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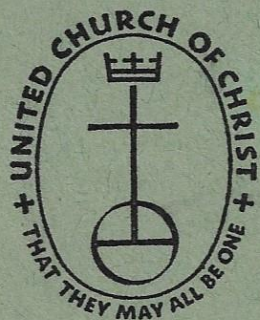
REPORTS OF THE YEAR 1967

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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Georgetown, Massachusetts

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Meetings  
**First Congregational Church**  
of  
Georgetown, Mass.

Minister  
REV. PHILIP H. SOUTHWICK  
5 Hart Circle

TELEPHONES  
Church 352-8443  
Home 352-8305

WARRANT

January 18, 1967

The Members of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown are hereby advised that in accordance with the Constitution and By-laws of Said Church, the Annual Meeting of the Church will be held Thursday, January 26, 1967 at 7:30 P. M. in the Vestry, then and there to act on the following listed articles:

- ARTICLE I: To receive the reports of the several Boards, Committees and Officers of the Church, and to take any action desired thereon.
- ARTICLE II: To see what action the Church will take regarding the proposed changes of the Constitution and By-laws.
- ARTICLE III: To elect a Deacon for one year to fill a vacancy on the Board of Deacons.
- ARTICLE IV: To take any other action relative to the Church and/or its property.

BY DIRECTION OF THE CABINET

*Wilhelmina L. Trumble*

Clerk

Posted January 18, 1967.

# First Congregational Church

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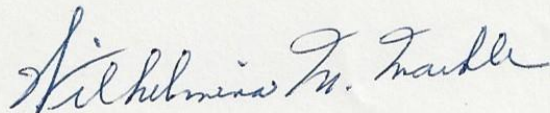
June 15, 1967

The Members of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown are hereby advised that in accordance with the Constitution and By-laws of Said Church, a Special Meeting of the Church will be held Thursday June 22, 1967 at 8 P. M. in the Vestry, then and there to act on the following listed Articles:

ARTICLE I: To hear the report of the Finance Committee and Board of Trustees regarding Rogers Property at 5 Cottage Street.

ARTICLE II: To see what action the Church will take in regards to purchasing Rogers Property at 5 Cottage Street at a price not to exceed \$4000.00, the money to be taken from available funds in the Improvement Fund.

By Direction of the Cabinet



Wilhelmina M. Marble  
Clerk

Posted June 15, 1967



# First Congregational Church of

Georgetown, Massachusetts

Minister  
REV. PHILIP H. SOUTHWICK  
5 Hart Circle

TELEPHONES  
Church 352-8443  
Home 352-8305

## WARRANT

October 5, 1967

The Members of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown are hereby advised that in accordance with the Constitution and By-laws of Said Church, the Autumn Meeting of the Church will be held Thursday October 19, 1967 at 8 P. M. in the Vestry, then and there to act on the following listed Articles:

- ARTICLE I: To hear the report of the Nominating Committee and to take any action required thereon.
- ARTICLE II: To hear the report of the Finance Committee regarding the Church Budget and to take action thereon.
- ARTICLE III: To take any other action relative to the Church and/or its property.

BY DIRECTION OF THE CABINET

Posted October 11, 1967

CLERK



# Minister

## REPORT OF THE MINISTER

It is difficult to put down precisely what has been accomplished in the past year. We can point to the renovation of the organ, although it is costing us almost twice as much as was first estimated. We can console ourselves about the cost by saying that the repairs were long overdue, and that they should prove to be a wise investment over the years to come. We can point to the three lots of land we are buying on Cottage Street and visualize their value to us in the years to come. These are good things that we have done; but these things do not tell us how well we have carried out the mission of the Church.

Taking into consideration the major expenses involved in paying for the organ and parcels of land, financially we are doing better than in past years. We have been able to pay our regular expenses on time. But lest we get content in our stewardship, bear in mind that neither the total bill for the organ nor the bills for the last two lots of land are paid as yet. Furthermore, had all of the committees spent all the money that the budget allowed them to spend, we would have been in financial trouble. For the first time in recent years we were able to pay to Our Christian World Mission the full amount we aimed to. I interpret this to mean that we are becoming more aware of our mission as Christians to the entire world.

The spirit of cooperation shown in the Church Fair and in the work parties who tore down the old house on Cottage Street built up interest and enthusiasm. The ecumenical spirit has grown during the past year as seen in the Thanksgiving Eve Service in St. Mary's Church, the ecumenical Chinese Dinner in our own church, the combined Christmas dances held by the Couples' Clubs and Men's Club at St. Mary's and the Pilgrim Fellowship and C. Y. O. at our church.

I enjoy working with the Pilgrim Fellowship and am pleased that five of them attended Star Island Conference this past summer. Some of our teenagers have become enthusiastic about the Pilgrim Fellowship Weekend Conferences, held at our Conference Center in Framingham. I hope that during the coming year more adults will take advantage of chances to meet in depth with others. As the spirit of cooperation deepens it may be the time to have discussion groups with our Catholic friends. Through such experiences we can, hopefully, move toward constant commitment to our Church and its ongoing ministry.

One group that needs help now is our Choir. There simply aren't enough in it. Don't just sit back and agree with me that we need new members. Do something about this need yourself. Otherwise I may be forced to start running back and forth between the pulpit and the choir loft!

As your minister I simply assume that you expect and should have commitment and loyalty from me. Is it too much for me to expect faithfulness to God and this Church from you? At times I get the



feeling that some members spoil the image of our Church by their casualness toward it. This hurts everybody. Other organizations and clubs demand and expect greater loyalty and respect than the Church receives from some of us. For your own good and the benefit of your family as well as for the sake of your fellow men, tend to your spiritual health and growth through the Church.

During the years the demands for counselling have increased, from people in town as well as from members of the Church. This is a most important part of my work and receives priority in time allotted to it. Those who have been ministered to can assess the good that has been done better than I. But I do know that in many instances there has been growth and development, that some have found greater peace of mind; while, admittedly, in other situations we have just been scratching the surface and making little headway.

Let me make a suggestion to those who would like me to call on them. Let me know by calling me or through the deacons or deaconesses. Help me further serve you by telling me what you want to see me about. It is ever so much easier to talk intelligently when one already has at least an idea of what is on the other person's mind.

Faithfully yours,

Philip H. Southwick



# Clerk

## REPORT OF THE CLERK

Membership January 1, 1967 409

Admissions:	Confession of Faith	8
	Reaffirmation of Faith	2
	Transfer of Letter	7
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		17

Losses	Death	2
	Transfer	1
		<hr/>
		3

Membership December 31, 1967 423

There have been 7 Baptisms  
6 Marriages  
13 Funerals

The Church has held two regular Meetings, and four Special Meetings.

There have been ten Regular Meetings of the Cabinet and one Special Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilhelmina M. Marble, Clerk

IN MEMORIAM

Maude Condon

Merton Roberts, Sr.



## Deacons

### REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF DEACONS

During this past year it has been my privilege to serve you as Chairman of the Board of Deacons. The cooperation I have received from my fellow Deacons has been most gratifying. It was with regret that I was told of the resignation of Mayland Lewis as a Deacon, his presence on the board was missed.

Mr. James Blair, who had previously served as a Deacon, was elected to fill this vacancy. It is always a pleasure to serve with Jim.

This year, with the cooperation of the Minister, we revised the order of worship to eliminate some of the periods of standing. This seems to have worked out well. We also re-scheduled the Sundays for having Communion so that Communion would not occur on consecutive Sundays.

The relationship between the Board of Deacons and the Church Minister is a most vital area in the Church. I am pleased to report to you that we have had a very good relationship with our Minister. This has been a bilateral action. Whenever I have had occasion to approach Rev. Southwick on any problem concerning the Church or its members, there has been a common basis of understanding.

Largely through the efforts of our Minister, a Community Thanksgiving Service has been held with Saint Mary's Church and the members of the former Episcopal Church. The first service was held in our Church and this year's service was held at Saint Mary's Church. It was gratifying to see so many of our own members there. The Deacons certainly hope that these services will continue as they fill a long felt need, where we can forget our differences and thank God for our blessings.

The Deacons were sorry to learn of the closing of the Episcopal Church here in Georgetown.

After a period of almost seven years I will not be a member of the Cabinet. I will miss some of the meetings but I hope some one will carry on my crusade for hymns that can be sung. We have a newly repaired organ - let us use it to express some of the cheerful things of life as well as for the dirges.

The keystone of any good Church organization such as ours is the Clerk. We are fortunate to have a very fine one. Through the years that I have been active in this Church, Mrs. Marble has been like a mother to me. She has corrected me, made me write out my motions at Church meetings and even had it recorded in the minutes that I spoke at great length. Seriously Mina is a wonderful help to the Deacons, always having things properly prepared for them.

In closing, let me thank all of you for making this past year the success that it has been.

Respectively submitted,

Homer K. Tapin, Chairman



## Deaconess

### REPORT OF THE DEACONESSES

The Board of Deaconesses worked together in teams of two, visiting the sick and shut-ins. The Board consisted of Mrs. James Blair, Mrs. Douglas Melzard, Mrs. Lawrence Tripp, Mrs. Cleon Rice, Mrs. Lillian Kelloway and Mrs. Homer Tapin.

Many cards were sent and many visits made to our members who were ill or in need of our attention. In some cases, transportation was provided to and from the hospital or nursing home. At both Easter time and Christmas, lovely plants were delivered to the members of our Church family who were unable to get out and enjoy the Church services and all that helped to make these occasions so meaningful. We also sent "Ideals" to many of our friends who have moved away, but still are in our thoughts; especially our former ministers.

We did not meet every month, but whenever necessary. We tried to help whenever and wherever we were needed. We hope we succeeded.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. James A. Blair, Chairman

## Christian Education

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1967 marked another year of true dedication to the religious education of our Church by many of its members. The members of the Board would like to say thank you to those who have helped to make this year another successful year.

Especially notable this year is the growth in the number of our Pilgrim Fellowship Group and the successful Lenten discussion group which met at the parsonage.

Other areas that the Board sponsored are; Church Family Picnic, Teacher Dedication service, Teacher's Coffee Hour, Children's Day, Pilgrim Fellowship Conferences, Vacation Church School, Teacher Education and Christmas Pageant to name a few.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna Tozier, Chairman



## Sunday School Superintendent

### REPORT OF CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Our Church is very fortunate to have an enthusiastic, capable group of Church School teachers who give much thought and care to the teaching of our children. A good teacher does more than just prepare a lesson for Sunday morning. To help children become aware of God's love is a challenging task, but most teachers will agree that they get back much more than they give.

In addition to their weekly classes the Church School have had some special events. Last spring the school enjoyed playing a part in the Guild's Stunt Night. Our Children's Day in June was an attempt to present a real worship service. We used hymns, prayers and scripture reading which the children had learned in the course of the year.

The painting of Metcalf House was finished last spring, with a large assist from Mr. Charles Kent. We are sharing the house with some public school classes this year. The school officials have been very anxious to cooperate with us in every way.

This fall several of the teachers attended a workshop at the Byfield Parish Church. We are planning a general teachers meeting this January to discuss our progress for the year.

We have extended our Church School for grades three through Senior High by fifteen minutes. We begin the morning by meeting to sing together for fifteen minutes, with Rev. and Mrs. Southwick leading the singing.

The entire Church School presented a Christmas program in December. We tried to make this an all school project. The nursery and kindergarten made decorations for the Christmas tree. The teachers decorated tables. Many of the children drew pictures and we used some of these for the Newsletter and for the program cover. Some of the Senior High made scenery and many took part in the program.

Working with children in these various ways is really fun - as they are very responsive. Most of us wish that we could do a lot more, but I do believe that our children are benefitting by the love and interest shown by all the workers in our Church School.

Respectively submitted,

Evelyn Boose, Superintendent



# Pilgrim Fellowship

## REPORT OF THE PILGRIM FELLOWSHIP

This year in Pilgrim Fellowship has been a year of renovation in recreation, service, and philosophy. We have had varied recreational activities. A few examples of these are; hockey games, a Celtic's basketball game, a trip to see the movie, "The Bible", bowling, roller skating, a joint weekend retreat with the Lynnfield Pilgrim Fellowship, a dinner meeting with the Rowley Pilgrim Fellowship, a joint Christmas dance with the Catholic Youth Organization of Georgetown, and several motion pictures shown at our Church.

In the area of service we have taken on a special project of giving support to the Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center in Greenfield, New Hampshire. We took car loads of toys, food, and clothing to the Center this fall and spent the afternoon playing with the crippled children and blowing up the 250 balloons we brought for them. More trips to Crotched Mountain are being planned. We continue to keep the Carleton Home shoveled out after snow storms. On Christmas Eve, the Catholic Youth Organization and the Pilgrim Fellowship went carolling at the Carleton Home and also at Baldpate Hospital. Each week, boys from the Pilgrim Fellowship serve as ushers in Church.

As the group becomes an older one, the philosophy of the group has had to change. We have moved from a policy of having the advisors plan and direct the meetings to one of having the Pilgrim Fellowship Officers plan and run the meetings with advice and supervision from the advisors. We are experimenting with our worship services to make them more meaningful with the use of music, poetry, book readings, and slides. We hope to achieve a more meaningful and active Pilgrim Fellowship, by instilling in ourselves the elements of fellowship, brotherhood, and responsibility.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Simek  
Pilgrim Fellowship Representative  
to the Ministry Council of Mass.  
Pilgrim Fellowship.



# Trustees

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Trustees have been very active this year. Regular monthly meetings were held for nine months, and work parties were held in June, July, and August. The Church cellar, Metcalf House cellar and garage were cleaned.

Repair work on the Church Organ was started April 24th. As work progressed, additional problems were discovered, and the Andover Organ Co. informed us that the cost of the job would have to be revised from \$4,000.00 to \$6,000.00. Mr. Donald Taylor met with the Cabinet and other interested people, and explained the problems that had not been expected, and could not be seen until the organ was dismantled. After much consideration, it was agreed to proceed at the revised figure. Work progressed very slowly and was not finished until September. About this time we received word from the Andover Organ Co. that the bills totaled around \$7,800.00. We are still trying to negotiate for a revised figure.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Elliott were most considerate and generous in loaning their fine organ to the Church during this period.

The School Department requested the use of four rooms in Metcalf House for special classes. This request was granted until the new school is ready. The School Dept. is paying for all utilities while using this building.

We were authorized to purchase the property at 5 Cottage St., dispose of the building, and improve the lot for a parking area. The purchase was made after much assistance from Mr. Robert Metcalf.

The Couples Club was asked to take over the Cottage St. project, and in December, tore the house down, took it to the dump, graded and filled the lot with 6 loads of gravel and removed 5 trees. Many thanks to the Couples Club who paid all the bills, and to everyone who helped, especially to Walter Snow with his truck and bulldozer. This was a job well done, and a great improvement to the Church property.

The Georgetown Historical Society was granted use of the Vestry for one night a month.

The Girl Scouts were granted use of the Vestry for one afternoon a week.

The following work was done on the Metcalf House:

1. New rubber tile over plywood floor installed in upstairs long room.
2. Shut-off valves installed on all bathroom fixtures.
3. Rear gutter repaired.
4. Storm and inside windows repaired.
5. Chimney repaired.
6. Septic system repaired and new drain field installed. (by the School Dept.)
7. Crash bars installed on exit doors. (also by School Dept.)

The fence around the property at 3 Cottage St. was rebuilt. The hand rails at the front walk of the Parsonage and Clark St. entrance were sanded and painted with primer and finish coat.

The flood lights and several windows at Church were repaired. The Church septic system was pumped and cleaned in November. Charlie Woodburn is still doing a very good job as landlord for the 3 Cottage St. property.

Mike Maloof continues his work with us as sexton.

We thank the Elliott Brothers for service and advice on occasional heating problems and for the use of a dump truck when needed.

I extend thanks to all who have been of assistance to the Trustees this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward A. Jones, Chairman



## Music

### REPORT OF THE MUSIC COMMITTEE

The Music Committee wishes to thank all members of the choir who were so very faithful during 1967 and we hope they will continue to support their Church as in the past. We lost some members during the year for various reasons and had hoped that new members as well and some old members would help fill the gaps.

We are very grateful to the many soloists who sang during the year.

We would also like to thank Mrs. Dorothy Reed and Mrs. Evelyn Boose who devote so much time and effort to our young people. The Junior Choir has added much to our Church Services and Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Boose have also made a very fine start toward organizing an Intermediate Choir. We hope a few more young people will join both groups.

The Music Committee continues its service to the Church next year with Mrs. Mayland P. Lewis, Mrs. Warren B. Stone, and Mrs. John V. Hartman, Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis A. Pingree, Chairman



# Guild

## REPORT OF THE GUILD

A very fine active executive committee has made it possible for me to write an exciting report for 1967-68. With civic pride we have tried to reach out into the community with the following events:

This year started with a delightful Dutch Treat Supper served by the executive committee at the charming home of our member, Mrs. Elizabeth Haskell. Friendships were renewed after summer vacations and Mrs. Everett Bunker delighted us with unusual flower arrangements. Fifty-six members attended.

We traveled to Europe and England with our member, Mrs. Mary Nichols and the pictures were excellent.

The Georgetown Senior High School Band, Mr. George Norris, director, played a fine concert. How wonderful to see so many clean cut young people with such excellent deportment, and a serious interest in performing so well.

Miss Bodil Jorgensen, told us about Christmas customs in Denmark and displayed many dainty lovely works of art and family pieces, and delicacies served during the Christmas season. Our refreshment committee backed this up with some of the goodies made in their own kitchens. Miss Jorgensen, runs the Danish Hearth in West Newbury.

### HIGHLIGHTS

October 25, 1967, The Guild presented Rev. Roger W. Palmquist to the community. His topic was "Be It Ever So Hectic, There's No Place Like Home." Rev. Palmquist was assistant artist to Rev. Schultz of "Peanuts", the internationally known cartoon. The principal of our high school heard this and presented him to two assemblies in the high school at Christmas time.

In October, the churches in Georgetown participated in the first Ecumenical Dinner held in this area. A Chinese dinner was served in our Church by Mr. and Mrs. Shie. The dinner was brought from Boston by Mr. Shie who is head of the Chinese Christian Mission there. He spoke of many interesting things about his people in the community. Mrs. Marjorie Dea, our Missionary president, worked with the following churches in Georgetown: Catholic, Episcopal and Mormon. The Methodist Church and Congregational Churches of Byfield also participated. This was a most enlightening evening, as Mr. Shie told us many interesting things about his countrymen. I am looking forward to our next meeting, January 24, 1968. I feel this is also a highlight. Mrs. Clyde Tozier, chairman of the Board of Christian Education, will talk on "Christian Education As Taught in The First Congregational Church of Georgetown", assisted by Sunday school teachers and students.

Our Guest Night will present a male quartet, "The Rough Notes." We shall be looking forward to a Lenten program with our Minister, Rev. Philip Southwick, and will have the pleasure of travelling again, this time to Greece with Mrs. Laurel Hilker.

An Easter Monday dessert bridge and fashion show is also in the future. The fashion show will be directed by our member, Mrs. Marge Blair, owner of the Cricket Shoppe. Church suppers are coming up and many hearts, heads, and willing hands have made all this possible.

In May, our annual meeting and banquet will end a busy Guild season. My sincere thanks to all who have made this possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary H. Remington, President



## Missionary Society

### REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Women's Missionary Society, with a membership of 18, has met nine times for fellowship, worship and study of a missionary theme.

A guest afternoon was held in January. The Rev. Mr. Philip Southwick spoke to the members and the ten guests.

This group conducts no fund raising projects but it has contributed to the Walker Missionary Home, Auburndale, to the Material Aid Committee of the Guild, and \$100.00 toward the Church's apportionment for O.C.W.M. (Our Christian World Mission).

The Officers are: President, Mrs. Marjorie Dea; Vice President, Alma M. Dresser; Secretary, Ida E. Bancroft; Treasurer, Harriette Poole.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida E. Bancroft, Secretary



# Couple's Club

## REPORT OF COUPLES CLUB

President Dave and Sandy Knower were at the helm of Couples Club when 1967 rolled around. They were assisted by Ken and Elinor Tripp, Ed and Laura Allen and Paul and Thelma Cameron. At the January meeting everyone brought "one used Christmas gift", gaily wrapped, which provided plenty of surprises and hilarity when they were auctioned off during the evening. The end result was also a little pin money for the treasury. During the following months we held an open public meeting on the subject of "Unidentified Flying Objects" in February; an entertaining and informative evening was held when Mr. Colburn a safety engineer from the Arthur D. Little Co. converted the Vestry Stage into a laboratory with mysterious chemicals and scientific apparatus with which he demonstrated. Ralph and Helen Young gave us a sun and fun-filled trip through the Carribean Islands when they relived their winter trip through the magic of their beautiful slides in April.

New officers took over in October, with Dave and Ruth Stewart, Paul and Mary Garnache and Charlie and Helen Woodburn working with us. This fall the Club has been responsible for providing greeters at morning worship three Sundays a month. We have had a Bible Treasure Hunt, a wonderful trip through Europe with Dick and Mary Nichol's slides, and in December sponsored the first community Christmas dance, which we hope to repeat during next year's holiday season. "Live" music and a catered buffet provided a happy evening for all who attended the dance at St. Mary's Parish Hall. Fr. Normile, Pastor of St. Mary's was a very gracious and enthusiastic supporter of the idea; this has been another success to add to the ecumenical story here in Georgetown.

Couples Club participated in the Guild's fund-raising "Stunt Night"; also provided funds for the Church Fair Committee to work with and contributed money to the Board of Christian Education for the redecorating of Metcalf House. Man power was provided the early part of December to demolish the old house on the Church's Cottage Street property; funds were voted this month to pay for the fill and leveling off work that was done after the house came down.

The Welcome Mat is out! Perhaps you have not been able to come to Couples Club in recent years -- to you we extend an invitation to visit us again. If you are new in the Church, don't hesitate to join this friendly group of people, meeting the first Monday of every month for dinner and entertainment. This is an open Club -- we are not limited to our own Church Family, but welcome people from other churches, since this is the only Couples Club in our town. There is also free baby-sitting by the Pilgrim Fellowship. We hope to see some new faces at the meetings during the winter and spring months that remain. The officers will be glad to receive your phone call and we will put you in touch with the committee chairman of the month for the purpose of making your dinner reservations.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan and Donn Chatterton



# Organ Repair

October 7, 1966

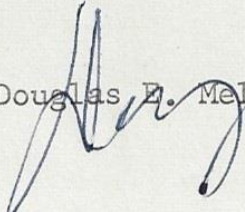
Dear Mina:

This morning as voted by the cabinet last evening I talked at some length with Mr. Taylor of Andover Organ with the following results:

1. Andover Organ has now placed us on their schedule for the organ repair.
2. It is planned to commence the work on March 27, 1967. This is the earliest date available and is the Monday after Easter.
3. The work will take about six weeks during which time we should plan that the organ will be inoperable.
4. Mr. Taylor of Andover Organ suggested the following in lieu of (3):
  - a) Use a piano during this period.
  - b) Rent an electronic organ. He will try to make a suggestion as to where one could be rented and the cost.
  - c) He will also estimate what it would cost to each Friday night from March 26 until the work is complete to estimate the additional charge to have our organ operable during this period.
  - d) Mr. Taylor will send a formal contract for my signature within the next few weeks.

I am writing you this note and sending copies to the other members of the Trustee Board, Reverend Southwick, Debbie Stone, and ~~Robert~~ Bunker so that they will be up to date. If you agree I would want all the cabinet members informed by your sending, for example, a note to each of them.

Douglas E. Melzard





## Fair

### REPORT OF THE FAIR COMMITTEE

The Fair Committee reports the following receipts, and a record-breaking Fair profit:

Toys	\$ 734.20
Food	319.42
White Elephants	181.22
Aprons	171.25
Gifts	245.30
Young Shoppers	24.56
Christmas Decorations	182.05
Candy	119.01
Library	13.25
Plants	46.50
Snack Bar	186.00
Grabs	27.01
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	\$2,249.77
Expenses	-25.00
Total	<hr/>
	\$2,224.77

We wish to thank all who participated, either on the various committees, or as a Fair patron.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Tidd and Pat Barlow  
Co-Chairmen

## Auditor

January 15, 1967

We have this day examined and audited the Collector's and Treasurer's books and found them to be correct and in order.

Auditing Committee

*H. Nelson Brinnee*  
*Virginia R. Rogers*



## Finance

### REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

A budget of \$31,636.00 was accepted by the Church membership for the year 1967.

Working with this budget, the Finance Committee met each month to pay current bills and to discuss means of meeting our extended financial obligations.

We had a good year financially, paying all current bills. However, we did exceed the proposed budget as a result of the following unexpected expenses:

1. Purchase of the Rogers property on Cottage St. \$4,000.00
  2. Additional expense to repair organ. \$1118.46
- Present cost of the organ repair is \$7,891.46. All but approximately \$2,000.00 of this has been raised.

The Every Family Canvass for 1968 was held in November, as usual, with many members participating. However, the results were not as favorable as expected. There were 160 pledges made with 16 additional families requesting envelopes only.

The total money pledged for 1968 is as follows:

1. Current Expense	\$16,711.80
2. Missions	2,915.20
3. Improvement Fund	2,018.20
4. Building Fund	182.00
5. Church School	41.20
Total	<u>\$21,868.40</u>

Also during the past year, the Finance Committee accepted, with regret, the resignation of Mr. Kenneth Tripp. In addition, we would like to thank Mr. Bainbridge Larkin who completed three successful years of service on the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Davidson, Chairman



# Treasurer

## TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1967 -- December 31, 1967

### RECEIPTS

201	Pledges - Current Expenses	\$17,222.75
202	Loose Collect	1,280.68
203	MISSIONS	
203.1	Regular Collect	2,487.65
203.2	Special Collect	103.00
204	CHURCH SCHOOL	
204.1	Regular Collect	555.78
204.2	Missions	175.72
205	Dividends Interest & Reimbursements	4,725.38
206.1	Building Fund	279.00
206.2	Improvement Fund	1,938.65
208	MISCELLANEOUS	
208.1	Church Fair 1966      72.55	
	Church Fair 1967    2,224.77	2,297.32
208.2	Initial Offering	29.05
208.3	Special Donation	554.40
	House & Organ Pmts. from various accounts	5,356.04
209	Memorial Fund	103.25
211	Organ Fund	1,497.90
		\$38,606.57

### ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF RECEIPTS

205	Dividends and Interest and Reimbursements
	\$400.00 Interest from Perley Fund
	216.65 Interest from General Fund
	683.82 Dividends of Massachusetts Congregational Fund
	101.31 Fuel Reimbursement
	114.00 P.F.      "
	30.00 Wedding    "
	30.00 Flower     "
	70.25 Bible School "

(3,079.35 put through this account to pay Andover Organ)

208.3 & 211	Special Donation and Organ Fund
	Christmas 1966      351.00
	Easter 1967        668.90
	Christmas 1967      554.40
	General Donations    478.00
	2,052.30

### ORGAN INFORMATION

During 1967, \$2,052.30 given to Organ Fund.  
 \$4,049.89 from the Organ Fund and closed Account  
1,118.41 from the Improvement Fund  
5,168.30 total paid to Andover Organ Company to date-  
 (we still owe \$2,723.16. We now have \$836.90 set aside toward this bill from our latest Christmas offering, etc.)



## DISBURSEMENTS

LEADERSHIP AND SERVICES OF OUR MINISTRY

301	Ministers Salary	\$ 5,750.00
302	Pulpit Supply	125.00
303	Health Insurance	126.00
304	Minister's Annuity	727.38
305	Minister's Car Allowance	600.00
306	Traveling Expenses (Conf.)	93.00
307	Deacon's Supplies	49.40
308	Organist, Choir Director	1,650.00
309	Music Supplies	---
310	Board of Christian Education	1,086.02
311	Vacation Bible School	---
313	Per Capita Fellowship Cont. (\$427.28 paid for 1966, 425.81 for 1967)	853.09
314	Flowers	29.00
315	Deaconess Expenses	170.92
316	Social Committee Expenses	11.48
317	Treasurer's Salary	200.00
318	Collector's Salary	200.00
319	Long Range Planning Comm. Expenses	---
320.1	Junior Choir Expenses	46.75
320.2	Junior Choir Director's Salary	100.00
		<u>11,818.04</u>

OUR ADMINISTRATIONAL EXPENSES

401	Church Secretary	699.96
402	Stationary, Postage, Printing & Office Supplies	1,004.33
403	Sexton's Salary	1,700.00
404	Church Utilities	
	Heat	1,526.43
	Electricity	251.02
	Water	63.00
	Telephone	314.98
	Gas	48.72
		2,204.15
405	Parsonage Utilities	600.00
		<u>6,208.44</u>

OUR CHURCH PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

501	Church Building Care	} Trustees 1,307.61	702.11
502	Parsonage Upkeep		372.82
503	Supplies		232.68
504	Insurance		811.40
			<u>2,119.01</u>

CAPITAL INVESTMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

601	Office Equipment	40.97
602	Church School Equipment	---
603	Improvement Fund Savings Account	1,937.65
	Building Fund Savings Account	279.00
604	Reinvestment of 10 per cent of Dividends & Int.	130.05
		<u>2,387.67</u>



DISBURSEMENTS CONT

DEBT RETIREMENT AND RESERVES

701	Mortgage Payments of Parsonage	1,024.92
702	Reserve for contingencies and Depreciation of Building Equipment (Fair)	650.00
		<u>1,674.92</u>

OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSIONS AND OTHER BENEVOLENCES

901	<u>Missions</u>	
	Regular Missions	2,489.65
	Womens Missionary Society OCWM	100.00
	For Work of Virendra Henry, India	100.00
	For Chinese Christian Church of N.E.	100.00
901.2	Andover Newton	200.00
901.3	<u>Church School Missions</u>	
	Korean Orphan	120.00
	Sent to OCWM	147.67
		<u>3,257.32</u>

DISBURSEMENTS FROM MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

1208	Miscellaneous Disbursements	
	Payments made to Andover Organ through this account	4,435.39
	Payment of property on 5 Cottage St. came from improvement fund	4,000.00
	Rose Rogers - split tax bill for 5 Cottage St. Property	41.46
	Robert Metcalf, clearing title on 5 Cottage St. Property	7.50
	Greater Haverhill Council Churches	10.00
	Demers Plate Glass for mirror, taken from Ministers Study Imp. by Guild	8.95
	Fees for Basketball for gym	22.00
	World Day of Prayer	1.78
	Miscellaneous	122.00
1209	Memorial Fund	8,649.05
1211	Organ Fund	103.25
		<u>1,215.90</u>
		<u>9,968.23</u>

SUMMARY

Balance on Hand January 1, 1967	1,596.60
Total Receipts 1/1/67 to 12/31/67	<u>38,606.57</u>
	40,203.17
Total Disbursements	<u>37,433.63</u>
Balance on Hand December 31, 1967	<u>2,769.54</u>
Held in Checking Acc't for:	
Organ	836.90
Couples Club	78.75
Ministers	
Study Imp.	40.10
Church Sch.	
Missions	16.53
1968 Budget	347.00
1968 Missions	1.00
1968 Imp. Fund	1.00
	<u>1,321.28</u>



MORTGAGE ACCOUNT

#3594	<u>5 Hart Circle Property Parsonage</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1967	\$10,229.92
	Payments Interest 458.98	
	Principle 480.70	
	Balance December 31, 1967	9,749.22

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

GEORGETOWN SAVINGS BANK

#14284	<u>Memorial Fund</u>	
	Balance - January 1, 1967	693.46
	Deposits	103.25
	Interest	14.71
		<u>811.42</u>
	Withdrawals	458.32
	Balance on Hand January 4, 1968	<u>353.10</u>
#14417	<u>Improvement Fund</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1967	4,451.71
	Deposits	1,937.65
	Interest	115.74
		<u>6,505.10</u>
	Withdrawals	5,118.41
	Balance January 4, 1968	<u>1,386.69</u>
#14425	<u>General Fund (Spec. Notice Acc't)</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1, 1967	4,311.72
	Deposits	130.05
	Interest	216.05
		<u>4,658.42</u>
	Withdrawals	216.65
	Balance December 31, 1967	<u>4,441.77</u>
#14426	<u>Deacons Fund</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1967	1,142.78
	Deposit	350.33
	Interest	56.23
		<u>1,549.34</u>
	Withdrawals	100.00
	Balance December 31, 1967	<u>1,449.34</u>
#14427	<u>Mission Fund</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1967	1,025.00
	Interest	50.63
		<u>1,075.63</u>
	Withdrawals	50.63
	Bal. January 4, 1968	<u>1,025.00</u>
#16513	<u>Deacons Fund (Spec. Notice Acct.)</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1967	2,500.00
	Interest	125.00
		<u>2,625.00</u>
	Withdrawals	125.00
	Balance December 31, 1967	<u>2,500.00</u>



#15401	<u>Pew Cushion Fund</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1967	53.29
	Interest	2.41
	Balance January 4, 1968	<u>55.70</u>

#16617	<u>Reserve Account</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1967	1,417.47
	Deposits	650.00
	Interest	63.40
	Balance December 31, 1967	<u>2,130.87</u>

HAVERHILL SAVINGS BANK

#157430	<u>Organ Fund</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1967	2,757.44
	Deposits	1,215.90
	Interest	76.55
		<u>4,049.89</u>
	Withdrawals	4,049.89
	Balance -- Closed Acc't Sept. 19, 1967	<u>0</u>

#161328	<u>Building Fund</u>	
	Balance January 1, 1967	1,363.69
	Deposits	279.00
	Interest	65.11
	Balance January 5, 1968	<u>1,707.80</u>

Caroline E. Sheehan, Treasurer



## Budget

### FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH Georgetown, Mass. SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BUDGET

<u>We expect to spend for</u>	<u>Present Budget</u> 1/1/67 to 12/31/67	<u>Proposed Budget</u> 1/1/68 to 12/31/68
Operating our Church		
1. Leadership & Services of our Ministry	\$12,526.00	\$13,417.00
2. Adminis. & Operational Expense	6,510.00	6,510.00
3. Church Property Maint. & Repair	3,600.00	3,600.00
4. Equipment	200.00	200.00
5. Debt Retirement	1,550.00	1,675.00
Helping Others		
6. Benevolences	3,250.00	3,250.00
<u>We expect to set aside for</u>		
Improving our facilities	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
Total Budget	\$31,636.00	\$32,652.00

### BUDGET GOALS

#### RECEIPTS

201.	Pledges-Current Exp.	\$19,886.00	\$20,902.00
202.	Loose. Collect.	3,000.00	3,000.00
203.	<u>Missions</u>		
1.	Pledges-Benevolences	2,200.00	2,200.00
2.	Specials	250.00	250.00
204.	<u>Church School</u>		
1.	Regular Collect.	850.00	850.00
2.	Missions	300.00	300.00
205.	Dividends, Int. & Reimbursements	550.00	550.00
206.	Improvement Fund	4,000.00	4,000.00
207.	<u>Miscellaneous</u>		
	Church Fair, etc.	<u>600.00</u>	<u>600.00</u>
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$31,636.00	\$32,652.00



## DISBURSEMENTS

### 1. LEADERSHIP & SERVICES OF OUR MINISTRY

301.	Minister's Salary	5,750.00	6,250.00
302.	Pulpit Supply	125.00	125.00
303.	Health Insurance	126.00	252.00
304.	Minister's Annuity	725.00	790.00
305.	Minister's Car Allow.	600.00	600.00
306.	Traveling Exps. (Conf.)	100.00	100.00
307.	Deacons Supplies	150.00	150.00
308.	Organist-Choir Dir.	1,700.00	1,700.00
309.	Music Supplies	150.00	150.00
310.	Bd. Christian Ed. (Church School)	1,650.00	1,650.00
313.	Per Capita Fellowship (Cont.)	400.00	400.00
314.	Flowers	50.00	50.00
315.	Deaconess' Expenses	200.00	200.00
316.	Social Comm. Expenses	100.00	100.00
317.	Treasurer's Expenses	200.00	300.00
318.	Collector's Expenses	200.00	300.00
319.	Long Range Plan. Comm.	100.00	100.00
320.	<u>Junior Choir</u>		
1.	Director's Expenses	100.00	100.00
2.	Expenses	100.00	100.00
Total		\$12,526.00	\$13,417.00

### 2. OUR ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONAL EXPENSE

401.	Church Secretary	700.00	700.00
402.	Stationery, Postage, Printing and Office Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00
403.	Sexton's Salary	1,740.00	1,740.00
404.	<u>Church Utilities</u>		
1.	Heat	1,600.00	1,600.00
2.	Electricity	400.00	400.00
3.	Water	60.00	60.00
4.	Telephone	350.00	350.00
5.	Gas	60.00	60.00
405.	Parsonage Utilities	600.00	600.00
Total		\$6,510.00	\$6,510.00

### 3. OUR CHURCH PROPERTY MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

501.	Church Bldg. Care )		
502.	Parsonage Upkeep )	2,800.00	2,800.00
503.	Supplies )		
504.	Insurance	800.00	800.00
Total		\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00

### 4. CAPITAL INVESTMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

601.	Office Equipment	100.00	100.00
602.	Church School Equip.	100.00	100.00
603.	Improvement Fund	4,000.00	4,000.00
Total		\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00



## DISBURSEMENTS (Cont.)

5. <u>DEBT RETIREMENT AND RESERVES</u>		<u>Present Budget</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>
701.	Mortgage Payments on Parsonage	900.00	1,025.00
702.	Reserve for Contingencies & Depreciation of Bldg. Equip.	650.00	650.00
	Total	<u>\$1,550.00</u>	<u>\$1,675.00</u>
6. <u>OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION AND OTHER BENEVOLENCES</u>			
901.	<u>Missions and Benevolences</u>		
1.	Regular	2,500.00	2,500.00
2.	Andover Newton Theo. School	200.00	200.00
3.	Veterans of the Cross	50.00	50.00
4.	Church School Missions	250.00	250.00
5.	Specials	250.00	250.00
	Total	<u>\$3,250.00</u>	<u>\$3,250.00</u>



## Nominating

The following is the report of the Nominating Committee:

Moderator	H. Nelson Pingree
Clerk	Wilhelmina M. Marble
Treasurer	Carol Sheehan
Collector	Ruth L. Jones
Board of Deacons (Three years)	Forrest Bridges Charles Blanchard
Board of Deaconesses (Three years)	Harriett Poole Agnes Emerson
Finance Committee (Three years)	Calvin Pingree
Board of Christian Education (Three years)	Thelma Cameron Richard Annis
Music Committee (Three years)	Deborah Stone
Board of Trustees (Five yrs.)	Douglass Melzard
Auditing Committee	Virginia Rogers H. Nelson Pingree
Social Committee	Natalie Tidd
Social Action	Dr. Edward Allen
Flower Committee	Marcie Winkelman
Ushering Committee	Ernest Kellaway
Nominating Committee (Five years)	David Stewart
Delegates	Olive R. Metcalf Robert F. Metcalf

*Wilhelmina M. Marble*

*Elizabeth E. Pingree*  
*Edna H. Ayer*  
*Isaac Bancroft*  
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

October 19, 1967