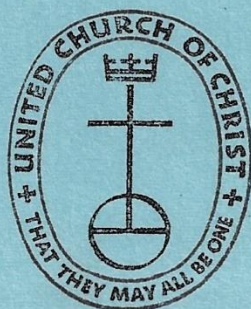


The Annual Reports 1973

THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

GEORGETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS



Meetings
First Congregational Church
of
Georgetown, Massachusetts

Minister
REV. PHILIP H. SOUTHWICK
5 Hart Circle

WARRANT

TELEPHONES
Church 352-8443
Home 352-8305

January 11, 1973

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 25, 1973 at 8 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 see if the Church will vote to pay the sum of \$4205.00 for the repair of the Steeple. Money to be taken from the Reserve Account.
- ARTICLE 5. To hear the recommendation of the Self Study Committee that a Committee be formed with the sole responsibility for internal communication and public relations and to take action thereon.
- ARTICLE 6. To hear a status report from the Self Study Committee.
- ARTICLE 7. To take any other action relative to the Church and/or its property.

BY DIRECTION OF THE CABINET

Wilhelmina F. Trask

Clerk

Posted January 18, 1973

January 25, 1973

The Annual Meeting of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown, Inc. was called to order at 8:10 P. M. by the Moderator Donn Chatterton.

The Rev. Philip Southwick offered Prayer.

The Warrant was read by the Clerk.

Articles One and Two were passed.

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

Donald Johnson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, spoke regarding increases in the Budget. Pledges last year came through well and Mortgages are being taken care of. There were some questions which were answered by Mr. Johnson.

Moved that the Church proposed Budget as presented of \$35,995.00 be accepted as presented by the Finance Committee. Motion seconded and so voted.

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

The several reports as printed were gone over and discussed. The report of the Auditing Committee was read by Leeland Lowell. Mr. Lowell congratulated our Treasurer on a job well done.

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

The report of the Nominating Committee was read. Moved, seconded and voted that the report be accepted. The Moderator asked for further nominations and there were none.

Voted that the Clerk cast one Ballot for the Nominees as read:

Moderator	Donn Chatterton
Clerk	Mrs. Arthur J. Marble
Treasurer	Mrs. Joseph Sheehan
Collector	Mrs. Edward Jones
Diaconate (Three Years)	Donald Gammon
	George Condon
	Mrs. T. Louis Hamelin
	Mrs. Charles Flyzek
	Domenic DeFellipo
	Arthur Outram
Trustee (Five Years)	Mrs. Mildred Gangloff
(Two Years)	Mrs. Helen Snow
Music Committee (Three Years)	David Stewart
Board of Christian Education (Three Years)	Mrs. Lewis A. Pingree
Social Committee	Mrs. Harris Rogers
Auditing Committee	Leeland Lowell
	Mrs. Matthew R. Kelloway
Flower Committee	Miss Olive R. Metcalf
Church World Service	Ernest Kelloway
Ushers	Thomas Hamelin.

Officers were declared elected.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Church will vote to pay the sum of \$4205.00 for the repair of the Steeple. Money to be taken from the Reserve Account.

Moved that the Church vote the Sum of \$4205.00 for the repair of the Steeple, the money to be taken from the Reserve Account. Motion seconded. Lawrence Tripp explained that the Steeple was in bad shape. Test borings made and found rot and carpenter ants. Mr. Tripp explained how the Steeple would be repaired. The figure of \$4205. is for work to be done soon, later it will cost more. Motion amended that Contract as submitted by American Steeple and Chimney Company be signed by Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Motion seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE 5. To hear the recommendation of the Self Study Committee that a Committee be formed with the sole responsibility for internal communication and public relations and to take action thereon.

James Gammie moved that the Article be accepted as written. Motion seconded. This Article was a suggestion from the Neighborhood Meetings. Voted.

ARTICLE 6. To hear a status report from the Self Study Committee.

(Report as printed incorporated in the Records.) Copies will be mailed to all on the Mailing List. Mr. Gammie thanked Mr. and Mrs. Barlow and Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard. Mr. Barlow noted that the Neighborhood Meetings were both enjoyable and helpful. The report as submitted is on Neighborhood Meetings only. A Complete report of the Self Study Committee will be submitted later.

ARTICLE 7. To take and other action relative to the Church and/or its property.

Robert Davidson moved that the Church authorize the expenditure of a sum not to exceed \$5000.00 for the painting of the Steeple after other work has been completed. Seconded and so voted.

James Gammie read the following motion: I move that the Cabinet of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown organize periodic discussion groups to promote understanding and fellowship in the Church family. (Moderator suggested that we listen and the Chair will rule if motions are out of order and must be tabled.) Seconded and voted.

Mr. Gammie moved that the Cabinet of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown give consideration to changing the Church By-Laws so as to reduce the maximum term of office on all elected committees from five to three years. Moderator declared the motion out of order. Mr. Gammie moved that the Diaconate of the First Congregational Church of Georgetown take whatever action they deem desirable to provide alternative worship experiences such as

- (a) An evening service during the week
- (b) A service in the vestry once a month to accommodate older people
- (c) Earlier worship service on Sunday to accommodate a coffee hour and discussions.

It is suggested that these and other alternatives might be determined through experimentation.

Motion seconded and voted.

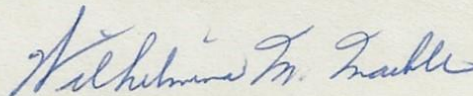
The Self Study Committee was complimented for their many hours of work. The Church Secretary and Committee were complimented for their efforts in preparing the report.

In answer to several questions regarding the refurbishing of the Vestry this will come after the Steeple repairs.

Meeting adjourned.

Cookies and Coffee were served before the Meeting and during meeting by Mrs. Chatterton.

46 present.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Wilhelmina E. Zaubler". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'W'.

Clerk

Pastor

REPORT OF THE MINISTER

In our Church this year we've had our moments of strife and sorrow. The year seems to have passed quite quickly, indicating to me that for me, at least this has been a busy, happy, and hopefully productive one. The reports which follow will reveal the highlights and review most of the activities carried out by the committees and organizations within the church. A look at my calendar convinces me that we've had a busy year.

Variety has been a key word for 1973. We've tried to vary the worship experience from week to week, so that our varying tastes and needs could be at least in part satisfied. We've used films; we've had guest speakers; we've had different types of music to help God reach our spirits, touch our lives, and teach us whatever we needed to know.

Special events during the year included a one day all-church-retreat, with an all-church overnight retreat coming up, a Sunday evening hymn sing along with an Easter film, a church family night covered dish supper - which turned into a memorable birthday party. We've planned another supper as a fellowship occasion rather than the traditional money making events. For the first time in recent years we held a series of pre-membership meetings for adults, in addition to the annual confirmation classes for youth.

As a result of last year's retreat, we organized a Christian service group - made up of many who are ready to minister, willing to help, and able to assist all who call upon them. They have provided short notice transportation to doctors and hospitals, baby sitting and child care during emergency situations, assisting families facing crises. A member of the Diaconate is the contact person for each two week period. We've listed who these are in the Newsletters. This is a ready arm of your church.

With the help of the Diaconate, we are now using the flowers that are taken to our shut-ins at Christmas and Easter, as our altar decorations for those holidays, thus taking some part of the worship services to those unable to attend. This means that the floral memorials which many people used to give at Christmas and Easter can be used on other Sundays throughout the year, on dates which may have special personal significance. By scheduling these floral memorials, we're insuring ourselves of flowers to beautify our worship center.

We've also taken steps to improve our publicity and communication. Since the paper shortage makes it difficult to get much for notices into the local newspapers, we've resorted to smaller, more frequent church newsletters, with a monthly schedule of activities printed in them. By establishing regular office hours for the church secretary (Monday, Wednesday, Friday; 10-1) we've been able to coordinate programs, keep calendar conflicts to a minimum, and pick up lots of details that used to just slip by.

Now we come to the most important indicator of the health of a church -- its spirit. There's a new feeling in the church, new life, new energy. I believe that a number of us have stopped resisting God and started letting His holy spirit assist us in our

private lives and in the life of the church. I believe that the Holy Spirit is expressing itself in enthusiasm, in willingness to experiment and experience -- without the success or disappointment of any one venture affecting our willingness to try something else. I believe that the Holy Spirit is expressing itself in our acceptance and enjoyment of variety, in the feeling that what each one thinks, feels, believes, and needs, does count.

I thank all of you for having made 1973 such a good one in our church. I join with you in praising God for his abundant energy and steadfast love. I trust that in the coming year, together with him, we will face life's crises, turning points, joys, and sorrows in ways acceptable to Him.

Faithfully yours,

Philip H. Southwick

Clerk

REPORT OF THE CLERK

The following is the report of the Clerk for the year 1973:

Membership January 1, 1973		246	
Additions:			
Confession of Faith	6		
Reaffirmation	2		
Letters of Transfer	10		
Removed from Inactive			
Rolls	<u>14</u>	<u>32</u>	
		278	
Losses:			
Letters of Transfer	2		
Death	<u>4</u>	<u>- 6</u>	
Membership December 31, 1973			<u>272</u>
Baptisms	14		
Marriages	13		
Funerals	15		

Meetings held during 1973:

Church Meetings	1
Regular Cabinet Meetings	10
Special Cabinet Meetings	1

Wilhelmina M. Marble
Clerk

IN MEMORIAM

Ruth B. Stetson
Elizabeth E. Pingree
Bertha L. Poole
Herbert E. Palmer

Diaconate

REPORT OF THE DIACONATE

The formation of our Diaconate (the combination of the two separate boards of Deacons and Deaconesses) has brought about closer contact with our various duties and services and has proved to be a successful union.

During this past year the Diaconate has been willing and ready to give assistance to needy persons with whom we have come in contact. Sometimes this has been in the form of financial aid and in a couple of cases transportation was furnished to people stranded in town for one reason or another.

As a result of an inspirational retreat held last spring, our Diaconate has sponsored a Christian Service Group. Those of us on the Board take turns serving as Coordinator of the Christian Service Group, designed to help those in our Church Family as well as in the community at large, who are temporarily in need of assistance, such as with babysitting, visiting, transportation to doctors and hospitals, meals, etc. This group has progressed favorably and has come to the aid of several persons and families. More helpers are always needed in a program of this type and hopefully the coming year will provide the extra help we need to keep it in operation.

Our Church Family responded generously to our plea for emergency food for the victims of the Chelsea fire and we wish to thank all who brought in non-perishable food items for distribution in Chelsea.

Worship services during the year have been varied and have included films and speakers. The service with the Reverend Roger Palmquist renewed some old acquaintances and was received warmly by those who heard him for the first time. The picture that he drew last year has been framed and now hangs in the youth room for all to enjoy.

Our joint services with West Boxford Congregational Church during the summer months were well received and hopefully will be continued again. The Community Thanksgiving Eve Service is growing each year in numbers and in ecumenical spirit, as we continue to find a more common ground with the other churches in our area.

I would like to take this opportunity to give my heartfelt thanks to all those who have helped make this a successful year for our Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Clyde M. Tozier, Chairman

Christian Education

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Board of Christian Education, concerned with all the bodies of the Church has had a busy and challenging year. We've offered a variety of programs for enlightening families and Church School leaders.

For the enrichment of our families, a special bus and four private cars took 68 adults and children to Boston on March 31st to see "Godspell". Many had first attended the Guild's ham and bean supper, and some came back to the Church after the show to share refreshments and discussion of the evening.

Two primary concerns of the Board this year were the Teacher-in-a-Box program and parent-child-teacher co-commitment. The Teacher-in-a-Box was offered to all teachers in three fall sessions. Those who attended agreed it was helpful in understanding others better, especially the children in our Church School classes. A second series on how to teach the Bible has been ordered for future teacher meetings.

The Board carefully drew up a letter inviting parents to get involved with their children in a special area of the Church School program, the area being optional. This letter went home with the students in the fall. Response to date has been NIL. We'll keep trying.

In April three Project Sundays changed the Church School program temporarily, with coordinated service to the community. Mixed-age groups made bird houses for Conservation, cookies, puppets for the Hale Hospital's pediatrics ward, and a wide variety of kindergarten teaching aids. The cookies were distributed by the Diaconate to shut-ins and families temporarily in distress.

The afternoon of Children's Day in June the Board sponsored a Family Picnic at Bradley Palmer State Park. Games were played, contests held, ribbons awarded. A song-fest led by the Gunderson family climaxed the day. Ninety-two parents and children enjoyed the outing.

Thanks to scholarships provided by Jack Rohner, four of our Church School girls enjoyed a wonderful week in July at Camp Cathedral Pines. The Board provided 2/3 scholarships to two girls interested in attending the Star Island conference in August. Lori Dispenza and Terri Grissino found the experience delightful and soul-satisfying.

The fall program opened in September with Teacher Dedication Sunday. A breakfast, prepared by the men of the Board, was served to the teachers, their aids, and the Board. The following Sunday was Registration Day with Rev. Roger Palmquist as the special speaker for the church service, followed by a coffee hour.

Bob and Vicki Graffum resigned as Pilgrim Fellowship leaders in June after finishing a very successful year. The Board was fortunate in hiring Chuck and Joanne Margeson to take over this leadership. They have offered a varied program this fall and have had excellent attendance in both groups.

Board of Christian Education Continued

Traditionally the first Sunday of the month the Church School offering goes to the charity that the Church School chooses, the current regular recipient being H.O.P.E. However, the Board voted to have the November first Sunday offering given to U.N.I.C.E.F. in lieu of the usual door-to-door collections. A check for \$42.45 was sent to U.N.I.C.E.F. The Thanksgiving offering of canned goods went to our local Welfare Office.

In December a Christmas Fun Shop was held for the children in grades K through sixth. The Junior and Senior Highs and P.F. groups served refreshments, presented a pageant in the Sanctuary and played in the band. The carol sing was led by Dom DeFilippo, and the children brought gifts for the Haverhill Salvation Army.

The Board accepted a gift of hard candy from the Georgetown Pharmacy. It will be used in classes where children are rewarded for early arrival and memorizing of Bible verses.

A Bible Study group started meeting at the Parsonage each Wednesday night early in the year to study in depth the book of Matthew. The group resumed classes in October and continues with attendance of eight to thirteen regulars. Dot Blanchard offered a six-week course on the study of John Sunday mornings and has tentative plans for another six-week course during Lent. Both of these study groups are open to anyone interested, and the Board highly recommends them.

Sometimes we Board members feel frustrated and discouraged because our offered programs are not 100 percent successful, i. e. not everyone takes advantage of what is offered. The reality is that we have a healthy Church School, an excellent group of teachers and helpers, and a never-tiring Superintendent in Evelyn Boose, and a Board dedicated to offering the best possible program to all age groups in the Church. We welcome all suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Snow, Chairman

Superintendent

REPORT OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

We have had a good year in our Church School. Most important of all is the work of the teachers and their rapport with each child. We are very fortunate to have a group of adults who are willing to give of their time and love to an important part of our Church.

Much of our group effort as a Church School goes to various missions. Our collection of the first Sunday of the month goes for mission giving, most of it to H.O.P.E. We sent our Oct. collection, along with some money collected by individual children, to UNICEF. Our Thanksgiving food collection went to the local welfare office for distribution and our Christmas gifts were given to the Salvation Army. A new mission project was also tried in the spring. The three Sundays after Easter were designated as Project Sundays. The children chose from different projects and under the leadership of many adults from the church, they made a number of useful items for the Church and community -- birdhouses for the Lufkin Brook area, kindergarten aids for the public school, hand puppets for Hale hospital, cookies which were given to many of our church members, planting around Metcalf house, and the younger children went around parts of the town picking up litter, and made decorations to brighten the Church Vestry.

In April our Junior Choir sang in a Junior Choir Festival in Marblehead. The Festival included about 300 children from about twenty churches. Our Childrens' Day in June had the theme "Sing for Joy" -- a worship service of music, complete with band and balloons.

We held a Christmas Funshop in December as a party for all ages. The children made Christmas decorations and were entertained by a carol sing, pageant and band music. We were helped a great deal by both P.F. groups with decorations, refreshments, etc. The Junior Choir was joined by the Jr. High P.F. for a Christmas pizza party and went caroling - a large and melodic group!

Our 9:30 classes meet together for about 15 minutes each Sunday to learn new music, see movies, hear from various speakers, and to hold special worship services. One new program this Fall has been very successful in some of the 9:30 classes. Children who come ten minutes early are being drilled in Bible memory work and given awards (candy) for their efforts. I've actually seen some third graders running to their class! We hope that more parents will be interested in bringing their children early for this training (which also helps the teacher begin class on time).

Again - a special thanks to our teachers: Marcia Manning, Joyce Howe, Lois Hazen, Susan Kelley, Audrey Magown, Joyce Tolman, Dan and Beverly Clausen, Serge and Shirley Sauvageau, Joseph and Carol Knapp, Marian Harding, Malcolm and Alice Stroad, Carol Dispenza, Phil and Shirley Southwick and helpers, Karen Mutch, Diane Castle, Christine Richardson, Erica Pierce, Kathy Magown and Donna Davidson.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Boose, Superintendent

Trustees

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

During the year 1973 many projects were undertaken, the biggest of them being the repair of the Church steeple. This work was contracted to the American Steeple Company, Salem, Mass. at a cost of \$6,255. The work consisted of replacing large carrying timbers below the bell deck, spraying thermicide to exterminate carpenter ants, replacing external finish boards, and repainting.

Another contract was signed with the Pentucket Workshop, a nursery school using the rooms on the first floor of the Metcalf House. Likewise the Essex Mental Health is using two rooms on the second floor of the Metcalf House.

The Trustees would like to thank the Ross Kelloways for donating a painting by the Rev. Roger Palmquist which has been hung in the Youth Room. We also have received a piano which has been rebuilt, using money from the Memorial Fund. We are still looking for one more piano in fairly good condition.

The walls of the Minister's Study were repainted Seacrest Green. Our property at 3 Cottage Street has new tenants and with the change, many improvements were necessary. Numerous windows, which were broken over the past year, have been replaced. We believe most of this damage was done accidentally.

New drain pipes were installed from the kitchen sinks. Work has also been started at the Parsonage to repair plumbing.

Ten new tables were purchased at a cost of \$420. These tables will be used throughout the year but were primarily purchased to replace the old wooden tables used during the Church Fair and special suppers. A new sign board should be completed this spring which will replace the present sign on the front lawn.

The Trustees will continue to meet the last Sunday of each month at 7:00 P.M. Anyone wishing to use the Church property is invited to come to the meeting with their proposals.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert C. Davidson
Richard Magown
Art Outram
Charles Margeson
Dom DeFilippo

Self-Study

REPORT OF THE SELF-STUDY COMMITTEE

The Self-Study Committee met regularly throughout 1973 except for a brief break in the summer. Expectations expressed in last year's report have exceeded performance but there has, nevertheless, been significant progress.

Our study deals with the two broad themes of "Our Church" and "Our Community". These themes are further subdivided as follows:

We Study Our Church

Membership

Finances

Leadership

History

Program

Property

We Study Our Community

Public Health

Public Education

Jobs, Economic Growth,
Income Maintenance

Recreation & Cultural
Facilities

Delinquency, Crime &
Law Enforcement

Of these eleven chapters, six are essentially complete, three are near completion, and the remaining two require the assembling of available information. Although forecasting is obviously not one of our best developed talents, we are now predicting completion of the report in late spring.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all those who have contributed much time and effort on this project. Their continued support will be appreciated in bringing it to a successful conclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

James Gammie, Chairman

Guild

REPORT OF THE GUILD

The Gala event of 1973 was the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Guild on May 22. A delicious roast beef dinner under the Chairmanship of Sheila Kelly was enjoyed by the 70 members and guests present. The dinner was served by daughters of members. The beautiful floral decorations were done by Lillian Kelloway and favors in keeping with the event were made and donated by Elaine Zabronowitz. Twenty past Presidents were present including Mrs. Myrtle Higgins, who served as First President of the Guild. Five Charter members were in attendance. We were happy to have with us Mrs. W. Irving Monroe, Jr. and Mrs. William C. Fleming, wives of former Ministers. Charter members, Past Presidents, Mrs. Monroe and Mrs. Fleming and all Officers were presented a single rose. The speaker of the evening was the Rev. Mildred Palmer. The Rev. Palmer is a delightful speaker and all were entertained by her witticism and her philosophy.

While 1973 brought many joys, it was not without its sadness. Ruth B. Stetson, a Charter Member and Past President and Elizabeth E. Pingree, Past President and an ardent worker for many years, passed away. Both made many contributions to the Guild during their years of membership.

September was our first meeting of the new season. The members met at the home of Lillie Townsend for a delicious meal prepared by the Executive Committee. It was great to see so many familiar faces and everyone enjoyed an evening of renewing friendships.

We had a Halloween party in October with costumes and games, followed in November by an interesting program on roses and the care of house plants. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Means of Georgetown spoke and showed slides of their favorite flowers. We learned a lot that evening from two fine people.

As in past years we did not have a December meeting, but January will bring us back together again with a Covered Dish supper. We always enjoy sampling the different dishes the ladies bring as we have some of the best cooks in town! Material Aids takes over the February meeting for an evening of doing worthwhile projects while enjoying each other's company. Everyone is looking forward to March when Mrs. Raymond Barlow will be coming back to speak to us again on the subject of Sandwich Glass. Last year's program was so popular that this year we are inviting other church groups and ladies clubs in the area for a Guest Night. In April we hope to have a speaker from the Seaman's Friends in Boston. A Fund Raising May Breakfast will be held the first Saturday morning of May and later that month we will hold our Annual Banquet.

From beginning to end we are thankful for the opportunity of getting together with our friends, working hard on different committees to insure the success of the Guild and finding new interests to enrich our lives. The Guild is always ready to accept new members and I would like to extend a personal invitation to all women of the Church to join us for a meeting or two. We meet the fourth Tuesday of the month and would like to have you with us.

Respectfully submitted,

Winifred Swanton, President

Couple's Club

REPORT OF THE COUPLES CLUB

The Couples Club enjoyed a year of varied programs, a successful fund-raising play was presented in the Vestry, and donations were made to several worthwhile causes.

During the winter and spring months of 1973, the Club engaged in such activities as bowling, showing slides of everyone's trips and/or hobbies, practicing "macrame" as taught by Mr. Luca, art teacher in the Georgetown High School and gaining information from Mr. Joel Nola on the art of "Framing Pictures".

During the fall of 1973 the group heard speakers on such varied subjects as "Antiques As An Investment" by Mr. George Hills and "The Condition of Our Jails" by Mr. Wells, Sheriff of Essex County. The year ended with a very well-attended Christmas party graciously given at the home of Chuck and Joanne Margeson.

The Club's good deeds included a \$300 donation to the Church to be used for operating expenses, Christmas toys to the Pentucket Welfare Center, The Spanish American Center, Operation Homestart and the New England Home for Little Wanderers. First aid kits were purchased for the Georgetown Youth Hockey League and one for our own Church kitchen as well as an electric clock for our kitchen.

We are always looking for new members for our Couples Club to come and enjoy our suppers and programs. Meetings are held the first Monday of every month at 7:00 P.M. for supper -- come! -- you will be most welcome to join us.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick and Audrey Magown,
Secretary

Missions

REPORT OF CHURCH WORLD SERVICE - MATERIAL AID

Our Committee covers an endless variety of activities by which we may make easier the lot of our neighbors in many parts of the World -- by passing on things we no longer use to others who can put them to good use, and in many instances giving of time and money to make the work possible. It does not take the place of our giving of funds for Missions but it goes hand in hand with it, and I hope, has a personal quality about it. Without the continued support of all of you, we could not accomplish what we do.

As you read this partial list of our work for the past year, look for familiar names, and when you read some of them elsewhere, as in the Pilgrim State News, you can think, "We are helping a little there." You may think of something you have that you no longer need -- clothing, remnants, curtains, bedding, torn sheets, worn white shirts, pillows all sizes, almost anything that we could use for something to send somewhere!

This work offers an opportunity to every one who reads this. Our very active Material Aid Committee -- Mrs. Henry Dea, Mrs. Clifford Emerson, Mrs. Guy A. Minchin, Mrs. George Swanton and Miss Olive Metcalf, only gather together the many things that come our way, including the handwork of some of you, and we send them out as best we can. If anybody would like to knit, sew, recover an old pillow, make infants' or children's garments, dress dolls -- (What's your "thing?") -- give me a call (352-2941). We haven't been able to plan sewing meetings lately, but our warmest thanks go to those who have made things in their own time and given them to us to send away -- to those who make quilts to send and to sell for this program; to those who occasionally give money and, to all you good friends who support our annual food sale; also to those of you who keep us supplied with clothing fabrics, thread, zippers, buttons and so on. We can also use many more blankets and if you have any to spare, keep us in mind.

We send a few small money gifts "in lieu of Material Aid", and we buy some supplies, but by far our greatest expense is for shipping costs and to Church World Service, which is ten cents per pound for their handling costs. This money comes from our food sale, the sale of quilts, and money donations from time to time.

A partial list of our work the past year follows: to Church World Service, we sent about 200 lbs. of clothing in the spring and another 200 lbs. in the fall. Also included were three fabric kits, 1 box of bandages and some hospital johnnies; to the Boston City Missionary Society -- unwrapped Christmas gifts totaling \$150.00; to the Walker Missionary Home -- at least ten or twelve cartons of excellent clothing; to the Indians at the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota -- quilts, knitted articles and clothing; to the Danvers State Hospital -- seven or eight large cartons of used clothing; to GLEAM, Larence -- several large cartons of used clothing; to the Thrift Shop at Pleasant Hill Community Church, Pleasant Hill, Tenn. -- 65 lbs. of clothing and household articles; to the Women's Seaman's Friend Society -- we have a collection of items to be given out by hospital visitors, which will be delivered shortly.

(Continued)

Material Aid Committee Continued

Small money gifts "in lieu of Material Aid" (usually \$5.00) have been sent to the Ecumenical Center, Roxbury; Elon College, Children's Home in North Carolina; Back Bay Mission, Mississippi; Migrant Ministry; CLEAM in Lawrence, Mass; and Ryder Memorial Hospital, Puerto Rico; the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota.

We should all be especially grateful to Graf's Express for free delivery of anything within the area they serve, and free transportation to a connecting carrier on articles outside their area, such as Tennessee, Maryland, etc. We are able to get articles for GLEAM, Danvers, Walker Home and the Women's Seaman's Friend delivered free by the committee members or friends.

Respectfully submitted,

Olive Metcalf
Church World Service Chairman

Missionary Society

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Women's Missionary Society, with a membership of fourteen, continues to meet the third Monday of the month at 2 P.M., September through June for worship, study and fellowship.

During the past year we have used the book, "Look Back With Love" as well as readings from other sources.

Offerings taken at each meeting as well as special thank offerings, plus the income from the Bateman Fund, provide the means for our work.

We continue to help support the Least Coin endeavor and have, during the past year, made contributions to Care, Good Ship HOPE, Walker Home, a special \$50 offering to the Church budget, in addition to our regular \$100 contribution, also a contribution to the Church Flower Committee in memory of our departed members.

The officers are: President, Mrs. Edna Ayer; Vice-President, Mrs. Agnes Emerson; Secretary, Mrs. Marjorie Dea; Treasurer, Mrs. Harriet Poole.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Dea
Secretary

Music

REPORT OF THE MUSIC COMMITTEE

The Choir has just completed its first full year under the direction of our new choir director and organist, Miss Lucille Tuttle.

Miss Tuttle has organized an instrumental ensemble this year utilizing many of our talented Jr.-Sr. High School Band members. They have been a wonderful addition to many of our Sunday services as well as playing at special programs. We certainly appreciate the time Miss Tuttle and the ensemble have put into this program.

The Deacons and the Music Committee are combining efforts to once again present Mr. Douglas Rafter in concert on our Tracker Organ this Spring. The people who heard him two years ago will remember what a magnificent and inspiring performance he gave.

The Choir presented the Cantata "Christ is Born" for Christmas music during the Advent Season, and we were so pleased to have an additional twelve people join us for that presentation. We are hoping some of them will stay with us as regular choir members or will come back and join us for our Easter music.

Janet Flyzik has been acting as Assistant Organist-Pianist during the last two months. We are practicing in the Vestry during this winter season, and she has been accompanying us on the piano, leaving Miss Tuttle free for direction. She also accompanies for all the Junior Choir Rehearsals.

The Music Committee received notification that a Memorial Fund has been established in the name of Elizabeth E. Pingree, who was for many years actively involved in the music programs of the Church, giving many hours of her time both in participation and direction. The interest from this endowment is to be used for musical programs and music needs of the Church. This is truly a fitting memorial to "Lib" Pingree, whose interest and ability in music were an important part of her life.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia L. Pingree
Chairman

Flowers

REPORT OF THE FLOWER COMMITTEE

Our new Flower Committee was formed late in 1973 after the resignation of Lillian Kelloway. At this time we would like to express our gratitude to Lillian for the many years she spent as a one-woman committee, providing fresh flowers for our Sanctuary Sunday after Sunday. Here is a "bouquet of thanks" to you Lillian, for a job well done!

We are very happy to announce that we have at last rounded out the number of women that we needed to have each month covered by a chairwoman or co-chairwomen. In other words, everyone on the Committee will take their turn just for one month of the year. These women will schedule flower gifts with help from the church secretary.

Along with flower gifts and memorials, we are trying to encourage people to offer flowers from their gardens and indoor plants that they might have and could share for one Sunday with the rest of the congregation. We are not looking for formal arrangements for every Sunday, but would like to have a variety. If some of you have an idea now what is available in your own yards this spring, summer or fall, give the church office a call so that we may schedule your flowers on our calendar now.

The Diaconate has been most cooperative with the Flower Committee. At Christmas and again this coming Easter, they are providing the plants for the Sanctuary in celebration of these events. Following the service, they are then distributing the plants to the shut-ins of our Church Family. We hope that many of our members and friends who enjoyed giving plants at this time will understand that we still need your support and your flower gifts at other times during the year -- perhaps to mark an anniversary or birthday date of a loved one.

The new wreaths which decorated our Sanctuary at Christmas were also a gift from the Diaconate and were purchased from Memorial Fund money. This gift included the six new wreaths that hung by the windows and a large one for the outside front door. This was a long-term investment as they can be stored and enjoyed for many years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna Tozier and Joan Chatterton

Social

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL CHAIRMAN

There have been approximately fifteen Coffee Hours after Church this year which included a very lavish, beautiful one on Christmas Eve with Beth Bond as hostess. Unfortunately I was unable to attend but knowing her capabilities and by listening to reports, I realize it was a lovely way to say "Merry Christmas".

Attendance and appetites at the noon hour coffees have been good -- the fellowship also. We have had quite a few faithful volunteers to help with the coffee and young people to keep the punch cups filled. Hopefully this list includes them all: the Southwick family, the Hamelins, Harold Elliotts, Davidsons, Barlows, Pierces, Tripps, the Knapps, Carol Dispenza, Helen Snow and Kim Wood, Beth Bond, Dorothy Blanchard, Carol Sheehan, the Chattertons, Mary Pingree, Lew Pingree and Shirley Southwick's Church School class.

A Kitchen Committee was formed to bring the needs of the kitchen up to date. Serving on this Committee with me are Sheila Kelly, Carol Sheehan and Joan Chatterton. We have met and have listed some of the needs in the kitchen and acquired some of the necessities, such as an electric clock (gift from Couples Club), an electric can opener, plastic paper cup holders and a variety of paper products. The kitchen knives have been sharpened by Tom Hamelin and a gift of pot holders was received from Eleanor Stetson. We hope to acquire a 100-cup coffee percolator and will be purchasing more dishes to bring our place-settings up to 100.

The Cabinet meetings I have attended have been interesting, enlightening and educational, especially in the financial department.

My thanks to all who supported my endeavors. It was a privilege to work in this way. I am sure the new Social Committee Chairwoman would appreciate any and all volunteers -- even for just one Sunday or for a special occasion, so please give her your support.

Respectfully submitted,

Gertrude Pingree

Finance

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

We ended the year 1973 with all bills paid. Although the number of pledges were down from 146 in 1972 to 137 in 1973, the important point is that the ratio of dollar per pledge increased by 11 percent. To all who pledged and maintained their commitment, "thank you". We hope no one has been offended with our publishing the list of paidup pledges. We feel that recognition should be given for a "job well done".

In previous years it has been the practice to borrow from the Improvement Fund to pay any outstanding bills. This year we were fortunate to receive an inheritance of \$13,178. Of this money, \$2,529 was set aside to pay bills, the balance was placed in a special notice account and in term deposit certificates. By subtracting balance on hand, \$1,056 from the inheritance money of \$2,529, a net operating loss of \$1,437 was experienced for the year 1973.

During the coming year we are hopeful that we will be able to balance the budget although it has been increased to cover the anticipated rise in operating expenses.

The proposed budget is, however, dependent on the money raising project account (#208) -- this will be used to balance the budget and everyone will have to help when a fund raising affair is held.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald B. Johnson
Chairman

Collector

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1973

Current Expense	\$		
1972 pledges		808.80	
1973 pledges		19,481.40	
1974 pledges		<u>223.00</u>	\$20,513.20
Loose Collect			1,333.59
Missions			
1972 pledges		100.80	
1973		2,023.55	
1974		<u>.50</u>	2,124.85
Improvement Fund			
1972 pledges		90.75	
1973 pledges		1,602.90	
1974 pledges		3.00	1,696.65
Building Fund			52.00
Church School		386.75	
Church School Missions		<u>150.20</u>	536.95
Initial Offering			28.21
Dividends & Interest			1,539.19
Reimbursements			1,672.22
Rents			2,228.00
Memorial Fund			4,488.50
Church Fair			
1972		68.50	
1973		<u>3,124.22</u>	3,192.72
Special Donations			
Inheritance-J. Bateman		13,177.93	
Advent 1972		141.00	
Lenten 1973		606.65	
Advent 1973		628.65	
Couples Club		300.00	
Steeple		165.00	
Rug Fund		250.00	
Essex Conservation Dist.		<u>25.00</u>	15,294.23
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR 1973			\$ 54,876.56

We had 137 pledges in 1973

Paid in full	100
Nearly paid	26
Very little paid	7
Nothing paid	4

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Ruth L. Jones, Collector

Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

RECEIPTS

201	Pledges - Current Expenses	\$20,513.20
202	Loose Collect	1,333.59

MISSIONS

203.1	Regular Collect	2,124.85
203.2	Special Collect	176.25

CHURCH SCHOOL

204.1	Regular Collect	386.75
204.2	Missions	150.20
205	Dividends, Interest & Reimbursements	
	Interest from Perley Fund	\$ 450.00
	" " General Fund	10.75
	" " Term Certificate	300.30
	" " Mass. Cong. Fund	778.14
	Total	1,539.19

205.1	Reimbursements	
	Flowers	108.00
	Mental Health	213.77
	Retreat	26.00
	Essex North	2.50
	So. Byfield Church	25.00
	Memorial Fund Reimbursement	89.66
	Improvement Fund Reimbursement	7.29
	Metcalf House Pentucket Workshop	1,200.00
	Total	1,672.22

206	Building Fund	52.00
206	Improvement Fund	1,696.65
	Initial Offering	28.21
205.2	Rents (1 Cottage, \$1,100; 3 Cottage, \$1,118; Kitchen, \$10)	2,228.00

Special Donations		
	Christmas 1972	141.00
	Easter 1973	606.65
	Couples Club (for Gen. Exp.)	300.00
	Steeple	165.00
	Bateman Inheritance	13,177.93
	Essex Cons. District	25.00
	Carpet Fund	250.00
	Christmas 1973	628.65
	Total	15,294.23

207	Church Fair 1972	68.50
	" " 1973	3,124.22
	Total	3,192.72
	Memorial Fund	4,488.50

SUMMARY

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1973	2,409.80	
Total Receipts 1/1/73 to 12/31/73	54,876.56	
	57,286.36	
Total Disbursements 1973	54,149.40	
Balance in checking acct. 12/31/73	3,136.96	
-Special Holds	2,080.49	
	\$ 1,056.47	

Special Holds

Inheritance	\$ 648.93
Advent	023.65
Spec. Donation	500.00
Sunday School Missions	76.41
1974 Current Expense	223.00
" Missions	.50
" Improvement	3.00
	<u>\$2,080.49</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

LEADERSHIP AND SERVICES OF OUR MINISTRY

302	Minister's Salary	\$ 8,500.00
302	Pulpit Supply	100.00
303	Health Insurance & Pension Board	732.00
304	Minister's Annuity	1,122.00
305	Minister's Car Allowance	710.00
306	Traveling Expenses (Conferences, Etc.)	43.00
307	Deacon's Supplies & Expenses Diaconate	113.61
308	Organist, Choir Director	1,700.00
309	Music Supplies	90.26
310	Board of Christian Education	1,026.00
310.1	Youth Leader	490.00
313	Per Capita Fellowship	516.60
314	Flowers	191.31
316	Social Committee Expenses	25.00
317	Treasurer's Expenses	350.00
318	Collectors Expenses	350.00
		<u>16,059.78</u>

OUR ADMINISTRATIONAL EXPENSES

401	Church Secretary	800.00
402	Stationery, Postage, Printing & Office Supplies	1,419.93
403	Sexton's Salary	2,216.00
404	Church Utilities	
	Heat	\$ 2,775.10
	Electricity	568.24
	Water	135.00
	Telephone	450.22
	Gas	33.51
		<u>\$ Total</u>
		3,962.07
405	Parsonage Utilities	720.00
		<u>9,118.00</u>

OUR CHURCH PROPERTY MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

501	Church Building Care	624.15
501.1	Property Maintenance	181.55
502	Parsonage Upkeep	19.30
503	Supplies	534.47
504	Insurance	1,822.40
		<u>3,181.87</u>

CAPITAL INVESTMENTS & EQUIPMENT

601	Office Equipment	\$	84.26
602	Church School Equipment		
603	Improvement Fund Savings Acct.		
	from Improvement Fund Pledges		1,694.65
	" Xmas '72, Easter '73, & Steeple Donations		1,430.90
603.1	Building Fund Savings Acct.		52.00
604	Reinvestment of 10percent of Dividends & Interest		153.92
		\$	<u>3,415.73</u>

DEBT RETIREMENT & RESERVES

701	Mortgage payments on our Properties - Principle, Interest, Taxes on #3 Cottage St. & Parsonage ...		2,831.36
702	Reserve for contingencies & depreciation of building equipment...		1,596.37
			<u>4,427.73</u>

OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION AND OTHER BENEVOLENCES

901.1	Missions, Regular		1,930.85
	" Women's Missionary Society to OCWM		100.00
901.1	Neighbors in Need		45.00
901.2	Andover Newton		200.00
901.3	Church School Missions		
	Project Hope	125.00	
	UNICEF	42.45	
		<u>Total</u>	167.45
	Mission Advance		31.25
	(Mission Advance Grand Total \$3,955.75)		<u>2,474.55</u>

DISBURSEMENTS FROM MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

1208	Miscellaneous		
	10 new tables from Krizik & Corrigan Inc.	\$	420.00
	Merrimack Valley Nat'l Bank, Safe Deposit Box		7.00
	Reimbursed Funds		172.25
	Fair Expenses		76.82
	Film Info.		6.00
	Insurance		3.60
		<u>Total</u>	685.67
1208.2	Kitchen Committee		47.57
1208.3	Special Donations		
	Bateman Fund		10,000.00
	Carpet Fund		250.00
1209	Memorial Fund		4,488.50
			<u>15,471.74</u>

CAPITAL INVESTMENTS & EQUIPMENT

601	Office Equipment	\$	84.26
602	Church School Equipment		
603	Improvement Fund Savings Acct.		
	from Improvement Fund Pledges		1,694.65
	" Xmas '72, Easter '73, & Steeple Donations		1,430.90
603.1	Building Fund Savings Acct.		52.00
604	Reinvestment of 10percent of Dividends & Interest		153.92
		\$	<u>3,415.73</u>

DEBT RETIREMENT & RESERVES

701	Mortgage payments on our Properties - Principle, Interest, Taxes on #3 Cottage St. & Parsonage ...	2,831.36
702	Reserve for contingencies & depreciation of building equipment...	1,596.37
		<u>4,427.73</u>

OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION AND OTHER BENEVOLENCES

901.1	Missions, Regular	1,930.85
	" Women's Missionary Society to OCWM	100.00
901.1	Neighbors in Need	45.00
901.2	Andover Newton	200.00
901.3	Church School Missions	
	Project Hope	125.00
	UNICEF	42.45
	<u>Total</u>	167.45
	Mission Advance	31.25
	(Mission Advance Grand Total \$3,955.75)	<u>2,474.55</u>

DISBURSEMENTS FROM MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

1208	Miscellaneous		
	10 new tables from Krizik & Corrigan Inc.	\$	420.00
	Merrimack Valley Nat'l Bank,		
	Safe Deposit Box		7.00
	Reimbursed Funds		172.25
	Fair Expenses		76.82
	Film Info.		6.00
	Insurance		3.60
	<u>Total</u>		685.67
1208.2	Kitchen Committee		47.57
1208.3	Special Donations		
	Bateman Fund		10,000.00
	Carpet Fund		250.00
1209	Memorial Fund		4,488.50
			<u>15,471.74</u>

- 4 -
SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

#14284	Memorial Fund	
	Balance January 1, 1973	\$1,151.70
	Deposits	4,488.50
	Interest	108.87
		<u>5,749.07</u>
	Withdrawals	4,279.91
	Balance December 31, 1973	<u>1,469.16</u>
#600017	Elizabeth E. Pingree Memorial Fund	
	(Term Deposit Certificate)	
	Maturity Date - 3 years @ 6 3/4 Interest	
	Account started Sept. 7, 1973	4,000.00
	Interest	38.76
		<u>4,038.76</u>
	Withdrawals	38.76
	Balance December 31, 1973	<u>4,000.00</u>
#22635	Elizabeth E. Pingree Music Fund	
	This Account started November 7, 1973	
	It is interest from the E. Pingree Memorial Fund to be used in the interest of Music.	
		38.76
	Interest	.30
		<u>39.06</u>
#14425	General Fund (Special Notice)	
	Balance January 1, 1973	155.39
	Deposits	153.92
	Interest	10.75
		<u>320.06</u>
	Withdrawals	10.75
	Balance December 31, 1973	<u>309.31</u>
#400218	Term Certificate	
		4,900.00
	Interest 1973	300.30
		<u>5,200.30</u>
	Withdrawals	300.30
	Balance December 31, 1973	<u>4,900.00</u>
#14426	Deacons Fund	
	Balance January 1, 1973	1,991.65
	Deposits	398.43
	Interest	114.29
		<u>2,504.37</u>
	Withdrawals	220.00
	Balance December 31, 1973	<u>2,284.37</u>
#15513	Deacons Fund (Spec. Notice)	
	Balance January 1, 1973	2,500.00
	Interest	142.02
		<u>2,642.02</u>
	Withdrawals	142.02
	Balance December 31, 1973	<u>2,500.00</u>

#14427	Mission Fund	
	Balance January 1, 1973	\$ 1,037.78
	Interest	58.77
		<hr/> 1,096.55
	Withdrawals	62.19
	Balance December 31, 1973	<hr/> 1,034.36
#15401	Carpet Fund	
	Balance January 1, 1973	72.14
	Deposits	250.00
	Interest	4.01
	Balance December 31, 1973	<hr/> 326.15
#16617	Reserve Account	
	Balance January 1, 1973	4,826.22
	Deposits	1,596.37
	Interest	166.18
		<hr/> 6,588.77
	* Withdrawals	4,824.10
	Balance December 31, 1973	<hr/> 1,764.67
	*paid to American Steeple Co.	
#19360	Fair Chairman Account	
	Balance January 1, 1973	200.77
	Deposits	195.86
	Interest	10.05
		<hr/> 406.68
	Withdrawals	205.00
	Balance December 31, 1973	<hr/> 201.68
#221389	Bateman Fund (Special Notice)	
	Opened Account Sept. 7, 1973	6,000.00
#500013	Bateman Fund (Term Deposit Certificate)	
	Opened Account December 18, 1973	4,000.00
	(Maturity Date 2 years at 6½ percent)	
#20099	Annual Fixed Expense Account	
	Balance January 1, 1973	77.41
	Interest	1.40
		<hr/> 78.81
	Withdrawals	78.81
		<hr/> 00
	Closed Account May 8, 1973	

#14417	Improvement Fund	
	Balance January 1, 1973	\$ 2,269.47
	Improvement Pledge Deposit	1,694.65
	Xmas, Lent & Steeple donation deposit	1,430.90
	Interest	178.97
		<hr/> 5,573.99
	*Withdrawals	1,558.23
	Balance December 31, 1973	<hr/> 4,015.76
	*\$1,430.90 paid to American Steeple Co.	
#161328	Building Fund	
	Balance January 1, 1973	2,810.56
	Deposits	52.00
	Interest	154.69
	Balance December 31, 1973	<hr/> 3,017.25

MORTGAGE ACCOUNTS

#3594	5 Hart Circle Parsonage	
	Balance January 1, 1973	6,646.00
	Payments: Interest \$316.22	
	Principle 708.70	
	Balance December 31, 1973	5,937.30
#3293	3 Cottage Street Rental	
	Balance January 1, 1973	3,057.22
	Payments: Interest 142.52	
	Principle 455.32	
	Balance December 31, 1973	2,601.90
#17000193	1 Cottage Street Rental	
	Balance January 1, 1973	532.03
	Payments: Interest 13.25	
	Principle 532.03	
	Taxes 200.64	
	Balance December 31, 1973	00

SUMMARY OF RENTAL PROPERTY

1 Cottage Street	
Principle & Interest	548.36
Taxes	354.00
Water Bill	34.02
	<hr/> 936.38
Receipts from rent	1,100.00
Profit	163.62

3 Cottage Street

Principle & Interest	597.84
Taxes	356.40
Water Bill	37.98
Stewarts Septic Serv.	35.00
M. Johnson, materials	
& Labor	24.39
Williams Oil Service	14.00
Geo. Bldg. Supply	2.88
Jack L'Hommedieu	105.28
	<u>1,173.77</u>
Receipts from rent	1,118.00
Loss	<u>-55.77</u>

Metcalf House

Heat & Electricity

Jan. 1/73 - Sept. 30/73, Haverhill Mental Health paid 40%
 Oct. 1/73 - Dec. 31/73, " " " " 50%

Haverhill Mental Health

First Congregational Church

Heat	233.27	296.90
Electricity	101.55	135.90
Water		31.50
Furnace Repair		19.85
		<u>484.15</u>

Received \$1,200.00 from the Pentucket Workshop.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline E. Sheehan
 Treasurer

Budget

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1974

We expect to spend for

<u>Operating Our Church</u>	<u>Present Budget</u> 1/1/73 to 12/31/73	<u>Proposed Budget</u> 1/1/74 to 12/31/74
1. Leadership & Services of Our Ministry	\$16,915.00	\$17,490.00
2. Administrative & Operational Expenses	8,110.00	9,990.00
3. Church Property Maint. & Repair	2,300.00	3,300.00
4. Capital Investment & Equipment	2,150.00	1,800.00
5. Debt Retirement	4,450.00	3,750.00
<u>Helping Others</u>		
6. Benevolences	2,070.00	2,070.00
We expect to set aside for improving our facilities:	-----	-----
TOTAL BUDGET	\$35,995.00	\$38,400.00

BUDGET GOALS

RECEIPTS

201.	Pledges - Current Expense	\$17,710.00	\$19,500.00
202.	Loose Collect	1,050.00	1,300.00
203.	Missions		
	1. Pledges - Benevolences	1,965.00	2,125.00
	2. Specials	-----	175.00
204.	Church School		
	1. Regular Collect	500.00	500.00
	2. Missions	120.00	150.00
205.	Dividends, Interest)	1,900.00
	1. Reimbursements)	1,800.00
	2. Rents	4,600.00)	2,200.00
206.	Improvement Fund	2,100.00	1,950.00
207.	Church Fair	2,000.00	1,500.00
	$\frac{1}{2}$ Reserved for Contingencies	2,000.00	1,500.00
208.	Other Money-Raising Projects	3,950.00	3,800.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$35,995.00	\$38,400.00

BURSEMENTS

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
1. <u>LEADERSHIP & SERVICES OF OUR MINISTRY</u>		
301. Minister's Salary	\$8,500.00	\$9,000.00
302. Pulpit Supply	210.00	120.00
303. Health Insurance	600.00	750.00
304. Minister's Annuity	1,125.00	1,190.00
305. Minister's Car Allowance	700.00	800.00
306. Traveling Expense (Conf.)	100.00	100.00
307. Diaconate Expenses	200.00	150.00
308. Organist-Choir Director	1,700.00	1,900.00
309. Music Supplies	100.00	250.00*
310. Board of Christian Education (Church School)	1,500.00	1,150.00
1. Youth Director	750.00	650.00
313. Per Capita Fellowship Dues (Conference)	600.00	600.00
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. Long-Range Planning Committee	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
TOTAL	\$16,915.00	\$17,490.00
2. <u>OUR ADMINISTRATIONAL & OPERATIONAL EXPENSE</u>		
401. Church Secretary	800.00	1,200.00
402. Stationery, Postage, Printing & Office Supplies	900.00	1,500.00
403. Sexton's Salary	2,200.00	2,200.00
404. Church Utilities		
1. Heat & Repairs	2,500.00	3,000.00
2. Electricity	450.00	650.00
3. Water	130.00	150.00
4. Telephone	400.00	450.00
5. Gas	30.00	40.00
405. Parsonage Utilities	<u>700.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 8,110.00	\$ 9,990.00
3. <u>OUR CHURCH PROPERTY MAINTENANCE & REPAIR</u>		
501. Church Building Care)		
502. Parsonage Upkeep)	1,000.00	1,500.00
503. Supplies)		
504. Insurance	<u>1,300.00</u>	<u>1,800.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 3,300.00
4. <u>CAPITAL INVESTMENTS AND EQUIPMENT</u>		
601. Office Equipment	50.00	100.00
602. Church School Equipment	-----	-----
603. Improvement Fund	<u>2,100.00</u>	<u>1,700.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,150.00	\$ 1,800.00

*Anticipated Income from the Elizabeth E. Pingree Memorial Fund

DISBURSEMENTS (Cont.)

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
<u>5. DEBT RETIREMENT AND RESERVE</u>		
701. Mortgage Payments on Parsonage & Church Properties	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 2,500.00
702. Reserve for Contingencies & Depreciation of Building Equipment	<u>1,250.00</u>	<u>1,250.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 4,450.00	\$ 3,750.00
 <u>6. OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION AND OTHER BENEVOLENCES</u>		
901. Missions & Benevolences		
1. Regular	1,750.00	1,750.00
2. Andover Newton Theo. School	200.00	200.00
3. Church School Missions	<u>120.00</u>	<u>120.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,070.00	\$ 2,070.00

Audit

January 22, 1974

We have, as of this date, audited the Treasurer's and Collector's books for the year of 1973 and found them to be in order.

Respectfully,

Leland W. Lowell
Virginia Rogers
AUDITORS

Nominating

CHURCH OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

1974

*To be Elected

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

DIACONATE

Carol Knapp '77*
Sally Johnson '77*

Joe Knapp '77*
T. Louis Hamelin '77*

Florence Hamelin '76
Janet Flyzik '76
Marjorie Pitkin '75
Isabel Gammon '75

Donald Gammon '76
George Condon '76
Forrest Bridges '75
Ernest Poore '75

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Ed Jones '79* Dom DeFilippo '78 Chuck Margeson '77
Art Outram '76 Dick Magown '75

MUSIC COMMITTEE

Linda Games '77*
Millie Gangloff '76
Eleanor Dunton '75

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Donald Johnson '77*
Cal Pingree '76
Guy Minchin '75

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Barry Games '77*
Lois Hazen '77*

Helen Snow '76
David Stewart '76
Tony Annis '75
Betty Davidson '75

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Larry Tripp '79*
Bud Hamelin '78
Anna Tozier '77
Joan Chatterton '76
Barbara Harrigan '75

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Virginia Rogers*
Leland Lowell*

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Beth Bond*

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*