

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD  
AT CHRIST CHURCH January 15, 1945

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams, and, as called for, the heads of the various organizations gave their annual reports.


The nominating committee, composed of Mr. Dudley Gale and Mr. Charles Nelson, recommended the following to become vestrymen for the three year term: Maxwell Benson, Wentworth Caldwell, Dr. Phillip Davidson, George Gale, Albert P. Rose, W. V. Tupper, Walter Robinson,

There were no other nominations and it was moved and seconded that they be elected.

Motion was made and seconded that the fourteen present vestrymen be re-elected.

The meeting adjourned.

  
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Chairman

  
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Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY  
HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00 P.M.  
January 22, 1945

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

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| Chas. S. Martin     | Minos Fletcher Jr. | Caldwell |
| Hunter McDonald Jr. | Harvey Pride       | Davidson |
| J. H. Tidman        | Vernon Tupper      | Gale     |
| Douglas M. Wright   | W. H. Wemyss       | Robinson |
| Brownlee O. Currey  | Maclin Davis       | Rose     |
| Arthur Henkel       | W. H. Lambeth      | Tupper   |
| Charles Mitchell    | Vernon Sharp Jr.   |          |

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams, who stated that the first order of business was the election of officers for the year 1945.

Mr. Tupper thereupon moved the election of Mr. Lambeth as Senior Warden, which action was unanimously approved. Likewise, George J. Gale, Douglas M. Wright, J. H. Tidman and Harvey Pride were elected Junior Warden, Treasurer, Secretary and Custodian respectively.

The following were elected members of the Council for the year 1945: Messrs. Britt, French, R. Hart, T. Hart, Johnstone, Krieg, Moore, Morehead, Nellums, Roach, Southgate, Berger, Wortham, Bransford, Cargile, Ralph Lewis, Moss, Stahlman, McNeilly, Thos. O. H. Smith and Arthur Crouch.

Mr. Wright, Treasurer, made his report for the month of December, 1944, and for the calendar year 1944, which reports were received with thanks to Mr. Wright.

Mr. Wright stated that he had recently received a check for \$100.00 from J. B. Deeds and Son for chimes. Due to the action taken by Mrs. McGavock, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee. Mr. Wright moved that an appropriation of \$100.00 to Sewanee for Bishop Gailor's Endowment fund for the establishment of a chair. This matter was also referred to the Finance Committee and Treasurer with power to act.

Mr. Wright further suggested payment of \$348.00 supplementing payment made by Christ Church of \$652.00, thereby making our Army and Navy Commission donation equal \$1000.00 for the year 1944. This was approved.

Mr. Tupper then asked that the minutes contain a record of Mrs. McGavock's intended gift to Christ Church of the chimes. The record of the gift here follows:

Wardens & Vestry of Christ Church  
Nashville, Tennessee.

Recently I learned that the grandchildren of Mr. A. B. Payne had provided the difference between the amount in the Tower fund and the estimated cost of the Tower, and that work would be commenced on the Tower as soon as materials

are available. My father Mr. W. S. Bransford and I had decided some years ago that we wanted to provide the means for the Tower, and I had placed a clause in my will setting aside an adequate amount for that purpose, so naturally I was somewhat disturbed when I learned that others had acted on the same idea.

Then it occurred to me that a Tower without chimes in an incomplete thing, and that chimes surely are a lovely and living and lasting memorial and that it would be equally appropriate for me to provide the means for their purchase and installation as a memorial to my father, William Settle Bransford, and my mother, Noda McGavock Bransford.

I am not familiar with the various types of chimes, whether bells or tubes are superior, how many will be required or their cost but I wish to state to you gentlemen, the official governing body of the Church, that I will provide, unless unforeseen conditions or circumstances prevent, and when available, a set of chimes of whatever size, number, type and quality may be decided upon by me, Dudley Gale, Warner McNeilly, and such others as we may wish to call into consultation.

I wish these chimes to be a memorial to those of my family named above, and I would like to have a bronze tablet of appropriate size placed in the east vestibule of the Church, on which those memorialized and the donor shall be named.

(Signed) Mrs. Louise Bransford  
McGavock

Dec. 28th, 1944

It was unanimously approved that Mr. Tupper prepare a letter expressing the gratification and appreciation of the Church of Mrs. McGavock's action, said letter to be signed by the entire Vestry and Council, including Dudley Gale and Charles Nelson, the two retiring wardens, and sent to Mrs. McGavock.

In regard to Dr. Dyer's suggestion at the December meeting of the matter of holding a longer meeting once each quarter, it was suggested that the matter be considered by the Rector and wardens and reported on at the next meeting.

The Rector then stated that Christ Church had two candidates for Holy Orders, to wit: William Briggs Garnett and Robert Moreland Cook, and asked that the Vestry certify them for deacons in the usual manner. This was done.

The Rector appointed as a Tower Building Committee the two retiring wardens, the two present wardens, Mr. Harvey Pride, Mr. Albert Rose and Mr. Vernon Tupper.

The Treasurer asked that the Vestry approve the appointment of Mr. Johnston as assistant to the Treasurer at the same salary.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Payton R. Williams  
Chairman

J. H. L. L. L.  
Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY  
AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT 5:00  
P. M. February 12, 1945

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

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| Minos Fletcher Jr.  | Hunter McDonald Jr. |
| Harvey Pride        | J. H. Tidman        |
| Vernon Tupper       | W. H. Wemyss        |
| Arthur Henkel       | W. H. Lambeth       |
| Maxwell Benson      | Wentworth Caldwell  |
| Dr. Philip Davidson | George Gale         |
| Vivian Tupper       | J. E. Britt         |
| Wm. M. French       | Russell Hart        |
| Chas. E. Johnstone  | John F. Krieg       |
| W. W. Morehead      | M. E. Nellums       |
| Earl Roach          | Donald Southgate    |
| Berger              | Wortham             |
| Cargile             | Ralph Lewis         |
| Chas. Moss          | Stahlman            |
| McNeilly            | Thos. O. H. Smith   |
| Arthur Crouch       |                     |

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Lambeth, in his report as Senior Warden, called attention to the noon-day Lenten programs and also brought to the attention of the Vestry and Council the splendid work being done by Vernon Sharpe as Chairman of the Children's Museum.

Due to Mr. Martin's illness, he was unable to be present at the meeting and it was unanimously agreed that the Wardens and Secretary should write Mr. Martin, expressing our love and affection for him, and telling him how much we missed him. This was done.

The Treasurer's report was approved.

The Rector, in his report, gave a suggested list of the various committees. These committees were adopted and are as follows:

1. CHRIST CHURCH MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE:

James Stahlman, Chm.  
Minos Fletcher  
Hunter McDonald, Jr.  
W. W. Morehead, Jr.  
Walter Robinson  
Vivian Tupper

2. MUSIC:

Charles Mitchell, Chm.  
F. Arthur Henkel  
Charles Johnstone  
Earl Roach  
Albert Rose  
Thomas O. H. Smith

3. PROPERTY:

Harvey Pride, Chm.  
Neil Cargile  
Arthur Crouch  
Russell Hart  
Terry Hart  
Donald Southgate

4. PUBLICITY:  
Charles Moss, Chm.  
Maxwell Benson  
J. E. Britt  
Robert McNeilly
5. PERSONAL WORKERS:  
W. H. Lambeth, Chm.  
William French  
George Gale  
Ralph Lewis  
Walter Robinson
6. SOCIAL SERVICE:  
Dr. G. W. Dyer, Chm.  
J. H. Tidman  
Eben Wortham
7. STUDENT WORK:  
Dr. Philip Davidson, Chm.  
Maxwell Benson  
Sam Berger  
J. E. Britt  
Terry Hart  
Charles Moss  
M. E. Nellums
8. MEMORIAL:  
Maclin Davis, Chm.  
Wentworth Caldwell  
John Krieg  
Charles S. Martin, Sr.  
J. W. E. Moore
9. FINANCE:  
Vernon Tupper, Chm.  
John Bransford  
Brownlee Currey  
Hunter McDonald  
Vernon Sharp  
W. H. Wemyss  
Douglas M. Wright
10. SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PARISH HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS:  
Brownlee Currey  
Dudley Gale  
W. H. Lambeth  
Hunter McDonald  
Harvey Pride  
Albert Rose  
J. H. Tidman  
Vernon Tupper  
W. H. Wemyss  
Dr. Owen Wilson
11. TOWER:  
Dudley Gale, Chm.  
George Gale  
W. H. Lambeth  
Charles Nelson  
Harvey Pride  
Albert Rose  
Vernon Tupper

Mr. Williams reported that at the convention the delegates thought it necessary and appropriate to increase by \$1000 our missionary quota to the diocese, which action was approved by the Vestry and Council.

Mr. Williams stated that David Watts now had the status of a Deacon and suggested that, as of January 1, 1945, we commence payment of \$50.00 per month, which was approved.

Dr. Dyer's suggestion of holding a longer meeting once each quarter was passed over until the March meeting.

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 8:00  
P. M. March 12, 1945

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

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| Maxwell Benson      | Albert Rose        |
| Vivian Tupper       | Minos Fletcher Jr. |
| Hunter McDonald Jr. | Harvey Pride       |
| J. H. Tidman        | Vernon Tupper      |
| Douglas M. Wright   | W. H. Wemyss       |
| Brownlee O. Currey  | Maclin Davis       |
| Arthur Henkel       | W. H. Lambeth      |
| Charles Mitchell    | Vernon Sharp Jr.   |
| Sam Berger          | John Bransford     |
| J. E. Britt         | Neil Cargile       |
| Wm. M. French       | Russell Hart       |
| Terry Hart          | Chas. E. Johnstone |
| John F. Krieg       | Ralph Lewis        |
| Rebt. M. McNeilly   | J. W. E. Moore     |
| Charles Mess        | Earl Roach         |
| Thos. O. H. Smith   | Donald Southgate   |
| James G. Stahlman   | Eben Wortham       |

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Lambeth, in his report as Senior Warden, reviewed various things of interest to the Vestry and Council, namely: the success of the Lenten services, the Every Member Canvass and the Planning Committee.

The Treasurer's report was rendered and approved, and by appropriate motion his action was approved in paying the bank indebtedness of the Church, amounting to some \$3300.00.

Mr. Stahlman, Chairman of the Men and Women in Service, made a brief report, as did Mr. Mitchell, Chairman of the Music Committee.

Mr. Hart told of Mr. Biglow's visit and reported the progress made in conferences regarding the chimes.

It was decided to have a quarterly meeting at night in order that the Vestry and Council might give more time and thought to the more important matters affecting the Church.

Mr. Tupper suggested that, in view of the importance of the tower and chimes, we invite Messrs. Dudley Gale and Charles Nelson, who were acting as Senior and Junior Warden respectively during the time the tower and chimes funds were made available, to attend the various meetings of the Vestry and Council during 1945 in order that we might have the benefit of their guidance and counsel, it being understood that they would not have a vote.

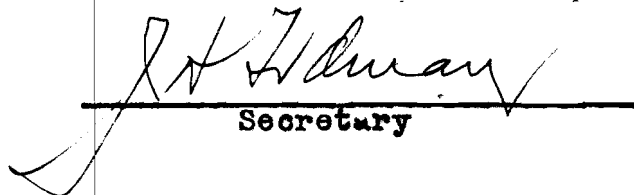
Regarding the Easter offerings, it was moved and approved that the first \$1000 would be contributed to the Army and Navy Commission, and the second \$1000 would be paid to the presiding Bishop for his

Discretionary Church Fund for World Relief. The balance, if any, was left for disposal by later action of the Vestry and Council. Mr. Tupper was requested to prepare and send out letter urging liberal contributions for the aforesaid purposes.

Mr. Wright suggested, if Christ Church was going to remain in its present location and to play a dominant part in the church life of Nashville, that we should at this time give consideration to the thought of purchasing the vacant lot in the rear of the Church on 9th Avenue North. After considerable discussion, it was moved and approved that the Rector appoint a committee to study the advisability of acquiring this property and to make recommendations to the Vestry and Council and if they wanted to recommend purchase, to secure option and report to the Vestry and Council for final action.

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. April 9, 1945

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

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| Chas. S. Martin    | Maxwell Benson      |
| Wentworth Caldwell | Dr. Philip Davidson |
| Walter Robinson    | Vivian Tupper       |
| Minos Fletcher Jr. | Hunter McDonald Jr. |
| Harvey Pride       | J. H. Tidman        |
| Vernon Tupper      | Douglas M. Wright   |
| Brownlee O. Currey | Maclin Davis        |
| Arthur Henkel      | W. H. Lambeth       |
| Charles Mitchell   | Vernon Sharp Jr.    |
| J. E. Britt        | Neil Cargile        |
| Arthur Crouch      | Wm. M. French       |
| Russell Hart       | Terry Hart          |
| Chas. E. Johnstone | John F. Krieg       |
| Ralph Lewis        | Robt. M. McNeilly   |
| W. E. Morehead     | Charles Moss        |
| M. E. Nellums      | Earl Roach          |
| Thos. O. H. Smith  | James G. Stahlman   |

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Lambeth, as a part of his report as Senior Warden, commented on the lovely Easter services, saying that we should be very proud of our Easter attendance of 1424 people.

Mr. Pride, as Custodian of Property, reported that it would be necessary to give possession of Mr. Trabue's house by September 1st and if anyone knew of another location, to please advise him. He thought perhaps some consideration should be given to the purchase of a rectory. He further stated that the roof was giving trouble and his recommendation would be to have a new roof installed. Appropriate motion was made to refer the matter of the roof to the finance committee with power to act.

Mr. Pride, as chairman of the committee appointed by the Rector to investigate price, etc., of the lot on 9th Avenue North in the rear of the Church, stated that the size of the lot was 76x245 feet, was appraised by Mr. John Bransford for \$23,000, but Mr. Cline, the owner, refused to consider any offer less than \$28,500. Income on the lot is \$900, taxes \$928. Appropriate motion was made and seconded to refer the matter of whether this lot should be purchased to the discretion of the finance committee, with power to act.

Mr. Wright made his report as Treasurer, stating that the Easter offering to date amounted to \$1706.19. The report was received with thanks.

Mr. Wright stated that it is customary for the collection on the first Sunday in the month to be given to the Rector for his discretionary fund. He pointed out that Bishop Maxon was here the first Sunday in April and that Mr. Williams would not receive the

offering for the first Sunday in May. Further, he stated that it was customary for Mr. Williams to pay out of this discretionary fund something to the ministers assisting him at communion services. Upon motion by Mr. Tupper, the matter was referred to the finance committee with power to act.

Mr. Stahlman, chairman of the Men and Women in Service, gave a most interesting report of the plans of his committee, which met with the hearty approval of all present.

Dr. Davidson, chairman of the Student committee, made a report stating that there were 200 Episcopal students attending college in Nashville who were from distant points and that his committee was working on plans to contact these students to urge and invite them to attend services at one of our Episcopal churches.

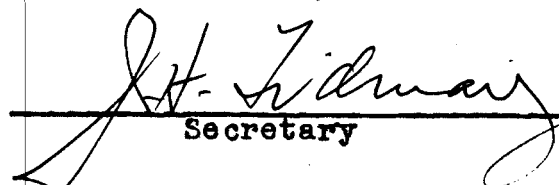
Mr. Davis, chairman of the Memorial committee, stated that his committee had met. Incidentally, there were some 25 needs by which memorials could be used. He reported regarding Mrs. Orgill's gift. It was moved that, if Mr. Gale approved the details regarding the expenditure necessary to install the window given by Mrs. Orgill, the Senior and Junior Wardens should sign the contract for the installation of the window, and giving the Treasurer authority to make payments as the work progressed and when completed, to receive refund of the amount expended from Mrs. Orgill.

Mr. Tupper reported that the Every Member Canvass had reached \$48,626.72.

The Secretary read communications from Messrs. Dudley Gale and Charles Nelson, stating that they thought that they should not attend the 1945 sessions of the Vestry and Council for the reason that it would establish a precedent, but that they were available and subject to call at any time.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

  
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 Chairman

  
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 Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY  
AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT  
5:00 P.M. MAY 14, 1945

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

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| Chas. S. Martin     | Rev. Peyton R. Williams |
| Wentworth Caldwell  | Sam Berger              |
| Dr. Philip Davidson | John Bransford          |
| George Gale         | J. E. Britt             |
| Walter Robinson     | Arthur Crouch           |
| Albert Rose         | William M. French       |
| Vivian Tupper       | Terry Hart              |
| Minos Fletcher, Jr. | Chas. E. Johnstone      |
| Harvey Pride        | John F. Krieg           |
| J.H. Tidman         | Ralph Lewis             |
| Vernon Tupper       | Robt. M. McNeilly       |
| Douglas M. Wright   | J. W. E. Moore          |
| Brownlee O. Currey  | Charles Moss            |
| W. H. Lambeth       | Earl Roach              |
| Charles Mitchell    | James G. Stahlman       |
| Vernon Sharp, Jr.   |                         |

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Lambeth made a very complete report which the Secretary has filed for permanent record. As a part of his report Mr. Lambeth moved that resolutions of appreciation be presented to our Vernon Tupper which was wholeheartedly approved.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, presented his report which was accepted with thanks. Mr. Martin suggested that we consider not using the income from the Robinson and General fund of our Endowment for the time being. After some discussion motion was made and approved that the income be added to the principal until otherwise decided by the Vestry Council.

Vivian Tupper reported that the Every Member Canvass had reached \$49,150.00.

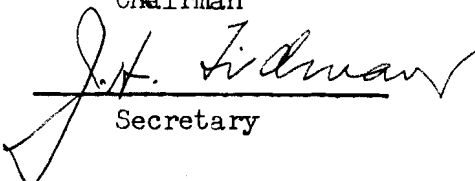
It was moved and approved that the picnic committee have up to \$100.00 for the purpose of buying food and drink for the Sunday School picnic on June 16.

The rector stated in his report that there was a probability that he might soon be successful in securing an Associate Rector. It was suggested and approved that the salary of the Associate Rector heretofore approved be advanced not to exceed \$3600.00 per year, but the amount to be paid, which was not to exceed \$3600.00, was left up to the discretion of those making the financial arrangement with the Associate Rector.

It was decided that the June 11, meeting be held at the Parish House at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

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  
7:30 P.M. JUNE 11, 1945

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

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| Wentworth Caldwell   | Vernon Sharp, Jr.       |
| Dr. Philip Davidson  | Rev. Peyton R. Williams |
| George Gale          | John Bransford          |
| Walter Robinson      | Neil Cargile            |
| Albert Rose          | Wm. M. French           |
| Hunter McDonald, Jr. | Terry Hart              |
| Harvey Pride         | Chas. E. Johnstone      |
| J.H. Tidman          | John F. Krieg           |
| Douglas M. Wright    | Ralph Lewis             |
| Maclin Davis         | J.W.E. Moore            |
| Arthur Henkel        | Charles Moss            |
| W. H. Lambeth        | Thomas O.H. Smith       |

Donald Southgate

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Lambeth again made a most complete and interesting report which the Secretary has filed for permanent record. Mr. Lambeth pointed out in his report that we had in Messrs. Douglas M. Wright and Chas. S. Mitchell, two members of our Church who had a rare record of conspicuous service to our Church and he moved, which was unanimously approved, that we present each of them a testimonial of our love and great appreciation. The Rector appointed a committee composed of W. H. Lambeth, senior Warden, George Gale, Junior Warden, and Vernon Tupper, Chairman Finance Committee to grant appropriate testimonials.

Mr. Wright, as treasurer, made his report for the month of May which was accepted with thanks.

Mr. Wright further reported to the Vestry and Council that a home to be used as a Rectory had been secured, and in order to close the transaction, he offered the following resolution to approve the purchase of said house and his action as treasurer in negotiating certain loans as set forth in the resolution be ratified and approved.

"Whereas due to the purchase of the Deer Park Circle property from Bessie Bullock and Emma W. Wharton said property to be used as a residence for the Rector of Christ Church, it became necessary to reinstate the loan with the Nashville Trust Company which we had paid off some months ago and to borrow an additional \$10,000.00;

Be it resolved that the action of the Treasurer of Christ Church in negotiating a thirty day loan of \$13,250.00 with the Nashville Trust Company is hereby ratified and approved.

Be it further resolved that the Treasurer is directed to negotiate with Nashville Trust Company as promptly as possible a mortgage loan of not less than \$10,000.00 for ten years with annual-semi-annual or monthly principal curtailments interest if possible at 4% using said Deer Park Circle property as collateral.

Be it further resolved that Senior Warden, The Junior Warden and the Secretary of the Vestry are hereby authorized and directed to execute said mortgage on behalf of the Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church at Nashville, Tennessee.

Be it further resolved that the proceeds of said mortgage loan of \$10,000.00 be credited on the thirty day note amounting to \$13,250.00 mentioned above and that the remainder of said note may be extended from time to time under such terms as shall be agreeable to the Nashville Trust Company and to this body as represented by the Treasurer.

Be it further resolved that in the event negotiations cannot be completed with The Nashville Trust Company the Treasurer is authorized and directed to complete a loan or loans similar to the above with some other lending institute."

The resolution was, by appropriate motion, passed, and in view of the fact that Mr. George Killebrew, Real Estate Agent handling the transaction had given one-half of his commission to the Church, the Secretary was directed to write and express to Mr. Killebrew the thanks and appreciation of the Vestry and Council.

Mr. Pride as custodian of the property stated that the Sunday School rooms on the third floor of the Parish House were being painted.

Charles Moss reported that letters had been sent to the men in service and that a definite program had been formed whereby regular letters will be mailed.

The Rector in his report discussed the reconstruction and advance fund program entered into by the various Churches. Our part in this program was scheduled to start in September 1945 and to be concluded in January 1946. Christ Church proportionate part would be \$8000 to \$9000.

The Rector also discussed the different phases of the needs of the various Episcopal Churches. He explained the distinction and the difference in the uptown and the suburban churches, and pointed out the probable need of Christ Church establishing a Chapel in the western part of the city.

Mr. Williams also announced the resignation of Mrs. Jones as of August 1st.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

*Payton P. Williams*  
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 Chairman

*J. P. Adams*  
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 Secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY  
AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE AT  
5:00 P.M. JULY 9, 1945.

Those present were as follows:

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| Chas. S. Martin      | Charles Mitchell   |
| Wentworth Caldwell   | Vernon Sharp, Jr.  |
| Dr. Philip Davidson  | Sam Berger         |
| George Gale          | J. E. Britt        |
| Walter Robinson      | Arthur Crouch      |
| Albert Rose          | Wm. M. French      |
| Vivian Tupper        | Terry Hart         |
| Minos Fletcher, Jr.  | Chas. E. Johnstone |
| Hunter McDonald, Jr. | John F. Krieg      |
| Harvey Pride         | Ralph Lewis        |
| J.H. Tidman          | J. W. E. Moore     |
| Vernon Tupper        | Charles Moss       |
| Douglas M. Wright    | M. E. Nellums      |
| Brownlee O. Currey   | Earl Roach         |
| Maclin Davis         | Thos. O. H. Smith  |
| Arthur Henkel        | Donald Southgate   |
| W. H. Lambeth        | James G. Stahlman  |

Eben Wortham

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Lambeth who presided in the absence of Mr. Williams who was at Camp Gailor-Maxon.

Mr. Lambeth again made a very interesting report which the Secretary has filed for permanent record.

Mr. Wright made his report for the month of June, which was accepted with thanks. Mr. Wright also reported that the mortgage discussed at the May meeting had been completed.

Mr. Tupper, chairman of Finance Committee, reported on the audit of the Treasurers records for the period January 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944, which report was received and filed.

Mr. Lambeth presented to Mr. Vernon Tupper a scroll as a tribute as our love and affection for Mr. Tupper. Mr. Lambeth's remarks were so fitting and appropos that they are herein inserted in the minutes as follows:

"Our beloved Vernon Tupper has completed a quarter century of service to Christ Church, the Diocese of Tennessee, and the Province of Sewanee, and we, his fellow workers, join in this testimonial to him.

In these twenty-five years he has a record of unique Christian leadership. He has accepted few posts of honor and has sought none; his humility is deep and his modesty true, yet all men seek his advice and follow his guidance.

As a contiguous member of this vestry since 1919; as a delegate to the diocesan conventions, and as a member of the Bishop and Council, he has helped build Christ Church and the Diocese of Tennessee to their present strength - for his sound judgment and practical abilities are coupled with great devotion to his church.

Yet his influence extends far beyond his parish and his diocese. As a trustee and regent of the University of the South and as one of the outstanding layment of the church he is known and loved throughout the Province of Sewanee and by his followmen - whatever their name or sign.

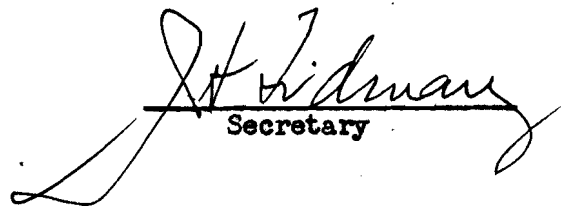
He loves his neighbor far better than himself and daily practices in his life his promise to be Christ's faithful follower and servant till his life's end. In the church militant he is an intense and loyal soldier. In the church triumphant he will be victorious.

In his life we find enduring inspiration to be diligent in every good work and like him to love the Lord with all our hearts and with all our souls. Personally signed by all members of our Vestry & Council and presented by Senior Warden W. H. Lambeth with the following statement: We hope this tribute in content and shape will be equal to the many others presented to you, because your services for the past quarter of a century has been so completely outstanding and of the greatest value to Christ Church, Diocese of Tennessee and the National Church and it gives me the greatest pleasure to present you with this tribute of our love and deep appreciation."

Signed: W. H. Lambeth  
Senior Warden

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. SEPTEMBER 10, 1945.

Those present were as follows:

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| Wentworth Caldwell   | Sam Berger         |
| Walter Robinson      | John Bransford     |
| Vivian Tupper        | Arthur Crouch      |
| Minos Fletcher, Jr.  | Terry Hart         |
| Hunter McDonald, Jr. | Chas. E. Johnstone |
| Harvey Pride         | John F. Krieg      |
| J.H. Tidman          | Ralph Lewis        |
| Vernon Tupper        | Robt. M. McNeilly  |
| Douglas M. Wright    | J.W. E. Moore      |
| Brownlee O. Currey   | Charles Moss       |
| Maclin Davis         | M. E. Nellums      |
| Arthur Henkel        | Earl Roach         |
| W. H. Lambeth        | Thos. O. H. Smith  |
| Charles Mitchell     | James G. Stahlman  |
| Vernon Sharp, Jr.    | Eben Wortham       |

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Lambeth, as Senior Warden, presented a most interesting report which has been filed for permanent record.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, made his reports for the months of July and August, which reports were gratefully received.

Mr. Stahlman, Chairman of the men and women in service, made his report. He stated that Mr. Thomas M. Trabue had agreed to take over the chairmanship of this committee. Mr. Stahlman and Mr. Moss were thanked for their splendid work on this committee.

Mr. Williams stated that Mr. David Watts was to be ordained to the Diaconate at Christ Church the latter part of the month and asked that the Vestry recommend his ordination. Motion was also made and passed that the Vestry purchase a cassock for Mr. Watts at the cost of \$40.38.

Mr. Lambeth presented a gramed tribute to Mr. Douglas M. Wright who has served Christ Church so long and so faithfully, which tribute was signed by the Bishops, the Rector and members of the Vestry and Council. The wording of the tribute written by Vernon Tupper is so fitting and appropriate that it should be inserted in the minutes. It follows:

"It is altogether fitting that his associates on the Vestry and and Council of Christ Church should bring this tribute of gratitude to -

DOUGLAS MASSEY WRIGHT

whose many years of outstanding service have meant so much to the work and to the worth of the Church throughout the World.



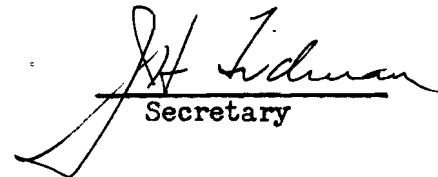
A member of the Vestry now for almost a third of a century, Parish Treasurer since 1919; over two score years of his gifted talent to the Choir, leader and soloist since 1907; Diocesan Treasurer since 1927; Director of the Episcopal Endowment Corporation since its inception in 1933; delegate time and again to Diocesan Conventions, to Provincial Synods; deputy since 1931 to the Triennial Conventions of the National Church; member of the Bishop and Council since it was established in 1924; Fiscal Agent of the Diocese since 1940; within this extensive framework he was wrought with credit and with intense devotion to the interests and for the high objectives of Christianity.

He is one of the chosen few who have not faltered in the heat and burden of the day, who have marched on with unbroken continuity.

His practice is at one with his precept. He has proven and enriched his faith by his works. As long as there are men of his quality amongst us, we shall be abundantly assured that God's in His heaven, all's right with the World."

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

  
Chairman.

  
Secretary

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VESTRY  
AND COUNCIL HELD AT CHRIST CHURCH AT  
5:00 P.M. SEPTEMBER 24, 1945.


This meeting was called for the purpose of discussing the purchase of a portion of the Trabue property in Bellemeade, consisting of approximately 8 acres, at a price of \$16,250.00, for the purpose of establishing a Chapel.


Mr. Vernon Tupper presented the above matter for consideration. In the discussion that followed, the advantages and disadvantages of this particular property, from the standpoint of location and desirability, as far as Christ Church is concerned, was all brought out.

No definite action was taken and the meeting ended following the approval of a motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, that if the property was given to the Church that the Vestry and Council should accept it with the idea of developing it at some future time.

Before the meeting adjourned the question of the tower arose. Mr. Tupper moved that the contractor for the erection of the tower be put under bond, which was approved. Mr. Tupper also moved that the treasurer be authorized to withdraw from the Episcopal Endowment Corporation, the trust known as the "Tower Fund" of Christ Church, which motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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. OCTOBER 8, 1945.

Those present were as follows:

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| Dr. Philip Davidson  | Vernon Sharp, Jr.       |
| George Gale          | Rev. Peyton R. Williams |
| Vivian Tupper        | J. E. Britt             |
| Hunter McDonald, Jr. | Arthur Crouch           |
| J.H. Tidman          | Wm. M. French           |
| Vernon Tupper        | Terry Hart              |
| Douglas M. Wright    | John F. Krieg           |
| Arthur Henkle        | J.W.E. Moore            |
| W. H. Lambeth        | Charles Moss            |
| Charles Mitchell     | Thos. O.H. Smith        |
|                      | Donald Southgate        |

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Lambeth, senior warden, made his 8th report, which again was most interesting. It has been filed for permanent record.

The treasurer's report for the month of September was received with thanks to Mr. Wright.

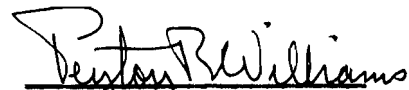
Mr. Henkle related his success in getting new members for the choir, but was badly in need of transportation in order to get members to the Friday night choir practice. Mr. Tupper remarked that he thought Mr. Brownlee Currey would lend a helping hand, and upon proper motion Mr. Currey was elected chairman of transportation.

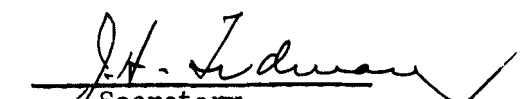
Mr. Tupper presented the 1946 budget in the amount of \$57,452.00, which includes \$8800.00 for the Reconstruction and Advance Program. After discussion the budget was approved.

Mr. Tupper called upon Mr. Wright to discuss the Church's insurance coverage and recommended the appointment of a committee to study the churches problem and need. Mr. Tupper thereupon moved that Messrs. Vernon Sharp, Clarence Hunt and D. M. Wright be appointed a committee for the purpose of making recommendations to the Finance Committee, who in turn will report to the Vestry and Council. This was approved.

Mr. Williams in his report commented upon the Sunday School and its growth. He also stated that the contract for the Tower had been let.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VESTRY HELD SUNDAY OCTOBER 14, 1945  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CHURCH SERVICES

Those present, in addition to Mr. Williams, were Messrs. Wright, Dyers, Vivian Tupper, Benson, McDonald, Fletcher, Lambeth, Henkle, Davidson, Rose and Tidman.

The purpose of this meeting was the adoption of the following resolution, which was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS; certain funds belonging to the Wardens & Vestrymen of Christ Church, Nashville, Tennessee were invested in United States Savings Bonds, Defense Series G, in October 1941, being C 142044G, D 67646G, ML75593G and having a maturity or par value of \$2600.00.

WHEREAS; it is now the desire of the Wardens & Vestrymen of Christ Church, Nashville, Tennessee to surrender said Bonds and to receive their present value in cash.

BE IT RESOLVED; that Douglas M. Wright, Treasurer of the Wardens & Vestrymen of Christ Church, Nashville, Tennessee is hereby authorized to endorse said Bonds as follows: Wardens & Vestrymen of Christ Church, Nashville, Tennessee by Douglas M. Wright, Treasurer, and to receive the present value of the Bonds as listed above.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Peyton Williams  
Chm.

J. H. Luman  
Secretary.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTRY  
AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HOUSE  
AT 5:00 P.M. NOVEMBER 12, 1945

Those present were as follows:

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| Wentworth Caldwell   | Vernon Sharp, Jr.       |
| George Gale          | Rev. Payton R. Williams |
| Albert Rose          | Wm. M. French           |
| Vivian Tupper        | Terry Hart              |
| Minos Fletcher, Jr.  | Chas. E. Johnstone      |
| Hunter McDonald, Jr. | Ralph Lewis             |
| J.H. Tidman          | Robert M. McNeilly      |
| Vernon Tupper        | Charles Moss            |
| W.H. Lambeth         | Earl Roach              |
| Charles Mitchell     | Thos. O.H. Smith        |

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Lambeth, Senior Warden, made his ninth monthly report, which among other interesting items, he related the constant attendance growth for the annual periods since 1936. The report has been filed for permanent record.

In Mr. Wright's absence Mr. Tupper gave the Treasurers report which was answered and filed with thanks.

Mr. Vernon Tupper stated that Christ Church had been asked to increase its 1946 budget by \$2200.00, in order to increase the Reconstruction and Advance Program Fund from a total of \$8800.00 to \$11,000.00, which was found necessary by the additional need and also to match similar funds being raised in Memphis, and Chattanooga. After discussion the increase was approved and the 1946 budget was increased from \$57,402.00 to \$59,602.00.

Mr. Sharp reported that the committee composed of D.M. Wright, Clarence Hunt and himself, had been making a study of the Churches insurance needs and that they were expecting to receive a report within the next few days, which would give them accurate information as to necessary coverage. In this connection a special committee composed of Messrs. Chas. Mitchell and Russell Hart were appointed so that a separate study and recommendation would be made as to the coverage the Church should carry on its memorial windows. It was moved and approved that the Finance Committee be authorized to take such action as it deemed necessary to see that appropriate insurance coverage was secured, including the placing of a binder for additional coverage pending the receipt of the above information regarding coverage and the committees recommendation as to amount to be carried.

The Rector and Mr. Lambeth related and discussed the movement of the Council of the Churches. Upon motion of Mr. Tupper which was approved, the Rector and Wardens were authorized to attend and represent Christ Church with the idea of exploring possibilities of our participation in this movement.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

*Payton 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. DECEMBER 10, 1945

Those present were as follows:

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| Wentworth Caldwell  | Rev. Peyton R. Williams |
| Dr. Philip Davidson | Sam Berger              |
| Walter Robinson     | J. E. Britt             |
| Albert Rose         | Russell Hart            |
| Minos Fletcher Jr.  | Terry Hart              |
| Hunter McDonald Jr. | Chas. E. Johnstone      |
| Harvey Pride        | Ralph Lewis             |
| J. H. Tidman        | Robt. M. McNeilly       |
| Vernon Tupper       | J. W. E. Moore          |
| Douglas M. Wright   | W. E. Morehead          |
| Maclin Davis        | Charles Moss            |
| Arthur Henkel       | M. E. Nellums           |
| W. H. Lambeth       | Earl Roach              |
| Charles Mitchell    | Thos. O. H. Smith       |
| Vernon Sharp Jr.    | James G. Stahlman       |
| Eben Wortham        |                         |

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams stated that the first order of business was to set the date for the annual Parish meeting. After discussion, it was agreed that this meeting should be held January 7, 1946. For the purpose of recommending the names of seven new Vestrymen for the ensuing three years, the chairman appointed the two present Wardens and Mr. Vernon Tupper as a nominating committee.

Mr. Williams stated that the Diocesan meeting would meet in Knoxville during the month of January and that delegates should be elected. Mr. Lambeth moved the appointment of Messrs. Wright, Vernon Tupper and Nelson, which was approved. Alternates were Albert Rose, Dr. Davidson and Dudley Gale.

Mr. Lambeth made his tenth Monthly Report as Senior Warden, which report was most interesting and which has been filed for permanent record.

Mr. Wright, as Treasurer, gave his report for the month of November, which was received and filed with thanks.

Mr. Stahlman, as Chairman of the Men and Women in Service, outlined the program scheduled for December 17th whereby the Men's Club will be hosts to the returning service men and women.

Mr. Tupper, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, after asking Mr. Williams and Mr. Henkel to retire, recommended the following increases in salaries: Mr. Williams - from \$5600 to \$6300 per year plus home; Mr. Henkel - from \$1500 to \$2000, and Mrs. Fitts - from \$1200 to \$1500. This meant an increase of \$1500 in our budget for 1946 and, after adoption of the above increases, it was also moved and approved that the 1946 budget be increased from \$59,602 to \$61,102.

Mr. Sharp, as Chairman of the Special Committee on Church Insurance, gave the recommendations of his committee, which are hereinafter set out for the benefit of the record:

In line with your request we have gone into the matter of insurance for the Church property, and after several conferences with each other and specialists in certain fields we wish to make the following recommendations:

1. That \$200,000.00 fire and extended coverage protection be placed upon the building excluding memorial windows, with an 80% co-insurance clause.
2. That \$35,000.00 blanket fine arts protection be placed upon the memorial stained glass windows.
3. That \$10,000.00 fire and extended coverage be placed upon the un-scheduled contents without co-insurance.
4. That all existing insurance be cancelled on a pro rata basis and rewritten where possible for a five year period with an unearned premium endorsement and the premium to be financed so that approximately equal annual payments can be made.

There are several documents and statements which have been the basis of our arriving at the above suggested insurance program. All of these will be made part of the file and turned over to the Treasurer for future reference.

This report covers the major items of insurance, and should it develop that other hazards need analyzing it will be a pleasure for us to report on these.

Very sincerely yours,

Vernon Sharp, Jr., Chairman  
C. M. Hunt (Signed)  
Douglas M. Wright

Special Committee on Insurance

Mr. Lambeth, as Senior Warden, presented to Mr. Charles S. Mitchell, on behalf of the Vestry and Council, a framed testimonial. In Mr. Lambeth's remarks, he stated that Mr. Mitchell had a unique record - about 78 years continuous service on the Vestry of father and son - 41 years for the father and 37 years for the son. Mr. Lambeth also remarked of his admiration of the beautiful bronze gates in the chancel which were given to the Church by Mr. Mitchell's father and mother, and also the group of three windows which Mr. Mitchell had dedicated to his father. The testimonial is such that it should be a part of the minutes of the Church, and for this reason it is herein inserted:

It is an outstanding and unique record that abundantly deserves this token of special recognition; a record of almost four score years of faithful service on the Vestry of Christ Church, embraced in the forty-one years of his Father's incumbency and in the thirty-seven of his own - years that have meant much to the stalwart progress of the Parish in the devoted allegiance of men like Charles S. Mitchell and his good Father.

It is an unbroken continuity that exalts the beauty of a precious natural bond and transmutes it into the oneness of Spiritual Consummation.

As a son he honors his heritage in his way of life. In addition to his Church activities, he is a Commissioner of Watkins Institute, director in the Children's Museum, Chairman of the Senior Court of Honor, Boy Scout

