

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING HELD
AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
JANUARY 14, 1944

Those present were:

Dr. Carruthers	W. H. Lambeth
Mr. McCloud	Dudley Gale
Minos Fletcher	Chas. Nelson
Chas. M. Trabue	Hunter McDonald, Jr.
J. H. Tidman	Vernon Tupper
Dr. O. H. Wilson	Walter Stokes
Douglas M. Wright	W. H. Wemyss

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Carruthers and proceeded with the election of officers for the year 1944. Officers elected were as follows:

Dudley Gale, Senior Warden
Chas. Nelson, Junior Warden
J. H. Tidman, Secretary
Douglas M. Wright, Treasurer
Harvey Pride, Property Custodian

The Vestry elected the following to the Council:

Walton Barker	Terry Hart
J. P. Beattie	Henry D. Jamison, Jr.
J. E. Britt	Chas. B. Johnstone
Picksley Cheek	John F. Kreig
R. H. Chilton	Euford Lewis
Phillip Davidson	J. W. E. Moore
Richard Drew	W. W. Morehead
Lester J. Fox	M. E. Nellums
Wm. P. French	Earl Roach
Russell Hart	Walter Robinson

Donald Southgate

It was moved and adopted that the Vestry express its appreciation to Maxwell Benson for his wonderful work in connection with managing the Every Member Canvass, said appreciation to be expressed in writing to be signed by the Senior and Junior Wardens, the Rector and attested by the Secretary.

Mr. Wright stated that subject to the approval of the Vestry that he had made arrangements with Mr. Chas. Johnstone to be Fiscal Secretary for the ensuing year at a salary of \$40.00 per month. This was approved.

The Vestry adopted the 1944 budget in the amount of \$42,530.00. It was moved and adopted that the Treasurer move the Church bank account to the Nashville Trust Company.

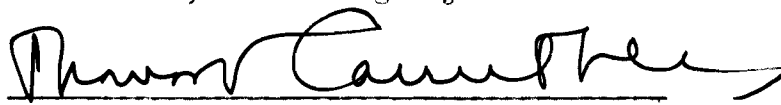
The file containing various papers accumulated by the Secretary for the years 1940, 1941, 1942 and 1943 have been sent to the Church office for safe-keeping. We are starting a new file this date, January 15, 1944.

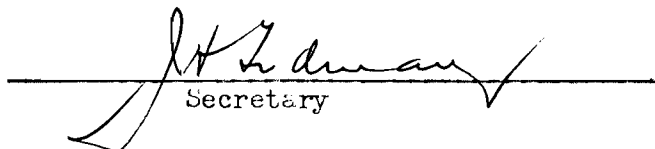
J.H.T.

It was moved and adopted that our representatives to the Diocesan Convention be permitted to pledge up to \$1000.00 for the Army and Navy Commission, and the manner of raising said pledge was referred to the Finance Committee.

Walter Stokes mentioned the fact that it would be a good idea to appoint a committee to keep appropriate records which would be accumulative and which will in due time be available in bringing the history of Christ Church up to date. He pointed out that this information at the present was available and could be more easily obtained. Accordingly, the Vestry appointed Walter Stokes as Chairman of such Committee asking that he appoint the members he wishes to serve with him.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Chairman


Secretary

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE VESTRY AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, JANUARY 24, 1944.

Those present were:

Messrs. Gale, Nelson, Wright, Tidman, Lambeth, French, Robinson, Russell Hart, Currey, Sharp, Pride, Farmer, Fletcher, Lewis, Brandon, Drew, Britt, Stokes, Benson, Barker, McDonald, Wemyss, Roach, Rose, Moore, Kraig, Martin, Davis, Geo. Gale, Terry Hart, W. V. Tupper, Morehead, Mitchell and Johnstone.

The meeting was called to order by Dudley Gale, Senior Warden, who stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss Dr. Carruthers' call as Bishop of South Carolina. The following resolution was passed and signed by those present.

January 24th, 1944

Dr. Thomas N. Carruthers
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Dr. Carruthers:

Your Wardens, Vestry and Council, assembled today in special session, congratulate you upon your election as Bishop of the Historic Diocese of South Carolina, a signal honor and a fitting tribute to one who is rendering a full measure of intelligent, well directed, consecrated service to the Episcopal Church in this community, in the Diocese of Tennessee, in the nation, and thruout the world.

However impelling the challenge in this new field, the bugle call to further labor in your present field surely gives forth no uncertain sound. For you are the head and front of one of the key parishes of the whole church. You have set up and are developing with splendid continuity of purpose a well conceived and tremendously worthwhile program for the Parish, Now -- in spite of the intervention of world-wide war -- in vigorous process of completion.

You have grown daily in grace and stature. You have wrought steadfastly in integrity of objective, and have endeared yourself to the people of your Parish.

Each succeeding Every-Member Canvass since you came to us five years ago has recorded a substantial increase over the preceding canvass -- A material, but none the less convincing token of the whole-hearted determination

of your congregation, in appreciation of your own fidelity, to follow you loyally and to hold up your hands in the great work to which you are dedicated.

It would not be right to attempt to disturb the guidance which you so earnestly seek in coming to a decision. Yet we cannot feel that it is wrong for us -- who see constant witness of your splendid talents, of the quality of your scholarship, of your fine administrative ability, of your unusual capacity for organization, of the inspiration of your spiritual leadership, all of which should be more and more available as your years increase to the Church at large -- earnestly to suggest that you view the picture in its full perspective as well as in its immediate aspects.

May the Lord be with you and guide you in the hour of your decision.

Sincerely yours,

It was further moved and adopted that the Senior Warden write each communicant and urge his attendance at Church January 30, as a tribute to our Rector.

Mr. Wright called attention to the fact that the Assistant Rector was being married. It was moved and adopted that Vivian Tupper be appointed for the purpose of purchasing an appropriate wedding gift.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

 Chairman

 Secretary

MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF VESTRY AND COUNCIL
HELD AT HERMITAGE HOTEL, FEBRUARY 2, 1944.

Those present, in addition to Dr. Carruthers, were:

Messrs. Gale, Martin, Nelson, Craig, Trabue, French, Picksley Cheek, Russell R. Hart, Fletcher, Currey, Jamison, Brandau, Stokes, Davis, Wemyss, Lewis, Chilton, Southgate, Roach, Moore, Lambeth, Britt, Nellums, Tidman, Wright, Robinson, Mitchell, Robert Cheek, Johnston, Davidson, Morehead, Barker.

Mr. Gale, our Senior Warden, announced that the meeting was called at Dr. Carruthers' request.

Dr. Carruthers then told us how much he had enjoyed his ministry and how perfectly satisfied he and his family were with Nashville, but after considerable thought and deliberation, he felt that it was his duty to accept the call as Bishop to the Diocese of South Carolina, and he wanted to ask the members of the Vestry and Council if, under the circumstances, as outlined by him, his resignation would be accepted.

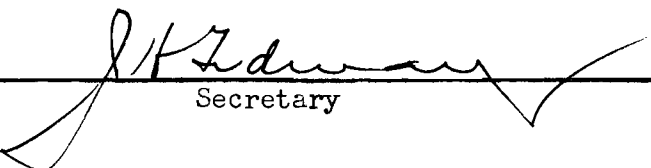
Mr. Lambeth, in reply, stated in a few well chosen remarks how much Dr. Carruthers' ministry at Christ Church meant to the church and to him personally and moved that appropriate resolutions be prepared by a committee expressing to Dr. Carruthers the esteem, love and admiration of the Vestry and Council. Such a committee was appointed.

Mr. Martin then moved the adoption of the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, we are informed that our Rector, Reverend Thomas N. Carruthers, D.D., has been elected Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina and have received announcement by him of his desire to accept same. Therefore, be it resolved that our consent is hereby given to his acceptance of this high call to service and we congratulate him upon the great honor conferred upon him."

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Chairman


Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY
AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00
O'CLOCK P. M., FEBRUARY 14, 1944.

Those present, in addition to Dr. Carruthers and Mr. McCloud,
were:

Messrs. Martin, Brandau, Gale, Nelson, Wilson, Davis, Dyer,
Lambeth, Hinkel, Tupper, Tidman, Pride, Fletcher, McDonald,
Barker, Davidson, French, H. Hart, Terry Hart, Craig, Morehead,
Nellums, Robinson, Roach, Southgate.

The meeting was called to order by the Rector. The Senior
Warden, in his report, suggested that a committee be appointed
to call a new Rector. It was, therefore, moved that a
committee be appointed composed of the wardens, Messrs. Martin,
Tupper, Lambeth and Wright.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, was unable to be present, but his
report was distributed and accepted.

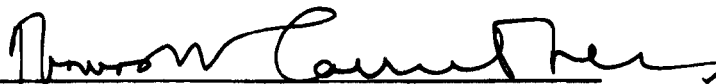
The Rector in his report read suggestions for standing com-
mittees. It was then moved that the committees as suggested
be appointed. In addition, Dr. Carruthers suggested that a
special Endowment Committee ^{for Parish House Improvement} be appointed, which was approved.
Mr. Martin suggested that the Secretary notify all committee
chairmen. The Rector then read letter from Bishop Maxon in
which dates were suggested for the convocation. Dr. Carruthers
also spoke of William Briggs Garnett, postulant, who wants sig-
natures in order to become a candidate for Holy Orders. Mr.
Gale moved that Mr. Garnett be recommended.

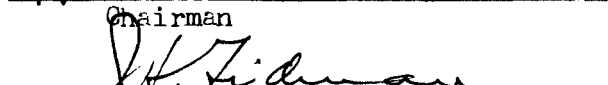
Mr. Martin gave a report on the Diocesan convention.

The Secretary read letter received from Thomas M. Trabue in
which Mr. Trabue asked that his resignation as a member of
the Vestry be accepted due to his leaving for the Army.

The members of the various committees are listed on the
attached page.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Chairman


Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE VESTRY AND COUNCIL HELD
AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00 P. M.,
MARCH 13, 1944.

Those present, in addition to Dr. Carruthers and Mr. McCloud, were:

Chas. S. Martin	J. E. Britt
Hunter McDonald, Jr.	Phillip Davidson
Harvey Pride	William P. French
J. H. Tidman	Russell Hart
Douglas M. Wright	Terry Hart
W. H. Wemyss	Chas. E. Johnstone
W. H. Lambeth	W. W. Morehead
Charles Mitchell	M. E. Nellums
Vernon Sharp, Jr.	Earl Roach
Seawell Brandau	Walter Robinson
Charles Nelson	Donald Southgate
Walter Stokes, Jr.	
Dr. O. H. Wilson	
Walton Barker	

The meeting was called to order by the Rector.

Mr. Nelson reported that the Senior Warden was ill, but there was nothing of importance to report except that the Committee re: securing a new Rector was working and would doubtless have a report by the next meeting.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, rendered his report, which was accepted. Mr. Wright also read letter from Mr. and Mrs. Webb expressing their thanks and appreciation for their wedding present.

Mr. Pride, as Custodian of Property, reported that certain repairs were essential and that he and his committee had authorized certain repairs amounting to \$400.00. Other necessary repairs had been discussed and bids secured. It was therefore, moved and seconded, since it appeared that the \$400.00 item and the other repairs were necessary and should be made, that the Custodian of Property and his committee should proceed with the understanding that an amount up to \$1500.00 would be allowed plus \$400.00 for the work already underway. The manner of paying for said work was left to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Pride also discussed the situation of the Rectory. After discussion, it was suggested that the matter be moved over until the April meeting.

Service Bureau of Church Mission of Heath

Walter Stokes made a report on youth work and outlined a plan for the work. Dr. Carruthers also discussed the work and expressed the hope that it could be done. After discussion, Mr. Stokes moved that our whole-hearted approval and endorsement be given to said work and that the Easter offering would be made available for the raising of the necessary funds, and if necessary a supplemental appeal to raise any additional funds necessary to raise the required three-fourths of \$3145.00, which was the amount needed to carry said work from May 1, 1944 through December 31, 1944. Motion passed.

It was moved and approved that a committee with Mr. Stokes as Chairman be appointed.

Dr. Carruthers was asked to retire for a moment. In the discussion that followed, it was unanimously approved that Mr. Tupper be appointed a committee of one to prepare appropriate resolution to be signed by the Officers of the Vestry and Council, and by other Church organizations, expressing the affection and regard this body has for Dr. Carruthers, and to wish him much happiness in his new work in South Carolina.

Mr. John F. Kreig was elected to the Vestry to complete the unexpired term of Thomas M. Trabue, who resigned upon going into the Army.

The Vestry appointed Hunter McDonald, Chas. S. Mitchell and Vernon Sharp, Jr. as a committee to nominate a new member of the Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Thomas Carruthers
Chairman
J. H. Duany
Secretary

At a special meeting of the Vestry held on March 26 the following members were present:

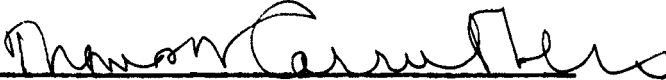
1. W. H. Lambeth
2. Chas. Nelson
3. Chas. Martin, Sr.
4. Walter Stokes
5. Vernon Sharp
6. Vernon Tupper
7. Chas. Mitchell
8. Dr. O. N. Wilson
9. Douglas Wright
10. John Kreig
11. Dudley Gale
12. Minos L. Fletcher, Jr.

Mr. Gale announced that the committee to select the new rector unanimously agreed on The Reverend Peyton Randolph Williams of Christ Church, Georgetown, and read a brief history of his work in the Church. He then asked the Vestry's pleasure in the matter.


Mr. Stokes made a motion that the Vestry accept the committee's recommendation. This was seconded by Mr. Charles Mitchell and Dr. Wilson. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Gale then announced that The Reverend and Mrs. Williams will arrive in Nashville in the early morning of Wednesday, March 29, and that the Vestry and Council would entertain Reverend Williams for luncheon on that date at one o'clock at the Hermitage Hotel. At the same time, the wives of the Vestry and Council would entertain Mrs. Williams at the Centennial Club for luncheon. He urged that all members of the Vestry be present at the Hermitage Hotel and that all wives be present at the Centennial Club.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.



 Chairman



 Secretary Pro-Tem

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE VESTRY AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE
PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00 P. M., APRIL 10,
1944.

Those present, in addition to Dr. Carruthers and Mr. McCloud, were:

Chas. S. Martin	Walter Stokes, Jr.
Minos Fletcher, Jr.	Walton Barker
Harvey Pride	J. P. Beattie
J. H. Tidman	J. E. Britt
Vernon Tupper	R. H. Chilton
Douglas M. Wright	Phillip Davidson
Maclin Davis	Richard Drew
W. H. Lambeth	Wm. M. French
Charles Mitchell	Terry Hart
Vernon Sharp, Jr.	Chas. E. Johnstone
Seawell Brandau	J. W. E. Moore
Dudley Gale	W. W. Morehead
Charles Nelson	M. E. Nellums

Earl Roach

The meeting was called to order by the Rector.

The Senior and Junior Wardens had no reports.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, rendered his report, which was accepted. In addition to his regular report, Mr. Wright gave a report on the Easter offering. It was made up as follows:

Cash \$793.66, checks \$792.50 and three items of \$67.00, \$22.00 and \$10.00, to be worked in order to determine whether it was part of the Easter offering. If counted, this would bring the amount to \$1675.16. In addition, Mr. Stokes reported that he had received checks to be used in connection with the Youth Service Bureau which brought the amount up to \$2366.16 and prior to receiving the aforesaid checks he had turned over to Mr. Hager \$440.00 of funds to be used for the same purpose which, if considered as a part of the Easter offering, made a grand total of \$2806.16.

It was moved and approved that \$2500.00 of the above amount would be set aside for the Youth Service Bureau of Church Missions of Health, and the remainder be applied on our Army and Navy pledge.

Upon motion by Mr. Lambeth, a rising vote of thanks was given Mr. Stokes for the splendid work in connection with this movement.

By appropriate motion, in view of the increased operation cost of St. Luke's, the 1944 budget was increased from \$1500.00 to \$1750.00.

Mr. Lambeth, reporting on the Easter attendance, stated that all records had been broken by an attendance of 1100 persons at the 11:00 o'clock service, and with record crowds for the other two services. In this connection, Dr. Carruthers stated that a record was also made on the number of communions given.

Appropriate action was taken in recommending Mr. Webb for ordination to the Priesthood.

Dr. Carruthers suggested that the automobile heretofore used by him be used by Mr. Webb in connection with his work until the arrival of the new Rector. This was approved.

Mr. Tupper voiced the sentiments of the Vestry and Council and extended congratulations to Mr. Lambeth for his splendid work in connection with the Noon-Day Services. Here again, under Mr. Lambeth's splendid leadership, a new record was established.

Mr. Wright then voiced the sentiments of the Vestry and Council in wishing Dr. Carruthers Godspeed and much success and happiness in his future undertaking. Upon motion of Mr. Gale, the testimonial, signed by the various officers of the general organizations of the Parish is made a part of the Minutes and is recorded as follows:

To
 Thomas N. Carruthers
 Rector Christ Church Nashville
 1939-1944
 From
 His Congregation

As you break new seas that look beyond today's horizon,
 And your eager keel quests unaccustomed waters, we wish
 you Godspeed in the valiant possibilities that are yours
 in the increasing years.

Wherever you go, whatever you do, our hopes and prayers are
 with you -- and our abiding faith that you will continue truly
 to bear witness to the power not our own that makes for
 righteousness.

Defined in years alone your Ministry amongst us has been all
 too brief. But measured by its exalted purpose, in results
 achieved, in objectives won, it has been fruitful, outstanding,
 and of an unforgettable quality.

To whatsoever you have set your hand you have done it with all your heart and soul. You have wrought well. Steadfast and unafraid, you have held to your appointed course with unerring, unswerving fidelity, with the gentleness of great strength, with the wholesome modesty of innate courage.

Your fine administrative ability, your signal capacity for organization, your splendid scholarship, your inspirational leadership, your vision of the great enduring realities of life have written a luminous chapter in the book of Christ Church of Nashville -- a precious and memorable contribution.

You leave the Parish in a sound and stalwart position, more than ever conscious of the obligations of its heritage, confident of its potentialities, and with a new awareness of its high destiny. And so, grateful to you and for you, it is with reverence that we make this prayer:

May the Lord bless you and keep you, may he lift up his countenance upon you and be gracious unto you; and may he further you in his service all of your days until you come to his everlasting kingdom.

Omit this paragraph in reading Minutes.

At the request of Mr. Tupper, these Minutes include the following account of the dinner tendered Dr. and Mrs. Carruthers which was sponsored by the Men's Club, and which followed the Vestry and Council meeting. The program follows:

Magazines and Periodicals

Kitty Morris, Chairman

Young People's Forum

Wm. McCartney Hibbitts, Chairman

Mary Belle Gardner, Secretary

Young People's Service League

Jane Sutherland, Chairman

Ethel Marie Brown, Secretary

Daughters of the King

Caro Sidway Perkins, President

Maud J. Bennett, Secretary

Settlement Guild

Mrs. Clarence Martin Hunt, President

Mrs. J. Armstrong Jones, Secretary-Treasurer

Chancel Society

Mrs. Felix Schwab, Chairman

Caro Sidway Perkins, Secretary-Treasurer

Rector's Aid

Catherine B. McGugin, President
Mary Alice Parker, Secretary

Woman's Auxiliary

Virginia O. Sloan, Chairman
Mildred G. Webb, Secretary

Church School

Thomas O. H. Smith, Superintendent
Carl Katz, Secretary-Treasurer

Men's Club

Buford Lewis, President
John F. Krieg, Secretary-Treasurer

Vestry and Council

Dudley Gale, Senior Warden
Charles Nelson, Junior Warden
Charles S. Martin, Sr., Senior Warden Emeritus
Douglas M. Wright, Treasurer
J. H. Tidman, Secretary
Maxwell Benson, Chairman Every-Member Canvass 1944 Budget
W. H. Lambeth, Chairman Ushers
Harvey Pride, Custodian of Property
Vernon Tupper, Chairman Special Committee

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PROGRAM

CHRIST CHURCH MEN'S CLUB

Monday, April 10, 1944

Honoring Dr. Thomas N. Carruthers

Albert Rose presiding:

Invocation - Bishop Dandridge

Song - "Onward Christian Soldiers" Mr. Douglas Wright, leading.
Dr. Gus Dyer, Member of Vestry-Teacher of Adult Class, Presiding.

Presentation of Ring:

Mr. W. Dudley Gale, Senior Warden.

Address:

Mr. Charles Nelson - Junior Warden.

Presentation of Robes:

Mrs. Paul Sloan, Jr. - President Woman's Auxiliary.

Address:

Dean Philip Davidson - Newcomer to the Parish.

Presentation of Silver to Mrs. Carruthers:

Mr. W. H. Lambeth.

Address:

Mr. W. H. Manier

Address:

Mr. Charles S. Martin, Sr. - Warden Emeritus

Presentation of Robe:

Mr. Albert Rose - Vice President Men's Club.

Remarks: Bishop Dandridge

Godspeed - Mr. Vernon Tupper

Response:

Dr. Carruthers

Mrs. Carruthers


Benediction:

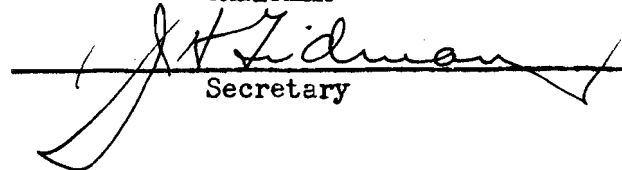
Mr. McCloud

Song:

"Auld Lang Syne" - Mr. Douglas Wright, leading.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Chairman


Secretary

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE VESTRY, HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE
FOLLOWING THE 11:00 O'CLOCK SERVICE SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 1944.

Those present were:

Messrs. Gale, Hinkle, Wright, Tupper, Davis, McDonald, Kreig,
Dyer, Lambeth, Currey, Tidman.

The Senior Warden, as Chairman, called upon Mr. Wright. Mr. Wright stated that the meeting held January 14, 1944 authorized the moving of the Church account from the American National Bank to the Nashville Trust Company, but appropriate action was not taken at that time to authorize the renewal of the note held by the American National Bank. He, therefore, proposed the following resolution, which was adopted:

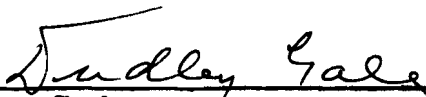
"WHEREAS, the Vestry at its meeting on January 14, 1944, instructed the Treasurer to transfer the bank account of Christ Church from the American National Bank to the Nashville Trust Company, but failed to authorize the negotiation of a loan with the Nashville Trust Company in order that the Church note held by the American National Bank might be paid.

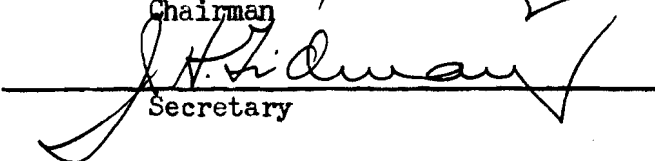
BE IT RESOLVED that the action of the Treasurer in negotiating a loan of \$3975.00 with the Nashville Trust Company is hereby approved, the proceeds of said loan having been used to pay the American National Bank note and that any necessary renewals of the note negotiated with the Nashville Trust Company are likewise approved."

The Secretary was instructed to send the Treasurer a certified copy of said resolution for presentation to the Nashville Trust Company.

Mr. Wright also announced that St. James Episcopal Church of Knoxville, Tenn. had paid its indebtedness. It was moved and adopted that Mr. Tupper be appointed a committee of one to convey to St. James the congratulations of Christ Church.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.



 Chairman


 Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE VESTRY AND COUNCIL HELD
AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00 P. M.,
MAY 8, 1944.

Those present, in addition to Mr. McCloud and Mr. Webb, were:

Chas. S. Martin	Seawell Brandau
Minos Fletcher, Jr.	Dudley Gale
Hunter McDonald, Jr.	Charles Nelson
Harvey Pride	J. E. Britt
J. H. Tidman	Richard Drew
Douglas M. Wright	Wm. M. French
Brownlee O. Currey	Terry Hart
Arthur Henkel	Chas. E. Johnstone
W. H. Lambeth	Walter Robinson
Charles Mitchell	Donald Southgate

The meeting was called to order by Mr. McCloud.

The Senior Warden, in making his report, read the invitation of the Diocese of South Carolina inviting the Vestry and Council to the consecration of Dr. Carruthers as Bishop. He also read a letter from Mr. Williams in which he formally accepted the call to Christ Church and a letter from our presiding Bishop congratulating us on obtaining Mr. Williams.

Mr. Gale then read a letter from Mr. McCloud stating that he had formally accepted the call to become City Missionary and tendering his resignation as Associate Rector of Christ Church, to take effect after Mr. Williams becomes the Rector of Christ Church. This letter was regretfully received because of the love and affection which we all bear Mr. McCloud, but we rejoice in the fact that he will become City Missionary which will enable him to carry on the splendid work which he has been doing so splendidly for so long a period.

Mr. Gale, with the approval of the Vestry and Council, appointed a committee composed of Vernon Tupper, Donald Southgate and Seawell Brandau for the purpose of preparing resolutions expressing our affectionate regards for Mr. McCloud.

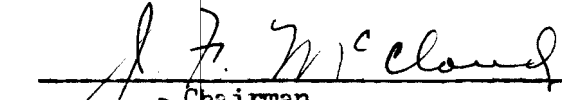
Mr. Nelson as Junior Warden and our representative to the consecration of Bishop Carruthers gave a splendid report on the consecration services.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, made his report, which was accepted. In this report he stated that the Easter offering as reported at the April meeting had been increased, making a total collection of \$3147.16.

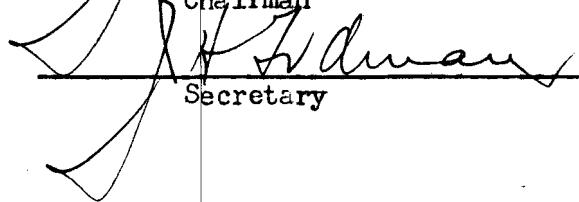
Mr. Pride, as Custodian, reported that the work on the church was progressing, but he was afraid that it was going to exceed the amount allowed, but he was unable to give any definite report at this meeting.

Hunter McDonald reported that his committee re: selection of a new councilman to fill the unexpired term brought about by Mr. Kreig's elevation to the Vestry, stating that his committee had four names to submit, to-wit: N. G. Butler, J. T. Baird, Thos. O. H. Smith, C. F. Turner. He thought that perhaps the Vestry as a whole might want to vote as to which one of the four should be elected. Upon motion by Mr. Nelson, this matter was tabled to be brought up at the June meeting of the Vestry and Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.



Chairman



Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE VESTRY AND COUNCIL HELD
AT THE HOME OF HUGH F. SMITH AT
5:00 P. M., JUNE 12, 1944.

Those present, in addition to Mr. Williams and Mr. Webb, were:

Chas. S. Martin	Charles Nelson
Minos Fletcher, Jr.	Walter Stokes, Jr.
Hunter McDonald, Jr.	John F. Kreig
Harvey Pride	J. E. Britt
J. H. Tidman	R. H. Chilton
Vernon Tupper	Phillip Davidson
Douglas M. Wright	Wm. M. French
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W. H. Lambeth	Chas. E. Johnstone
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Seawell Brandau	W. W. Morehead
Robert S. Cheek	M. E. Nellums
Dudley Gale	Earl Ra ch

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams then expressed his appreciation of the many nice things that had been done for him and Mrs. Williams since their arrival in Nashville, and stated that he was looking forward with a great deal of anticipation to his rectorship at Christ Church, and he hoped that he would measure up to expectations.

The Senior Warden, Mr. Gale, on behalf of the Vestry and Council, expressed pleasure of having Mr. Williams as our new Rector, stating that we are all looking forward to working together for Christ Church.

Mr. Nelson stated that he hoped Mr. and Mrs. Williams would be as happy as we were in having them with us.

Mr. Pride, as Property Custodian, stated that the Church repair work had been completed, and that Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, would discuss the cost.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, made his report, and upon motion of Mr. Tupper, it was received with thanks and appreciation.

Mr. Tupper, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, asked that the following resolution be approved.

"June 12, 1944

Inasmuch as necessary repairs, including repairs in the stone work, to the roof, the gutters, etc., have amounted to approximately \$3500.00;

And inasmuch as the budget for 1944 includes the sum of only \$1500.00 for repairs and maintenance;

And inasmuch as additional repairs for the balance of the year 1944 will probably amount to \$500.00;

Be it therefore resolved that the Treasurer of Christ Church be authorized to negotiate additional loans with the Nashville Trust Company, in excess of the amount now due the Nashville Trust Company, as may be needed from time to time to the extent of total loans of not over \$2500.00 to be negotiated on and after this date."

The above resolution was adopted.

Mr. Tupper then stated that Mr. Webb, our Assistant Rector, would be ordained on next Sunday, and he moved that immediately after Mr. Webb's ordination that his monthly salary be \$166.66, which salary was to continue for the period not later than October 15, 1944. This motion was approved.

Mr. Tupper briefly outlined Mr. McCloud's faithful service to Christ Church and that Mr. McCloud was leaving Christ Church on July 1 after thirty years of service, and he moved as a slight token of our appreciation to Mr. McCloud that we present him with the automobile which he has been using. He further moved that Mr. McCloud be paid through July in order to give him his regular annual vacation. These two motions were approved.

Mr. Tupper suggested, since he knew the feeling of the members of Christ Church toward Mr. McCloud, that it was entirely fitting and appropriate that engrossed resolutions be written and presented to Mr. McCloud as further evidence of our appreciation and regard. This was also heartily approved.

He then discussed the salary paid Miss Guiles, Parish Secretary, and Miss Jones, in charge of Youth work, moving that effective July 1, 1944, that the salary of each of these ladies be increased to \$135.00, which was also approved.

Mr. Williams then stated that due to the fact that Mr. Webb would be leaving in the Fall, he would like to be looking around for an Associate Rector. Mr. Tupper stated that in view of the fact that quick action might be necessary, he asked that the Finance Committee be authorized to enter into satisfactory financial arrangements which were mutually agreeable to the Finance Committee, Mr. Williams and any new Associate Rector. This was adopted.

Mr. Stokes, Chairman of the Music Committee, moved that Mr. Henkel be authorized to enter into a contract with Miss Jones, Soloist, to become effective upon the retirement of Mrs. Malone in September.

He further thought that in view of the long and splendid service given the church by Mrs. Malone that Christ Church should, by appropriate resolutions, express to Mrs. Malone our love and affection for her long and splendid service and the many spiritual benefits which she has contributed to our services. He asked that the Rector appoint as a committee, the two Wardens and three members of the Vestry and Council to prepare the necessary resolutions, which he suggested be engrossed. These two motions were approved.

Mr. Stokes then spoke on the progress of the Youth Service Bureau Church Mission of Health. He stated that the Bureau was on a firm financial footing, and at a recent meeting Mrs. James M. Todd was elected President and Mr. Hager Treasurer.

The question of electing a new councilman to take Mr. Kreig's place was moved over for action at the July meeting.

Mr. Williams then spoke of the question of using candles on the altar. He stated that the use of these candles was discretionary, stating that in some instances they were entirely appropriate on some altars and on some they were not. He further stated that at Christ Church he thought the use of candles would be entirely appropriate and in order and if it met with the approval of the Vestry and Council, he would like to use the candles. Suffice to say, it met with the hearty approval of the Vestry and Council.

The last piece of business at this meeting was a few words from our beloved Senior Warden Emeritus, Mr. Chas. S. Martin, who spoke a few words of welcome to Mr. Williams.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Walter R. Williams
Chairman

J. H. Tidman
Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
VESTRY AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE
AT 5:00 P. M., JULY 10, 1944.

Those present, in addition to Mr. Williams and Mr. Webb, were:

Hunter McDonald, Jr.
J. H. Tidman
Vernon Tupper
Douglas M. Wright
Brownlee O. Currey
Maclin Davis
Dr. Gus Dyer
Arthur Henkel
W. H. Lambeth

Seawell Brandau
Charles Nelson
Walter Stokes, Jr.
John F. Kreig
Dr. O. H. Wilson
Walton Barker
J. E. Britt
Phillip Davidson
Russell Hart

Chas. E. Johnstone
J. W. E. Moore
M. E. Nellums

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

In the absence of Mr. Gale, our Senior Warden, our Junior Warden, Mr. Nelson, made a joint report. He read a letter received from Bishop Carruthers in which was expressed his thanks and appreciation of the beautiful Episcopal ring which was given him as a present by members of Christ Church upon his election as Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina. This letter, by motion of Mr. Vernon Tupper, which was seconded, is made a part of the Minutes. It therefore follows:

"To the Wardens, Vestry and Council of Christ Church
Ninth and Broad Streets
Nashville, Tennessee

My dear Friends:

I really cannot find words to tell you how deeply I appreciate the beautiful Episcopal ring which you had sent to me and which I am now wearing regularly. It is a lovely ring. You could not have made a selection which would have pleased me more in every detail. But lovely as it is itself and valuable as it is to me as a necessary part of my Episcopal dress, I value it all the more because it comes as a gift from you, from an organization with which I have had such happy associations, and from a parish that I love so dearly. More and more I realize my deep indebtedness to Christ Church and I wish you to know how proud I am to claim Christ Church as my own parish. No rector could have had a finer organization to work with than the Wardens, Vestry, and Council of Christ Church. I still think of Christ Church in Nashville as home, and Mrs. Carruthers and I hope that you feel that you have another home here in Charleston.

Having this beautiful Episcopal ring, and carrying it as an outward and visible sign of my happy relationship with Christ Church adds so much to my happiness. Many, many thanks to you all.

Affectionately yours,

Thomas N. Carruthers,
Bishop"

Following the reading of this letter of thanks and appreciation from Bishop Carruthers, Mr. Nelson then brought up the subject for consideration as to our future action with regard to the race question. In this connection he related the instance which happened at the service Sunday, July 9 -- Two white women in company with two negro girls came to church. Mr. Nelson stated that this was a question which should be discussed and some method provided of taking care of instances of this kind, since it appeared that this might happen more and more in the future. Mr. Tupper then stated that a Churchly and Christian-like study of this question should be made and moved the appointment of a committee composed of the wardens, Dean Davidson, Walter Stokes and the Rector. This committee is to report back to the Vestry and Council.

Mr. Martin in his report, called attention to the meeting of the Provincial Synod to be held October 17, 18 and 19, and in response, Mr. Wright stated, since a good deal of preliminary work was necessary, Mr. Lambeth had been good enough to accept the chairmanship of Program and Arrangements. Mr. Lambeth then made a written report of the work done to date. Upon motion of Mr. Tupper, this report was made a part of the Minutes and is as follows:

"This is my first written report as Chairman of Program and Arrangements of the Synod. I accepted this assignment a month ago and started to work at once, because there is much to be done. Synod meets here October 17, 18, 19 - our Church is host. I am asking the following committee to serve with me - Gale, Nelson, Wright, Vernon Tupper, Benson, Mrs. Paul Sloan, Jr. Auxiliary, Mrs. E. M. Perkins, Daughters of the King, and of course our Rector. Our Bishops extended this invitation and are certainly interested in a fine Synod. We will work closely with Bishop Juhan, President of the Synod. I have asked him for a conference in Nashville to go thoroughly into program and arrangements. We will consult with Rev. Chas. Johnson and Guinland, colored priests about arrangements for colored delegates. This will be the 20th Synod and Woman's Auxiliary to National Council in Province of Sewanee and Provincial Assembly of the Daughters of the King. It represents 15 Diocese, and letter from Bishop Maxon just received says -

"There will be twenty-three Bishops, besides about three hundred other folks, men and women, if things work out well. I am pleased that Bishop Frank A. Juhan, President of the Synod, will come to Nashville to go over details with you. I have told him I desired a fine program, which shall include some outstanding speakers, and have a general public as well as Church interest. We don't do things by halves in Tennessee, and we've always made an outstanding success of anything we have gone into."

Our hotels have been intensely interested and they have made about 400 reservations. This is fine cooperation, and removes a dangerous element of doubt as to our ability to properly provide for our delegates. The banquet will be at the Andrew Jackson hotel, \$1.50 each person. We will make this a gala occasion, with distinguished speakers and fine music. Last Synod was held in Birmingham, Advent Church Host, and it was a fine success and we have a real job ahead to equal or exceed it, which we hope to do. Some money will have to be raised, and as stated many, very many important things done, so please keep all this on your minds and be ready to help when called on. As far as I am concerned, and frankly I accepted because I know any important undertaking by Christ Church is always certain to receive your assistance, and also because, I will feel a pardonable pride in heading up this very important undertaking, and doing it with your help, in a manner which will make Peyton Williams proud of us. "e must do this in no other way.

Following the above report, Mr. Lambeth stated that he would like to take the occasion to again thank members of the Vestry and Council for their continued splendid cooperation and response to his request for ushers, and he stated further that he was continuing the same plan of working with inactive, newly confirmed and transferred men, pointing out in this way that this brought their families to church, which gave the other members an opportunity to meet them and to gradually absorb them into our many organizations- Sunday School, Men's and Women's Classes, Auxiliaries, Daughters of the King, etc.

Mr. Lambeth also stated, as President of the Laymen's League that he had secured acceptances from the following to be our Noon-Day Lenten speakers next year:

Lichtliter - St. Louis, McKee St. George, N. Y.
Bishop Jones, San Antonio, Bishop Carruthers,
So. Carolina, Bishop Juhan, Florida

This completes the group with exception of one, and he expects to secure the other outstanding speaker.

In the absence of our Property Custodian, Mr. Williams made Mr. Pride's report. He called attention to the fact that his residence on Hampton was rented only until October 1, and in view of this, Mr. Pride had been working and endeavoring to find another place. Arrangements have, therefore, been made to rent Tom Trabue's home at such rent as would be set by the O.P.A., which would probably be in the neighborhood of \$100.00 per month. It was understood and agreed that the church would bear the cost of storing Mr. Trabue's furniture, and there would be a slight cost covering some painting which would be nominal. Mr. Williams stated that if this met with the approval of the Vestry and Council he would like very much to make this change as it suited him and Mrs. Williams very much. This was approved. Mr. Williams then stated that he would like to acknowledge the work which Mr. Pride had been doing in finding him a home since he realized this was no little task, considering the house shortage in Nashville and that he and also Mrs. Williams wanted to publicly acknowledge their appreciation to Mr. Pride.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, made his report, which was received and approved. In this connection Mr. Wright called our attention to legacy recently received from the Peoples-Pittsburgh Trust Company, Executor of the estate of Sara F. Hillman. Mr. Wright had acknowledged the receipt of the legacy to the Bank and to the brothers of Mrs. Hillman, and in his letter to the brothers he called attention to the fact that apparently no reservations as to the use of the legacy was made in Mrs. Hillman's will, and unless the brothers thought that we should give consideration to any special desire of Mrs. Hillman as to the use of this fund, it would become a part of our endowment.

Following the treasury report, Mr. Tupper, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that the Treasurer's books as to cash receipts and disbursements for the calendar year 1943 had been audited by Albert B. Maloney & Co. and asked that the report be received and filed.

Mr. Williams, in his report, stated that he was to appoint a committee to prepare appropriate resolutions to be presented to Mrs. Malone upon her retirement in September. He thereupon appointed the wardens, Messrs. Vernon Tupper, Arthur Henkel and Walter Stokes, Jr.

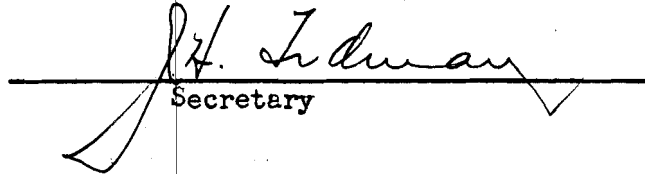
Following this, Mr. Stokes moved that the Men's Club sponsor a meeting jointly with some of the other organizations of the church and that such a meeting be held in the early Fall and which would be in honor of Mrs. Malone.

Mr. Hunter McDonald, as Chairman of the Committee re: appointment of a new councilman, moved the election of Mr. Wentworth Caldwell, which was approved.

Before closing Mr. Williams stated that he would like to express his appreciation to the ladies of the Chancel Society, who, under the leadership of Mrs. J. W. N. Moore, had done such splendid work in making some improvements in the Chancel.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Chairman


Secretary

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
VESTRY HELD IN THE PARISH
HOUSE, AUGUST 27, 1944,
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
11:00 O'CLOCK SERVICE

Those present, in addition to Mr. Webb, were:

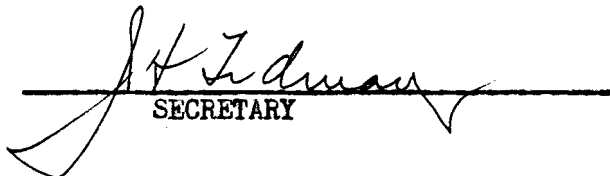
Messrs. Sharp, Kreig, Nelson, Wilson, Mitchell, Wemyss,
Dyer, Stokes, Tidman, Dudley Gale, Cheek, Lambeth, Martin
and Henkel.

Mr. Webb presided, stating that he had requested the
Senior Warden to call a special meeting of the Vestry
at the request of Bishop Dandridge. The purpose was
to consider David Eugene Watts, a Communicant of Christ
Church, as a candidate for Holy Orders. After discussion,
appropriate motion was passed resulting in recommendation
being signed and forwarded.

The meeting thereupon adjourned.



CHAIRMAN



SECRETARY

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY
AND COUNCIL HEAD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00
P. M., September 11, 1944

Those present, in addition to Mr. Williams and Mr. Webb, were:

Minos Fletcher, Jr.	John F. Krieg
Hunter McDonald, Jr.	Dr. O. H. Wilson
J. H. Tidman	Vernon Tupper
Brownlee O. Currey	J. P. Beattie
Maclin Davis	Arthur Henkel
Picksley Cheek	W. H. Lambeth
Wm. M. French	Charles Mitchell
Russell Hart	Vernon Sharp, Jr.
Terry Hart	Seawell Brandau
J. W. E. Moore	Dudley Gale
W. W. Morehead	Charles Nelson
M. E. Nellums	Walter Stokes, Jr.
Walter Robinson	Wentworth Caldwell
Donald Southgate	

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Gale, in his report as Senior Warden, stated that the Committee, composed of the Wardens, Dr. Davidson, Mr. Stokes and the Rector, had set aside the three back seats on the West center aisle for any colored people attending church. Mr. Gale asked that the Vestry ratify this action, which was done.

Mr. Nelson, Chairman of the Committee for Men in the Service, stated, since the ladies of the Church had done such a good job the preceding year, that he would like to again refer the matter of Christmas presents to the ladies for handling, which was approved.

Mr. Lambeth gave a very splendid report on the Synod meeting schedule for October 17th, 18th and 19th.

Mr. Tupper, Chairman, Finance Committee, read a letter received from Mr. McCloud expressing his appreciation of our gift of the Church's car to him and moved that said letter be made a part of the minutes.

"August 29, 1944

"The Vestry of Christ Church

Dear Friends:

I appreciate very much the automobile which Christ Church maintained and I used while Associate Rector of Christ Church.

"The car has been transferred from Christ Church to J. F. McCloud. It will be a help in my work, as I will be traveling from place to place visiting hospitals and institutions around Nashville ministering to souls.

Thanking you for this and the many kindnesses you have shown me, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Francis McCloud"

Mr. Tupper also read a letter received from the Treasurer, Mr. Wright, regarding the \$1,000.00 bequest from the Estate of Miss Sarah F. Hillman. Mr. Wright stated that although he had written Mrs. Hillman's brothers, asking if they knew of any special desire of Miss Hillman's for use of the funds by the church, he had only an acknowledgement from one of the brothers, and since more than two months had elapsed and nothing else had been heard, he recommended that the vestry and Council authorize him to forward the \$1,000.00 in question to the Episcopal Endowment Corporation to become a part of the Christ Church General Endowment fund. This was approved.

Mr. Tupper presented the following tribute to Mr. McCloud which he had prepared at the instructions of the Vestry and Council:

"THE REVEREND J. FRANCIS McCLOUD

At the request of Bishop Maxon, the Reverend J. Francis McCloud, after thirty years of devoted service to Christ Church as Assistant Rector and Associate Rector, has resigned to accept the post of General City Missionary under the supervision of Bishop Dandridge.

In this resignation, the Rector and the Vestry and Council have acquiesced with profound regret, in the knowledge of his inestimable value to the parish, of his love for us and of our love for him.

Yet it is a source of abiding comfort that he will continue to go about doing good here in our midst, and that we shall continue to enjoy the blessings of association with him.

As in the years already accomplished, so in the years to come, he will serve not only the members of Christ Church but, in an even larger measure than before, all others of whatsoever race or creed or condition in life, an ever-present example of the Good Samaritan.

"In a world torn with war and divided by hatred it is well that we have amongst us men of his kind with whom we may have fellowship.

Modestly unconscious of his high worth, his long ungrudging years of consecration, his gentleness and patience, his helpfulness in the hour of travail, are at once an inspiration and a benediction.


August, 1944"

The Rector in his report first expressed his appreciation for the vacation given him. He also stated that he publicly wanted to express his gratitude to Mr. Webb for his splendid help which had been of invaluable assistance to him. To fill Mr. Webb's place on the Staff for the time being, Mr. Williams stated, that David Eugene Watts would assist him as a helper and lay reader.

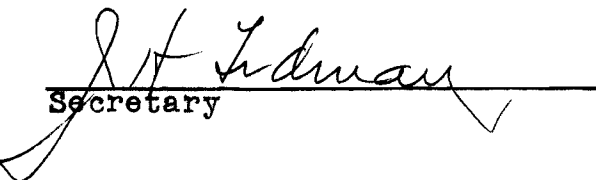
The Rector stated that Mrs. Jones, who had been devoting full time to the Youth Work of the Church, has requested a part-time program so that she would be able to spend some time at home. Mr. Williams thought that it would be all right and that the Youth Work would not suffer. If approved, he suggested that the Finance Committee be authorized to adjust her compensation. Approved.

The Rector then discussed the Service Men's Lounge. He suggested, with the joint approval of the Rector and Wardens, that the room be converted into a Youth's room when deemed appropriate by said Committee. Approved.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned.



 Chairman



 Secretary

To Mary Cornelia Malone

The Wardens, Vestry and Council of Christ Church, speaking for themselves and for the parish as a whole, wish to express to you their abiding gratitude for the shining years you have so graciously given as our Soprano Soloist; for your precious and memorable contribution in enriching the Services of the Church.

Sunday after Sunday your inspiring voice has lifted up our hearts and has imbued us with a deeper awareness of the beauty and majesty of the Episcopal ritual and faith, of its ideals, of its hallowed traditions, its way of life.

Side by side with the ministry of your art has been your personal ministry to the individual members of the parish, in your kindly interest, in your generous readiness to rejoice with them in their days of gladness, to comfort them in their time of sorrow.

Truly you are among us as one who serves, as one who has given so much, so freely, to so many.

August 1944

Charles S. Martin
Senior Warden Emeritus

Dudley Gale
Senior Warden

Charles Nelson
Junior Warden

J. H. Tidman
Secretary

F. Arthur Henkel

Walter Stokes, Jr.

Charles S. Mitchell

Douglas M. Wright

Vernon Tupper
Special Committee

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY
AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00
P.M., October 9, 1944

Those present, in addition to Mr. Williams and Mr. Webb, were:

Chas. S. Martin	Minos Fletcher, Jr.
Hunter McDonald, Jr.	Harvey Pride
J. H. Tidman	Vernon Tupper
Douglas Wright	Brownlee O. Currey
W. H. Lambeth	Dudley Gale
Charles Nelson	John F. Krieg
J. E. Britt	R. H. Chilton
Phillip Davidson	Wm. M. French
Russell Hart	Terry Hart
Chas. E. Johnstone	W. W. Morehead
M. E. Nellums	Earl Roach
Donald Southgate	Wentworth Caldwell

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams then introduced and presented to the Vestry and Council David Eugene Watts whom he said will assist him for the present.

Due to the resignation of Richard Drew, as a member of the Council, the nominating committee headed by Hunter McDonald, Jr. was asked to report its recommendation for a councilman to succeed Mr. Drew.

The Treasury report was received and approved with thanks to Mr. Wright.

Mr. Lambeth made a report on the Synod stating that it appeared that this meeting would be an outstanding gathering. Mr. Tupper rose and stated that he wanted to pay tribute to Mr. Lambeth for the hard work which he had done which assured the success of the Synod.

The question of the housekeeper for the Church arose and after some discussion it was referred to a committee composed of the custodian, the wardens, the treasurer, chairman of the finance committee and the custodian of property with power to act.

Mr. Martin asked the Vestry and Council to bear in mind the question of the Church tower and that until it was finished our Church building was incomplete. He mentioned the fact that we had a tower fund which was raised years ago at a great sacrifice to a large number of people and that he thought unless the Church completed its building that we were not keeping faith with those who subscribed to the fund. He did not ask that any action be taken, but he would like for it to be given consideration in the future plans of the Church.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Peyton Williams

Chairman

J. H. Tidman

Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY
AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT
5:00 P. M., November 13, 1944

Those present, in addition to Mr. Williams and Mr. Watts, were:

Chas. S. Martin	Minos Fletcher, Jr.
Hunter McDonald, Jr.	J. H. Tidman
Douglas M. Wright	Dr. Gus Dyer
Arthur Henkel	Charles Mitchell
Vernon Sharp, Jr.	Seawell Brandau
Dudley Gale	Charles Nelson
John F. Krieg	Dr. O. H. Wilson
J. E. Britt	Phillip Davidson
Wm. M. French	Chas. E. Johnstone
Walter Robinson	Donald Southgate
Wentworth Caldwell	

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Wright made a report as to the budget for the year 1945 and after some discussion, a budget of \$45,847.50 was adopted. His report was supplemented by a few words from Mr. Vivion Tupper, chairman of the Every Member Canvass.

Mr. Hunter McDonald reported that his committee recommended the election of Mr. Charles Moss as a member of the Council to succeed Mr. Richard Drew.

The following delegates were selected to attend the Diocesan Convention to be held in Memphis on January 24th:

Douglas Wright
Vernon Tupper
Charles Nelson

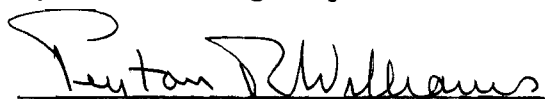
Alternates were:


Charles S. Martin
Dudley Gale
Seawell Brandau

A committee composed of Messrs. Lambeth, Benson, Britt and Mitchell, with Mr. Martin as consultant, was appointed to make plans for the 50th anniversary of the first service held in the present location of Christ Church, Nashville, with the celebration to take place on December 17th.

The Treasurer's report was approved with thanks to Mr. Wright.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Chairman


Secretary

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VESTRY
HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00 P.M.
December 15, 1944

Those present, in addition to Mr. Williams, were: Messrs. Pride, Wright, Brandau, Tidman, Davis, Cheek, Krieg, Fletcher, Gale, Lambeth, Henkel, Martin, Cooper, Sharp and Stokes.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams, who called upon Mr. Gale, the Senior Warden, to outline the purpose of the meeting.

Mr. Gale then stated that by reason of Mr. Martin's recent talks regarding the completion of the church tower, he had inspired a gift by the six Rose children of \$17,000.00 which was estimated as a sufficient amount to complete the tower when added to the present tower fund. Therefore it was moved by Mr. Gale and seconded by Mr. Vernon S. Tupper that the following motion be adopted:

That the vestry accept with deep gratitude the generous gift of \$17,000 from the six Rose children in honor of their mother and in memory of their grandfather, Mr. A. B. Payne, which coupled with the \$11,000 now in the Tower Fund was considered by the architect and contractor as a sufficient amount to complete the work and that work be started on the tower as soon as materials are available and that it be completed as soon thereafter as possible. This motion passed unanimously.

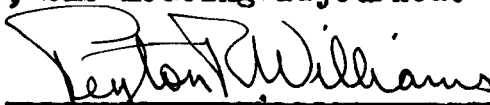
Mr. Gale stated that the donors hoped that ways and means could be found to provide chimes for the tower when completed.

A second motion was made by Vernon S. Tupper and seconded by Dudley Gale as follows: that the treasurer be instructed to keep in escrow the \$2500.00 given for Parish improvement to Christ Church in December, 1943, by Mr. Albert Rose, which fund is to be held in the nature of a cushion fund to be used if necessary to supplement the above fund of \$28,000 should it prove to be insufficient to complete the tower.

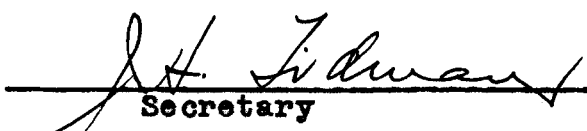
Mr. Vernon Tupper was appointed as a committee of one to appropriately express to the Rose children the Vestry's deep gratitude for their generous gift.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, asked authority to place said gift of \$17,000 with the remainder of the Tower Fund, now held by the Episcopal Endowment Corporation, so that said fund would be invested in ~~investment~~ endowment bonds pending the time the tower work could begin. This was approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.



Chairman



Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY
AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00
P. M., December 18, 1944

Those present, in addition to Mr. Williams, were:

Charles S. Martin	Hunter McDonald Jr.
Harvey Pride	J. H. Tidman
Vernon Tupper	Douglas M. Wright
W. H. Wemyss	Maclin Davis
Dr. Gus Dyer	Arthur Henkel
W. H. Lambeth	Vernon Sharp Jr.
Seawell Brandau	Dudley Gale
Charles Nelson	Walter Stokes Jr.
John F. Krieg	Dr. O. H. Wilson
J. E. Britt	Picksley Cheek
R. H. Chilton	Wm. M. French
Russell Hart	Terry Hart
Chas. E. Johnstone	J. W. E. Moore
M. E. Nellums	Earl Roach
Walter Robinson	

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

The annual Parish meeting was scheduled for Monday night, January 15, 1945, which is to be a dinner meeting.

The question of a nominating committee to suggest seven new members for the Vestry was discussed and Messrs. Gale and Nelson, the two retiring wardens, were asked to serve on this committee.

Beth Mr. Gale and Mr. Nelson expressed their appreciation of the cooperation and help which they had received as Senior and Junior Wardens. Mr. Lambeth asked that proper resolutions be prepared and presented to our two retiring wardens expressing our appreciation of their untiring efforts in behalf of the Church, and thereupon Mr. Wright moved that Messrs. Tupper and Lambeth be appointed a committee to prepare an expression of the sentiments of the Vestry.

Mr. Martin stated that Mr. Gale made a splendid talk Sunday morning on the 50th Anniversary Service in Christ Church and moved that a copy of the address be made a part of the minutes:

TALK DELIVERED BY W. DUDLEY GALE, SENIOR WARDEN, ON
DECEMBER 17, 1944 - SAME BEING THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE FIRST SERVICE HELD IN CHRIST CHURCH AT 900 BROAD
AND THE OCCASION OF A GIFT OF \$17,000 BY THE ROSE CHILDREN
IN HONOR OF THEIR MOTHER AND IN MEMORY OF THEIR GRANDFATHER
MR. A.B. PAYNE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING THE TOWER ON
THE CHURCH..

"Fifty years ago on this exact date - December 17, 1894, the first service was held in the new Christ Church. Nashville then had a population of about - 75,000- and Christ Church was located on the Northeast corner of High and Church streets. The Reverend William Graham was Rector and it was he who in 1887 had proposed the idea of removal. The Maney lot at Broad and McLemore Streets was acquired for

\$17,000, and the old site was sold for \$25,000. Mr. Graham resigned in 1889 and was succeeded by the Reverend James R. Winchester in 1890 and it was under his Rectorship that the church was completed. It was the original plan that the chapel cost \$15,000 and the Church \$50,000. The chapel is now the Parish House and was built at a cost of \$29,000. On October 28, 1888, the first service was held there.

Ground was broken for the new Church on July 14, 1890. There were several disagreements on policy and plans among the congregation and vestry, some of whom resigned. But by Easter, 1892, they had \$50,000 in cash and pledges. The foundation was completed and the corner stone laid on September 7, 1892, with fitting ceremonies. All the outside stone in the Church was given by the University of the South and work progressed nicely until a nation-wide depression came in the Fall of 1892. The walls of the Church were up, no roof had been put on but all money was spent, some workmen were unpaid and material suppliers were demanding their money. No bankers or loan agencies in the city would make a loan to the Church and the situation looked desperate. Finally, some said by a miracle and others said by some particular energy and initiative on the part of one or more vestrymen, a Dr. Edwards of Union City, Tennessee, appeared on the scene and lent \$20,000 at 6% with which amount the Church was completed. And so after many trials, discouragements, failures and evidences of courage and determination, the first service was held on December 17, 1894. Choirs of other congregations joined with ours. There was a sermon by Bishop Gailor and an address by Bishop Quintard. All joined in singing the Hallelujah Chorus with enthusiasm and volume and it is to be hoped with more harmony than had prevailed in the time of the building's erection.

The vestry in 1894 consisted of the following gentlemen:

Chas. Mitchell, S.W.	Chas. N. Burch	
John L. Dismukes, J.W.	Bruce Douglas	W. D. Gale
W. S. Bransford	W. A. Wills	A. B. Payne
Geo. B. Davison	Rebt. L. Morris	

Chas. S. Martin was then Superintendent of the Sunday School and, believe it or not, tenor soloist. In 1895 he was elected to the Vestry and has served in that body continuously to this day.

We, of this generation are heirs to all of this - a splendid gift from our forebears, a beautiful Gothic building, an edifice complete except for the tower, which has always been conspicuous by its absence. In 1929, a Tower Fund drive was held and there is about \$11,000 in that fund now. It seems most appropriate that on this, the 50th anniversary we can announce that through the generosity of six grandchildren of one of the vestrymen serving in 1894, a gift of \$17,000 has been received for completion of the tower in honor of their mother and in memory of their grandfather. It is thought that coupled with the present amount in the Tower Fund, this will be

a sufficient amount to complete the tower. The donors have said that Mr. Martin was largely the inspiration of this gift and we wanted very much to have him, as Senior Warden Emeritus, and as a member of the Memorial Committee to make this announcement today but for personal reasons he declined to do so.

These generous donors have the very deep gratitude of every member of the congregation.

At a called meeting of the Vestry on Friday, December 15, this gift was accepted and a motion passed that work be begun on the tower as soon as materials are available.

It is the hope of the vestry and council that with the tower assured one or more of the congregation will be moved to provide the means for placing chimes in the tower, than which there can be no more beautiful memorial to loved ones.

It seems most appropriate that we should today take cognizance of the 50th anniversary of the first service held in this Church and it surely is most gratifying to be able to announce this splendid and generous gift today."

Mr. Pride as custodian stated that Mrs. Allen Meadors had been engaged as Church hostess to start work January 1st at a salary of \$100.00 per month.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, made his report, which was accepted with thanks.

Mr. Nelson, Chairman of the Men and Women in Service, stated that Christmas messages had been sent to our entire list, which now contains 211. He regretfully announced that we now had five gold stars in our flag.

Mr. Tupper, Chairman of the Finance Committee, read a letter of thanks from Mrs. Malone, expressing her appreciation of the resolutions sent her by the Vestry and Council. He announced, on behalf of Mr. Vivian Tupper, Chairman of the Every Member Canvass, that his goal of \$45,847.50 was raised with the exception of about \$1000 which he was assured would be obtained. It was moved and seconded that formal adoption of said budget be approved.

It was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks signed by the Senior Warden, Junior Warden and the Secretary be sent to Mr. Vivian Tupper expressing the gratitude of the Vestry and Council for his splendid work in raising the largest budget ever raised by Christ Church.

Mr. Vernon Tupper stated that the finance committee recommended that no special Christmas offering be asked this year, which was approved by the Vestry and Council.

Dr. Dyer suggested that the Vestry think about the advisability of holding a quarterly meeting at which more time, thought and study could be given to the needs of the church. He stated that frequently in our hour session we did not have the time to give consideration to a good many things which deserved deliberate thought. This was moved over to be acted upon at the January meeting of the Vestry.

The next meeting of the Vestry was set for January 22nd.

Mr. Russell Hart discussed various phases of the tower matter, answering questions about type, when work could be commenced, etc.

Mr. Stokes suggested the appointment of a special committee to have charge of the tower work and its completion, and suggested that the two retiring wardens be members of said committee. The appointment of said committee, however, was passed over to the January meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Peyton R. Williams

Chairman

H. Tidman

Secretary

Tribute to Dudley Gale, Senior Warden, and Charles Nelson, Junior Warden:

at its meeting December 18th, 1944, the Vestry and Council unanimously voted a special minute in tribute to W. Dudley Gale, Senior Warden, and Charles Nelson, Junior Warden, who have labored together in unity of purpose, considerately and constructively, in a comradeship that is at once an example and an inspiration.

Beyond and above their recognition of the honor and distinction of being chosen for leadership has been their high concept of duty, their sense of stewardship, their fidelity to the responsibilities committed to them.

They have given a full measure of service, they have made a priceless contribution to Christ Church in extending its influence, in enhancing its meaning to its own members, to the community, to the Diocese, and to the Church throughout the world.