

# About us

The Crumley Archives' collection is one of the largest non-government archives located in South Carolina. It holds more than 4,300 linear feet of archives and artifacts related to southern and Caribbean Lutheran synods, churches, other institutions, ministers, and church staff dating back to the 1700's. In addition to paper records of manuscripts, reports, newspapers, and other materials, the holdings contain microfilm, photographs, artifacts, and various audio, video, and digital media.

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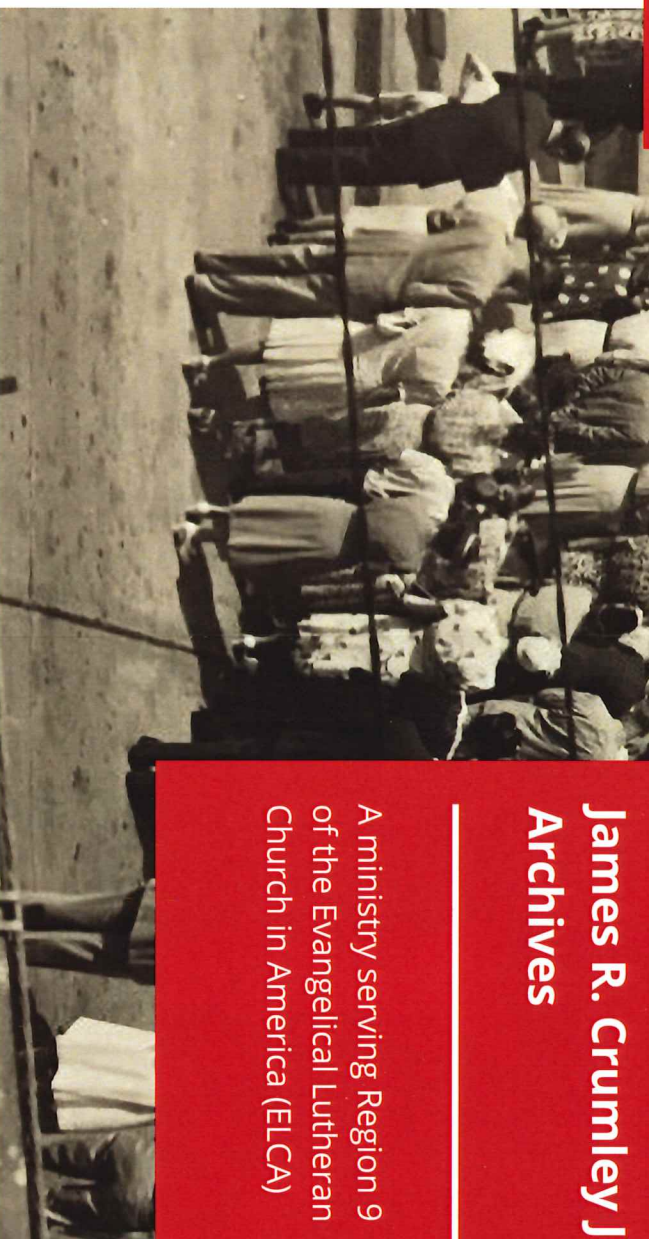
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## The James R. Crumley Jr. Archives

A ministry serving Region 9  
of the Evangelical Lutheran  
Church in America (ELCA)



# Our Mission

"The mission of the Crumley Archives is to document and preserve the history of Lutheranism in the South and Caribbean; function as a depository of historic records for its partners; offer archival, educational and interpretive services; and to provide a central source of collection inventories for the synods, congregations, agencies and institutions of Region 9 of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)."



## Services

- Document Preservation
- Scholarly & Genealogical Research Assistance (based on staff availability)
- Archival Instruction

## Current Inventory

- Congregational Charters, Histories, Annual Reports, Newsletters, Directories & Parish Registers
- Anniversary Celebration Records
- Historical Photographs & Artwork
- Bulletins of Services
- Clergy Biographies, Sermons, & Select Correspondence
- Institutional Holdings & Publications
- Baptismal, Confirmation, Marriage, & Burial/Cemetery Records
- Committee Minutes & Membership
- Constitutions & Bylaws
- Financial & Property Records
- Men's & Women's Org. Histories
- Scrapbooks
- Local & Foreign Mission Records
- Youth Activity Records
- DVD's & Digital Media Records
- ...and more!

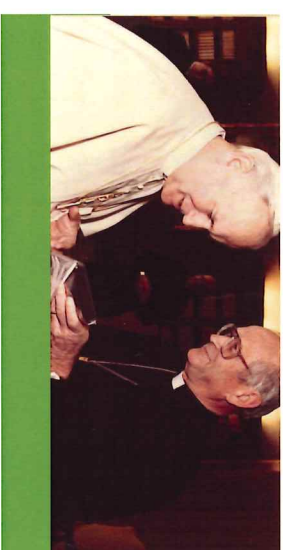
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## Rev. Dr. James R. Crumley, Jr.

The Crumley Archives is named for the notable and much beloved Lutheran leader, the late Rev. Dr. James R. Crumley, Jr. His service to the Lutheran church and dedication to the public continue to inspire our mission.

A graduate of Roanoke College and the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Dr. Crumley was ordained in 1951. He served parishes in Tennessee and Georgia, but is perhaps best remembered for his service to the Lutheran Church in America (LCA) as the national secretary, president, and bishop until the realization of the ELCA in 1987.

This archives was dedicated to his name in 1994 and seeks to promote his legacy through record keeping and the sharing of Lutheran history.

*Pictured: Dr. Crumley (right) and Pope John Paul II.*