

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL VESTRY MEETING

January 11, 1969

1 P.M.

Those attending were Vestrymen Pride, McAllister, Mathewson, Snell, Lechleiter, Gibson, Wray, Phythyon, Emery, Aden, Thompson, Seckman, Sanders, Robinson, Shotwell, Stockard, Harrison, and Howell. The Senior Warden had called this special meeting to discuss the Rector's salary. There was extensive discussion as to whether or not his salary should be increased, during which the Senior Warden emphasized that in reporting the action of the Vestry he intended also to report on the various opinions expressed. Mr. Wray's motion (seconded by Mr. Howell) that the Rector's salary be raised to \$11,000 passed 13 to 5 by secret ballot. Dr. Aden (seconded by Dr. Snell) moved that only the result be announced to the Rector, with no other comment, but Mr. Howell's movement for adjournment (seconded by Mr. Seckman) took precedence and the meeting adjourned.

*J. P. McAllister*  
J. P. McAllister  
Clerk

MINUTES OF MEETING IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING ANNUAL MEETING  
January 19, 1969

The meeting began at 3 P.M. Those present were the Rector and Vestrymen Pride, Jones, Mathewson, Hogue, Harrison, Thomson, Snell, Stockard, Shotwell, Gibson, Lechleiter, Sanders, Emery, Howell, Robinson, McAllister, Phythyon, and Wray. The Rector, acting under National Church Canon 26, Section 1 (b), "Of Postulants", circulated a letter to be signed by the Vestry commending the Postulancy for Holy Orders of Richard H. Schmidt, communicant of Christ Church, Nashville, and Middler in the Vanderbilt Divinity School, Nashville, to the Rt. Rev. Roger Blanchard, Bishop of Southern Ohio, and to the Standing Committee of that Diocese. The letter was signed by the Vestrymen present.

Mr. Wray reported that he had been requested to have the Vestry reconsider its policy of requiring voters at the Annual Meeting to vote for exactly the number of people needed to fill vacancies on the Vestry. After some discussion, no action to change our policy was taken.

Mr. Wray's motion that no two members of the same immediate family may be elected to the Vestry, and that no spouse of a member of the Parish staff may be elected to the Vestry passed.

There followed detailed discussion of the attached proposed budget. Mr. Wray's motion (seconded by Dr. Thomson) as amended by Dr. Snell (seconded by Dr. Phythyon) passed, changing the suggested allocation of the \$56,988 included under Section G, "Mutual Responsibility and Interdependence" to the following:

G-2	Diocese	\$41,488
G-4	Episcopal Development Corporation (St. Luke's House & Institutional Chaplaincy)	11,000*
G-5	University of the South	1,000
G-6	Metro Mission	1,000
G-8	Available for Unspecified Projects Outside the Parish	<u>2,500</u>
	TOTAL	\$56,988

\*Not including \$1,100 Christmas 1968 offering for St. Luke's.

Several expressed concern that should entry G-8 not be allocated to an approved and specified project by 1 July 1969, it then be allocated and expended to the Episcopal Development Corporation in 1969. No action taken.

Mr. Pride, seconded by Mr. Robinson, moved that the 1969 Budget, as amended, be recommended to the 1969 Vestry (incoming) for its adoption. Passed.

The minutes of the special meeting of January 11, 1969, were read. Dr. Phythyon's motion seconded by Mr. McAllister that they be accepted passed.

Mr. Wray moved that the Finance Committee be elected by the Vestry for terms of one year and that the Committee should consist of four elected members, at least two of whom should be Vestry members, plus the Rector, Senior Warden, the Every Member Canvass chairman, and the Treasurer as exofficio members of the committee, which would elect its own chairman. Mr. Pride's motion to table failed, following which Mr. Wray's original motion was seconded by Mr. Robinson but failed. The meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

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Clerk

MINUTES OF THE 141ST ANNUAL MEETING OF CHRIST CHURCH PARISH  
January 19, 1969

The Parish meeting began at 5 P.M. with a service of Evensong at which the speaker was the Very Rev. Peter Lawson, Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Indianapolis, Indiana. The Evensong was followed by a Parish supper.

The business meeting began at 7:03 P.M. The Rector thanked the Choir and Dean Lawson for their participation and announced the following appointment of officers for the Annual Meeting: Mr. Joseph McAllister, Secretary; Mr. Lewis Pride, Parliamentarian; Mr. Owsley Cheek, Head Teller; Tellers: Fred Turner, John Murrey, Miss Rachael Farris, Miss Mary Ann Kernan, and James Wyatt.

The Rector's address dealt with the twin themes of Thanksgiving and Contrition. He discussed the question, "How can we as a church best be faithful to our role as suffering servants?" In this context, he quoted extensively from an article by William Chamberlain on the question of taste versus judgment in religion. Mr. Chamberlain's article, "Taste Versus Judgment", was printed in the Episcopalian Magazine, December 1968, pp. 21-22. The Rector's address is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Cecil Wray, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, placed the following 14 names in nomination for the 7 vacancies on the Vestry:

John J. Archer	Mrs. Alfred Sharp, Jr.
Charles W. Cook, Jr.	Nathaniel S. Shofner
Mrs. William Force	Kent F. Stockton
Mrs. R. Rea Hinch	Haskell Tidman, Jr.
Richard A. Jones	Robert J. Warner, Jr.
Cullen R. Merritt	Robert L. Weaver
Lester H. Robb	Warren C. Wilkerson

In addition, the following people were nominated from the floor: Dr. Joseph Little, Miss Mollie Hirsch, and Mrs. George Goss. Following the close of nominations, balloting took place.

While the tellers were counting the ballots, the following reports were given:

1. Treasurer's Report

The attached Treasurer's Report was studied. In response to a question from Mr. Walter Stokes, Mr. William Stockard reported that the legacies for 1968 included \$50,000 from the Cheek Estate in addition to several other smaller legacies the donors of which had wished to remain anonymous. Mr. Stokes commended the use of legacies as a means of supporting the Parish, and expressed the Parish's thanks for them.

In response to Dr. Kuhlman's question as to the adequacy of the funds raised for organ repair and improvement, Mr. Robinson reported that approximately \$21,000 out of a required total of \$23,000 had been raised. Dr. Phythyon expressed the Parish's appreciation to Mr. Robinson for his performance in raising this money.

The Rector pointed out that the comparatively small amount expended on Christian Education was possible because of the dedicated and uncompensated services of Mrs. Thomas Arnold and expressed his appreciation for her services. In response to other questions, the Rector explained our role in the Diocese "Partnership Project" with the Missionary District of Puerto Rico, and explained that one of the two "endowment" items in the disbursements column of the Treasurer's Report represented the repayment of a debt to our own endowment fund while the other "endowment" item represented direct contributions to the endowment fund.

2. Downtown Churches Program

Mrs. Richard Lechleiter reported that she, Mrs. Joseph Little, and Mrs. Rea Hinch had been asked by the Rector to discuss common problems and opportunities for mission with representatives of other downtown parishes. In the course of this project, they had interviewed members of nine other downtown Nashville churches and several social organizations working in the downtown area. The purposes of the project were to set up communications, to share the frustrations and opportunities of the downtown churches, and to lay the groundwork for whatever ecumenical projects might arise. Mrs. Lechleiter reported that the most frequently mentioned problem was that of providing needed assistance for the itinerants who frequent the downtown area and who make the rounds of the various churches. A report of discussions to date has been mailed out, and reaction to it has been favorable. The First Lutheran Church has already allocated \$2000 in 1969 for a project aimed at dealing with this problem. Other churches have expressed encouragement, and the budget which has been recommended to the incoming Vestry of this Parish includes \$1000 for such a project. A meeting of the organizations involved will be held at Christ Church Tuesday, January 28, to discuss this joint venture.

3. Mr. Lewis Pride discussed the Parish's income from endowments and the Vestry's decision to increase the percentage of our budget spent outside the Parish by 2% per year until a 50-50 division of funds is obtained. The 1968 budget spent 64% inside the Parish and 36% outside. The 1969 budget proposes 62% inside and 38% outside. At this rate, the 50-50 goal will be reached in 1975. Mr. Pride pointed out the effect of any future drop in receipts on the amount which will be available for operation of the Parish.
4. Mr. Richard Jones reported on the Every Member Canvass in detail, noting that the number of pledges for 1969 has decreased to 352 compared to 1968's 366, that the average pledge for 1969 is \$327. compared to 1968's \$312. A copy of his statistical report is attached.

5. Mr. Thomas Seckman reported as Property Chairman, Our main accomplishments during the last year have been the paving of the parking lot, the repair of stairs, and the installation of the new floor in the choir room. He emphasized that in a building such as ours a great deal of maintenance is needed, but that the money which has been made available to the Property Committee has not been adequate to do all the maintenance which he feels is desirable, so that the amount done has been limited by the funds available.

The Rector thanked Mr. Jones for his dedicated work as Every Member Canvass Chairman, and indicated his appreciation for the work which many members of the Parish had contributed during the last year. The tellers having completed their tabulations, it was announced that the following people had been elected to the Vestry: Mr. Cook, Miss Hirsch, Mr. Jones, Dr. Merritt, Mr. Robb, Mr. Stockton, and Mr. Warner. The Rector announced that the new Vestry would meet immediately following the close of the Annual Meeting. He also announced his intention to invite the 138th Diocesan Convention to meet at Christ Church on January 21 and 22, 1970. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

*J.P. McAllister*

J. P. McAllister  
Clerk

MINUTES OF MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ANNUAL MEETING  
January 19, 1969

The Vestry met at 8:30 P.M., 19 January 1969 following the Parish Meeting. Present were the Rector and Vestrymen Cook, Gibson, Harrison, Hogue, Howell, Jones, Lechleiter, Mathewson, Merritt, Pride, Robb, Robinson, Shotwell, Snell, Stockard, Stockton, Thomson, and Warner.

Mr. Robinson moved and Dr. Sanders seconded the adoption of the Budget proposed for 1969. The motion carried.

Nominated for the post of Senior Warden for 1969 were Messrs. Stockard, Sanders, and Warner. Mr. Stockard was elected Senior Warden.

Mr. Arthur Crouch was elected Treasurer by acclamation.

Mr. Richard Hinch and Mr. Howard Eskridge were elected Assistant Treasurers by acclamation.

Mr. Cook and Mr. Harrison were nominated for the post of Junior Warden. Mr. Harrison was elected Junior Warden.

Mr. Robinson and Mr. Warner were nominated for the post of vestry representative to EDC. Mr. Robinson was elected EDC representative.

Mr. Jones and Miss Hirsch were nominated for the post of Clerk of Vestry. Mr. Jones was elected Clerk of the Vestry.

Mr. Stockard thanked the Vestry for the honor it had bestowed on him in electing him Senior Warden. He promised to work hard and to work the Vestry hard during the coming year.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Robert Polk Thomson  
Acting Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
FEBRUARY 17, 1969

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector. Members present:

Pride, Stockard, Stockton, Merritt, Cook, Hirsch, Robinson, Warner, Harrison, Thomson, Sanders, Mathewson, Snell, Shotwell, Jones, Lechleiter, and Howell.

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson and Mr. Carter

The minutes of the January 19, 1969, Vestry Meetings were approved as presented.

The Treasurer's report as presented by Mr. Pride was approved.

Sr. Warden's Report

Mr. Stockard reported on the 137th Diocesan Convention. He announced that the 138th Convention would be held in Nashville January 21-22, 1970. It was announced that Mr. Denson had been elected as the first clerical alternate to General Convention. A 1969 budget of \$775,000.00 was approved by the Diocesan Convention.

Mr. Pride moved that Bishop and Council be urged to hold business meetings in conjunction with the 1970 Convention at the same motel where the delegates would be staying. Motion was seconded by Miss Hirsch and was duly approved.

Mr. Stockard reported upon a recent meeting with other downtown churches to explore the "Knights of the Road" project. Mr. Stockard and Dr. Sanders are the Christ Church representatives to that group.

Mr. Stockard urged Vestrymen to attend at least one of the Ash Wednesday services.

Rector's Report

The Rector reported that he had recently attended the annual City and Church Conference, comprised of some 30 rectors and deans of urban parishes across the land of which he is one, at the College of Preachers, Washington, DC. The Conference concentrated on the Triad Liturgy and on planning in the parish church. He preached Sunday afternoon, 16 February, at the weekly service of the Teachers Apartments, Abbott Martin Road. He will speak and be featured on the trumpet with the orchestra at the Senior Citizens' Center, Broadway, on Thursday, 20 February, and will be the preacher at the annual World Day of Prayer service,



Friday, 7 March, at Christ the King Roman Catholic Church, Nashville.

He announced that the Daughters of the American Revolution, in conjunction with their meeting at the Sheraton 6 March, will hold a memorial worship service in Christ Church at 2:00 PM on that day, that Bishop Vander Horst will make a visitation here on Sunday, 4 May, at 11:00 AM, to preach and confirm and that he will meet with the Vestry on Monday, 19 May, presiding at the discussion hour and remaining for the entire Vestry meeting.

He requested that Vestrymen notify the Clerk of whether they want their Vestry mail sent to office of home address. He announced that Mrs. Cecil Wray assumes supervision of parish kitchen services each month at the Sheraton proved too expensive (\$4.25 each) and that our dinners will henceforth be catered in our own kitchen at \$2.50 each by Mrs. Polly Longhurst of the Church of the Advent.

Lists of Vestry "constituents" were distributed to new members, the returning Vestrymen were encouraged to read the charter of the Parish Planning Commission filed in their notebooks.

The Rector announced that Mr. Henry Tollison, Senior, St. Luke's Seminary, Sewanee, and Candidate for Holy Orders, the Diocese of Upper South Carolina, will be the preacher at the 11:00 AM service, Sunday, February 23. Parishioners Dr. and Mrs. John Aden, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Weaver, Dr. and Mrs. James Phythyon, Mrs. John Duke, Mrs. Luke Lea, and Dr. and Mrs. Fred Rowe of First Presbyterian Church, will hear the sermon and discuss it later, recording their discussion for delivery to the Seminary to be used in the homiletics class there. Christ Church was requested by St. Luke's to take part in this experiment in seminary training.

Noonday Lenten preachments are discontinued for the time being by the Episcopal Development Corporation. The Parish Lenten program will be weekly celebrations of the Eucharist each Wednesday, beginning February 26, at 5:30 PM, followed by a soup and crackers supper -- overpriced that the surplus can comprise our offering for the Absent Guest War on Want Diocesan program -- and a study session on Personal Religion. Noonday services will be held during Holy Week (March 31-April 4) featuring local Episcopal Clergymen. Mr. Lewis Pride and Miss Molly Hirsch will be in charge of counting and disbursing the special Lenten offerings for the War on Want.

The Rector requested the Vestry to complete and return the "Communicants' Questionnaire" for the Trial Liturgy.

The Rector announced the resignation of Messrs. Dillard Adams (1970) and Jack Gibson (1971) from the Vestry, Mr. Adams moving to New Orleans, La., and Mr. Gibson transferring to another Parish in the city. Mr. Pride moved that the resignations be accepted with regret. Motion passed.

Nominations to fill these unexpired terms included: Dr. Nathaniel Shofner, Mr. Haskell Tidman, Jr., Dr. Joseph Little, Jr., Mrs. Alfred Sharp, Jr., and Capt. Warren Wilkerson. Dr. Shofner was elected to the term to expire in 1971, Dr. Little to the 1970 term.

The Rector announced the dissolution of the departments of Ecumenical Relations, Interparochial Relations, and Metropolitan Mission, and their merger into the new Department of Urban Mission to be chaired by Dr. Dan Sanders, former Chairman of Metropolitan Mission.

#### ARCHIVES

No report

#### Christian Education

No report.

#### Evangelism

Mr. Lechleiter announced that small groups would begin meeting in his home this week consisting of newcomers and members of the parish. He also announced that approximately twenty persons are attending the new inquires' Class. He also reported that he had attended a meeting of the Planning Commission since the last Vestry meeting.

The Vestry reviewed the statistical data found in the Vestry notebooks.

#### Every Member Canvass

No report.

#### Finance

Mr. Pride announced that the composition of the Finance Committee would be discussed over the weekend at the Vestry Conference.

#### Liturgy

Mr. Robinson displayed color photographs of the organ undergoing repair.

#### Property

No report.

#### Urban Mission

Dr. Sanders reported on the recent meeting with other urban churches. Some of the matters discussed by that group were services to families, counseling service, child-care service and a clearing house for volunteer workers.

The Rector reported on the churchwomen's project to visit women of the Church during the Lenten Season.

Mr. Stockard was asked by the Rector to invite Dr. Shofner and Dr. Little to attend the Vestry Conference this weekend.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Richard A. Jones, Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY OFFICIAL ACTION AT WEEKEND CONFERENCE  
DUBOSE CENTER, MONTEAGLE - SUNDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 1969

Members present: Cook, Harrison, Hirsch, Hogue, Howell, Lech-  
leiter, Little, Mathewson, Merritt, Pride, Robinson, Sanders, Shotwell,  
Snell, Stockard, Stockton, Thomson, Warner, and the Rector.

Mr. Warner moved with second that the Vestry and clergy establish  
an active and effective evangelism-calling program during 1969 to-  
gether with the Department of Evangelism. Calling on prospective, new,  
and old members. Passed unanimously.

Mr. Hogue (Cook?) moved with second by Mr. Pride that the Vestry  
undertake to strengthen the adult education program in the Parish, In-  
viting "constituents", encouraging participation in the 1969 Lenten  
program and other adult education programs through action and communi-  
cation. Passed unanimously.

Moved and seconded that we adopt as an immediate goal for Vestry  
meetings the exploration of the question, "Why attend a downtown  
church?" or "Why, the downtown church?", that this question be the  
subject of the pre-business hour at the March 17, 1969, meeting of  
the Vestry, and that the program for that hour be designed by the  
Department of Christian Education and the Rector. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Cullen Merritt  
Acting Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
MARCH 17, 1969

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector. Members present:

Shotwell, Little, Lechleiter, Cook, Thomson, Warner, Stockton, Hogue, Harrison, Mathewson, Pride, Robinson, Hirsch, Shofner, Snell, Merritt, Stockard, Jones, Robb, and Howell.

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson.

Visitors present:

Mr. Roderic Murray, Senior, Vanderbilt Divinity School.

The pre-dinner portion of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of some of the questions raised at the Vestry Conference, namely: "Why the Church?" "Why the downtown Church?" "Why Christ Church?" Following comments from the Rector, the group divided itself into three smaller groupings for discussion and then reported back for a general discussion by the entire Vestry. No specific action was taken. It was felt that this same topic should carry over to the pre-dinner discussion at the next Vestry meeting.

Following dinner, the minutes of the February 17, 1969, Vestry Meeting, as well as the DuBose Minutes of February 23, 1969, were approved as presented.

The Rector presented a letter of thanks received from the Daughters of the American Revolution who held a Memorial Service in Christ Church, March 6. The Treasurer's Report as presented by Mr. Pride, was approved.

Sr. Warden's Report

Mr. Stockard reported that the downtown church group continues to meet. It was anticipated that the group would have some definite plans concerning care of transients by next Vestry meeting. The good work of Mrs. Richard Lechleiter and Mrs. Rea Hinch was commended, and the Sr. Warden expressed his opinion that their efforts had generated much good will for Christ Church in the downtown area.

A series of counseling meetings for women employed in the downtown area is being sponsored by the Downtown Presbyterian Church. Members of the Vestry in a position to encourage women in the area to attend these meetings were urged to do so.

Mr. Stockard reported on the problems relating to the parking lot. Stickers for individual cars have been ordered and will be available in the near future. A chain fence will be erected along the rear of the lot. A continuing program of removal of illegally parked cars would be instituted.

The League of Women Voters have made inquiry as to whether or not the Parish would be in a position to rent office space to the group. It was the consensus of the Vestry that the Parish should not undertake to rent office space and that Mr. Stockard should so advise the League.

#### Planning Commission Report

The Jr. Warden, Mr. Harrison, read the Report of the Planning Commission. (See copy of attached Report.) No action was taken.

The Floor was open for nominations to fill a vacancy on the Planning Commission. Dr. Robert Weaver, Miss Virginia McKnight, and Mr. Haskell Tidman, Jr., were nominated. Upon a show of hands, Virginia McKnight was duly elected to an unexpired term ending 31 August 1969.

#### Rector's Report

Mr. Denson reported on Camp TECC to be sponsored by the State Young Churchmen and to be staffed by young people and clergy for the benefit of the underprivileged.

It was announced that Tom Seckman would continue as the Chairman of the Property Department.

Mr. Denson reported on the progress of the program designed to serve breakfast to underprivileged public school students. A meeting had recently been held with Mr. James Robinson, Principal, Rose Park School (Ninth and Edgehill). Mr. Robinson has agreed whole-heartedly with the project however there has been a temporary holdup at the Assistant Superintendent's office. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Vestry approved the expenditure of up to \$400.00 to begin a program of providing breakfast to needy children for the period of April and May, 1969, if the necessary permission can be obtained from the school authorities. The following persons indicated their interest in assisting in staffing this project: Little, Lechleiter, Shotwell, Hogue, Snell, Stockard, Jones, Murray, (also Mrs. Denson and Miss Mary Ann Kernan).

It was announced that the Rev. Paschall Davis would be returning to the Church as a part-time assistant to the Rector, effective June 1, 1969. It was also announced that the Bishop and Council would be meeting at Christ Church, March 21, 1969. The Rector announced the Holy Week Preaching Schedule. (The Rev. Giles Lewis, St. Bartholomew's;

the Rev. Dan Matthews, St. David's; the Rev. Nicholas Gill, St. John's; the Rev. Thomas A. Roberts, St. George's.)

Copies of pamphlet entitled DIRECTORY OF SERVICES published by the Executive Council of the Church were distributed to the Vestry.

Mr. Denson read a report from the Rev. Charles Rice, Diocesan Consultant in Training, critiquing the Vestry Weekend at Dubose. In conjunction with this Report it was announced that one of the Vestry members would serve each meeting as an observer of the process of the meeting rather than its content. Dr. Snell outlined the duties of the process observer for the benefit of the members.

Mr. Hogue suggested that a conference such as the Vestry had enjoyed recently at DuBose might be offered for all of the men of the Church.

#### Archives

No report.

#### Christian Education

Dr. Snell encouraged more regular attendance at the adult classes and encouraged everyone to be on time. It was suggested that the Vestry help in the dissemination of information on the classes and their topics both inside and outside the Parish. Dr. Snell asked for suggestions for Church School topics and encouraged persons to volunteer as teachers in the Church School. It was also suggested that we show our appreciation by thanking the teachers who are contributing their time and talent. In conclusion Dr. Snell recommended that an effort be made to find a volunteer to serve as Secretary to the Director of Christian Education, thereby freeing her for the more important work of planning and implementing the Christian Education Program.

Mr. Denson announced that Mr. Roderic L. Murray, Candidate for Holy Orders, Diocese of Lexington, has been called as assistant to the Rector, effective 1 June 1969, and subject to his ordination to the Diaconate and the necessary canonical written consent of the Bishops of Lexington and Tennessee.

#### Evangelism

Mr. Lechleiter reported that in conformity with the suggestions growing out of the DuBose conference, a program of calling upon one family on the Vestry Constituency List each month, was being implemented. Names of the persons contacted during the month will be handed in at each Vestry Meeting. Mr. Lechleiter encouraged everyone to invite new members in the Congregation back to the Coffee Minute to get better acquainted.

The statistical report was examined in the Vestry notebooks.

Finance

Mr. Pride moved the Vestry to designate the Easter offering for the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief. Said motion was duly seconded and approved. Mr. Pride also detailed his receipt of the Episcopal Endowment Fund Report.

A discussion was held concerning the request from the Rev. Mr. Davis to be furnished a car for professional purposes. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was agreed that the Vestry would purchase an automobile from Cumberland Dodge for Mr. Davis.

Liturgy

A committee of tellers is available to count the "ballots" upon the Trial Liturgy questionnaire.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Denson asked the Clerk to send a letter of thanks to the Rev. Charles Rice, thanking him for his participation in the DuBose Vestry Conference.

Mr. Shotwell suggested that the Vestry furnish rubber tips for the chair legs at DuBose Center Chapel. Mr. Stockard volunteered to write Mr. Ernie Walker, to inquire if this would meet with the desire of the persons in charge at DuBose. Mr. Shotwell estimated that the cost would be between \$0.50 and \$0.75 per chair for a total of forty-two chairs.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Richard A. Jones*  
Richard A. Jones  
Clerk of the Vestry

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
APRIL 21, 1969

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector, at 5:15 p.m. Members present:

Harrison, Shotwell, Robinson, Cook, Merritt, Warner, Hogue, Sanders, Hirsch, Shofner, Mathewson, Lechleiter, Snell, Howell, Stockard, Jones, Pride.

Visitors present:

Mr. Roderic Murray, Seminarian-in-residence.

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson.

The first hour of discussion was led by the Junior Warden, Mr. Cliff Harrison, further discussing the subject 'Why Christ Church?'

Following dinner the minutes of the March 17, 1969 Vestry Meeting were approved as presented.

The Rector announced the receipt of a letter of thanks from the Council of Catholic Women for his preachment at the World Day of Prayer, March 7, 1969.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Pride presented the Treasurer's Report which was approved as presented. The Kitchen Account shows a balance of \$190 and all bills have been paid.

Senior Warden's Report

Mr. Stockard reported that the Committee of Downtown Churches still has no definite program related to the Knights of the Road (transients).

Planning Commission Report

Mr. Harrison reported that he had attended the 4-15-69 meeting of the Commission. He advised the Vestry that the Commission would be receptive to suggestions for consideration. Mr. Cook moved that the Planning Commission be asked to consider the proper role of Christ Church ten years from now. This motion was duly seconded and passed.



### Rector's Report

Mr. Denson announced that Dr. Cullen Merritt will head the Administration Department.

Bishop Charles-Edwards of the Diocese of Worcester, England, will be in Nashville 4-29-69 and will lecture at the Church. This is jointly sponsored with the English Speaking Union.

Certain painting and repair work is being undertaken at the rectory. The Rector expressed the hope that in the near future we would be able to do some landscaping of the Church property. It was pointed out that there was a serious need for paint in the Church foyer as well as a chandelier to match the one hanging in the west entrance.

The EDC Board has suggested that the Vestry hold one of its meetings at St. Lukes'. This will probably be scheduled for the fall of 1969.

On the suggestion of the Rector and with the unanimous approval of the Vestry the Clerk will send a letter of appreciation to Mrs. Joe T. Howell, retiring president of the Episcopal Churchwomen of Tennessee, commending her for outstanding leadership over the past three years.

On 5-5-69 the parents of high school age children attending the Church School will meet with the Director of Christian Education for a planning session to discuss the program for next fall.

On June 1, 1969, Christ Church will host the Baccalaureate Service for Harpeth Hall School.

May 4, 1969 will be the date of the next Confirmation Class. Bishop Vander <sup>Horst</sup> will be present. The next Vestry Meeting on May 19, 1969, will be attended by Bishop Vander Horst. May 24, 1969, is the date of the ordination of Mr. Roderic Murray. May 25, 1969, will be Whitsunday and will also mark the last Sunday of the Reverend Charles Carter.

Mr. Charles Cook has accepted the chairmanship of next year's Diocesan Convention which will be held in this Parish January 21-22, 1970.

### Evangelism

Mr. Lechleiter distributed cards upon which to indicate the completion of Vestry constituency list calls. Only three calls were made by all the members of the Vestry during March.

Finance

Mr. Pride announced that there would be a meeting of the Finance Department within the next few weeks and that it would not be held in conjunction with the Vestry Meeting.

Liturgy

Mr. Robinson announced that the organ would be undergoing repair until late May 1969.

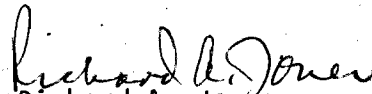
Property

A chain has been placed across the rear of the parking lot.

Urban Mission

Dr. Sanders said that a decision to go ahead with serving meals to underprivileged school children should be made within the next few days. The present plan is to serve from the Easley Community Center rather than in the schools themselves. It is anticipated that students from both Carter-Lawrence and Rose Park would be served at this location. Mr. Hogue volunteered to secure the necessary people to serve the food. Mrs. George Goss will help in securing food and in training servers. Upon motion of Mr. Pride, the Vestry voted to authorize the expenditure of such funds as are necessary to provide breakfasts for this program through the end of the school year in June 1969, even if it should exceed the \$400 formerly authorized for this project.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

  
Richard A. Jones  
Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
MAY 19, 1969

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector, at 5:15 p.m. Members present:

Warner, Cook, Snell, Merritt, Thomson, Lechleiter, Little, Shotwell, Stockton, Pride, Hogue, Hirsch, Harrison, Matthewson, Shofner, Sanders, Howell, Jones, Robb, and Stockard.

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson.

Visitors present:

The Rt. Rev. John Vander Horst, Bishop of Tennessee.

Dr. Snell reported to the Vestry concerning his evaluation of the pre-dinner discussion period at the April 21, 1969, Vestry meeting.

Dr. Sanders reported that the program providing breakfast for needy children went into operation April 28, 1969, and will continue until the end of the school year. Attendance has ranged from 90 to 105 children each morning.

The remainder of the pre-dinner hour was devoted to a meeting with Bishop Vander Horst. Mr. Denson welcomed the Bishop to Nashville and presented him with a cross fashioned from old nails used in the original construction of Christ Church. The cross, appropriately mounted and framed, was the inspiration and work of Mr. Shotwell.

Following dinner, the minutes of the April 21, 1969 Vestry meeting were read and approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Pride presented the Treasurer's report which was approved as presented.

Senior Warden's Report

Mr. Stockard reported upon the progress which has been made by the Downtown Association of Churches. After a full discussion the Vestry voted to join the Downtown Association of Churches. It was announced that the decision to join the Association did not involve the disbursement of money, but that requests for the funding of various projects would be forthcoming at a later date.

Planning Commission Report

No report.

Rector's Report

The Rector announced several dates of forthcoming interest:

1. May 23-24, Bishop and Council will meet in Memphis.
2. May 24, Mr. Roderic Murray will be ordained.
3. May 25, Evensong at Christ Church.
4. June 1, Harpeth Hall Baccalaureate in conjunction with the 11:00 a.m. service.

The women's groups were in the process of reorganization; copies of the Diocesan Journal with canons and directory can be obtained upon the payment of \$1.00 to the Clerk.

The summer schedule will commence the first of June and will include services at 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

The Rector circulated a list of the Church School teachers who have participated in the 1968-69 program and suggested that the Vestry commend this group for their fine work during the year.

The Rector announced that Mr. Ronald Hogue had accepted the chairmanship of the 1969 Every Member Canvass.

Administration

No report.

Archives

No report.

Evangelism

The statistical data relating to Evangelism was reviewed and Mr. Lechleiter collected cards from the Vestry relating to calls made upon the constituency list. The response was again disappointing.

Every Member Canvass

No report.

Finance Committee

Mr. Pride reported on the May 7, 1969, meeting of the Finance Committee.

It was announced that Mr. Murray, the new Assistant to the Rector as of June 1, would be paid ten cents per mile for the use of his personal automobile during the month of June and that beginning in July the church's Volkswagen would be available for Mr. Murray's use.

Mr. Pride suggested that the church pay the moving cost of Mr. Murray from Kentucky to his residence here in Nashville. After a discussion of the matter, the Vestry voted to approve the payment of this expense for Mr. Murray.

Mr. Pride reported on the recent receipt and sale of 225 shares of Clinton Oil Company stock received from the Reverend Paschall Davis. Mr. Pride also reported on the status of his correspondence with officials concerned with the McCurdy Estate.

It was announced that a committee composed of Miss Molly Hirsch, Mrs. Rea Hinch, and Mrs. William Holder has recommended that the money received under the provisions of the Emma Kirkpatrick Will be disbursed as follows: \$2,500.00 to the St. Luke's Settlement Guild to assist in the purchase of a bus; and the balance of approximately \$2,900.00 to the Urban Mission Program to assist in the funding of the breakfast program for the needy. After a discussion of the matter, the proposed disposition was approved by a vote of the Vestry.

Mr. Robb pointed out the need of the Episcopal community to support St. Luke's Community House.

Liturgy

No report.

Promotion

No report.

Urban Mission

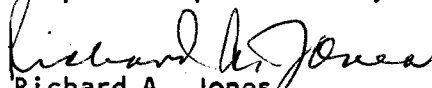
See minutes, page 1.

The Rector announced that a decision would be made prior to the next Vestry meeting to determine if the June meeting can be held at St. Luke's Community Center.

The Rector also announced that Mrs. Thomas Brittingham is taking over the supervision of the Church BookShop and that Mr. and Mrs. John Mathewson, after many years of loyal service, are to be commended for the fine work they have done in the past.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned with a prayer by Bishop Vander Horst.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Richard A. Jones  
Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
ST. LUKE'S COMMUNITY HOUSE  
JUNE 16, 1969

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rector at 5:15 p.m.  
Members present:

Harrison, Warner, Pride, Snell, Merritt, Stockton, Little,  
Lechleiter, Matthewson, Cook, Hogue, Robb, Thomson, Hirsch,  
Sanders, Shotwell, Stockard, and Jones.

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson and Mr. Murray.

Guests Present:

Mrs. Constance Duprey, Director, St. Luke's House.

The pre-dinner meeting was devoted to a tour of St. Luke's and a report from Mrs. Duprey concerning the activities and problems of the Community House. This was followed by a discussion period with the Vestry.

Following dinner, the minutes of the May 19, 1969, Vestry meeting were approved as presented.

Communications

A letter of thanks received from St. Luke's Community House expressing their appreciation for the contribution toward the purchase of a Dodge bus was presented to the meeting and filed with the clerk.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Senior Warden's Report

Mr. Stockard reported that the Parish kitchen account was being kept up-to-date and was presently in the black.

Planning Commission Report

No report.

Rector's Report

The schedule for the summer services was being changed to 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Sundays during the summer months.

The Rev. Roderic Murray joined the staff as Assistant to the Rector as of June 1, 1969, and the Rev. J. Paschall Davis has returned to the staff as Associate to the Rector also as of June 1, 1969.

There will be no meal at the July Vestry Meeting, and this meeting will convene at 5:00 p.m. rather than the usual 5:15 p.m.

The fall church schedule will begin September 14, 1969.

Two delegates to the Downtown Association of Churches are required from this Parish. Upon motion duly made and seconded William J. Stockard and Mrs. Rea Hinch were elected to serve as delegates to this Association. The next meeting will be held July 15, 1969, at 7:30 p.m., Christ Church.

Mr. Murray's moving expenses to Nashville came to a total of \$432.00.

There will be a Group Leadership training program under the direction of the Rev. Charles Rice on October 12, 1969, from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. It was announced that all Sunday School teachers and Vestrymen are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Dr. Sanders reported on the conclusion of the breakfast program at Carter Lawrence Elementary and Rose Park Junior High Schools for the 1969 school year. He announced that a total of 2,500 meals were served during the period of 25 days. The cost came to a total of \$737.61 or an average of 30 cents per meal. Dr. Sanders estimated that it would cost approximately \$600.00 per month to conduct the program during the next school year.

Mr. Hogue reported that a total of 51 volunteers had participated in the program and that he considered that the program had been of much good to the Parish generally.

Mr. Roderic Murray presented an evaluation of the breakfast program derived from interviews with the principals, teachers, and students. These tended to indicate that the program was contributing to better punctuality and better attendance by the pupils at school, although it was felt that a full evaluation of the program would have to await a somewhat longer study period. Mr. Murray's evaluation was filed with the clerk.

Upon a motion by Dr. Little, duly seconded, it was unanimously decided to commit the Parish to continuing the breakfast program during the months of September through December, 1969.

#### Administration

No report.



Archives

No report.

Christian Education

Dr. Snell announced that a conference for the youth of Christ Church would be held at DuBose Conference Center October 24-26, 1969. It was also announced that Mr. Murray would be teaching the high school students in Sunday school during the coming year.

Evangelism

Mr. Lechleiter collected the Vestry call cards and a discussion was held as to whether or not to continue making the Vestry calls. It seemed to be the consensus that the calls would be made at least for another month.

Every Member Canvass

Mr. Hogue reported on his preliminary plans for the 1970 Canvass. He stated that added emphasis would be placed upon the training of the canvassers.

Finance

No report.

Liturgy

No report.

Property

No report.

EDC Report

Mr. Robb stressed the need of the Episcopal community to support St. Luke's Community Center.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Richard A. Jones*  
Richard A. Jones  
Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
JULY 21, 1969

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rector at 5:00 PM.  
Members present:

Harrison, Lechleiter, Hirsch, Warner, Shotwell, Cook, Snell,  
Sanders, Robinson, Mathewson, Stockard, and Shofner, ~~MELHITT~~.

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson and Mr. Murray.

The minutes of the June 16, 1969, Vestry meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report

In Mr. Pride's absence, the Rector presented the treasurer's report. It was approved as presented.

Senior Warden's Report

Mr. Stockard reported on the present status of the Downtown Association of Churches. While all the downtown churches are apparently still in favor of the association, only two (Christ Church and First Lutheran) have made a definite commitment. The rest of the churches will hopefully know by the end of the summer whether or not they will join.

Planning Commission Report

No report. Mr. Denson stated that a person should be elected to the Planning Commission to replace Bob Warner. Miss Virginia McKnight was nominated and unanimously elected to a three-year term to begin in September, 1969.

Rector's Report

The Edgehill Tutoring Board has elected Mr. Denson to membership in that body. Mr. Terry Hart has resigned as chairman of Ushers, and Mr. Denson is searching for a successor.

Messrs. Murray and Hillard Brown (Acolyte Warden) are having a picnic for the acolytes at Mr. Davis' house next Saturday, July 26.

Guest preachers to be at Christ Church: July 27, Bishop Michael Hollis, Bury St. Edmonds, Suffolk, G.B.; August 17, Bishop David Rose, Coadjutor, South Virginia.

Discussion was had on a parish picnic this year. It was decided

to have the picnic again, in early September, at the home of Mr. Davis, subject to his concurrence.

Property

Mr. Shotwell reported on flooding of Cheek Hall from a hard rain-storm yesterday. The drain in the areaway of the 9th Street entrance stopped up. Some water may have come from the gas meter box.

Evangelism

Mr. Lechleiter collected one Vestry call card.

Finance

A meeting of the Department was held on July 16th to discuss disposition of the undesignated funds for this year. There is a total of \$3,214.00 to be spent outside the parish, and \$899.00 which can be spent within the parish. The committee recommends that the \$899.00 be added to the property account, and that the \$3,214.00 be divided, \$2,000.00 to the downtown churches program (DAC), and \$1214.00 to the EDC. The money for the downtown churches program is to be subject to review, as the program develops.

Mr. Cook moved, and Mr. Robinson seconded a motion that the Vestry accept the committee's recommendation. Carried.

Urban Mission

Dr. Sanders spoke about the breakfast program. There is a chance to get in on a Government subsidy, whereby the Parish would be reimbursed for food costs only, up to \$0.15 per meal. After general discussion, it was moved by Mr. Warner and seconded that Dr. Sanders be authorized to make application to the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture for such reimbursement for the school year Sept. 1969-June 1970. Motion carried.

Administration, Archives, Christian Education, Liturgy

No report.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John Mathewson  
Acting Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
AUGUST 18, 1969

The meeting was opened by the Junlor Warden at five fifteen (5:15) p.m. Members present:

Mathewson, Merritt, Shofner, Robinson, Cook, Robb, Sanders, Thomson, Stockton, Harrison, Jones, Snell, Pride, and Howell.

The minutes of the July 21, 1969 Vestry Meeting were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report

Without objection the treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Senior Warden's Report

In the absence of Mr. Stockard, Mr. Harrison presented the Senior Warden's report as follows:

It was announced that Charles Carter had accepted a position as Rector of Saint Mary's Church in Jacksonville, Florida effective September 1, 1969.

Bishop Sanders will be present at the eleven o'clock service November 23, 1969 for confirmation services.

The Inquirer's Class will begin September 14, 1969.

The Parish picnic will be held September 7, 1969 at the Davis home. The Vestry members were urged to call their constituency list and to make themselves available to help with the clean up following the picnic. Mr. Harrison is handling the plans for the picnic.

Mr. Stockton reported on the Laymen's Conference which will be held September 5 through September 7, at DuBose. It was pointed out that it will be possible to return on Sunday in time for the Christ Church picnic. Bishop Vander Horst will deliver the principal address. The other portions of the program were discussed and attendance was encouraged. Cost of the weekend is fifteen dollars (\$15.00).

Sunday's sermon by Bishop David Rose was discussed with approval. It was suggested by Mr. Cook that efforts be made to secure copies of the sermon for distribution to members of the church in light of the small attendance on Sunday.

### Administration

Dr. Merritt explained the administration budget and pointed out that the amount reflected in the prepared financial report did not accurately reflect the administration's excess disbursements which were considerably less than shown.

### Christian Education

Dr. Snell reported that there would be a meeting on October 12, 1969 to be led by Charles Rice for the purpose of developing leadership skills. The meeting will be held from three to ten p.m. at Christ Church on that date. All Vestry members were urged to attend, especially Sunday School teachers.

Dr. Snell also advised that all Sunday School teaching positions, except one, have been filled for the coming school year.

It was also pointed out that another session of the Narrow Ridge was to be held in September at the home of Dr. Joe Little.

### Evangelism

In Mr. Lechleiter's absence there was no report of the Evangelism Committee. However, the statistical data for the past month was reviewed.

### Every Member Canvass

In Mr. Hogue's absence, there was no report.

### Finance

Mr. Pride distributed a news letter from the Otey Development Company discussing the progress of that corporation since its organization.

The authorization of persons to sign checks for the Church was discussed. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was:

RESOLVED, that the Finance Chairman and all officers of the Vestry be, and they are hereby authorized to sign checks on the Church account and the clerk of the Vestry be and he is hereby directed to execute the printed form furnished by the Third National Bank in Nashville to accomplish this authorization.

### Urban Mission

Dr. Sanders reported that the breakfast program would begin September 2, 1969. Kent Stockton will be handling the personnel for the coming year. It was reported that word has been received from the federal government indicating that our request for financial participation is being processed.

Planning Commission, Archives, Promotion, Property

No report.

It was reported that Bishop and Council will meet in Nashville, September 18 and 19, 1969.

Mr. Cook reported on the Diocesan Convention which will be held in Nashville, January 21 through 23, 1970. Mr. Cook announced that Fred Turner would be serving as his assistant in putting on the Convention. It was also pointed out that it might be well to consider having all annual conventions in Nashville due to its central location. Mr. Cook called for suggestions and assistance.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at six five p.m. (6:05).

Respectfully submitted,

*Richard A. Jones*  
Richard A. Jones, Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
SEPTEMBER 15, 1969

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rector at 5:15 P.M.  
Members present:

Cook, Harrison, Hirsch, Hogue, \*Howell, Lechleiter, Mathewson, Merritt, Pride, Robb, Robinson, \*Sanders, Shotwell, Snell, Stockard, Stockton, Thompson, Warner, and Little.  
(\*Part time)

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson and Mr. Murray.

Visitors present:

Mr. Robert McNeilly, St. David's Parish, and Deputy to General Convention.

Mr. McNeilly gave an interesting resume of Special General Convention, II at South Bend, Indiana, which, together with questions from the floor, lasted until time for dinner.

After dinner, the meeting resumed, and the minutes of the August 18, 1969, vestry meeting were read and approved, subject to the following corrections:

1. Under 'Administration', line 3, after the word 'administration's' insert 'apparent'.
2. On page 3, the dates of the convention should be January 21 and 22, and not through 23rd.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Pride presented the treasurer's report, which was approved as read.

Senior Warden's Report

Mr. Stockard gave a report on the recent Laymen's Conference at DuBose. The kitchen account is in balance, according to Mrs. Wray. The Downtown Association of Churches met about a month ago: only four churches have joined, and only two of them have contributed any funds. A property crisis occurred at the rectory - the breakfast room ceiling collapsed. It will soon be repaired.

Christian Education

Dr. Snell warned the vestry that if the church is to continue to

have a Director of Christian Education, we will have to pay one, probably by mid 1970.

#### Evangelism

The vestry calling program was discussed at length. It was decided that the program would go on a voluntary basis, with Mr. Lechleiter furnishing selected vestrymen with specific names for calling. The present "constituent" lists will still be used for notifying the congregation of special events.

#### Every Member Canvass

Mr. Hogue explained the general over-all plan for the 1970 canvass, and passed out summary copies.

#### Finance

Mr. Pride read a letter from attorneys for the McCurdy estate, stating that Federal tax liability has already been paid, and that the New York State tax liability should be finalized soon.

#### Liturgy

Mr. Robinson read a letter from the Rev. Eric Routley, which was very complimentary of the Christ Church choir, organist, and congregation.

#### Rector's Report

Bishop Sanders will visit Christ Church on November 23rd at 11 o'clock. It was decided that the Vestry will meet with the Bishop for lunch after the service; place to be decided later.

Confirmation classes have begun, and the Vestry was asked to do their duty in bringing people to the Inquirers' Class.

The office of senior acolyte has been reinstated, and is jointly filled by Bill Simpson and Sandy Sanders.

The problem of chief of ushers was discussed. It was voted to direct the Secretary to write a letter of appreciation to Mr. Terry Hart for his services as Chief Usher. Many of the vestry felt that the ushering program should come under the Department of Evangelism; Mr. Lechleiter demurred. A proposal to have four men serve as 3-month chairmen under the general direction of the Evangelism Chairman was discussed. Mr. Mathewson volunteered to serve as one of the 3-month chairmen. The Rector, Mr. Lechleiter and Mr. Mathewson will discuss the problem further.

On September 28, at 4:30 P.M., Bishop Vander Horst will discuss the Special General Convention. Everyone invited.



After some discussion, the Vestry passed a resolution reading, "No funds pledged to the 1970 Canvass of Christ Church will be allocated to the General Convention II commitment of no less than \$200,000. to the National Committee of Black Churchmen. Contributions to these funds, however, may be made on an individual basis."

Urban Mission

Mr. Murray reported that the breakfast program is going well, and is feeding from 50 to 60 children daily.

Administration, Archives, Planning Commission, Promotion, Property

No report.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

John Mathewson  
Acting Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
OCTOBER 20, 1969

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector at 5:15 p.m.  
Members present:

Stockard, Merritt, Harrison, Hirsch, Cook, Pride, Stockton,  
Howell, Lechleiter, Robb, Snell, Warner, Mathewson, Shot-  
well, Jones, Robinson, and Thompson.

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson and Mr. Murray.

Visitors present:

Bishop Vander Horst

The first hour before dinner was devoted to a discussion of the general condition of the Church today, led by Bishop Vander Horst. The discussion included a resume of the activities at the General Convention and a discussion of the Diocesan Budget.

After dinner the business meeting was opened with the reading of the minutes of the prior Vestry Meeting which were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Pride presented the treasurer's report, which was approved as read. Mr. Pride also presented the report of the Finance Committee, which included the announcement that a Dodge Dart automobile had been purchased for the Assistant to the Rector. It was announced that the Committee was looking for a new Treasurer to replace Mr. Crouch, who has expressed a desire to retire. Mr. Pride read a letter from the United States Trust Company in which it was estimated that the Church would receive approximately \$20,000.00 from the McCurdy Trust this year for our 1970 Budget. A general discussion was also held of the canvass meetings to be held at the individual homes.

Senior Warden's Report

Mr. Stockard announced that he had communicated with Mr. Stokes and assured him that the Vestry was behind his position concerning the General Convention that had received publicity in the local papers. It was announced that the Downtown Association of Churches is about to complete its incorporation and will shortly be calling for payment of the \$2,000.00 heretofore allocated in our 1969 Budget for that group. It was also announced that St. Lukes' had obtained a new Executive Director to replace Mrs. Constance Duprey. The new Director is Mrs. Rosemary Geier.

Rector's Report

Mr. Denson made the following announcements:

All Saints' Communion in conjunction with an Evensong program will be held November 2, 1969. The Vestry was urged to contact its constituency lists regarding this service. Sunday, November 16, has been designated as Loyalty Sunday. Bishop Sanders will be present at 11 o'clock November 23, for Confirmation here at Christ Church. The ordination of Mr. Murray to the Priesthood will be held November 30, at the 11:00 a.m. service.

It was announced that bills will be sent to members of the Vestry who do not advise Mrs. Jones that they will not be present for dinner on normal Vestry evenings. Two new pre-school faculty members who are also graduate students in education have been added to the Church School Staff.

The Rector announced that Mrs. Brittingham has for sale in the Book Shop a number of paperback children's books. It was also announced that Dr. Shofner is confined to St. Thomas Hospital and that Dr. Sanders is recovering from a broken ankle. Mr. Denson also announced that Colonel Vance Sailor has accepted the post as Head Usher for the Church.

Mr. Murray expressed his pleasure at the fine job that had been done by Dr. May in his Adult Education Course. He also advised that Dr. May possibly will be available for future classes at Christ Church at a later date. Mr. Cook volunteered to write a letter of appreciation to Dr. May.

Christian Education

Dr. Snell announced that the training session held on Sunday, October 12, had been reasonably well-attended by communicants of Christ Church as well as St. David's.

Evangelism

The statistical report was examined and accepted as presented.

Property

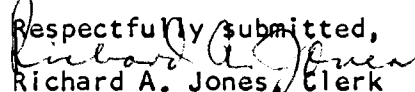
It was announced that the ceiling had been repaired in the Rectory Breakfast Room. It was also announced that Parking Stickers are now available and can be obtained from Mrs. Jones.

Planning Commission, Administration, Every Member Canvass, Liturgy

No report.

Mr. Cook announced that Fred Turner would be assisting him in the planning for the Diocesan Convention. He invited ideas and suggestions from members of the Vestry.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
 Richard A. Jones, Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
NOVEMBER 17, 1969

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rector at 5:15 p.m. Members present:

Merritt, Little, Snell, Mathewson, Cook, Robinson, Hogue, Pride, Warner, Howell, Hirsch, Harrison, Stockton, Sanders, Stockard, Jones, Thompson, and Robb.

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson and Mr. Murray.

The first hour before dinner was devoted to a discussion of the group meetings that have been held in conjunction with the Every Member Canvass.

Following dinner the meeting was opened with the reading of the minutes of the prior Vestry Meeting which were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report

Accepted and filed as presented.

Planning Commission

A discussion was held concerning the Planning Commission. Mr. Howell moved that we accept the Planning Commission's report of March 17, 1969, and refer it back to the Planning Commission for further recommendations for implementation. After a full discussion of the matter, the motion was seconded and the motion carried. Mr. Little refrained from voting on the motion. It was announced that the clergy and wardens have replaced Mr. Rob Cochran on the Planning Commission with Dr. Robert Weaver.

Rector's Report

The Rector thanked the Vestry for its remembrance of him and his wife on their Silver Anniversary, November 9, 1969.

Twelve members of the Vestry indicated that they would be present for luncheon with Bishop Sanders following the eleven o'clock service November 23, 1969.

The Rector announced that the annual Vestry Conference will be held February 6-8, 1970 at DuBose Conference Center. The Rector appointed a committee of four (4) to present nominations for the 1970 Vestry, the committee to be composed of Mr. Robinson, Dr. Sanders, Mr. Lechleiter, and Mr. Stockard, Mr. Stockard to serve as chairman.

The next order of business was the election of delegates and alternates

to the annual Diocesan Convention to be held in Nashville during January of 1970. Mr. Lewis Pride, Mr. William Stockard, and Mrs. William Holder were elected delegates to the convention. Richard Jones, C. H. Robinson, and Cecil Wray were elected as alternates to the convention to serve in that order.

By vote of the membership it was determined that the Thanksgiving offering would be designated for the Rector's discretionary fund and that the Christmas offering would be designated for the Breakfast Program.

Mr. Murray reported that the clergy would henceforth be keeping a record of all pastoral calls. During the prior month a partial tabulation reveals that 128 clergy contacts were made by the three members of the staff. These calls had been broken down as follows:

- 67 Parish Contacts
- 33 Non-Parish Contacts
  - 6 Nursing Home
  - 2 Home Bound
- 30 Hospital
  - 4 Post Hospital
  - 1 Bereaved
  - 1 Newcomer
- 5 Pastoral Counseling
- 7 Out - Card Left

#### Christian Education

Dr. Snell announced that the recent session of the Narrow Ridge was sparsely attended. He also advised that there would be a session of "The Wicket Gate" held during January, 1970.

#### Every Member Canvass

Mr. Hogue announced that a total of 154 pledges have been received to date totaling \$62,424.92. Mr. Hogue expressed his opinion that the meeting in small groups had been favorably received and suggested that this type of gathering be employed in the future possibly in conjunction with Parish meetings. Upon the suggestion of Mr. Murray, the Vestry formally voted to ask the clerk to send a letter of appreciation to Mr. John Donegan for his excellent help with the photography in conjunction with the Canvass.

#### Property

The Rector announced that a pair of candle holders are missing from the Baptismal Font area in the church.

#### Senior Warden's Report, Administration, Archives, Finance, Liturgy

No report.

A discussion was held concerning the situation of volunteers for the Breakfast Program. It was announced that the present volunteers are now

committed only through the end of the year 1969.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Richard A. Jones*  
Richard A. Jones, Clerk

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH  
DECEMBER 15, 1969

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector at 5:15 p.m. Members present:

Warner, Robb, Hirsch, Mathewson, Lechleiter, Little,  
Hogue, Robinson, Cook, Pride, Harrison, Merritt, Thomson,  
Stockton, Sanders, Stockard and Jones.

Clergy present:

Mr. Denson and Mr. Murray.

The first hour before dinner was devoted to a discussion concerning the up coming Vestry Conference at DuBose, February 6-8, 1970. Mr. Denson reported that the planning group had determined the purpose of the conference to be as follows: To provide an opportunity for the Vestry to explore and study the Holy Eucharist and its implications for us personally and corporately.

Mr. Hogue reported on the results of the Every Member Canvass. At the present time 277 pledges have come in for a total of One Hundred Four Thousand, Thirty-Six Dollars and Sixty-Six Cents (\$104,036.66). Mr. Hogue forecasts a total of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$115,000.00) will be received as a result of the 1970 Canvass. Mr. Hogue expressed his special appreciation and commendation to Don Shriver, Will Johnston, Doug McLaughlin, and Speed Thomas for their dedicated assistance in the Canvass.

Following dinner the meeting was opened with the reading of the minutes of the prior Vestry meeting which were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Pride announced that it was questionable whether there would be sufficient money to pay the Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) previously allocated to EDC. He also announced that the car for Mr. Murray has been paid for in full. The published treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Senior Warden's Report

Mr. Stockard announced that the following persons have accepted nominations to the Vestry: John Mathewson, Cecil Wray, Owsley Cheek, John Aden, Warren Wilkerson, Mrs. Lucien Stark, Rob Cochran, Haskell Tidman, Sr., Tom Seckman, William Force, Mrs. Richard Lechleiter, David Ward and Lyman Burbank. Mr. Stockard further pointed out that five additional persons would be selected by the nominating committee for inclusion on this list prior to the Parish Meeting.

Mr. Warner moved that the vacancy created on the Vestry by the death

of Dr. Shofner be filled at the annual Parish Meeting rather than be filled by appointment. Motion was duly seconded and passed by vote of the Vestry.

Mr. Cook moved that all persons having served a full three year term on the Vestry be required to remain off of the Vestry for a period of two years before they can be re-elected to that body. The motion was duly seconded and passed by vote of the Vestry. It was specifically pointed out that this motion does not apply to the 1970 slate of proposed Vestry members to be elected at the Parish Meeting.

#### Rector's Report

Mr. Murray thanked the Vestry for his ordination and the gift to his family. Mr. Murray reported on the clergy calls conducted since the last Vestry meeting. A copy of said report is attached to the minutes.

#### Archives

A discussion was held concerning the forthcoming 150th anniversary of Christ Church which will occur in 1980. It was announced that Mrs. Haddock has volunteered to write a history of Christ Church. She has also expressed her willingness to prepare a pamphlet describing the ornaments in the church itself.

#### Finance

It was announced by Mr. Pride that gifts to the church had been left in both the Shofner and Hinson Wills.

#### Urban Mission

Dr. Sanders advised that there will be a need for volunteers to help with the Breakfast Program after the first of the year. There will be a Christmas program this Friday at seven a.m. to be held in conjunction with the Breakfast Program for both the children and their parents. Mr. Bob Hackett has taken over the administration of the Breakfast Program and is in charge of the party.

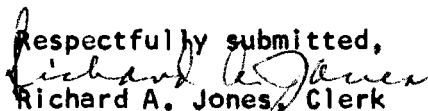
#### Christian Education, Evangelism, Property

No report.

Mr. Cook announced that plans were in good shape for the opening of the Diocesan Convention. The Convention's opening service will be held at nine a.m. on Wednesday, January 21, 1970.

Mr. Robinson pointed out to the members of the Vestry that the Vestry representative to the EDC must be elected, necessitated by the departure of Dr. Little who is currently serving in that post.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
 Richard A. Jones, Clerk