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The Year Of Our Church Building Centennial Celebration
1874 - 1974



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Georgetown, Massachusetts

Meetings

WARRANT

January 14, 1974

The Members of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown, Massachusetts 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 24, 1974 at 7:30 P. M. in the Church Vestry, then and there to act on the following listed Articles:

- ARTICLE 1. To receive the reports of the several Boards, Committees and Officers of the Church, and to take action thereon.
- ARTICLE 2. To hear the report of the Nominating Committee and to take any action required thereon.
- ARTICLE 3. To hear the report of the Finance Committee regarding the Church Budget and to take action thereon.
- ARTICLE 4. To take any other action relative to the Church and/or its property.

BY DIRECTION OF THE CABINET

Posted January 15, 1974

Clerk

January 24, 1974

The Annual Meeting of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown was called to order at 7:45 P. M. by the Moderator Donn Chatterton.

The Invocation was by the Rev. Philip Southwick.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Clerk read the Warrant.

ARTICLE 2: To hear the report of the Nominating Committee and to take action required thereon.

Robert Davidson read the report of the Nominating Committee. There were no further nominees. Voted that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted as read and that the Clerk cast one ballot for the following Officers:

Moderator	Donn Chatterton
Clerk	Wilhelmina M. Marble
Treasurer	Carolyn Sheehan
Collector	Ruth L. Jones
Diaconate (Three years)	Sally Johnson
	Carol Knapp
	Joseph Knapp
	T. Louis Hamelin
Trustee (Five years)	Edward Jones
Music Committee (Three years)	Linda Games
Board of Christian Education (Three years)	Barry Games
	Lois Hazen
Finance Committee (Three years)	Donald Johnson
Nominating Committee (Five yrs)	A. Lawrence Tripp
Auditing Committee	Leeland Lowell
	Virginia Rogers
Social Committee	Beth Bond
Flower Committee	Anna Tozier, Joan Chatterton
	Mary Nichols, Constance Tripp,
	Linda Games, Lillian Grissino,
	Florence Hamelin, Patricia Pingree,
	Elaine Zabronowitz, Carol Pierce,
	Carol Dispenza, Edna Ayer and
	Joanne Margeson.
Church World Service	Olive Metcalf
Ushers	Ernest Kelloway
	Thomas Hamelin.

The Moderator declared the Officers elected.

ARTICLE 3. To hear the report of the Finance Committee regarding the Church Budget and to take action thereon.

Finance Committee Chairman Donald Johnson explained the Budget in detail and answered questions. Voted that the 1974 Budget in the amount of \$38,400.00 be accepted.

The Moderator reported that Committees will be appointed for Fund raising projects. It was suggested that the Treasurers report contain a list of actual money spent in the summary of the proposed budget, also that the pages be numbered.

The Moderator thanked the Finance Committee and the Nominating Committee.

ARTICLE 1. To receive the reports of the several Boards, Committees and Officers of the Church, and to take action thereon.

The members present were given time to peruse the several reports as printed. The Moderator asked that all reports be in on time next year so that they may be mailed before the meeting and thus give the members a chance to go over them. After discussing the reports it was voted that the Annual Reports, as printed, be accepted.

Rev. Philip H. Southwick was given a vote of Confidence.

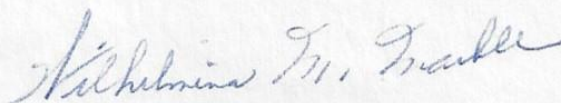
ARTICLE 4. To take any other action relative to the Church and/or its property.

James Gammie reported for the self study committee. Among the suggestions made was that the Diaconate set up discussion groups. Rev. Southwick read a letter from Agnes Bridges of the Lieng Ho Education Fund, Inc. Moderator thanked Beth Bond and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Pierce for their efforts on recent programs. Trustee Chairman Robert Davidson was also thanked for the many repair jobs, etc., accomplished.

Helen Snow Chairman of the Vestry Committee reported. Total estimates for paint, dividers, carpentry, floors, rugs etc., amount to \$4728.00, aiming for not more than \$5000.00. Revamping of heating system and lighting were discussed. Mrs. Snow will follow this up and report later.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 P. M. after which refreshments in charge of Joan Chatterton were served.

37 members present.



Clerk

First Congregational Church of

Georgetown, Massachusetts

Minister

REV. PHILIP H. SOUTHWICK

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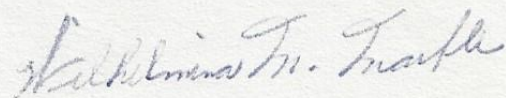
March 18, 1974

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 on Tuesday, April 2, 1974 at 8 P. M. in the Vestry, then and there to act on the following listed Articles:

ARTICLE I: To hear the report and recommendations of the Cabinet regarding renovations of the first floor of the Church and to take action thereon.

ARTICLE II: To take any other action relative to the Church and/or its property.

BY DIRECTION OF THE CABINET



Clerk

Posted
March 24, 1974

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown, Inc. was called to order at 8:05 P. M. by the Moderator Donn Chatterton, on April 2, 1974. Invocation by the Rev. Philip Southwick.

The Warrant was read by the Clerk.

Article I: To hear the report and recommendations of the Cabinet regarding renovations of the first floor of the Church and to take action thereon.

The Moderator turned the meeting over to Helen Snow, Chairman of the Vestry Committee. This Committee was appointed by the Cabinet some three years ago. Janet Derouin has assisted the Committee and obtained all quotes. Mrs. Derouin has worked closely with the Carpenters, Electrician, tradesmen etc.

Mrs. Snow turned the meeting over to Mrs. Derouin who explained the work necessary and a tour of all areas to be refurbished was taken by those present. Mrs. Derouin is not being paid for her work, she is happy to do this for the Church. (report of the Committee and quotes attached). She will work closely with all concerned and will schedule and supervise the work.

Don Johnson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, with the aid of a Chart explained the current pledges and offered suggestions as to how the work can be paid for. A portion is available from Advent and Easter offerings and the Improvement Fund. The Finance Committee would like the membership to have a piece of the action rather than borrowing.

After discussion, proposals and questions Carol Sheehan moved that the membership of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown accept the proposal of the Vestry Committee for renovation of the down stairs rooms in the amount of \$12,530.25. Motion seconded by Calvin Pingree and voted after discussion. There were no dissenting votes.

Janet Derouin was given a vote of thanks for all her work. Helen Snow was also thanked for her efforts.

Lee Lowell offered to have an Auction to purchase Wall to Wall carpet for the Vestry.

Meeting adjourned after which Beth Bond served Coffee, Punch and delicious goodies.

Philip Southwick

Minister

REPORT OF THE MINISTER

1974 was a busy, interesting year. We held our worship services in the vestry during the winter months in order to conserve energy and we discovered that we liked the idea. We were closer together, we felt free to share our thoughts, we were friendlier and more informal than up in the sanctuary. It was easier to introduce variety. At the end of January we held an overnight retreat at Rolling Ridge; this proved to be a powerful spiritual awakening for several. During those same winter months we were busy putting together a booklet of my pastoral prayers, which many people have spoken of appreciatively.

We changed the practice of receiving the Confirmation Class and new members from Maundy Thursday to Palm Sunday because we felt that more celebration was in order than was appropriate for Maundy Thursday. We had a coffee hour for the new members following worship on Palm Sunday. On Easter we held an Easter Sunrise Service sponsored by the Youth Groups, followed by a breakfast for everyone back at the church. This proved popular and we plan to repeat it this year.

In the spring at a special church meeting we voted to proceed with long overdue renovation. At that time we asked for what we believed to be a modest and reasonable pledge to partially finance the cost - \$1.00 a week for three years - from those who were able to do so. Apparently we either overestimated people's ability or willingness to support the renovation which they voted, for we have not yet received pledges amounting to what was needed. Now that the renovation is complete, except for the ongoing task of paying for it, people seem pleased with the warmth, attractiveness and convenience.

This fall we decided to try having all the regular church committees meet on the same night at the church. I believe that this has worked out well for everyone. People have felt freer to attend committees with whom they wished to speak. The committees have been able to interact and easily confer with one another. There has been a greater sense of community and teamwork.

This fall our Church Fair was a bigger success than we dared to hope for, considering the national economy. That was just the kick-off to the month long centennial celebration culminating in Rededication Sunday.

Our Thanksgiving Eve and Christmas Eve services were tremendously inspiring. The ecumenical choir and band for Thanksgiving Eve thrilled all who attended, especially those participating. I felt that our Thanksgiving Eve music as directed by our beloved

REPORT OF THE MINISTER - Continued

Miss Tuttle was the crowning point of her all too short time with us. During the little more than two years she was with us she brought and shared so much of herself and Christ's spirit with us.

During the year we accomplished several worthwhile things, but not all that we had hoped. We are never through; there is always more to do. New suggestions and ideas are always wanted.

I appreciate all who have gathered for worship and found God's strength and guidance, those who have worked tirelessly throughout the year on committees and in groups, those who have carried out special projects and events. I thank the Diaconate for the Captain's Chair which they presented to me on behalf of the Church on Rededication Sunday, noting the fifteenth anniversary of my ordination.

Our Area Minister, Rev. Karl Phillippi, remarked to me on Rededication Sunday that we are indeed fortunate to have so many children and young people actively involved in the church, especially in the worship services through their musical talents. We have more youth than other churches of our denomination in the northeast area of the state. We're glad that they've found ways and a place to be involved.

Thank you for allowing me to grow and serve with you.

Faithfully yours,

Philip H. Southwick

Clerk

REPORT OF THE CLERK

Membership January 1, 1974		272
Additions:		
Confession of Faith	7	
Letters of Transfer	3	10
		282
Losses;		
Letters of Transfer	5	
Death	9	14
Membership, December 31, 1974		268
Baptisms	15	
Marriages	16	
Funerals	15	

Wilhelmina M. Marble
Clerk

In Memoriam:

Robert F. Metcalf
 Alice Lowell
 Irene Ripley
 Gladys Bagley
 Dr. Edward Allen
 Philip J. Driscoll
 George Adams
 Harold Jones
 Florence Singles

Diaconate

REPORT OF THE DIACONATE

The past year was a busy but joyful one for us. Many attended the Retreat the first and second of February which got us off to a good start.

With the assistance of the Music Committee, we sponsored a very gratifying and enjoyable organ concert, with Douglas Rafter at the keyboard of our very fine organ.

"Sing With Joy" was the theme of our Laymen's Sunday Service, and thanks to the assistance of the adult and youth choirs, it was a joyous way to worship God by singing and listening to some of the old favorite hymns. Thanks to the untiring efforts of Allan Barlow, we now have an organ for the Vestry which we will enjoy during our winter services, as well as other times.

The Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service was very well attended. It is indeed a pleasure to have our friends and neighbors from other churches worship with us. The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service was, as usual, a beautiful and inspiring service. It is wonderful to see the church so full of happy people, gathered to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

The Christian Service Group with the Diaconate as coordinators have helped and assisted many people of the community. We could use more volunteers in this worthwhile endeavor to help others. We also were able to aid people with the use of the Deacon's Fund, which is available to those in need.

We made a few purchases from the Memorial Fund; the organ for the Vestry, the new robes for the Junior Choir, and twenty Living Bibles for the Sunday School, etc.

We are pleased with the many activities that are going on in the church. There seems to be a good feeling of Christian fellowship, and concern for others. I want to thank our very capable secretary, Florence Hamelin, for all the support and assistance she has given to me. Also all the other members of the Diaconate, - they have been wonderful and fun to work with. Many thanks to those who have assisted us in any way in making this a year to remember. God bless all of you.

We also want to thank Rev. Southwick for the many things he does for others, and for the time and effort which he gives to the community, as well as the Church, and for his splendid cooperation with the Diaconate.

"Trust God, and live one day at a time."

With Christian love, respectfully submitted,

Forrest Bridges, Chairman

Christian Education

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

One of the main areas of concern for our Board this year has been to expand our library of resource materials. We have purchased a cassette tape recorder, tapes, records and a variety of written material for use by all members of our church. We plan to have all materials catalogued and easily accessible to anyone who wishes to use it.

We are extremely enthusiastic about our Church School this year. It is staffed with excellent teachers and attendance has been good. Our thanks go to Evelyn Boose for a job well done. The committee, at the suggestions of some of the teachers, plans to make some major changes in curriculum this coming year. Times are changing and so must we.

One problem we have yet to solve to everyone's satisfaction is the use of Metcalf House by our Church School and "Infantry". We are now involved in discussions with the Trustees and with the operators of the Pentucket Workshop. Some progress has been made.

The youth groups, headed by the Charles Margesons and the Allan Barlows have also done well. Their programs have been varied and interest high in both the Junior High and the High School age groups.

We have tried, through family Sundays, family suppers and our all Church picnic to involve the entire family in our programs. There have been some very willing and talented hands working with us during the year. Thank you one and all.

Any criticisms or suggestions concerning education in our church are always welcomed by our Board, so please feel free to attend our meetings.

Betty Davidson, Chairman
Barry Games
David Stewart
Helen Snow
Donald Silvernail
Lois Hazen

School Superintendent

REPORT OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

We continue to be lucky in the Church School to have teachers willing to put in the time and love to work with our children. This fall our teachers are: Helga Pearson and Marcia Manning - 3 and 4 yrs; Lois Hazen - 5 yrs.; Susan Kelley - 1st grade; Joyce Tolman - 2nd grade; Sue Clohecy - 3rd grade; Elaine Kimball - 4th grade; Joe and Carol Knapp - 5th & 6th grade boys; Marian Harding - 5th & 6th grade girls; Shirley Southwick - 7th & 8th grade girls; Carol Dispenza - 7th & 8th grade boys; Phil Southwick - high school. Christine Richardson, Diane Castle Erica Pierce, Shirley Locke, and Francis Brennan are helpers.

Church School missions include UNICEF, Thanksgiving Food offering, and "White Gifts" (children's gifts) which were donated to the Haverhill Salvation Army. The first Sunday of every month's collection is saved for mission projects and it is hoped to begin a "Heifer Fund" project this spring.

Our 9:30 classes meet for ten to fifteen minutes every Sunday to learn hymns and other religious music, have worship services (sometimes conducted by different classes) and to hear speakers.

The Junior Choir meets weekly and sings in the church service one Sunday a month and for Christmas Eve, Christmas Sunday and Easter. They have also taken part in a Junior Choir Festival for the last three years, - held last year in the First Baptist Church in Beverly. For this the children learned six anthems by heart and joined about 300 others to sing. Last Childrens' Day they first wore their new gold robes, given to them by the Diaconate from the Memorial Fund. They also attended "The King and I" in Bradford and had a year-end picnic in Sandown, N.H. This December they joined the Jr. P.F. for a Pizza Party and went caroling - walking around the Square and to homes of various friends of the church.

Childrens' Day, the end of the Church School year in June, is a day of singing and music and the theme of the day is similar to the years' study.

If our children are the hope of the future church, I feel good about them. We try hard to make them see that Church School isn't just for learning facts and figures, but is part of a process of growing and realizing what God means to each of them personally - here and now.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Boose, Superintendent

Youth Fellowship

REPORT OF THE YOUTH GROUP LEADERS

This past year was an exciting and joyful one for us. During the past twelve months we too enjoyed, with the youth, the coasting parties, sleigh ride, bowling and even a beach party in Maine. Even more, we are extremely proud of the real accomplishments of your young adults.

February found them behind the scenes serving for some 150 people at the "All Church Family Supper". They then hosted a supper meeting for the sponsors of a Vietnamese student to plan a benefit for the "Lieng-Hot Educational Fund, Inc." These plans materialized in March when the group prepared and served a Spaghetti Supper which made it possible to send over \$100 to the fund. They ended the month with a meeting with all of the Essex North youth groups; the meeting was held in Haverhill.

In April a beautiful experience came to us all at a Sunrise Service held for the entire Church Family, with a breakfast following at the church. With the help of many of our church friends, over eighty people were served. We considered it a success and hope to try it again this year.

Our April paper drive was so successful that three members of the Senior High Group received scholarships for a week at the Star Island Conference. In May the groups gave a helping hand to the Couples Club by waiting on tables for their annual play.

A decision was reached this fall to divide the leadership of the youth groups. It was a sad but necessary action for us to give up the leadership of the Junior Group; happily however, Pat and Allan Barlow agreed to advise the Juniors and they continue with their new leaders.

In October we sponsored a Halloween party for all of the 5th and 6th grade children of Georgetown. The group took charge of supervising the younger children and of the big cleanup job that followed! In November both groups were busy participating in all of the church activities. They contributed both time and money earned from their talents to the Fair and other Centennial events. In December, again both groups gave of their time and talents to entertain and serve refreshments to the children of the Church School.

We are very grateful to all the parents and friends who gave us so much support, and the loan of their young people!

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne and Chuck Margeson

Trustees

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

This past year the Trustees of the church have had what may be called a consistantly normal year (always in trouble!). On a few occasions they were able to let all of their frustrations go by tearing down the fence, the old sign and getting rid of a few pianos. They were busy in one way or the other with the church Fair, Centennial Celebration and the renovation of the Vestry.

The Trustees felt that they were liberal in allowing different groups to use the church; Essex Sewing Class, Weblos, Welcome Wagon Newcomers' Club and for special anniversary parties, and they hope the trend will continue.

Naturally there were a number of everyday types of problems to consider and handle.

The major expenses for the year were having some electrical work done in the Vestry and the kitchen, repair of the lawnmower-snowplow and the purchase of a new vacuum cleaner.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Magown, Chairman

Music

REPORT OF THE MUSIC COMMITTEE

The Music Committee was very active this year, collaborating early in the year with the Diaconate to sponsor another organ concert by Douglas Rafter. This time, the attendance was good, and a profit of about \$200 was turned over to the church - a rather successful fund-raising project and a concert much enjoyed by all. A recording was made, and played for some of those who were unable to attend due to illness.

A Boys' Choir was formed, under the direction of Mrs. Barry Games, and performed for us on Childrens' Sunday. However, interest waned; sports and other activities took over and so it was discontinued.

We decided with the Diaconate that Lay Sunday would be a musical program, the music serving as the sermon, pleasing many who have requested such a program, and all the comments which came to our ears were good ones.

New choir robes for the Junior Choir were looked into, and after much deliberation and planning, it was decided that making the robes would be as expensive as buying ready-made ones. Therefore we purchased new robes in permanent, washable, press fabric, a gold color which we feel adds to the decor of our church.

An open meeting was held in June, and the instrumental music was discussed, with Robert Knapp looking into new types of music to hold the interest of the young people. Also, at this meeting, Mrs. Linda Games brought forward the idea of the youth of the church doing a modern cantata called "Joseph and His Technicolor Dreamcoat". The ideas sounded good to us, and this cantata is now in production, to be presented in April. Fees for the Organist at weddings and funerals was discussed and was set at a minimum of \$15 according to what is to be expected.

Our Senior Choir joined with West Boxford once again for a repeat performance of Faure's "Requiem" at both our churches and again after Easter at the Episcopal Church in Methuen. A recording was made of the performance in our church and duplicate tapes are available at cost.

Everything was going along well, until a letter was received from Miss Tuttle, telling us of her impending move and resignation as organist-choir director effective the end of the year. This was a sad note, as she has endeared herself to our youth, our members and became one of us. Mrs. Games resigned from the Music Committee in order to apply for the possible job of Director of Music. She was replaced on the Committee by Mrs. Calvin (Pat) Pingree, a former member.

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MUSIC COMMITTEE CONTINUED

We considered both angles when looking to replace Miss Tuttle. We decided that, since we had potential directors and organist within our own church, and any outsiders we contacted wanted both jobs or none, that we made a good choice in electing Mrs. Linda Games as Director of Music, and Mrs. Janet Flyzik as organist. Regular reviews will be made with these people, and any others involved in the music of our church in order to keep things running smoothly and to have any new ideas expressed and reviewed.

A Choir party was given for Miss Tuttle, and a gift of Towle's Silver pendant, called the "Four Calling Birds" from their Twelve Days of Christmas collection, was presented to Lucile.

Recognition by the people of the church for Miss Tuttle's work was made on Christmas Sunday when an attache case was presented to her, and which since has been initialed for her.

We ended the Centennial Celebration on a musical note, December 8th, with all of our musicians performing and also guest musicians from the Boston Symphony. During the banquet after church, there was a sing-a-long and soloists -- a fitting ending for such a momentous occasion. This was a year of years.

Respectfully submitted,

Mildred Gangloff, Chairman
Music Committee

Guild

REPORT OF THE GUILD

The Guild started the year 1974 with a covered dish supper at the home of Gert Pingree. The party progressed to Connie Tripp's home for dessert and a Yankee Swap. The February meeting found us hard at work for our Material Aids Committee in charge of Olive Metcalf. Material Aids does work for Church World Service, plus many other worthwhile service projects.

Guest Night in March featured Mr. Raymond Barlow of Windham, N.H., speaking about Sandwich Glass. Guest Night is always open to the public and is usually well attended. In April Rev. Ian Stewart came to us from The Seaman's Friend Society in Boston. He spoke to us about the Society and showed slides. This is an organization which our Material Aids Committee has supported over the years.

A covered dish supper was served in May and the annual reports were read from the committees and officers. The election of new officers took place.

We began our fall meetings in October since the September meeting was canceled due to the Vestry renovation. At the October meeting we had a talk on Germany and Switzerland, given by Mr. William Spencer, German teacher at Masconomet Regional High School. This talk was illustrated with slides.

The Guild contributed to the Church's Centennial celebrations by presenting a fashion show, coordinated by Gert Pingree and entitled "A Parade of Fashions from an Era Gone By". Fashions of 1850 to the early 1900's were modeled, and refreshments were served to an appreciative group of members and guests.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Smith, Secretary

Missionary Society

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Annual Meeting this year was held at the home of the Misses Eleanor and Satira Stetson with Mrs. Mildred Rice as co-hostess. At this time reports were given by the Secretary and Treasurer and the election of officers took place.

During the year nine meetings were held, a devotional program presented at each meeting and a study book, "Stranger in China", depicting life in modern mainland China was read and discussed. As part of the missionary endeavor, contributions were made to the following projects: Church Missions, Church Repair Fund, Church Memorials, CARE, the ship HOPE, a Vietnamese student, the Walker Home, world-Wide Least Coin effort, and the Marrowbone Folk School in Pikeville, Kentucky, In addition each member assisted in one or more church efforts.

Inflation has not come to the Missionary Society; the dues are still fifty cents a year as they have been for many decades. There is no fund raising; all contributions are voluntary. A most cordial invitation is extended to the women of our church to join this group, all will be most welcome. Officers for the year are: President, Edna Ayer; Vice-President, Agnes Emerson; Secretary, Marjorie Dea; Treasurer, Harriette Poole.

Respectfully submitted,

Edna Ayer, President

World Service

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE - MATERIAL AIDS REPORT

During 1974 the Material Aid Committee remembered at least nineteen institutions of various kinds. They were to:

Church World Service for distribution wherever needed - about 2,100 lbs. of used clothing, 100 lbs. of sewing kits and \$22.00 for their shipping costs.

To Indian reservations: the Snow Bird Chapel Thrift Shop, New Town, North Dakota, \$15.00 worth of new knitted articles and nearly new children's clothing. We also sent them \$5.00 for the purchase of material aid items.

A donation was sent to the Rosebud Reservation, St. Charles, South Dakota in the amount of \$10.00.

Again, an amount of \$10.00 was sent to the Charles Hall Youth Services in Bismarck, North Dakota.

The Pleasant Hill Thrift Shop in Pleasant Hill, Tenn. is always in need of good used clothing and household articles. To this project we sent more than 100 lbs. of articles, the last of which went in December. I hope we can do more for them this winter, because even though the express is considerable, their thanks always comes in the form of a personal letter, and I am sure it really helps them.

To the Ryder Hospital in Puerto Rico, we sent about a dozen nurses uniforms, and \$10.00 for the purchase of Material Aid items.

We have at least 20 lbs. of torn sheet bandages ready to go to two Leprosy Clinics in India.

The Walker Missionary Home, in Auburndale, Mass. benefited from at least eight large cartons of very carefully selected clothes and two or three pillows.

Some time ago we sent two large cartons of used clothing to the Danvers State Hospital and we have another ready to go. Also, to GLEAM in Lawrence, Mass., we've sent at least 100 lbs. of used clothing and \$5.00. Another carton is about ready to go to this organization

We remembered the prisoners this Christmas at the Walpole Prison -- \$10.00 was sent there to buy small gifts.

Money gifts in lieu of Material Aid were sent to:

Ecumenical Center, Roxbury, \$10.00; Elon Home for Children, Elon College, N. C., \$5.00; Back Bay Mission, Biloxi, Miss., \$5.00; Migrant Ministry for Massachusetts, \$10.00; Protestant Youth Center, Baldwinsville, \$10.00.

MATERIAL AID COMMITTEE

We do not give money gifts unless we have the money after meeting our expenses. These are for materials, including scissors, thimbles, thread, etc. for sewing kits, for express or postage where necessary, to Church World Service for their shipping costs, and a few small expenses such as bundle twine and the cost of checks.

These gifts should not be considered as a duplication of anything that may come to any of these agencies as the result of the regular missionary giving of the church or from Mission Advance. Our work is primarily passing on our left-overs to people who will have a little more to do with, because of what we can spare. Even the money gifts, when there are any, are given from money earned or contributed for "Material Aid" and are given in the hope they may be applied to some special needs which are too big for us to handle alone, such as typewriters, audio-visual equipment, craft materials, etc. They do not take care of the maintenance or running expenses or payroll, for a part of which some of these institutions must look to the churches.

There would not be any money gifts EVER, if we were not so blessed with good friends who help on deliveries -- (ie.) , all these items were delivered by car, free, to the Walker Home, Danvers State Hospital, GLEAM, and the Boston Seaman's Friend Society. Church World Service picks up their own boxes as a rule. Graf's Express takes the City Missionary boxes and anything else in their area free, and on items that have to be transferred to other carriers, they go prepaid, and we are only billed for the other carriers.

Our money comes largely from our annual food sale; last year that netted us \$66.65, and money given from the quilt making group, with other cash gifts here and there. Last year it came to \$119.65. Some of the money gifts were really held over from the previous year, because as some of you know, I've been extra busy. This work is done under the supervision of the Guild Material Aid Committee, but it is made possible by very many people inside the church and out. We had a very successful work party last spring at one of the Guild meetings. We ask that you continue to give good used clothing, especially mens' clothes and blankets.

During the year, Mrs. Clifford Emerson resigned from the committee and Mrs. Walter Wood was appointed. I would like to note that several of our "alumnae" from the committee, the Misses Eleanor and Satira Stetson, Mrs. Harry Sweetland and Mrs. Clifford Emerson, continue to be a tremendous help to the committee. This year we have had no food sale, because of rising costs and because we were so busy with the anniversary, but some very unexpected cash donations came to \$40.00, so we will try to get along without the food sale this year. If any of you would like to give a dollar to any member of the committee "instead of the food", it would help our cause a little more. We are: Miss Olive R. Metcalf, Chairman; Mrs. Henry Dea, Mrs. Guy A. Minchin, Mrs. George Swanton and Mrs. Walter O. Wood.

Respectfully submitted, Olive R. Metcalf

Couple's Club

REPORT OF THE COUPLES CLUB

Our big project during the year was the presentation of the play, "The Robin Hood Caper". It was a grand success both from the standpoint of attendance and because it brought in a good profit -- much of which will be returned to the church in one way or another.

Donations from the club were made to the following: The Memorial Fund in memory of Alice Lowell and Robert Metcalf. Lights were donated by Stephen Kimball for use at our plays. Money was contributed to the youth group to help with their Christmas party.

Our programs were varied and interesting -- we had the Bell Ringers from the First Baptist Church of Haverhill perform for us (one of their members, Georgianna Nelson, is from our group); also the Irish High Steppers from North Andover lent us a musical note for a March St. Patrick's Day theme meeting.

We thoroughly enjoyed a talk by Sheriff Wells. He made us all aware of the "hodge podge" in our prison system. He would not accept payment, so we donated \$15 to the Essex County Prisoner's Fund. Another talk and slide show dealt with recycling and related problems.

Before the summer recess, we enjoyed a covered dish supper. New officers elected for the 1974-1975 season are Mary and Art Outram, President; Nancy and Bob Griffin, Vice President; Susan and Glenn Clohec, Treasurer and Georgianna and Harold Nelson, Secretary.

We again contributed our talents for the Thanksgiving display in the Sanctuary. Arrangers were Carol Dispenza and Joanne Margeson. Susan Clohec and Elaine Kimball took care of selling refreshments for the Centennial Craft Exhibit.

The December meeting ended the year with a Christmas party at Mary and Art Outrams.' We look forward to interesting meetings in 1975 and hope that many more of you reading this report will come and join us at our monthly meetings -- the first Monday evening of the month. Plans are on the way for another play to be presented this spring. Feel free to participate in any way either behind the scenes or on stage.

Respectfully submitted, Mary and Art Outram

Fair

THE CENTENNIAL FAIR OF 1974

This year's Fair marked the beginning of our month-long Centennial celebrations. From beginning to end it was a lively, busy and fun Fair -- a time to see many familiar faces and also, happily, a time when many of our newer friends were involved.

We hope we have personally thanked all those who took charge of the various tables at the Fair. They did a magnificent job -- and how they worked! There were so many helpers, and to each and everyone of you -- our "thanks".

The Fair made a profit of a little over \$3,000. You will note from the Treasurer's Report that the amount listed there is greater -- however it does not take into account that there were outstanding bills that were met after the Fair, and also that \$300 has been placed back into the Fair Chairman's Account (head-start money for next year's Fair). We did not dream of making this much profit, due to the state of the economy. It is, therefore, a credit to all of the work and creativity that the Fair generates!

Something new was added to this year's Fair -- a door prize. It was a beautifully hand-crafted captains' chair, donated by Spauldings Colonial Reproductions, and was won by Joe Sheehan. The idea sparked a lot of interest and fun.

The Centennial Fair of 1974 will long be remembered-- the look was Victorian, the color was blue, the motif was a bell (to remind us of our own Paul Revere bell) and everywhere there were colorful, beautiful handmade articles and in the center of the room, greenery abounded. Pleasant aromas issued from the kitchen -- freshly baked pies and rolls and many, many other gourmet delights.

We look forward to seeing everyone at next year's Fair which will be November 7th and 8th. Thanks again to all of you who helped make this year's Fair a joyful event in the life of this Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Johnson and Joan Chatterton, Co-Chairmen

Centennial

THE CENTENNIAL REPORT

Our month long church building Centennial celebration swung into action with the Centennial Fair, co-chaired by Joan Chatterton and Sally Johnson, on November 8th and 9th. (See Church Fair Report.) Our 1815 Revere bell was used as our Centennial symbol and lovely royal blue skirts covered our long tables during most of the celebration.

A Yesteryear Day For Children was held on Sunday afternoon, November 17th, under the guidance of Lois Hazen. Help was also provided for the day by the Board of Christian Education. A thousand invitations were distributed through the nursery, kindergarten and grade schools. Activities children enjoyed a hundred or more years ago were depicted. The children not only observed, but participated in most of the day's happenings. There were gingerbread people to decorate, shadow plays to recreate, newspaper dolls to cut, the history and use of the pen with feathered quills whittled for all to try, an assortment of handmade Victorian and Colonial toys to test, plus the making of cornhusk dolls. The displays included a large antique bank collection, an electric train set, a doll doctor with many of her creations, old fire equipment and pictures, antique kitchen utensils such as apple peelers, a coffee grinder, and a butter churn, all for the children to try. Five hundred studded spools, used as knitters, were packaged with directions and yarn. Clothespins, with instructions and materials for making dolls and toys, were also distributed. Victorian things of interest were shown and a gingerbread town and creche could be seen in the Narthex, along with a century old bicycle. An old fashioned school room was depicted and a number of antique children's books were on display. Penny candy, popcorn, orange drink and homemade root bear were sold by the Pilgrim Fellowship groups. (There's a good chance that popcorn will still be found in the sanctuary balcony by those who attend the church building Bicentennial!) The pews were filled to capacity with children for the puppet show. To create the present, there was an excellent Boston Museum of Science presentation that fascinated both young and old. What a thrill to welcome all those beaming faces for the programs!

November 21st the Guild, under the competent hand of Gert Pingree, presented a delightful Yesteryear fashion show and displays of old magazines, photographs, music, town events, baby clothes, and many other interesting things. The attendance was excellent as were the refreshments. Gert was assisted by Connie Tripp and Olive Ingraham in preparing for the Fashion Show. Leland Lowell added a special note to the evening's festivities by showing his slides and modeling men's fashions.

THE CENTENNIAL REPORT, Continued

Our Century Olds Craft Exhibit and Demonstration was held on November 24th. The very capable Carol Pierce, who chaired this event, spent five months of tireless organizing to bring us this memorable day. Our entire building overflowed with artisans - (including the kitchen and the front lawn). The following thirty-eight (38) crafts were represented. Applique, bead-working, blacksmith, butter making, calligraphy and silk screening, candle dipping, caning, crewel, crocheting, decoupage, doll making (applehead, sock, rag, china-head and cornhusk), embroidering, fried dough making, glass blowing, knitting, leaded glass, macrame, patch-work, potter, quilling, quilting, rug braiding, rug hooking, rushing, saddle making, scrimshaw, shoe-making, silversmith, smocking, spinning, stenciling, tatting, wood carving, weaving and a display of yesteryear tools and how they were used.. Extensive advertising was done outside the town which brought a staggering number of people to this event. Five hundred programs were distributed with the thought that there would be one per couple. Doughnuts, coffee, tea, country cider and homemade fried dough were sold by Couples Club volunteers and a member of the Diaconate.

On November 27th we were host to five churches for our ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service. Miss Lucile Tuttle, our choir director and organist, directed a forty voice choir made up of members from the invited churches. It was most impressive. Ministers from all of the churches participated in the program. Following the service there was a Victorian display on the vestry stage, the long room and the conference room, under the artistic coordination of Janet Derouin. Included in the displays were many antique clocks, toys, tinsel pictures, period shoes, music, Victorian doll clothes, a large comb collection, greeting cards, historical pictures of the town, books, daguerreotypes, old kitchen utensils, an Historical Society display and other interesting items. We also hosted what may have been the largest coffee hour this church has ever held. One had to turn sideways in order to get through the crowd. The tables overflowed with donated food, cider, coffee, etc. Our newly purchased second hand renovated vestry organ was played by Janet Flyzik, for the first time, that evening. One could feel the warmth of fellowship throughout this special occasion. It was lovely!

Our Communion Sunday, December 1st, glowed with the presence of the eight delightful young Bell Fingers of the First Baptist Church in Beverly. It was a most inspiring communion service. Following this, a Victorian motif coffee hour was held in the vestry.

Rededication Sunday, December 8th, brought our month

THE CENTENNIAL REPORT -Cont.

long celebration to a close. The Rev. A. Karl Phillippi, Northeast Area Minister for the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ, assisted our Rev. Southwick during the service. A string quartet from the Boston Symphony, Ballet and Opera Orchestras provided special music for the morning, along with our teenage instrumental group, plus the Jr. and Sr. Choirs. Special songs for the service, and dinner sing along, were researched by Linda Games. During the worship service a surprise Captain's Chair was presented to the Rev. Southwick commemorating his fifteen years as an ordained minister, and the beginning of his tenth year in service to this congregation.

A display of historic church pictures, documents, and items was set up in the Vestry. These were loaned by church members, the Historical Society and Albert Meader. Following the morning program, a delicious Roast Beef dinner was served. The George Kellys and Carol Sheehan catered the dinner, while Carol Pierce's Cadette Troop provided us with excellent waitresses under the direction of Helen Mutch. One hundred and eighty-four people were served. Thirty-one others worked as cooks, helpers, or waitresses. Our entertainment was provided by Mildred Gangloff and Dom DeFilippo who sang solos of the late 19th century. Master of Ceremonies, Donn Chatterton, introduced our speakers, Homer Tapin and Mina Marble, who brought us historic church notes of interest and humor. Following the thank you presentations, and a short sing-along, Mr. Southwick gave the closing prayer to end this most rewarding month.

A Centennial account, in the amount of \$750 was opened. (The Church Fair had a separate account). All bills have been paid and the account shows a balance of \$362.81. Commemorative blue and white tiles of the church were purchased and are still available. All proceeds from the remaining tiles will go into the general church fund, as will the \$362.81. Monetary donations, for specific purposes, such as dinner decorations and special music were given. All programs subject to this fund were free to the public. Only food was sold.

It was an honor to serve as chairman of this celebration, and a wonderful experience for which I am truly grateful. I saw older people who thought their talents were no longer needed bring joy to so many, and young people working with all their might to do a good job. I saw people sharing, giving, helping, and cooperating not only from this church, but in the town and outlying communities. Money could not buy the good that was returned to us in this month long endeavor. The doors of God's house were opened extra wide; may they always remain this way.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Bond

Kitchen

KITCHEN COMMITTEE

This is a little known committee which has not been too active, but hopefully some plans for the kitchen will be implemented during the coming year - the groundwork has been laid by the committee including Carol Sheehan, Sheila Kelly, Joan Chatterton, Marilyn Knickles, Jean Perley and the Social Committee Chairman.

Necessities were purchased: sauce pans, three large baking pans, a teapot and an easy to run 100 cup coffee maker. We have stocked coffee, tea, powdered cream, sugar and certain paper products that are used continuously.

Improvements that are under discussion include a stainless steel work table for the center of the kitchen; also we hope to have some new shelves installed in the tea cup cabinet so that one will not have to spend time matching cups and saucers.

Some shopping was done to price new dishes; there was a need to increase our supply and the old pattern is not available. This idea was postponed since the throw away type of dishes are more convenient, sanitary, and quite sensibly priced. Perhaps some day new china will be a reality.

We have requested that all organizations, using the kitchen, leave it in clean condition. We are assuming that individuals will do this on their own. We hope that people will take a little more pride in their church kitchen by washing, drying, and putting away any articles used, including ashtrays. Before Easter a work party to clean the cabinets is planned; we will eagerly accept the help of anyone wishing to contribute their time.

Respectfully,

Beth Bond

Social

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE

What a delightful year I've had as the Social Committee Chairman, especially since everyone was so cooperative. Few gave a negative reply when asked to help, and then only for a very good reason.

A social hour was held once or twice a month, with the exception of August. During July, when host to the West Boxford Second Congregational Church, coffee hours were provided after each service. Everyone seemed to enjoy the fellowship that these hours brought. We are planning to continue this practice next summer. (Hope this will please those who miss that second cup of coffee in order to attend a 10:00 A.M. service.)

Refreshments have been provided for various occasions such as the Retreat, and the West Boxford Choir (following the "Requiem" last spring). Funds for this committee are available but few have been used, thanks to the generosity of all who volunteered their time and talent.

The following is a list of those who provided us with coffee hours for the past year: Beverly Clausen, assisted by Elaine Kimball, Florence and Bud Hamelin, Sally Johnson assisted by Ruth Jones, Winnie Swanton, Lillian Kelloway, assisted by Mark & Joan Kelloway, Carol Sheehan and Sheila Kelly assisted by Pam Sheehan, Joan and Donn Chatterton, Jean Perley assisted by Al, Emily and Tom Perley, Gert Pingree, The Senior Choir, plus helpers Linda Games, Carol Knapp, Connie Silvernail, Shirley Southwick, and Marilyn Knickles. If your name has been overlooked, please forgive me.

A very special coffee hour was held after the ecumenical service on Thanksgiving Eve. The number of women who donated baked goods was overwhelming, and those who worked did an outstanding job. This particular event will be covered more thoroughly in a Newsletter.

A new policy is being implemented this year so that everyone will have the opportunity to host a coffee hour. If you are interested and have not signed up for a particular month please phone the office for details. Extra volunteers are always welcome.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve; I've thoroughly enjoyed my work.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Bond, Chairman

Self-Study

REPORT OF THE SELF-STUDY COMMITTEE

The Committee met frequently during the year and has completed all sections of its report. The report is being typed and assembled and will be presented to the Cabinet for comment and factual evaluation at approximately the time of the Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

James Gammie, Chairman

Vestry

REPORT OF THE VESTRY COMMITTEE (RENOVATION)

For three years the Vestry Committee met irregularly trying to resolve the needed changes in the downstairs of our church. When we were privileged to have the direction and coordination of a professional decorator, viz., Janet Derouin, we were ready to offer a proposed program of renovations, with estimates, to a special church meeting which was held April 2, 1974.

The total estimate was \$12,530.25 and was voted and approved on by the majority of the members present. To date \$11,744.51 in bills have been paid (see Treasurer's report) with the electrician's bill still not received. The original estimate of \$755.86 for electrical work will be exceeded because of added requests as work progressed.

Work began and right away met with some problems. Certain plumbing parts were unavailable for immediate delivery, causing delay on all subsequent aspects of the project.

The Committee appreciates the patience of all who had to put up with partly finished renovations all fall. At long last, in time for the December 8 dinner, we were finished except for a few minor details. No one, not even members of the Committee, is totally satisfied with all the changes made. Nearly everyone is happy with a least some! No matter how one feels about the renovations, one cannot deny they're an improvement over the former conditions. If you have any doubts about that, ask to see the "before" pictures. The groups outside the church, such as the Newcomers Club and the Essex Aggie Sewing Class have expressed their pleasure with the improved decor and facilities.

For the record, members of the Vestry Committee included representatives of the various church groups who use the facilities regularly:

Couples Club	Carol Dispenza
Women's Guild	Myna Marble
Church School	Evelyn Boose
Music Committee	Pat Pingree
Board of Christian Education	Helen Snow
Trustees	All Trustees

To date only 36 families of the Church have pledged their financial support to these renovations. The Advent and Lenten offerings cannot make up the entire difference. If you have not pledged, please reconsider and turn one in to the Finance Committee.

The Chairman of the Vestry Committee wishes to express her thanks for the lovely floral arrangement presented to her at the December 8 dinner. Except for the roses, it lasted through the entire holiday season. My warmest thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen T. Snow, Chairman

REPORT OF THE VESTRY COMMITTEE
RENOVATION OF THE DOWNSTAIRS ROOMS

ESTIMATES

<u>F L O O R S</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
Long Room, 2 Bathrooms, and small halls, plywood and vinyl - wall to wall installed -	1,160.00	
Bound rug and stair runner for stage	185.00	
Wall to wall carpet for small room off stage	84.00	
Wall to wall carpeting on stairs and landing -- runner to study and bound pad in front of door	<u>218.00</u>	1,647.00

<u>E L E C T R I C A L</u>		
New ceiling lights in Vestry, Long Room & Youth Room	256.56	
Labor for installation	260.00	
5 double wall sconces	139.30	
labor to install wall sconces	<u>100.00</u>	755.86

<u>H E A T I N G</u>		
New heating system for entire first floor & Minister's study	3,500.00	
Insulation under floors	<u>620.00</u>	4,120.00

<u>C A R P E N T R Y</u>		
Under stage storage with carts for all folding chair storage	480.00	
Removing stage windows	320.00	

Carpentry Continued

		<u>Total</u>
Remake dividers and build: 2 storage cabinets in Youth Room, 1 large cabinet in entire end of Long Room, with 2 room size doors, removable panels over two doors in Vestry, molding around Vestry, Long Room and Youth room, new counter *****	<u>1,538.00</u>	2,338.00

D R A P E R I E S

Covering for all windows in rooms to be redecorated, new stage curtains *****	<u>1,000.00</u>	1,000.00
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W A L L & C E I L I N G
C E I L I N G S & W O O D W O R K

Prepare woodwork by scrubbing with steelwool and sanding liquid paint, 3 coats -- 1 primer and 2 finish; clean ceilings, ducts and pipes and paint; patch and clean walls and hang vinyl	<u>2,669.39</u>	2,669.39
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GRANT TOTAL12,530.25

Auditor

Jan. 22, 1975

The books of the Clerk and Treasurer
have been audited as of this date
and are in order.

Virginia Rogers
Leland W. Lowell

Collector

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Current Expense			
1973 Pledges	\$	693.05	
1974 Pledges	\$	<u>9,488.10</u>	
			\$20,181.15
Loose Collect			1,373.71
Missions			
1973 Pledges	\$	55.30	
1974 Pledges	\$	<u>2,380.95</u>	
			2,436.25
Improvement Fund			
1973 Pledges	\$	102.25	
1974 Pledges	\$	<u>1,951.45</u>	
			2,053.70
Building Fund			51.00
Church School	\$	343.11	
Church School Missions		<u>225.80</u>	
			568.91
Initial Offering			21.30
Dividends and Interest			2,154.76
Reimbursements			2,782.46
Rents			2,313.00
Pentucket Workshop			1,250.00
Vestry Fund			1,774.85
Memorial Fund			669.00
Church Fair			
1973	\$	33.75	
1974	\$	<u>4,002.49</u>	
			4,036.24
Special Donations			<u>9,875.14</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS - 1974:			\$51,541.47
PLEDGES - 1974:	123	-	paid in full: 83
			nearly paid: 28
			little paid: 10
			nothing paid: 2

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruth L. Jones, Collector

Finance

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Heartful thanks to you who made a pledge (no matter what amount), maintained it throughout the year, and ended the year with it PAID IN FULL. If there is any satisfaction in this job, you are the ones who make it so.

The number of pledges for the year 1974 dropped again - from 137 in 1973 to 123; in 1972 the pledges numbered 146. As you can see the support of the church was reduced by fourteen pledges this past year. This places extra financial responsibilities on those who do support the church. Is this fair? The burden would be so much lighter, if it were shared by more families.

This past year the renovation of the Vestry was accomplished at a cost of just under \$13,000 which was voted upon at a special church meeting. At this time the Finance Committee suggested a program of pledging \$1.00 per week for three years. Thirty-Four pledges were received; 13 additional pledges have been made for the current year and ten special gifts have been made. For the year 1975, a total of \$2,116 has been pledged.

We supplemented our budget by using monies received from an inheritance to help pay for some of the current expenses. All bills were paid except the insurance and fuel bill, which amounted to \$1,600. We can say that we made it through another year with a loss in excess of \$1,600 for 1974; no way have we balanced our budget. How long can this continue?

The proposed budget, with salaries held constant, has been increased to meet higher operational expenses, of which we are all well aware. Hopefully the number of pledges will increase to help offset the excessive budget figure in the money raising project account (#208). This account is used to balance the budget and everyone is asked to help when a fund raising affair is held during the year

Respectfully submitted,

Donald B. Johnson, Chairman

Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

RECEIPTS

201	Pledges - Current Expenses	\$20,181.15
202	Loose Collect	1,373.71

MISSIONS

203.1	Regular Collect	2,336.25
203.2	Special Collect (Ladies Missionary Society)	100.00

CHURCH SCHOOL

204.1	Regular Collect	343.11
204.2	Missions	225.80

DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST

205	Interest from Perley Fund	450.00	
	" " General Fund	21.37	
	" " Term Certificate	177.51	
	" " Mass. Cong. Fund	872.46	
	" " Bateman Fund (Spec. Not.)	402.55	
	" " " (Term Dep.)	230.87	
	Total		2,154.76

REIMBURSEMENTS

From:			
205.1	Mental Health 1973	194.81	
	Mental Health Jan.-June 74	298.45	
	E. Pingree Fund (Bell Ringers)	40.00	
	Improv. Fund (Xmas & Lent Monies to pay Vestry bills before Vestry account was set up.	936.14	
	Reserve Account - Fair expenses	156.46	
	Memorial Acct. for Vestry Organ	500.00	
	Retreat	167.00	
	Flowers	41.00	
	United Presby. Church	9.27	
	Prayer Book	1.00	
	<i>Imative</i> [redacted] for adding machine	35.00	
	Metcalf House, Pentucket Workshop	1,250.00	
	Metcalf House, Gynan's Art Class	8.00	
	Total		3,637.13

RENTS

205.2	1 Cottage Street	1,080.00	
	3 Cottage Street	1,225.00	
	Total		2,305.00

206	Improvement Fund	2,053.70
206	Building Fund	51.00
	Initial Offering	21.30

207	Church Fair 1973	48.75
	Organ Concert	319.00
	Flee Market	133.00
	Church Fair, 1974	3,535.49
		4,036.24

SPECIAL DONATIONS

208	Christmas 1973	62.00	
	Lent 1974	671.60	
	Christmas 1974	554.00	
	B. Gurley Inheritance	8,576.04	
	Balance of Beteman Inheritance	<u>11.50</u>	
	Total		9,875.14
Money to be put into Deacon's Fund			403.33
Vestry			1,774.85
Memorial Fund			669.00
			<u>\$51,541.47</u>

SUMMARY

Balance on hand 1/1/74	3,136.96
Total receipts 1/1/74-12/31/74	<u>51,541.47</u>
	54,678.43
Disbursements 1974	<u>53,206.15</u>
Balance 12/31/74	1,472.28
- Special Holds *	<u>650.27</u>
	822.01
*Special Holds	
Special Donation	500.00
Church Sch. Miss.	<u>150.27</u>
	650.27

DISBURSEMENTS

LEADERSHIP AND SERVICES OF OUR MINISTRY

301	Minister's Salary	9,000.00
302	Pulpit Supply	30.00
303	Health Ins. & Pension Board	486.00
304	Minister's Annuity	1,188.00
305	" Car Allowance	800.00
306	Traveling Expenses (Conferences)	148.31
307	Diaconate	216.07
308	Organist, Choir Director	1,900.00
309	Music Supplies	119.57
310	Board of Christian Education	966.40
310.1	Youth Director's Expenses	431.37
313	Per Capita Fellowship	571.20
314	Flowers	51.50
316	Social Committee Expenses	8.62
317	Collector's Expenses	350.00
318	Treasurer's Expenses	350.00
		<u>\$16,617.04</u>

OUR ADMINISTRATIONAL EXPENSES

401	Church Secretary	1,200.00
402	Stationery, Postage, Printing & Office Supplies	1,293.11
403	Sexton's Salary	2,466.00

404	Church Utilities		
	Heat	3,178.93	
	Electricity	655.36	
	Water	134.64	
	Telephone	442.95	
	Gas	66.85	
		<u>Total</u>	4,478.73
405	Parsonage Utilities		800.00
			<u>10,237.87</u>

OUR CHURCH PROPERTY MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

501	Church Building Care		1,205.40
502	Supplies		782.57
503	Parsonage Upkeep		272.08
504	Insurance		562.40
			<u>2,822.45</u>

CAPITAL INVESTMENTS & EQUIPMENT

601	Office Equipment		456.88
603	Improvement Fund Savings Acc't.		
	includes \$1,362.25 Christmas 73 and Lent 74		3,418.95
603.1	Building Fund		51.00
604	Reinvestment of 10% Interest		215.47
			<u>4,142.30</u>

DEBT RETIREMENT & RESERVES

701	Mortgage Payments on our Properties - Principle, Interest & Taxes		2,293.45
702	Reserve for contingencies & depreciation of building equipment ($\frac{1}{2}$ of Fair Profits)		1,769.88
			<u>4,063.33</u>

OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION AND OTHER BENEVOLENCES

901.1	Regular Missions		2,136.75
	Missions Women's Missionary Society to MACUCC, Andover Newton		100.00
	Lieng Hot Educational Fund from P.F. Supper		200.00
			100.00
901.3	Church School Missions		
	Lieng Hot Educational Fund	15.00	
	UNICEF	25.00	
	Salvation Army	1.95	
		<u>Total</u>	41.95
			<u>2,578.70</u>

MISCELLANEOUS DISBURSEMENTS

1200	Georgetown Savings Bank (from Inheritance)		6,000.00
	" " " Vestry pledges		886.00
	" " " " reimbursement		61.15
	Advent 1974 collection		554.00
	Georgetown Savings Bank Centennial		750.00
	" " " Fair		292.41
	" " " Deacons		403.33
	Quentin Sewell)Retreat, of which		90.00
	Rolling Ridge) \$167.00 was reimbursed		100.50

1200 continued		
Douglas Rafter	100.00	
St. Ann's Church for Vestry		
Organ; reimb.\$500 from Mem.Fd.	500.00	
Giant Valu	33.83	
Giant Value	25.06	
A. Hunkins Inc.	63.00	
Guy Minchin for Esty Lumber		
& carpenter, H. Nunan	132.35	
Stop payment charge	2.00	
Sally Johnson (Fair change)	50.00	
C. Sheehan (Bob Segal's Court		
of Honor)	8.91	
Bell Ringers (reimb. from E.		
Pingree Memorial Fund)	40.00	
Haverhill Gazette (Fair)	7.56	
Gem Giftwares (Fair)	57.23	
Attache case (gift for Miss		
Tuttle)	29.84	
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	Total	\$ 10,187.17

Vestry Expenses (before bank account set up)	1,764.09
Kitchen Committee	124.20
1210 Memorial Fund	669.00
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	\$ 12,744.46

METCALF HOUSE

RECEIPTS

Pentucket Workshop	1,250.00
B. Gynan	8.00
Haverhill Mental Health for 1973	194.81
Haverhill Mental Health for January-June 74	298.45
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	1,751.26
Expenses; oil, electricity and water	872.72
Repairs - stair treads and ceiling repair	75.37
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	948.09

ACCOUNTING FOR 1974 ONLY

Receipts, 1974	\$1,556.45
Expenses	948.09
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Profit	608.36

Outstanding* 137.95
(*Haverhill Mental Health balance owed)

GEORGETOWN SAVINGS BANK

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

#14284	Memorial Fund		
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974		\$1,469.16
	Deposits		694.00
	Interest		66.05
			<u>2,229.21</u>
	Withdrawals *		1,118.39
	Balance 12/31/74		<u>1,110.82</u>
	*Prayer Book Expenses	\$ 49.50	
	Guideposts	149.10	
	Purchase of Vestry Organ	500.00	
	Repairs on Vestry Organ	80.68	
	Junior Choir Robes	339.11	
		<u>\$1,118.39</u>	
#600017	Elizabeth E. Pingree Memorial Fund		
	(Term Deposit Certificate)		
	Maturity Date - 3 years @ 6 3/4 interest rate		
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974		4,000.00
	Interest		276.12
			<u>4,276.12</u>
	Withdrawals		276.12
	Balance 12/31/74		<u>4,000.00</u>
	(The Interest from this account is put into the following account to be used in the interest of music)		
#22635	Elizabeth E. Pingree Music Fund		
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974		39.06
	Receipts		276.12
	Interest		9.04
			<u>324.22</u>
	Withdrawals *		240.00
	Balance 12/31/74		<u>84.22</u>
	*Boston Symphony	\$ 200.00	
	Bell Ringers	40.00	
		<u>240.00</u>	
#14425	General Fund (Special Notice)		
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974		309.34
	Deposit		215.47
	Interest		21.37
			<u>546.15</u>
	Withdrawals		21.37
	Balance 12/31/74		<u>524.78</u>
#14426	Deacons Fund		
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974		2,284.37
	Deposit		837.70
	Interest		131.91
			<u>3,253.98</u>
	Withdrawals		516.35
	Balance 12/31/74		<u>2,737.63</u>

#15513	Deacons Fund (Special Notice)	
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974	2,500.00
	Interest	<u>146.88</u>
		2,646.88
	Withdrawals	<u>146.88</u>
	Balance 12/31/74	2,500.00
#214427	Mission Fund (Special Notice)	
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974	1,034.36
	Interest	<u>60.24</u>
		1,094.60
	Withdrawals	<u>59.78</u>
	Balance 12/31/74	1,034.82
#20100	Rug Fund	
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974	326.15
	Interest	<u>17.82</u>
	Balance 12/31/74	343.97
#16617	Reserve Account	
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974	1,764.67
	Deposits	1,769.88
	Interest	<u>103.68</u>
		3,638.23
	Withdrawals	<u>156.46</u>
	Balance 12/31/74	3,481.77
#19360	Fair Chairman Account	
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974	201.68
	Deposits	292.41
	Interest	<u>10.32</u>
		504.41
	Withdrawals	<u>202.40</u>
	Balance 12/31/74	302.01
#221389	Bateman Fund (Special Notice)	
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974	6,000.00
	Interest	<u>402.55</u>
		6,402.55
	Withdrawals	<u>402.55</u>
	Balance 12/31/74	6,000.00
#500013	Bateman Fund (Term Deposit Certificate)	
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974	4,000.00
	Interest	<u>230.87</u>
		4,230.87
	Withdrawals	<u>230.87</u>
	Balance 12/31/74	4,000.00
#400218*	Term Certificate	
	Balance Jan. 1, 1974	4,900.00
	Interest	<u>177.51</u>
		5,077.51
	Withdrawals	<u>177.51</u>
	Balance 12/31/74	4,900.00
*800073	Renewed above Term Certificate, June 4, 1974 with new number; 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ % interest; 4 years; holding dividends	

#800146 Bertha L. Poole Memorial
Term Deposit Account, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ %
opened 12/11/74 \$ 1,000.00

#11417 Improvement Fund
Balance Jan. 1, 1974 4,015.76
Christmas '73 & Lent '74 (Spec. offerings) 1,362.25
Deposits from pledges 2,056.70
Interest 242.05
7,676.76
Withdrawals * 4,917.18
Balance 12/31/74 2,759.58
*Osgoods \$ 481.04
Georgetown Sav. Bank 3,500.00
for Vestry Bank Book
First Cong. Church,
Reimb. for Vestry Exp. 936.14
\$4,917.18

#23237 Vestry Fund, setup September 1974
Deposits
Inheritance, B. Gurley 6,000.00
From Improvement Fund 3,500.00
From Christmas 1974 554.00
From pledges 886.00
Reimbursement from Exeter Handcf. Factory 61.15
11,001.15
Interest 31.57
11,032.72
Withdrawals * 9,499.38*
Balance 12/31/74 1,533.34
*Arthur Barry \$ 700.00
Osgoods 12.48
Forrest Bridges, Jr. 2,330.00
Youngblood 3,500.00
Arthur Barry 775.00
Exeter Handcf. 476.45
B & L Carpet 1,587.00
Zodiac Wallcovering 35.70
Helen Snow for
books, curtain fixt.,) 42.18
misc. items) 40.57
\$9,499.38

FAMILY MUTUAL SAVINGS BANK

#161328 Building Fund
Balance January 1, 1974 3,017.25
Interest 165.96
Deposits 51.00
Balance January 2, 1975 3,234.21

MORTGAGE ACCOUNTS

#3594	5 Hart Circle Parsonage		
	Balance January 1, 1974		\$ 5,937.30
	Payments: Interest	279.96	
	Principle	744.96	
	Balance 12/31/74		5,192.34
#3293	3 Cottage Street Rental		
	Balance January 1, 1974		2,601.90
	Payments: Interest	119.23	
	Principle	478.61	
	Balance 12/31/74		2,123.29

SUMMARY OF RENTAL PROPERTY

1 Cottage Street		
Receipts from rent		1,080.00
Taxes	333.22	
Water Bill	32.22	
Expenses		365.44
Profit		<u>714.56</u>
3 Cottage Street		
Receipts from rent		1,225.00
Principle & Interest	597.84	
Taxes	337.47	
Water	31.50	
Williams oil	52.00	
Jack L'Hommedieu	143.00	
Stewarts Septic Tank	35.00	
Expenses		1,196.81
Profit		<u>28.19</u>

ACCOUNTING FOR VESTRY RENOVATION

Receipts up to August 31, 1974	
Received from pledges	827.95
Lent & Christmas, 1973	1,362.25
Improvement Fund	54.93
	<u>2,245.13</u>
Disbursements up to August 31, 1974	
Osgoods	116.10
Osgoods	481.04
Exeter Handkerchief Factory	300.00
North Shore Paint	647.99
Arthur Barry	700.00
	<u>* 2,245.13</u>
Receipts for Vestry Bank Book setup in Sept., 1974	
Refer to Page 7 of Treasurer's Report, item #23237	11,032.72
Disbursements from Vestry Bank Book; refer item #23237	* 9,499.38
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR VESTRY (asterisk items)	11,744.51
Balance in Vestry Bank Book	1,533.34

Budget

DISBURSEMENTS

	PRESENT	PROPOSED
1. LEADERSHIP & SERVICES OF OUR MINISTRY		
301. Minister's Salary	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
302. Pulpit Supply	120.00	120.00
303. Health Insurance	750.00	750.00
304. Minister's Annuity	1,190.00	1,287.00
305. Minister's Car Allowance	800.00	800.00
306. Traveling Expenses (Conf's.)	100.00	200.00
307. Diaconate Expenses	150.00	200.00
308. Organist-Music Director	1,900.00	1,900.00
309. Music Supplies	250.00	120.00
310. Board of Christian Education (Church School)	1,150.00	1,250.00
1. Youth Group Leaders	650.00	650.00
313. Per Capita Fellowship Dues	600.00	570.00
314. Flowers	50.00	50.00
316. Social Committee Expenses	30.00	30.00
317. Treasurer's Expenses	350.00	350.00
318. Collector's Expenses	350.00	350.00
319. Self-Study Committee	50.00	--
TOTAL	\$17,490.00	\$17,627.00
2. OUR ADMINISTRATIONAL & OPERATIONAL EXPENSES		
401. Church Secretary	1,200.00	1,200.00
402. Stationery, Postage, Printing, Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,500.00
403. Sexton's Salary	2,200.00	2,200.00
404. Church Utilities		
1. Heat & Repairs	3,000.00	3,600.00
2. Electricity	650.00	700.00
3. Water	150.00	150.00
4. Telephone	450.00	460.00
5. Gas	40.00	100.00
405. Parsonage Utilities	800.00	800.00
TOTAL	\$ 9,990.00	\$ 10,710.00
3. OUR CHURCH PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR		
501. Church Building Care)		
502. Parsonage Upkeep)	1,500.00	1,600.00
503. Supplies)		
504. Insurance)	1,800.00	1,800.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,400.00
4. CAPITAL INVESTMENTS AND EQUIPMENT		
601. Office Equipment	100.00	--
602. Church School Equipment	--	--
603. Improvement Fund	1,700.00	1,300.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,300.00

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BUDGET

We expect to spend for:

<u>OPERATING OUR CHURCH</u>	<u>Present Budget</u> <u>1/1/74 - 12/31/74</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u> <u>1/1/75 - 12/31/75</u>
1. Leadership & Services of Our Ministry	\$ 17,490.00	\$ 17,627.00
2. Administrative & Operational Expenses	9,990.00	10,710.00
3. Church Property Maint. & Repair	3,300.00	3,400.00
4. Capital Investment & Equipment	1,800.00	1,300.00
5. Debt Retirement	3,750.00	3,800.00
 <u>HELPING OTHERS</u>		
6. Benevolences	2,070.00	2,785.00
7. Improving our facilities	-	-
TOTAL BUDGET	<hr/> \$ 38,400.00	<hr/> \$ 39,622.00

BUDGET GOALS

RECEIPTS

201. Pledges - Current Exp.	19,500.00	16,250.00
202. Loose Collect	1,300.00	1,500.00
203. Missions		
1. Pledges - Benevolences	2,125.00	2,445.00
2. Specials	175.00	100.00
204. Church School		
1. Regular Collect	500.00	400.00
2. Missions	150.00	225.00
205. Dividends, Interest	3,900.00	2,400.00
1. Reimbursements	1,800.00	1,300.00
2. Rents	2,200.00	2,200.00
206. Improvement Fund	1,950.00	1,650.00
207. Church Fair	1,500.00	1,500.00
$\frac{1}{2}$ Reserved for Contingencies	1,500.00	1,500.00
208. Other Money Raising Projects	3,800.00	7,652.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$38,400.00

\$39,622.00

BUDGET DISBURSEMENTS CONTINUED

5. DEBT RETIREMENT AND RESERVES

701.	Mortgage Payments on Parsonage & Church Properties	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,300.00
702.	Reserve for Contingencies & Depreciation of Building Equipment	<u>1,250.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,800.00

6. OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION AND OTHER BENEVOLENCES

901.	Missions & Benevolences		
1.	Regular	1,750.00	2,445.00
2.	Andover Newton Theo. School	200.00	200.00
3.	Church School Missions	120.00	40.00
4.	MACUCC (Ladies Missionary Soc.)	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>
	TOTAL	2,070.00	2,785.00

Nominating

CHURCH OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES 1975

*To be Elected

MODERATOR: Donn Chatterton* CLERK: Mina Marble*
TREASURER: Carol Sheehan* COLLECTOR: Ruth Jones*
CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: Evelyn Boose

DIACONATE

Carol Knapp
Sally Johnson
Florence Hamelin
Janet Flyzik
Gertrude Pingree *
Connie Tripp *

Joseph Knapp
T. Louis Hamelin
Donald Gammon
George Condon
Leland Lowell *
Charles Margeson *

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Ed Jones Dominic DeFilippo Art Outram
Glenn Clohecy * Joseph Sheehan *

MUSIC COMMITTEE

Millie Gangloff Pat Pingree Molly Taylor *

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Donald Johnson Cal Pingree Ruth Stewart *

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Barry Games
Lois Hazen
Helen Snow
David Stewart
Donald Silvernail *
Marian Harding *

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Larry Tripp
Bud Hamelin
Joan Chatterton
Betty Davidson *
Beth Bond *

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Virginia Rogers *
Leland Lowell * *

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

Olive Metcalf *

USHERS Ernest Kelloway *

Tom Hamelin *

FLOWER COMMITTEE

Anna Tozier *
Joan Chatterton*
Mary Nichols *
Connie Tripp *

Linda Games *
Lillian Grissino *
Pat Pingree *
Edna Ayer *

Elaine
Zabronowicz*
Florence Hamelin*
Carol Pierce *
Carol Dispenza *
Joanne Margeson *

SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN*