	Princeton University, essay, "The Johannine Understanding of the Church (1 of 2)," 1966
2	5	Princeton University, essay, "The Johannine Understanding of the Church (1 of 2)," 1966
2	6	Project with Charles Rice, undated
2	7	Research files, "Early Church," undated
2	8	Research files, "Enlightenment and Religion," undated
2	9	Research files, "generals," circa 1967-1968
2	10	Research files, "Protestant America," undated
2	11	Student Interracial Ministry (1 of 2), 1963-1965
2	12	Student Interracial Ministry (2 of 2), 1963-1965
3	1	Student Interracial Ministry, correspondence and printed material, 1964
3	2	Thesis draft, undated
3	3	Union Theological Seminary, "Systematic Theology," 1964
3	4	Union Theological Seminary, "Intro to the New Testament," 1964
3	5	Unitarianism notes, undated
3	6	Writings, "Religion and Social Upheaval," undated
3	7	Writings, "The Missing Minister," undated

**Series 2**  
**Drew University Files, 1966-1986, undated**  
**Boxes 3-6**

**Arrangement Note**

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<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
3	8	"Civil Religion in America," 1966, 1973
3	9	Class notes, American Church History II, 1974, undated
3	10	Correspondence (1 of 3), 1969-1975
3	11	Correspondence (2 of 3), 1969-1975
3	12	Correspondence (3 of 3), 1969-1975
4	1	Correspondence (1 of 2), 1976-1979
4	2	Correspondence (2 of 2), 1976-1979
4	3	Correspondence (1 of 2), 1978-1981
4	4	Correspondence (2 of 2), 1978-1981
4	5	Correspondence (1 of 2), 1981-1982
4	6	Correspondence (2 of 2), 1981-1982
4	7	Correspondence (1 of 2), 1982-1983
4	8	Correspondence (2 of 2), 1982-1983
5	1	Correspondence, 1983-1984
5	2	Correspondence (1 of 3), 1984-1985
5	3	Correspondence (2 of 3), 1984-1985
5	4	Correspondence (3 of 3), 1984-1985
5	5	Consultation on Civil Religion in America, 1966-1973
5	6	Course material, AC 203, 1986
5	7	Course material, Christianity and American Society, undated
5	8	Course material, Civil Religion and Denominationalism, 1975
6	1	Course material, Doctor of Ministry degree program (1 of 2), 1981-1985, undated
6	2	Course material, Doctor of Ministry degree program (2 of 2), 1981-1985, undated
6	3	Course material, Doctor of Ministry program, professional projects, 1981
6	4	Course material, exam questions, 1973-1976, undated
6	5	Course material, History of Ministry in America, 1982, undated
6	6	Course material, Life and Thought of the Church, 1973, undated
6	7	Course material, Studies in Puritanism, 1982, undated
6	8	Governance files, undated
6	9	Seminar, American Theology and Preaching, 1972
6	10	Speeches, 1970, undated

- 6 11 "The Drew Gateway," 1972
- 6 12 Urban research files, 1970-1974

**Series 3**  
**Duke University Files, 1975-2011, undated**  
**Boxes 7-9**

**Arrangement Note**

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<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
7	1	Association of Theological Schools Academy, 1998-1999
7	2	Center for studies in the Wesleyan tradition, 2000
7	3	Correspondence, general, 1990-1997
7	4	Correspondence, general (1 of 3), 1998-2000
7	5	Correspondence, general (2 of 3), 1998-2000
7	6	Correspondence, general (3 of 3), 1998-2000
7	7	Correspondence, email, 1998
7	8	Correspondence, sabbatical leave, 1997-1998
7	9	Course materials (inclusive), 1987, undated
7	10	Course materials, interpretations in American religion (1 of 4), 1990-1999
7	11	Course materials, interpretations in American religion (2 of 4), 1990-1999
8	1	Course materials, interpretations in American religion (3 of 4), 1990-1999
8	2	Course materials, interpretations in American religion (4 of 4), 1990-1999
8	3	AC/REL 293.23, religious issues in American history: American religion - a historiographical survey, 1990, undated
8	4	AC 293, religious issues in American history, 1988
8	5	CM 100 evaluations (1 of 2), 1990-1999
8	6	CM 100 evaluations (2 of 2), 1990-1999
8	7	Dean memorandums, 1987-1994
8	8	"Divinity School History", 1975-1996
8	9	Episcopal Methodist dialogue, 1994-2000
8	10	General commission, on Christian unity and inter-religious concerns in the United Methodist Church (GCCUIC), 1995-1997
9	1	Hartford seminary, mainline religion project, 1989-1992
9	2	Inclusiveness lecture, 1998
9	3	"Leadership Letters", 1995
9	4	Lilly endowment, inc., 1996-1998
9	5	Lilly Endowment budget files, 1991-1998
9	6	Meeting on the future of denominational history, 1992-1994
9	7	New dictionary of national biography, 1997
9	8	Permissions, 1998-1999
9	9	Reports and studies, 1995-1997, undated
9	10	Senior evaluation guidelines, 1996

- 9 11 Study of academic leadership, 1994-1997
- 9 12 Summer Wesley seminar, 2011
- 9 13 Survey, integrating women's studies in to the church history, 1988
- 9 14 United Methodism and American culture project, Episcopacy conversations,  
1995-1996, undated
- 9 15 United Methodism and American culture project, correspondence, 1997-1999
- 9 16 UMC historical society, 1989
- 9 17 Wesleyan studies, 1998



**Series 4**  
**Professional Materials, 1816-2011, undated**  
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<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
10	1	Abingdon press, correspondence (1 of 2), 1972-1986
10	2	Abingdon press, correspondence (2 of 2), 1972-1986
10	3	Ashgate research companion to world Methodism, 2010
10	4	Association of theological schools (ATS) committee files, 1997-1999
10	5	Board of ordained ministry, agendas, 2005 March
10	6	Board of ordained ministry, agendas, 2004
10	7	Board of ordained ministry, agendas, 2005-2006
10	8	Board of ordained ministry, general file, 2004-2006
10	9	Board of ordained ministry, interviews, 2006 March
10	10	Board of ordained ministry, report to NGC, 2005
10	11	Cambridge Companion to American Methodism, 2010
10	12	Campus ministry, 1989-2009
10	13	Chaplain's retreat, 2006-2008
11	1	Churches uniting in Christ (CUIC), "Consultation on Episcopate", 2006-2010
11	2	Committee on faith and order, "A Call to Action", 2010
11	3	Committee on faith and order, agenda files, 2010
11	4	Committee on faith and order, "Catechism" paper, 2011
11	5	Committee on faith and order, "Catechism Permissions", 2011
11	6	Committee on faith and order, general file, 2010-2011
11	7	Committee on faith and order, list of member, 2010
11	8	Committee on faith and order, "Marks of Methodism" essays, 2009-2010
12	1	Committee on faith and order, minutes and agendas, 2009-2010
12	2	Committee on faith and order, "Teaching Book", 2011
12	3	Conference registration and travel documents, 1994-2000
12	4	"Confessing Our Faith Together", UMC-ELCA, 2005-2007
12	5	"Confessing Our Faith Together", study guide, 2009
12	6	"Connectional Issues", 1995-1998
12	7	Connectional process team (1 of 4), 1998-2000
12	8	Connectional process team (2 of 4), 1998-2000
13	1	Connectional process team (3 of 4), 1998-2000
13	2	Connectional process team (4 of 4), 1998-2000
13	3	Connectional process team, report to the 2000 general conference, 1998

- 13 4 Correspondence, dissertation reviews, 1978-1984
- 13 5 Correspondence, dissertation reviews, 1985-2008, undated
- 13 6 Correspondence, general, 1987-2010
- 13 7 Correspondence, journal of southern religion, 1997-1999
- 13 8 Course material (inclusive), undated
- 13 9 Course material, African history, undated
- 13 10 Course material, secularization, circa 1977-1984, undated
- 14 1 General commission on Christian unity and inter-religious concerns, 1998
- 14 2 General council on ministries, consultation on coordination of studies/projects, 1993
- 14 3 Harper and Row publishers, correspondence, 1973-1981
- 14 4 "Harvesting the Fruits of Ecumenism", draft, undated
- 14 5 "Ideas for Papers", 1969-1986, undated
- 14 6 "Marks of Methodism" notes, 1998-2004
- 14 7 Organizing religious work (ORW), Hartford (1 of 3), 1996-1998
- 14 8 Organizing religious work (ORW), Hartford (2 of 3), 1996-1998
- 14 9 Organizing religious work (ORW), Hartford (3 of 3), 1996-1998
- 15 1 Permissions file, 1984-2000
- 15 2 Presentations (1 of 4), 2000-2009
- 15 3 Presentations (2 of 4), 2000-2009
- 15 4 Presentations (3 of 4), 2000-2009
- 15 5 Presentations (4 of 4), 2000-2009
- 15 6 "Priestly Paper," undated
- 15 7 Probationary process (1 of 4), 1996-1999
- 15 8 Probationary process (2 of 4), 1996-1999
- 16 1 Probationary process (3 of 4), 1996-1999
- 16 2 Probationary process (4 of 4), 1996-1999
- 16 3 "Proposal for Full Communion Between the Episcopal and Moravian Church", undated
- 16 4 Quarterly review (1 of 2), 1993-2001
- 16 5 Quarterly review (2 of 2), 1993-2001
- 16 6 Reference letters A-C, 1972-1986
- 16 7 Reference letters D-I, 1973-1998
- 16 8 Reference letters J-L, 1974-1989
- 16 9 Reference letters M-R, 1971-1990
- 17 1 Reference letters S-Z, 1973-1986
- 17 2 Report, "Agenda 21: United Methodist Ministry for a New Century", 1995 October
- 17 3 Research files, collected material, 1816-2011
- 17 4 Research files, "Emory Papers" (1 of 3), 2001-2008, undated

- 17 5 Research files, "Emory Papers" (2 of 3), 2001-2008, undated
- 17 6 Research files, "Emory Papers" (3 of 3), 2001-2008, undated
- 17 7 Research files, Frelinghuysen, undated
- 17 8 Research files, general printed material, 2001, undated
- 18 1 Research files, holograph notes, 2008, undated
- 18 2 Research files, Jonathan Edwards, undated
- 18 3 Research files, Methodism and race, undated
- 18 4 Research files, Methodist historiography, undated
- 18 5 Research files, "Methodist Magazine and Quarterly Review", undated
- 18 6 Research files, ministry, 1976-2010
- 18 7 Research files, "North Carolina Methodism", 1978, undated
- 18 8 Research files, pastoral letters, 1986-2009
- 18 9 Research files, Roman Catholic church, undated
- 18 10 Research files, "The Essentialist", 1928
- 18 11 Research files, writings of others, 1996-2000, undated
- 18 12 Rethinking Methodist history, 1991-1992
- 19 1 Reviews, 1977-1985
- 19 2 Reviews, 1987-1998
- 19 3 "Rome Consultation", 2011
- 19 4 Rowe, Kenneth, 2007
- 19 5 Sermons (1 of 3), 1987-1996
- 19 6 Sermons (2 of 3), 1987-1996
- 19 7 Sermons (3 of 3), 1987-1996
- 19 8 Sermons (1 of 3), 2000-2010
- 19 9 Sermons (2 of 3), 2000-2010
- 19 10 Sermons (3 of 3), 2000-2010
- 20 1 Sermons, Korea, 2005
- 20 2 Sermons, Pittsburgh, 2009
- 20 3 Sermons, talks, 2000-2005
- 20 4 Sermon themes (1 of 3), 1977-1990, undated
- 20 5 Sermon themes (2 of 3), 1977-1990, undated
- 20 6 Sermon themes (3 of 3), 1977-1990, undated
- 20 7 Speeches, "Curricula History" (1 of 2), 1969-1994
- 20 8 Speeches, "Curricula History" (2 of 2), 1969-1994
- 20 9 Speeches, connectionalism (1 of 2), 1998, undated
- 20 10 Speeches, connectionalism (2 of 2), 1998, undated
- 20 11 Speeches, "Miscellaneous", 1987-1998, undated
- 21 1 Study of ministry commission, 2008-2009
- 21 2 T and T Clark companion to Methodism, 2008-2009

- 21 3 "The Nature and Mission of the Church", 2009-2010
- 21 4 United Methodist bishop watch, 2006
- 21 5 UMC-ECUSA foundation document (1 of 2), 2007-2010
- 21 6 UMC-ECUSA foundation document (2 of 2), 2007-2010
- 21 7 UMC-Episcopal dialogue, 2004-2005
- 21 8 United Methodist local church general conference, 1996
- 21 9 Wesley works project, 1997-2011
- 22 1 "Wimberly Book" Draft (1 of 2), 2009-2010
- 22 2 "Wimberly Book" Draft (2 of 2), 2009-2010
- 22 3 Workshops, lectures, and meetings, general, 2007-2010, undated
- 22 4 "Worldwide Ministry through the UMC", 2007
- 22 5 Unsorted (1 of 2), 2003-2010, undated
- 22 6 Unsorted (2 of 2), 2003-2010, undated

**Series 5**  
**Candler School of Theology, 2000-2011, undated**  
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<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
22	7	AAR/SBL conference, 2006 November
22	8	Biographical material and Richey resume, 2002-2006
22	9	Board of ordained ministry, 2005
22	10	Church of the Nazarene, presentation, undated
22	11	Colgate Rochester Crozer divinity school, 2001, 2003
22	12	Connectionalism, consolidated adult Sunday school class, 2010
22	13	Convocation, 2003, 2011
23	1	Correspondence (1 of 2), 2006-2010
23	2	Correspondence (2 of 2), 2006-2010
23	3	Correspondence, Methodist experience in American, 2011 April
23	4	Correspondence, teaching, 2001-2002
23	5	Course material, dividing community (CH 698), 2008
23	6	Course material, CH 698, 2009
23	7	Course material, DS 511, 2010
23	8	Course material, DS 514, "Research Seminar", 2009-2010
23	9	Editor and publisher correspondence, 2001-2006
23	10	Email correspondence, "Marks of Methodism", 2005-2007
23	11	"Emory and Methodism", 2009
23	12	"Extension Ministers" book, 2009
23	13	Glen church council, 2009
24	1	Israel institute trip, 2006
24	2	Lectures, 2008, undated
24	3	Lectures, fall semester (1 of 4), 2009
24	4	Lectures, fall semester (2 of 4), 2009
24	5	Lectures, fall semester (3 of 4), 2009
24	6	Lectures, fall semester (4 of 4), 2009
25	1	Lectures, spring semester, 2009
25	2	Methodist review, acceptance board, 2008-2009
25	3	Methodist review, advisory board, 2008-2010
25	4	Methodist review, BOD files, 2008-2010
25	5	Methodist review, correspondence, 2006-2010
25	6	Methodist review, incorporation files, 2008-2009

- 25 7 Methodist review, quarterly review, 2005-2008
- 26 1 Methodist review, tax issues, 2009-2010
- 26 2 North Georgia annual conference, 2001-2007
- 26 3 North Georgia conference luncheon, 2007
- 26 4 North Georgia ordination services, 2000-2001
- 26 5 Notes and slides for "Comp Meetings" and "Evangelism", 2008-2009
- 26 6 Oxford institute, 2006-2007
- 26 7 Permissions file, 2003-2010
- 26 8 Presentation slides and notes, 2008, undated
- 26 9 Quarterly review, a journal of theological resources for ministry, 2001-2005
- 27 1 Recommendation letters (1 of 4), 2000-2005
- 27 2 Recommendation letters (2 of 4), 2000-2005
- 27 3 Recommendation letters (3 of 4), 2000-2005
- 27 4 Recommendation letters (4 of 4), 2000-2005
- 27 5 Review (manuscripts and books), 2000-2005
- 27 6 Russell E. Richey, honorarium event, 2011
- 27 7 Schedule, 2005-2007
- 27 8 Senior fellow appointment, CSLR at Emory, 2008
- 28 1 Simpsonwood conference retreat center presentation, 2008 September
- 28 2 Speaker talk remarks, 2004-2005
- 28 3 Speeches, lectures, and sermons, 2003-2009, undated
- 28 4 Task force to study the Episcopacy, 2005-2008
- 28 5 "United Methodist Church at 40" (1 of 2), 2005-2008
- 28 6 "United Methodist Church at 40" (2 of 2), 2005-2008
- 28 7 "United Methodist Church at 40", signed authorization forms, 2006 December
- 28 8 "University and Church, Notes on the Methodist Experience," 2002
- 28 9 Winter conference, celebrating and revisioning the Wesleyan movements John Wesley, Candler School of Theology, 2003
- 28 10 Unsorted, 2009-2011, undated

**Series 6**  
**Personal Materials, 1958-2010, undated**  
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<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
29	1	Book reviews, 1967-1975
29	2	Book reviews, 1976-1978
29	3	Book reviews, 1979-1980
29	4	Book reviews, 1981-1982, undated
29	5	Certificate, Reinhardt College, 2000
29	6	Certificates, 2000
29	7	Collected printed material (1 of 2), 1988-2000
29	8	Collected printed material (2 of 2), 1988-2000
30	1	Computing files, 1987-2000
30	2	Correspondence, 2000
30	3	Correspondence, 2001
30	4	Correspondence (1 of 2), 2002
30	5	Correspondence (2 of 2), 2002
30	6	Correspondence (1 of 2), 2003
30	7	Correspondence (2 of 2), 2003
30	8	Correspondence, 2004
30	9	Correspondence (1 of 2), 2005
30	10	Correspondence (2 of 2), 2005
31	1	Correspondence (1 of 2), 2006
31	2	Correspondence (2 of 2), 2006
31	3	Correspondence, 2007
31	4	Correspondence, 2008-2009
31	5	Correspondence, 2010
31	6	Correspondence (book reviews), 1981, undated
31	7	Correspondence (greeting cards), 2001-2002, undated
31	8	Curriculum vitae, 1998-1999
31	9	Letters of welcome and congratulations (1 of 2), 2000
31	10	Letters of welcome and congratulations (2 of 2), 2000
31	11	Mentoring files, 1995-1997
31	12	Oxford Institute of Methodist Theological Studies, 1982
32	1	Papers and essays, undated
32	2	Printed material, 1958-1998

- 32 3 Responses, statements, corrections, 1977, undated
  - 32 4 "Sunshine Correspondence," Bostic, NC, 1979
  - 32 5 Technology files, 2003-2010
  - 32 6 Travel documents, 2002-2005
  - 32 7 Writings of others, Cheryl F. Junk, 1997, 1999
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