

Vestry Minutes of Christ Church
1839

At a meeting of the Congregation of Christ Church on Monday the 1st April 1839 the rector in the chair, the following names persons were duly elected vestry men for the ensuing year John Williams, G.M. Fogg, J. Shelby, Dr. Dickinson, Geo. P. Backus, Wm. Driver, & Geo. W. Martin. G.M. Fogg was elected Treasurer & Secretary.

G.M. Fogg

The Sunday after Easter
April 28th 1839

Vestry met after Morning prayer: present the rector, Messrs. Watson, Jno. Williams, F.B. & G.M. Fogg, Shelby, Dickinson, Driver, & Martin.

Your nomination of G.M. Fogg seconded by Jno. Williams, Dr. Shelby was elected Senior Warden & Dr. Dickinson Junior Warden for the current year.

J. Thos. Wheat Rv.

18 August 1839

Vestry met: present Dr. Shelby, S.W. Watson, F.B. Fogg, J.M. Fogg, J. Williams, Backus, & Driver.

The Rector proposed to the Vestry that with their approbation, he would hold a weekly service for the special benefit of servants and coloured people generally, & asked the advice of the Vestry, if they approved of the object as to place, time, & regulations under which the service should be held.

After some consideration, it was on motion of G.M. Fogg ordered that the matter be referred to the discretion of the Rector,

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after he should have consulted the families of the congregation generally.

Adjourned
J. Thos. Wheat
Chmn & Secy

25th August 1839

Vestry met: present Dr. Shelby, G.M. Fogg, F.W. Watson, Driver, Backus.

The Rector submitted to the Vestry that he had communicated fully with the families of the parrish generally, upon the expediency & propriety of the proposed service for the Blacks, and that the measure was unanimously & highly approved of. Whereupon, a motion of Dr. Shelby, it was Resolved: that the Vestry approve & recommend the new service for the blacks, proposed to be held weekly by the Rector.

J. Thos. Wheat
Chmn & Secy pro tem

1 Sept. 1839

Vestry met: present Watson, G.M. Fogg, Jno. Williams, G.W. Martin, Backus, & Driver.

The Rector laid before the Vestry the resignation of the Organist Mr. Weber. After some consultation it was Resolved, that the Rector have power to employ some other Organist if Mr. Weber cannot be induced to withdraw his resignation

J. Thos. Wheat
Chmn & Secy. pro tem

6 October 1839

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Vestry met: present Watson, G.M. Fogg, F.B. Fogg, G.W. Martin, Driver, & Backus.

Resolved that Dr. Shelby, Dr. Dickinson, & Mr. Driver be a committee to devise & execute the best & cheapest plan for Moving (warning?) the Church this minute.

J. Thos. Wheat
Chmn & Sec. pro tem

27 Oct. 39

Vestry met: present, Dr. Shelby, M. Watson, F.B. Fogg, G.M. Fogg, W. Driver.

The Rector asked leave of absence from the Parrish for three or four weeks, & it was unanimously granted.

Col. Geo. Wilson was appointed Collector of Pew seats pro tem.

Adjourned J. Thos. Wheat Rv.
Chmn. & Sec.

8th December 39

Vestry met: present Wardens Shelby & Dickinson, G.M. Fogg, F.B. Fogg, Watson, Driver, & Backus.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay the Carpenter bill for work done in basement.

Adjourned
J. Thos. Wheat
Chmn. & Secy