

Meetings

First Congregational Church of Georgetown, Mass.

Clerk
KENNETH B. ROSS
55 North Street
3821

Minister
REV. ARTHUR COULIHARD
8 Andover Street
7051

Treasurer
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2501

W A R R A N T

The Members and Associate Members of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown are hereby notified that in accordance with the Constitution of said Church the Annual Meeting will be held on the second Thursday of October, October 11, 1956 in the Church Vestry at 7:45 P.M. then and there to act on the following articles:

- ✓ ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on the various reports to be submitted, and to take any desired action resulting from them.
- ✓ ARTICLE 2. Nomination and election of officers.
- ✓ ARTICLE 3. Annual Budget. To see what action is desired on the adoption of a budget and the method of raising funds to meet same.
- ✓ ARTICLE 4. To see what action is desired on the proposal to place the completion of improvements to the kitchen first on the priority list.
- ✓ ARTICLE 5. To act on the election of a committee of three to investigate, study, and obtain cost estimates for submission to the church on necessary and on desirable additions and improvements to the church properties.
- ARTICLE 6. To take any other desired action relative to the program of the church and its property.

Posted: *Sept 30, 1956*

Kenneth B. Ross, Clerk

Annual Meeting

Voted at the Annual Meeting Oct. 11, 1956

The completion of the kitchen project be given first priority and that the Finance Committee recommend means of raising the required money. An Amendment was also voted that the Trustees proceed to obtain estimates of the cost of the proposed work and report back at a special meeting.

Another motion voted was : A Committee of three be elected to investigate, study, and obtain costs estimates for submission to the church on necessary and on desirable additions and improvements to the church properties. An Amendment to this motion was voted : That the Committee make a report by Dec. 15, 1956.

Clerk

REPORT OF THE CLERK

Oct. 10, 1957

In the past twelve months the church family has lost, by death, one member, Mrs. Gladys Semple, Dec. 3, 1956. Five other members transferred membership to other churches.

Twenty new members have been welcomed into our fellowship and our total membership list now is 292, we also have 14 Associate Members.

Five special meetings have been held relative to membership and two special meetings have dealt with other matters.

On August 31, 1957 Reverend Arthur Coulthard closed his period of ministry with us to begin service with the United Congregational Church of New Bedford. A resolution relative to his service with us has been adopted and copies forwarded to Mr. Coulthard and to the Associations involved.

The Church Cabinet continues to function with regular monthly meetings at which the problems of policy and administration are discussed and the operation of the church kept before its various Committees and Organizations.

The Cabinet has made plans for the 225th Anniversary celebration the week of Oct. 13-20 and is acting as the Pulpit Committee in the search for a new minister.

Respectfully submitted

Kenneth B. Ross, Clerk

Christian Education

REPORT OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Oct. 10, 1957

This year has been a fully instructive year to both children and teacher. The entire school has been handicapped due to the absence of a Superintendent. The Rev. and Mrs. Coulthard worked exceedingly hard to hold loose ends together. We shall miss them greatly.

Attendance has been good and tends to be on the increase. Some of us adults could certainly take notice of these children who are as faithful as the postman. This year to encourage even better attendance we are giving attendance pins at the end of the year. The current enrollment is one hundred forty.

Two delegates were sent to the Northern New England School of Religious Education, held at Geneva Point Camp on Lake Winnepesaukee, and four were sent to Framingham Pilgrim Fellowship Conferences.

The annual Inter-Community Institute of Religious Education was held in our Church in October and November. It was highly successful with its Demonstration Classes.

The children have given freely as always. The total of offerings was \$631.02. They adopted a small Japanese orphan, sent hundreds of books to the Southern Missions, and donated to the New England Home for Little Wanderers.

A very successful Vacation Bible School was held at Camp Dennison. A large measure of the success was due to the willing and capable adult help. The climax of the session was the Annual Family Picnic.

It is hoped that very soon we will have a Superintendent. This will lift a great many burdens from the teachers, officers and the Board of Christian Education.

We heartily thank all the teachers for their complete cooperation and all who helped to make this a School of God.

Respectfully submitted

Robert E. Kent, Secretary

Trustees

Annual report of The Board of Trustees
October 10, 1957

Meetings have been held under the direction of chairman Richard Nichol, the third Monday of each month except July and August.

The following work has been approved and completed.

Outside light was installed at the kitchen door.

Two lights were removed from beside the organ.

New clock was installed in the Sunday school room.

Sash repaired and broken glass has been replaced at the church & parsonage.

Leaks in the church roof have been repaired.

Two new church tables and a power lawn mower were purchased.

Sid steps & landing at the parsonage were repaired and the chimneys were cleaned and pointed up.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward A. Jones
Clerk.

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Missionary Society

1956 - 1957

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH MISSIONARY REPORT

The 1956-57 year of the Missionary Society of the First Congregational Church, Georgetown, was begun in September 1956, with an enrollment of eighteen members of whom twelve were present at the first meeting. During the year we had an average attendance of thirteen members at each meeting.

In addition to the inspiring devotional program which is held at every meeting, we studied during the year, the interesting and instructive lesson book "Mission Field, U.S.A.". During the year we have raised, and pledged to give through our church treasurer, the sum of one hundred dollars for missions. In addition we have donated sewing supplies and miscellaneous useful articles to the Congregational Christian Service Committee, and have made contributions also to the ^{22.50} Second Mile program and to the Boston City Mission Society.

In November we were hostesses to our fellow missionary societies in our own and surrounding towns. Mrs. Walter Lounsbury, President of Essex North Women's Fellowship, was one of the speakers at this time, and another speaker was Miss Edith Grant of Boston, Chairman of Massachusetts Conference of Congregational ^{20.-} Christian Churches Friendly Service.

As we closed our 1956-57 records we looked forward, eagerly, to new fields of opportunities to begin the 1957-58 year.

Respectfully submitted

Edna H. Ayers
Secretary

Auditor

Oct 7, 1957

The auditing committee have checked the books of the treasurer and found to be correct.

Elvaux Station
Harriette S. Poole

Treasurer

Treasurers Report Sept. 1, 1956 to Sept. 1, 1957

Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1956 \$ 90.11

Receipts:

Pledges	\$6761.38	
Loose Collections	697.29	
Sunday School - Regular Coll.	\$465.65	
Missions "	135.06	
Special Miss.	<u>52.17</u>	653.88
Misc. Donations		53.65
Church Fair		761.35
Vacation Bible School		27.00
Bible Society Collection		6.25
Hungarian Relief Collection		57.50
Missionary Society		120.00
Missions		717.35
Dividends		630.41
Reimbursements (envelopes)		<u>23.10</u>
		10509.16
		<u>10599.27</u>

Disbursements:

Rev. Arthur Coulthard - Salary	\$3840.00	
Annu.	353.28	
Tel.	79.20	\$4272.48
Rev. David Pike		25.00
Albert Tidd - Sexton		500.00
Music -		
Organist	483.00	
Organ Repairs	45.44	
Music	<u>13.46</u>	541.90
Sunday School		
Supplies	660.43	
Flowers Child. Sun.	40.00	
Int. Journal Rel.Ed.	8.25	
Margaret Lane	12.00	
Film Strips	<u>8.00</u>	
		728.68
Sunday School Missions:		
Little Wanderers	7.51	
Express	18.14	
One Cr. Hr. of S.	40.66	
Amer. Leprosy	5.00	
World Missions	<u>116.92</u>	188.23
		916.91
Church Missions -		
World Missions	717.35	
Bible Society	6.25	
Missionary Society	120.00	
Hungarian Relief	<u>57.50</u>	901.10
Postage - Mr. Coulthard		38.58
Canvas Supplies		31.25
Repair Fund		1000.00
Baptismal Certificates		4.98
Book - Rev. Conrad		3.50
Daily Devotions		20.00
Misc. expenditures		28.74
Water Bills		45.00
Benevolent Society - On loan		200.00
Calendars		69.84
Safe Deposit Box Rent		5.50
Framingham Conference Center		212.00
Envelopes		32.55
Vacation School		42.51
Deacon's supplies & Advance		39.50
Essex North - Dues		120.99
Electricity		89.46
Fuel		904.89
Insurance		335.39
Gas		17.55
Taxes		<u>26.25</u>
		10423.57

Balance - Check book bal.	\$152.40	
Cash	<u>23.30</u>	175.70

D. H. Thompson Treas.

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Georgetown Savings Book #12560

Balance September 1, 1956

	Prin.	Int.	
Choir Acct.	500.00	149.21	649.21
Poor Acct.	2437.66	1297.02	3734.68
Reg. Expenses	5194.55	414.30	5608.85
Sun. School	174.60	49.42	224.02
Missionary Soc.	1000.00	-----	<u>1000.00</u> \$11216.76

Receipts- Interest

Choir	22.08		
Poor -Bank & Conf. Fund		262.10	
Reg. Expenses		190.90	
Sun. School		7.62	
Missions		<u>34.03</u>	516.73
Bonds cashed-Reg. Exp.		1500.00	2016.73
			<u>13233.49</u>

Disbursements:

Poor		329.85	
Missions		34.03	
Reg. Expenses		<u>300.00</u>	663.88

	Prin.	Int.	
Choir	500.00	171.29	671.29
Poor	2437.66	1229.27	3666.93
Reg. Exp.	6694.55	305.20	6999.75
S. S.	174.60	57.04	231.64
Miss.	1000.00	<u>1000.00</u>	

Balance 12569.61

Kitchen Fund - Donations 5.00

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Repair Fund
Balance September 1, 1956 \$341.27

Receipts:

Church Budget	1000.00	
Interest	12.69	
Donations	<u>110.00</u>	<u>1122.69</u>
		1463.96

Disbursements:

Repairs Organ	338.00	
Int. on Pass Book Loan	1.61	
Repairs Parsonage - Geo. Lumber 68.		
Paint	<u>2.30</u>	70.30
Clifford Emerson-Electrical work		31.96
Two Tables		64.70
Clock - Partington		11.15
Power Mower		86.88
Letoile - Roofing		<u>23.30</u>
		627.90

Balance 836.06

Budget

Record Copy

TENTATIVE BUDGET SEPT 1, 1957 TO AUG. 31, 1958

MINISTER'S SALARY	\$4000.00
PAYMENT FOR ANNUITY FUND	368.00
<u>PARSONAGE UTILITIES</u>	
FUEL - GAS & ELECTRICITY	420.00
TELEPHONE	80.00
CAR ALLOWANCE	300.00
SEXTON	500.00
<u>CHURCH UTILITIES</u>	
FUEL	650.00
GAS & ELECTRICITY	110.00
WATER	22.50
TRUSTEE ACCOUNT	1000.00
INSURANCE	300.00
REPAYMENT TO BENEVOLENT SOCIETY	200.00
PER CAPITA TAX	125.00
ANDOVER NEWTON THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL	10.00
MUSIC	600.00
TAXES	30.00
ENVELOPES	35.00
CHURCH BULLETINS	100.00
INCIDENTALS	200.00
DEACONS	100.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL	1000.00
VACATION SCHOOL	50.00
PAYMENT ON PLEDGE	
BUILDING FUND	250.00
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$10450.50
MISSIONS	1045.05

Nominating

Ballot

Nominations submitted by Nominating Committee.

Clerk Kenneth B. Ross

✓ Treasurer Mrs. Elizabeth Rudolph

✓ Collector Kenneth Tripp

✓ Finance Committee Tellef Tellefsen

Auditing Committee Mrs. J.P. Poole
Miss Eleanor Stetson

Board of Christian Education Mrs. Charles Blanchard
Mrs. David Jones
Mrs. Kenneth Ross

Social Committee Mrs. Alfred Dawley

Social Action Committee

Church Fair Chairman Mrs. Maurice Spaulding

Deacon Harold H. Elliott

✓ Trustee *Nominated from floor N. Pingree*

Music Committee:

World Service Chairman

Mrs. Barrett.

Delegates

*K. B. Ross
H. Palmer*

*Nominated
&
~~Added~~
Elected*