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Available from the Capital Funds Drive .....	-235,000
<b>Amount Required .....</b>	<b>\$150,376</b>

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Attention then shifted to the parking problem. Mr. Davis expressed the opinion that there always has been a parking problem and so we shouldn't be husterical about it. He went on to say that Mr. Ed. Potter is negotiating with the Railroad for the property behind the bank and, if he acquires it, will build a parking garage that we can use free every night and Sunday. The Senior Warden is hopeful about this but sees little likelihood of the Smiths selling the property next door to the church - even if we could afford any money for parking facilities at this time. Mr. Farris thought that the parking problem was for different now than in years past but agreed that if Mr. Potter would build his garage and alot the Church 20 spaces we would be in good shape.

The Rector next called attention to the need for three delegates and three alternates to attend the Diocesan convention in Chattanooga on the 22nd. Messrs. Wray, Stokes, Robinson, Joyce, Nelson, and Robb were nominated for delegates, and the first three elected. Paschall Davis, Alf Sharp, and Billy Nelson were elected Alternates.

Mr. Farris presented a Statistical Report for 1957, showing the following comparison with the preceding year:

	<u>1956</u>	<u>1957</u>
Baptisms	22	29
Confirmations	40	40
Church School Attendance	190	172
Ave. attendance, 11 AM	350	286
Communicants	853	782
Pledges	440	407

The Rector closed the meeting by announcing that his "pitch" tomorrow night, at the annual parish meeting, will be lay evangelism. He remarked that the need for this is apparent to the whole staff.

Respectrully submitted,

*Robert S. Alvarez*  
s/ Robert S. Alvarez, Sec.

## MINUTES OF THE VESTRY MEETING OF JANUARY 13, 1958

The Vestry of Christ Church held its organizational meeting on Monday evening, January 13, 1958, immediately following the annual parish meeting. Present were the Rector and Curate and Messrs. Sharp, Wilkerson, Tomlin, Doss, Crouch, Alvarez, Milam, Pierce, Warner, Rose, Sloan, Stokes, Cheek, Farris, Murray and Wray.

The Rector appointed Bob Alvarez as Secretary pro-temp. and welcomed the seven newly-elected vestrymen: Walter Stokes, Jr., Norvell Rose, Owsley R. Cheek, Shade Murray, Paul Sloan, Cecil Wray, and Willis M. Farris.

Turning to the election of officers for the new year, the group elected Alfred Sharp - Senior Warden, T. Cecil Wray - Junior Warden, Tom Goodloe - Treasurer, and Robert Warner, Jr., - Secretary.

Shade Murray was appointed Chairman of the Finance Committee, Cecil Wray Chairman of the Property Committee, and Frank Green Property Custodian. Wray and Alvarez were elected to membership on the College Work Committee.

Mr. Stokes was unanimously elected a delegate on the Episcopal Development Council, with Warren Wilkerson as his alternate. Owsley Cheek was elected a delegate to the Executive Board of St. Luke's Settlement House.

The Budget for 1958 was presented for adoption. Mr. Stokes moved, and Mr. Crouch seconded, its adoption and this was so voted.

The Rector stated that he would be out of town on the normal meeting date in February and so asked that the next meeting be scheduled for February 17th, at 5 o'clock.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Robert S. Alvarez, Retiring Sec.



MINUTES OF THE VESTRY MEETING OF FEBRUARY 17, 1958

The Vestry of Christ Church held its February meeting at 5:00 o'clock, Monday afternoon, February 17, in the Parish Hall of the Church. Those present were: Messrs. Crouch, Wilkerson, Stokes, Cheek, Brush, Brandau, Farris, Doss, Pierce, Sharp, Murray, Rose, Warner, the Rector and the Curate.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector. Mr. Crouch moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting of January 12. The motion carried. Mr. Doss moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the January 13 meeting. The motion carried.

The Rector announced that for this meeting and in the future he would prepare a specific agenda.

The Rector read copies for the recommendation of Samuel Ashford Boney and George Calvin Gibson for admission to the Order of Deacons, and said recommendations were distributed to the Vestry for their signatures of approval. The Assistant Treasurer made the Treasurer's report which was received and filed.

Mr. Stokes made a report on the proceedings at the Diocesan Convention.

The Rector then made the report of the clergy for the month of January, which was filed. The Rector commented that there were some significant decreases in the average 11:00 AM attendance for January 1958 as compared with the average of January 1957.

Mr. Stokes moved that an appropriate gift be made to Mr. Paschall Davis as an expression of gratitude for his services as Senior Warden during the past several years and that such a gift be presented at one of the Men's Clubs Meeting in the future. Motion was seconded by Mr. Brush and carried.

It was called to the Vestry's attention that at the organizational meeting in January no election had been held for the office of Assistant Treasurer. Mr. Rose nominated Mr. Doss for this office and his nomination was seconded by Mr. Wilkerson and it was moved that the nomination close and that the Rector be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Doss.

The next item of business on the agenda which was discussed was the problem of housekeeping arrangements in the new kitchen and dining room. The Rector pointed out the need for more orderly supervision of the management of the kitchen and dining room staffs and suggested that Mrs. Ziegler be placed in charge of the dining room and kitchen. The discussion of this problem broadened into a general discussion of the need for better housekeeping of the entire church. It was pointed out that the job of managing the housekeeping of the church as well as the kitchen and dining room would be too large a task for one person on a volunteer basis. It was further pointed out that the employees

who would work in the kitchen and dining room would also be used for the cleaning of the entire church and it would not be wise to have two supervisors. The matter was deferred until some later meeting.

The problem of redecoration of the church was next discussed. Reference was made to a motion which was adopted at a previous meeting of the Vestry Committee for study. The Rector pointed out that the time for the Property Committee's decision and recommendations in regard to this question is drawing close at hand because the other renovation steps are being completed. The question was then raised as to the selection of the appropriate firm for designing and making the new stain glass windows. It was moved by Mr. Doss and seconded by Mr. Brandau that the Property Committee be instructed to investigate appropriate firms and to ask them to present an overall plan for the design of the remaining windows in the church with specific reference to the two windows for which memorials have been received. The motion carried. The Rector then made a report for Mr. Cecil Wray, Chairman of the Property Committee. He reported that several changes have been made in the plans for the renovation of the kindergarten in the basement, which will not cost as much as the original plans. The savings will enable a more complete renovation of the west portion of the first floor of the Parish House and still keep the overall expenditures for the portion of the work within the \$50,000 unit.

The Rector then lead a discussion as to the whole picture of the Church's life. He stated that his views as expressed in the meeting were in the light of the feeling which he had found at the recent meeting of the National Council of New York. Six particular problems were raised in the Rector's discussion.

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| 1. Evangelism  | 4. Christian Education        |
| 2. Worship     | 5. Christian Social Relations |
| 3. Stewardship | 6. Administration.            |

After this discussion it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned and this motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Robert J. Warner, Jr.*  
Robert J. Warner, Jr., Secretary

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE VESTRY WILL BE MARCH 10th at 5 o'clock.

## MINUTES OF THE VESTRY MEETING OF MARCH 10, 1958

The Vestry of Christ Church held its March meeting at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon, March 10, in the Parish Hall of the church. Those present were: Messrs. Crouch Alvarez, Stokes, Goodloe, Sloan, Doss, Murray, Wilkerson, Wray, Sharp, Warner, Brandau, Pierce, the Rector and the Curate. The meeting opened with a prayer by the Rector.

The agenda proposed by the Rector was adopted and the first order of business was the presentation of the report of the Property Committee by Mr. Cecil Wray. It was reported that the architect along with competent consulting engineers, were investigation the vibrations reported in the main part of the church to determine the cause thereof. The Property Committee has been assured that the church is perfectly safe from a structural standpoint but that the cause of the vibrations has not been determined. When this is determined the architect will make a full report. Mr. Wray further reported that the Property Committee is concerned with the acoustic problem resulting from the construction of the new room beneath the church proper. After a discussion of the problem, it was moved by Mr. Stokes and seconded by Mr. Goodloe that the property Committee be authorized to expend an amount not to exceed Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars to obtain expert advice as to the problem of accoustics. The motion carried.

It was next reported that bids had been received by the architect for completion of the renovation of the Parish Hall, including the basement and upper stories. The total bids, including the architect's fees, were in excess of the Fifty Thousnad (\$50,000) Dollars previously authorized by the Vestry for such purposes. It was the consensus of meeting that the Property Committee should report to the next Vestry meeting with the completed plans and bids for the consideration of the Vestry. Mr. Wray completed his report by stating that the Property Committee felt that the construction beneath the church would be completed by Mary 15, 1958. Mr. Wray added that the Property Committee is faced with the problem of day-to-day needs for expending unauthorized funds to meet unforeseen problems involved in the construction. Mr. Warner moved that authorization be given to the Property Committee to expend amounts not to exceed a total of Two Thousand (\$2,000.)dollars to meet such day-to-day needs. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murray and the motion was carried.

Mr. Stokes moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of February 17 and said minutes to accepted and filed. The motion carried.

Mr. Goodloe presented the Treasurer's report for the year to date and a motion that the report be received and filed carried.

Mr. Murray made the report of the Finance Committee. He reported that One Hundred Seventy One Thousand (171,000.00) Dollars has been received to date on the pledges for the Capital Funds Drive and that there remained uncollected on Hundred Seven Thousnad (\$107,000.00) Dollars due by June 1959. He reported that the church is committed to expenditures totaling Two Hundred Sixty Five Thousand (\$265,000.00) Dollars at the present time. Mr. Murray moved that the Treasurer, Thomas



W. Goodloe, be authorized to borrow an amount not to exceed One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars to meet current building requirements. The motion was seconded by Mr. Doss. In discussing the motion, Mr. Murray stated that future collections from the Capital Funds Drive will amortize the indebtedness. He further stated that the money would be borrowed as needed on a sixty (60) days basis so as to save unnecessary interest payments. The motion carried.

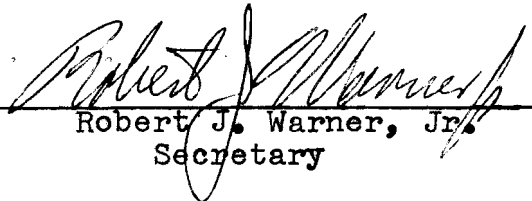
The Rector then made his report. He stated that the parking problem should ever be in the minds of the Vestry and that some mention of the problem should be made at each Vestry meeting in the future until the problem is solved.

The Rector then announced plans for a week-end Vestry Conference to be held at the Turner cottage at Beersheba on April 11-13. The purpose of the conference will be to study the total life of the parish and will afford the Vestry an opportunity to study some of the Church's problems without being pressed for time. It was the consensus of the meeting that such a conference should be held.

The Rector then delivered an inspiring talk dealing with the responsibility of the Vestry in dealing with problems other than those of finance and property.

It was decided by the Vestry that the next meeting should be held on April 7, 1958.

It was then moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned and this motion carried.

  
Robert J. Warner, Jr.  
Secretary

## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL VESTRY MEETING OF MARCH 30, 1958.

The Vestry of Christ Church held a special meeting on March 30, 1958, which was called by the Secretary, at 7:30 p.m., in the Parish Hall of the Church. Those present were: Messrs. Wray, Crouch, Cheek, Murray, Farris, Rose, Goodloe, Wilkerson, Milam, Sloan, Pierce, Sharp, Alvarez, Doss, Warner, the Curate and the Rector.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector. The first order of business consisted of a report by the property committee made by Mr. Wray. Mr. Wray reported that the architect had examined the floor of the Church in regard to the vibrations referred to at the previous meeting. He stated that the architect had advised that a wider beam be extended beneath the center of the nave so as to cut down the vibration. Mr. Alvarez moved that the property committee be authorized to enter into the necessary contracts so as to carry out the architect's suggestions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sloan and adopted unanimously by the Vestry.

Mr. Wray next reported that the property committee had investigated the acoustic problem. The committee had consulted with an expert who had examined the new room beneath the Church. The expert recommended that acoustic material be purchased so as to insulate the various ducts located between the new room and the Church proper. Mr. Doss moved that the property committee be authorized to spend an amount up to \$531.00, including architect's fees, for the purpose of insulating the various ducts involved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Goodloe and was approved by the Vestry.

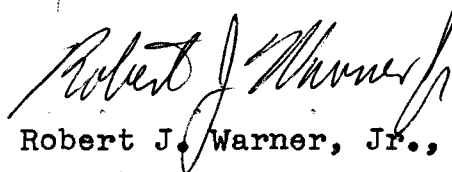
Mr. Wray next made a report as to the estimates for completion of the renovation of the present Parish Hall, the kindergarten in the basement and the staff offices. After hearing a report of the committee, Mr. Doss moved that the property committee be authorized and instructed up to \$65,000., including architect's fee, to complete the work in the Parish Hall, including the kindergarten, the Parish Hall proper and the extension of the mezzanine at the west end of the Parish Hall. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sloan and was approved by the Vestry. It was next moved by Mr. Rose that the property committee be authorized to enter into contracts costing not more than \$9,000.00 for the extension and renovation of the mezzanine at the east end of the Parish Hall. Motion was seconded by Mr. Doss and was approved by the Vestry.

A discussion was next held as to the problem of redecorating the Church proper. Mr. Warner moved that Mr. Brush be retained to serve as architect, to draw plans for the redecoration of the Church proper. This was moved and seconded by Mr. Goodloe and approved by the Vestry. Mr. Wray moved that in the event Mr. Brush will not accept the job of drawing redecoration plans, that Mr. Brush and the Rectory be empowered to select a proper architect to draw such plans and employ him to do such work. The motion was seconded by Wilkerson and was approved by the Vestry.

The Rector then presented an agenda for a weekend conference planned

to be held at Beersheba, commencing April 11. The Rector then announced that in view of the proposed weekend conference, that there would be no regular meeting of the Vestry during the month of April. It was then moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned and this motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert J. Warner, Jr., Secretary

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL VESTRY MEETING OF APRIL 30, 1958

The Vestry of Christ Church held a special meeting, called by the Secretary, at 4:30 p.m., April 30, 1958, in Dandridge Room of the Church. Those present were: Messrs. Crouch, Cheek, Stokes, Tomlin, Milam, Tidman, Farris, Sharp, Goodloe, Steele, Alvarez, Wray, Pierce, Slaon; Brandau, Murray, Warner, the Curate and the Rector.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rector.

The Senior Warden presented the following matters to the Vestry. He reported that at the first meeting of the Vestry in January, the Rector had called particular attention to the parking problem. Mr. Sharp reported that he had approached Mrs. Josephine Harwell Smith, the owner of the property on the westerly side of the Church and as a result of his conversations, had received the following letter from her agent.

"April 30, 1958

I, Josephine Douglass (Harwell) Smith, Trustee, agree to sell to Christ Church Parish (Episcopal) Nashville, of the Diocese of Tennessee, the following described real estated located in Nashville, Tennessee:

The plot of land with building thereon immediately adjoining the westerly boundary of Christ Church land on the northerly side of Broadway. Said plot has a frontage of about 60 feet and a depth of about 160 feet to an alley. The property is under lease to Wilson Sporting Goods Co. (a Delaware corporation), operating as Lowe & Campbell Athletic Goods in the premises. The term of lease ends December 31, 1964. The rental is \$572.00 monthly, against which there is the agent's charge of 5%.

The terms of sale are: Purchase price, One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars, payable in cash. Rentals, taxes for the year, 1958, and unearned premiums on insurance policies, are to be pro rated as of the date of Warranty Deed. A Guaranty of Title, prepared by one of the local Title Companies, will be furnished by me, showing title to be good, marketable, and unencumbered except for 1958 taxes, and the above described lease.

This proposal is made for prompt acceptance through the Agency of J. W. Denis Company, and if accepted I agree to pay the usual real estate sales commission to said Company.

JOSEPHINE DOUGLASS (HARWELL) SMITH,  
TRUSTEE

s/s J. W. Denis, Agent  
Authorized Agent."

Smith The Senior Warden next reported that Mr. Paschal Davis, our previous Senior Warden, had been engaged in discussions with representatives of Nashville Bank and Trust Company, who owned the property as Trustee located immediately to the west of the Harwell tract. Mr. Sharpe reported that the following letter had been received from representatives of the Nashville Bank and Trust Company relative to said property.

"April 30, 1958

Christ Church Episcopal  
9th Avenue and Broad Street  
Nashville, Tennessee

Gentlemen:

You have asked us to give you a price that we would accept for the property located at 910 Broad Street, Nashville, which we own as Trustee.

The property in question is known as 910 Broad and is approximately 35 feet by 160 feet in dimensions, upon which is located a 3-story reinforced concrete building.

We are not in a position to give you a price on this property at this time, but the sale of the property to you has been discussed and we will recommend to our committee that if an offer is received from you in the amount of \$50,000 cash that it be accepted, and we have every reason to believe that the committee will approve a sale to you at that figure.

You have asked that we give you a commitment on the property good through the day, Thursday, May 1, 1958, and this recommendation will be good for that length of time.

Yours very truly,

E. Kenneth Brush  
Vice President."

Mr. Sharp then spoke to the Vestry regarding the need that the Church had for the property located to the west of the Church, the present rental value of the property and also discussed such matters as insurance coverage. The matter was then discussed by the Vestry as a whole.

Mr. Walter Stokes moved that the Vestry accept the offer made to Christ Church by Mrs. Smith and that the Vestry instruct the proper agents of the Church to offer the Nashville Bank and Trust Company an amount up to \$50,000.00 for the purchase of the property owned by said bank as trustee. The motion was

seconded by Mr. Tidman and carried unanimously.

The problem of finances was then discussed by the Vestry. Mr. Goodloe reported that the Church presently was indebted in the amount of approximately \$140,000 on a short term basis to cover the present construction, but that these debts should be paid off by 1967, but the rents derived from the present lease of the Smith property would allow the Church to carry the burden of increased indebtedness for several years. After much discussion, the matter of financing was referred to the finance committee by the Rector.

Mr. Tidman moved that the Wardens and the Secretary of the Vestry be authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the Wardens and Vestry necessary for the purchase of the two tracts of land from Mrs. Smith and the Nashville Bank and Trust Company. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tomlin and carried.

It was then moved by Mr. Goodloe that in the future, Mr. Jones salary as Curate, be set at \$4,100.00 a year and that he be allowed an additional \$1,800.00 a year rental allowance. *Motion* was seconded by Mr. Wray. The motion was approved by the Vestry. The Rector announced that the next meeting of the Vestry would be on May 12, 1958 at 5:00 p.m.

It was then moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Robert J Warner, Jr.*  
Robert J Warner, Jr., Secretary













































