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Denny Broompark Church finding aid

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Denny United Presbyterian Church
Broompark United Free Church**

Denny Broompark Church had its origins in a group of seceders who left Denny Parish Church in 1738, meeting for worship first at Lochgreen Farm, Falkirk, before moving to what is now Bonnybridge. In 1747 the antiburgher members left to form a new antiburgher congregation in Dennyloanhead. The remaining members in Denny were connected to the Burgher Associate Synod, and in 1847 the congregation entered the United Presbyterian Church, then the United Free Church in 1900, taking the name Broompark United Free Church, and then entered the Church of Scotland in 1929. In 1963 the congregation united with Denny West Church in October 1963 to form Denny Westpark Church of Scotland..

The Church of Scotland kirk session for Denny Broompark sat within the presbytery of Linlithgow and Falkirk from 1929 and then in 1976 it became part of the Presbytery of Falkirk.

The church building in Denny was opened in 1787 and closed in 1963

<i>Reference Code</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Brief Description</i>
CH3/1551/1	1793-1809	Session book. The first page is inscribed "Proceedings of the friends of the Associate Burgher Interest in and about Denny No 7 1793" and the books begins with a reference to a meeting of "those who wished to apply to the Revd Associate Presbytery of Stirling & Falkirk for Sermon at this place". This resulted in the appointment of Mr Benjamin Arkins as Preses, and the drawing up of a petition, signed by forty three persons, to be presented at the next meeting of Presbytery. The reverse pages are preceded by the inscription: "Receipts of collections made at the Burgher Place of Worship at Denny, and expenditures thereof, kept by John Gilchrist, Merchant, Denny, October 11th 1793"
CH3/1551/2	1844-1874	Session Minutes United Associate Session, 1844-1874 United Presbyterian Session, 1847-1874) Includes extract minute of the ordination of Dr Robert Thomson Jeffrey, as colleague and successor to Rev James Harrower, on 22 February 1844
CH3/1551/3	1877-1899	Session Minutes
CH3/1551/4	1899-1913	Session Minutes Denny United Presbyterian Church, 1899-1900 Broompark United Free Church, 1900-1913
CH3/1551/5	1900-1911	1. September 1900: intimation of special meeting of congregation to decide on name of congregation after the union 2. 26 October 1902: intimation of meeting of congregation on 9 November, for the purpose of

		nominating and electing persons to be ordained as ruling elders 3. November 1902: edict for ordination of William MacFarlane and Christopher Nisbet to the eldership 4. 16 June 1905: extract minute of the Kirk Session regarding proposal to elect additional elders 5. November 1905: intimation of meeting of congregation on 19 November, for the purpose of electing two members to be ordained as ruling elders 6. 29 November 1905: signed declaration by D.D. Macrae, made upon his ordination to the office of ruling elder 7. 10 December 1905: edict for ordination of Mr D.D. MacRae to the eldership on 7 January 1906, with blank 8. Ballot paper (2 items) 9. Newscutting regarding funeral service of Rev. D.C. MacKellar, 1905 10. Order of Funeral Service for Rev. D.C. Mackellar, Broompark UF Church, 26 December 1905 11. 13 June 1909: intimation of meeting of congregation on 27 June, for the purpose of nominating persons for the office of the eldership 12. 22 August 1909: edict for ordination of William Muirhead, James Whyte, John McGregor, John Wilson and Archibald Gentles to the eldership on 5 September 1909 13. 27 February 1911: extract minute of joint meeting of Elders and Managers, regarding appointment of a Church Officer
CH3/1551/6	1913-1926	Session Minutes
CH3/1551/7	1915-1933	1. May 1915: thank you letter from Mrs Edgar and family for sympathy received in their recent bereavement 2. 25 July 1915: extract minute of Organ Committee 3. 15 May 1917: receipt from Bank of Scotland Branch, Denny for £200 lodged in Organ Trust Fund 4. 8 December 1919: extract minute of Session, expressing gratitude for the services of Mr. Davidson and Mr. Rodger during the absence of the minister on military duty 5. c. September 1924: description of Church Officer's duties 6. 24 March 1926: extract minute of Vacancy Committee 7. 14 April 1926: extract minute of Presbytery about the ordination of Mr Frank J L MacLauchlan as minister of Broompark United Free Church 8. 14 April 1926: order of Ordination Service for Rev Frank J L MacLauchlan MA 9. 28 January 1933: extract statistical return for Denny Broompark Church of Scotland 10. 1933: annual report of Broompark Church of Scotland, Denny
CH3/1551/8	1927-1942	Session Minutes
CH3/1551/9	1943-1963	Session Minutes
CH3/1551/10	1955-1963	1. 1955: annual report of Denny Broompark Church of Scotland 2. 1962: extract minute of joint meeting of Kirk Session and Board of Managers 3. 17 March 1963: extract minute of Extraordinary General Meeting of Broompark congregation, regarding report of Appeals Committee and the Unions and Readjustments Committee 4. 30 April 1963: extract minute of the Kirk Session
CH3/1551/11	1852-1864	Managers' Minutes
CH3/1551/12	1864-1901	Managers' Minutes
CH3/1551/13	1902-1912	Managers' Minutes
CH3/1551/14	1909-1911	1. 25 January 1909: extract minute of meeting of congregation, regarding the proposed holding a bazaar to raise £500 for a Repair and Building Fund 2. 31 December

		1911: abstract of accounts of Broompark UF Church for year to 31 December 1911
CH3/1551/15	1912-1930	Managers' Minutes
CH3/1551/16	Circa 1914	1. 14 December 1914: extract minute of managers' meeting 2. nd: extract minute of committee appointed to carry out repairs at the manse
CH3/1551/17	1930-1953	Managers' Minutes, including printed annual reports
CH3/1551/18	1949-1954	1. 15 March 1949: letter from Denny Bowling Club 2. 3 June 1949: letter from C F Howden Ltd, Heating & Ventilating 3. 20 July 1949: letter from British Engine Boiler & Electrical Insurance Co Ltd. 4. 7 September 1949: letter from C F Howden Ltd., Heating & Ventilating, 3 pp 5. September 1950: memorandum about the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund - Scheme A 6. 1950: annual report of Denny Broompark Church of Scotland 7. 1952: annual report of Denny Broompark Church of Scotland 8. 18 January 1953: intimation of the Annual Business Meeting to be held on 26 January 1953 9. 25 January 1954: agenda for Annual Business Meeting
CH3/1551/19	1879-1963	Baptisms Register Denny United Presbyterian Church, 1879-1900 Broompark United Free Church, 1900-1929 Broompark Church of Scotland, 1929-1963
CH3/1551/20	1844-1859	Communion Roll, includes: Secession Church Denny, 1844-1847; Denny United Presbyterian Church, 1847 onwards
CH3/1551/21	1860-1870	Communion Roll Denny United Presbyterian Church
CH3/1551/22	1874-1889	Communion Roll, Denny United Presbyterian Church
CH3/1551/23	1890-1900	Communion Roll, Denny United Presbyterian Church
CH3/1551/24	1906	Communion Roll, Copy, Broompark United Free Church
CH3/1551/25	1901-1912	Communion Roll, Broompark United Free Church
CH3/1551/26	1913-1937	Communion Roll. Includes Broompark United Free Church, 1913-1929; Broompark Church of Scotland, 1929-1937
CH3/1551/27	1938-1954	Communion Roll, Broompark Church of Scotland
CH3/1551/28	1955-1963	Communion Roll, Broompark Church of Scotland
CH3/1551/29	1932-1963	Proclamations Register
CH3/1551/30	1923-1941	Seat Rental Book. Includes: Broompark United Free Church, 1923-1929; Broompark Church of Scotland, 1929-1963
CH3/1551/31	1941-1950	Seat Rental Book
CH3/1551/32	1941	Loose papers removed from CH3/1551/31 1. Plan of gallery 2. Ground floor plan 3. 1941: rentals for downstairs sittings 4. 1941: rental for upstairs sittings
CH3/1551/33	1950-1958	Seat Rental Book
CH3/1551/34	1879-1884	Missionary Association Minutes, Denny United Presbyterian Church
CH3/1551/35	1936-1961	Cash book
CH3/1551/55	31 Oct 1943	Order of Service for a Thanksgiving Service for the Ter-Jubilee [150th anniversary] of Broompark Church, with a short history of the church
CH3/1551/59	1911	Correspondence and notes concerning an investigation as to the trustees of Broompark U P Church appointed in 1827, including list of trustees
CH3/1551/60	[1911]	List of lairs in Broompark U F Church belonging to the former trustees, or the descendants of the former trustees, of Broompark Church

CH3/1551/61	1911	Minutes concerning the appointment of new trustees of the heritable property belonging to Broompark U F Church, including Notice of a Congregational Meeting on the matter and also Minute of the said Congregational Meeting
CH3/1551/62	(1930s) {nd}	Constitution of the Committee of Management of Broompark Church, with some later annotations
CH3/1551/63	07 Mar 1946	Report on the condition of Broompark House, Denny, detailing the condition of each room of the property, the boundaries and garden