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Gifford J. Snell 1/14/63

John Satani Deino, III 1/9/64

Robert D. Mitchell 2/20/64

George V. Moncure 1/14/65

Mary S. Silvey, Jr. 1-14-65

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W. R. Richardson 1954

J. M. Michaux 1954

A. W. Wimer 1954

A. B. Kumpfer 1957

VESTRY MEETING REMINDER.

Treasurer to include item in budget for Radio TV Foundation

12/3/57 (Cong. Mtg) Rector's car expense

12/3/57 Church records to Rector's study

do. Leak in basement of P.H.

9/17/57 Iron gates and brick walks

6/18/57 Plaque, memorial to Rev. Martin Johnson in P.H.

1/6/53 Cemetery Comm. (see also 9/15/53)

11/12/53 Cong. Mtg., approval of \$50 price per Cem. lot.
Mar. 31, 1954 effective date of change

7/23/52 } Resolution setting price of Cem. lots at \$50
4/13/59 } and erecting "suitable marker"

4/13/59 Storage of old Records

Minutes of Vestry Meeting
St. Lukes Episcopal Church
Fine Creek Mills, Va.

January 7, 1957.

The Vestry met at 8 p.m. on the above date in the Parish House. All members of the Vestry elected at the Annual Congregational meeting held December 14, 1957, were present, including the Treasurer and the Register for the old Vestry.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Stitt, who presided.

The minutes of the last Vestry meeting were approved as read. The Register then was called on to read the appropriate section of the minutes of the Annual Congregational Meeting dealing with the election of the new Vestry.

The next order of business was organizing the Vestry for 1957. The following nominations were made and duly seconded:

For Senior Warden: J.M. Michaux
For Junior Warden: C.R. Kennon Jr. and Wm.R. Richardson
For Register: J.P. Jervey Jr.
For Treasurer: E. Strudwick Jr.

A motion was carried closing the nominations. Wm.R. Richardson requested that his name be withdrawn from the list in view of the fact that because of pressure of his business he was unable to devote the time required by the duties of the Junior Warden.

The following officers were elected to serve for 1957:

Senior Warden: J.M. Michaux
Junior Warden: C.R. Kennon Jr.
Register: J.P. Jervey Jr.
Treasurer: E. Strudwick Jr.
Asst. Treasurer: J.P. Jervey Jr.

The Treasurer's report was received and ordered filed.

Under old business, J.M. Michaux reported that the acquisition of the St. James property by St. Lukes Church had been accomplished, and that after reserving the dwelling and one acre of land, the balance of the property had been sold to Mr. G.W. Spring Jr. at a price of \$500, a check for which amount was delivered to the Treasurer. He stated further that the dwelling was in need of certain repairs. Colonel Quintard, for the Vestry, and General L.P. Collins were appointed a committee to look into the matter and report back with an estimate.

Colonel Quintard reported that the pump at the Parish House was water-logged and that he would require some help to drain the pump. A motion was carried authorizing him to hire such help as he needed.

A motion was carried continuing the committee appointed by the Senior Warden to obtain suitable memorial plaques to be installed in connection with the \$1500 donation from the Ladies Aid Society.


Vestry Meeting, January 7, 1957, Continued.

The Committee was instructed to present designs and estimates for the plats to the Vestry for approval.

A motion was carried authorizing the Treasurer to have the Church accounts audited by a certified public accountant.

A motion was carried giving precedence to work on the Parish House grounds over painting the ceilings in the Parish House.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



J.P. Jervy Jr.
Register.

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING
ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FINE CREEK MILLS, VIRGINIA.

March 26, 1957.

The Vestry met at 8 p.m. on the above date in the Parish House. Messrs. Michaux and Richardson were absent.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Stitt.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Under old business Col. Quintard reported that he and General Collins had inspected the dwelling on the old St. James property and that in their opinion the building was not worth the cost of repairing and painting it. After some discussion it was decided to defer action until a later date.

Colonel Quintard also reported that he had drained the pump at the parish house but that such remedy was temporary, and he recommended purchase of a hose and such fittings as would make it possible to siphon the tank easily at intervals. He was authorized to take necessary action in the matter.

E. Strudwick Jr., Chairman of the Committee appointed to obtain suitable memorial plaques in connection with the recent gift of \$1500 from the Ladies Aid Society, reported progress was being made. He outlined suggestions for wording and mentioned firms best qualified to do the work.

The Treasurer reported that the audit of his accounts by a certified public accountant had been completed but that no bill had been presented so far.

Colonel Quintard reported progress on the driveway in front of the church and on the grounds clean-up.

Under new business, the election of a Treasurer to succeed Mr. Edmund Strudwick Jr. was discussed at some length. Some months ago Mr. Strudwick had advised the Vestry that he would be unable to continue as Treasurer inasmuch as his doctor had told him that the work placed too much additional strain on his eyes. The Vestry therefore reluctantly agreed to find a successor. Colonel Quintard nominated Mr. E. T. Janney for the position. Mr. C. R. Kennon Jr. seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations, Mr. Janney was unanimously elected. It was agreed that the Senior Warden should notify Mr. Janney of his election, in view of the fact that the Senior Warden had gone to great effort to find a qualified successor to the present treasurer.

A resolution was carried unanimously by the Vestry thanking Mr. Strudwick on behalf of the entire congregation for the splendid work done by him during his tenure as treasurer of St. Lukes, and the Register was directed to spread this resolution on the minutes.

Mr. J. M. Michaux was elected delegate to the Annual Council and the Senior and Junior Wardens were designated a committee to select an alternate.

A motion was carried approving the sponsorship by St. Lukes of a Boy Scout Troop and a Cub Pack.

Mr. Stitt next presented the report of the Churchyard Committee. The following items were approved:

1. Construction of a driveway across the front of the church.
2. Enlarge the parking area to the east of the church, 20 feet.
3. Provide a driveway to the rear door of the parish house, and a parking lot there.
4. Planting of a large shrub on either side of the parish house front entrance.

(Vestry Meeting, March 26, 1957, continued)

5. Plant American Box bushes by walks.
6. Plant periwinkle along walks.
7. Construct trellis with climbing rose to conceal oil tank.
8. Thin out and clean up woods behind churchyard.

A further recommendation to cut a gate-way through the walls of the churchyard leading to both parking areas, including iron gates and brick walks, was upon motion deferred until a meeting of the full membership of the Vestry could be held, at which time an estimate of the cost would be available; the motion further directed that work of building the brick walks to the front gate be held up pending the decision of the Vestry.

A motion was carried authorizing the Treasurer to close out the capital account and to transfer the balance to the operating account, and further directing that prior to starting any phase of the churchyard program, an estimate of the cost be presented to the Treasurer.

The Treasurer stated that in his opinion there no longer was any need for carrying workman's insurance on the parish house, and a motion was carried authorizing him to discontinue it.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.



J. F. Jarvey Jr.
Register.

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING
ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FINE CREEK MILLS, VIRGINIA.

April 29, 1957.

The Vestry met at 9 p.m. in the Church on the above date.
Messrs. C.R. Kennon and W.R. Richardson were absent.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.
The Treasurer's report was received and ordered filed.

Under old business the St. James property came up for further discussion. The Senior Warden stated that in his opinion it would be advisable to sell the property rather than attempt to repair the dwelling and rent it. A motion by Colonel Quintard was seconded and carried authorizing the Senior Warden to negotiate the sale of the property and to accept not less than \$600 for it. In the event that offers less than this figure were received he was directed to make no commitments without consulting the Vestry.

Colonel Quintard reported receiving a donation for a memorial from Mrs. Henry Jervey and Miss Nannie Jervey of Charleston, S.C. in the amount of \$50. A motion was carried designating \$25 to the general memorial fund and \$25 to the churchyard fund. The Register was directed to write a letter of thanks to Mrs. Jervey and Miss Jervey.

Colonel Quintard also reported an offer by Mr. William Adams of two silver alms basins as a memorial to Mrs. Alan Jervey and Mrs. William Adams. The Vestry accepted the offer.

The Register was directed to prepare a permanent record book listing all memorials.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.



J.P. Jervey Jr.
Register.

MINUTES OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FINE CREEK MILLS, VIRGINIA.

May 19, 1957.

At a meeting of the congregation of St. Luke's Episcopal Church held on the 19th day of May, 1957 the following resolution was introduced and unanimously passed:

"Whereas, St. Luke's Episcopal Church is the owner of the below described tract of land, and same being located at Michaux, Virginia near U. S. Route 522 on which an old home is located, and

Whereas, it would be to the best interest of the church that said property be sold, and

Whereas, Willie Henry has offered the Church the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) for said tract of land, and

Whereas, it is the desire of the said congregation that said offer be accepted;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the offer of Willie Henry to purchase the below described property for the amount of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) be accepted, and further that the Trustees of said Church petition the Circuit Court of Powhatan County for permission to sell and convey said property and to do all acts, to sign all papers, and to do all things necessary to consummate said transaction. The property to be conveyed is described as follows:

All that certain tract, piece or parcel of land lying and being in Powhatan County, Spencer District, on the South side of Virginia Highway Route No. 617 and containing .94 acres and more particularly described as follows:
Beginning at a point on the center-line of State Route 617 38.3 feet from an iron pin at a large post oak on the south side of the road; thence running S 20° W a distance of 102 feet to a stob near the southeast corner of the St. James Church building; thence running S 22° 43' W a distance of 134½ feet to the corner of G. W. Spring; thence South 81° E 181 feet to corner of G. W. Spring; thence North 20° E 238 feet to the point on the center line of Virginia Highway Route No. 617; thence in a northwesterly direction along the center line of Route 617 174.4 feet to the point of beginning."

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J. R. Jenvey, Jr., Secretary

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING
ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FINE CREEK MILLS, VIRGINIA.

June 18, 1957.

The Vestry met at 8 p.m. in the Church on the above date. All members and officers of the Vestry were present with the exception of C.R. Kennon, Junior Warden, and E.T. Janney, Treasurer.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Stitt, who presided.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

The Register next read a brief report from the Treasurer.

The Senior Warden reported that consummation of the sale of the dwelling and remaining land of the St. James property was delayed due to the absence of Mr. W.R. Blandford who is preparing the necessary legal papers in connection with the sale.

Mr. Strudwick, Chairman of the Committee appointed to procure a plaque in connection with the donation made by the Ladies Aid Society towards completion of the Parish House as a memorial to the late Rev. Martin Johnson, reported that a suitable plaque can be procured for approximately \$30. He was authorized by the Vestry to purchase the plaque.

A letter from the Church Fire Insurance Corporation was read by the Register. After some discussion a motion was carried directing the Treasurer to continue the present policies, including a liability policy with Childrey Scott.

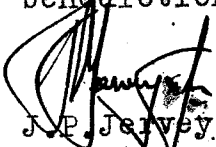
A motion by the Senior Warden to cancel the insurance on the St. James Property as soon as the sale is completed was carried.

A letter from the President of the Womens Auxiliary relative to a new top for the altar table was read and discussed at some length. A motion to table the matter was carried and in the meantime the Rector and Senior Warden were delegated to further discuss details with a committee from the Auxiliary.

A motion was carried authorizing the Senior Warden to purchase an electric fan for the chancel at a cost not to exceed \$25.

Mr. Stitt read a letter from the Department of Missions regarding the Rector's car allowance. He stated that he would present the matter in more detail when the new budget came up for discussion. He also stated that he might take his vacation in September instead of in August.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m. following benediction by Mr. Stitt.


J.P. Jarvey, Jr.
Register.

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING
ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FINE CREEK MILLS, VIRGINIA.

September 17, 1957.

The Vestry met at 8 p.m. in the Parish House on the above date. All members and officers of the Vestry were present with the exception of W.R. Richardson, Vestryman, and E.T. Janney, Treasurer.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stitt, who presided.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

The Register read a brief report from the Treasurer which set forth the balance in the bank and also the amount of pledges paid in so far and the balance remaining unpaid.

A discussion of the finances followed, after which a motion was carried directing the Treasurer to send out letters to all those who made pledges, advising them as to the status of their pledge accounts.

The Senior Warden reported that the sale of the dwelling and remainder of the St. James property had been consummated and that in accordance with the resolution authorizing the sale, the proceeds had been applied to pay off in full the ~~note~~ mortgage on the Parish House. He further reported that the fan for the Chancel authorized at the last Vestry meeting had been purchased and placed in use.

Mr. Edmund Strudwick Jr. stated that the memorial plaque in connection with the Ladies Aid Society donation towards the completion of the Parish House would be ready by October 22, 1957.

The Vestry accepted the Altar top given by Miss Serena Finney and directed the Register to write a letter of thanks to Miss Finney on behalf of the Vestry.

The Senior Warden next brought up the great amount of free legal work performed by Mr. W.R. Blandford in connection with the sale of the St. James property. A motion was carried directing the Register to write a letter of appreciation to Mr. Blandford on behalf of the Vestry and the Congregation.

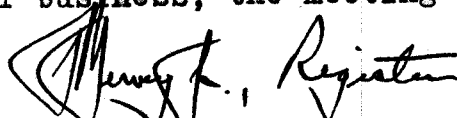
The matter of hiring help in connection with cutting grass on the church property was discussed and a motion was carried directing the Junior Warden to assume the responsibility of having the grass kept in order.

The question of placing iron gates in the churchyard wall and completing the brick walks was deferred until the next meeting of the Vestry.

Mr. Strudwick reported on the Churchyard Fund. He stated that there was approximately \$900 in uninvested funds in a savings account drawing 3% interest. He quoted Mr. W.R. Parker of the Bank of Powhatan as recommending that investing the sum be deferred until the opportunities for investment were more favorable.

Mr. Stitt outlined a plan for a Men's Club from all the churches of the Cure. After some discussion it was decided to bring the subject up again after the vestries and members of the churches had had a chance to talk the matter over among themselves.

Colonel Quintard reported a leak in the basement wall of the Parish House. After discussing the matter and inspecting the leak, a motion was carried authorizing the Junior Warden to arrange to have the trouble remedied as soon as possible. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

 Register

MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING
ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FINE CREEK MILLS, VIRGINIA.

December 3, 1957.

The Vestry met at 8 p.m. on the above date in the Parish House. All members and officers of the vestry with the exception of the Treasurer were present.

Mr. Stitt opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. Mr. Strudwick offered a correction to the minutes wherein the word "mortgage" appeared in the report of the Senior Warden relative to applying the proceeds of the remainder of the St. James Property to the balance still owed on a note held by the Bank of Powhatan. It was agreed that the word "note" be substituted for the word "mortgage" and the minutes were approved as corrected.

The Register read a brief report from the Treasurer. The report was received and ordered filed.

Under old business the Junior Warden reported progress on work to remedy the leak in the basement of the Parish House.

Mr. Stitt gave a report on the work accomplished so far on the program recommended by the Churchyard Committee.

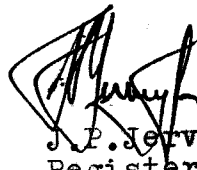
The Every Member Canvass was next discussed. The Senior Warden reported a total of \$2700 received to date in pledges. The question of the budget was then taken up and it was decided that in the absence of the Treasurer and his records there was insufficient data available to take any action on the matter.

Mr. Strudwick introduced a motion requesting the Treasurer to prepare a budget for 1958 after consultation with the Chairman of the Every Member Canvass, and to present the budget to the Vestry 15 minutes before the Congregational Meeting to be held at eight o'clock Friday evening, December 13, 1957. The motion was carried.

A motion was carried authorizing a donation of \$35.00 to the Scout Troop for the purpose of improving the Scout Cabin.

The matter of certain church records was next discussed, and a motion was carried authorizing such records to be kept in the Rector's Study in the Parish House.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.



J. P. Jervey Jr.
Register.

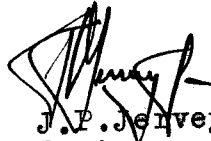
MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING
ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FINE CREEK MILLS, VIRGINIA.

December 13, 1957.

The Vestry met at 7:45 p.m. on the above date at the Parish House. All members and officers of the Vestry were present.

The Treasurer, E.T. Janney, presented the budget for 1958. He explained the budget in detail and set up the total at \$4228.00. He reported pledges for 1958 so far turned in, amounting to \$3461.00 and an estimate of \$525.00 for plate collections. With some additional pledges expected, together with the balance in the bank, it was apparent that the budget could be balanced. Upon motion, duly seconded, the Vestry voted unanimously to approve the budget as presented.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



J.P. Jervey Jr.
Register.

MINUTES OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FINE CREEK MILLS, VIRGINIA.

December 3, 1957.

Pursuant to a call by the Vestry, the Annual Congregational Meeting was held in the auditorium of the Parish House at 8:15 p.m. on the above date.

All members and officers of the Vestry were present. A total of 17 members who qualified as electors attended the meeting.

The Rev. Mr. Stitt presided, and opened the meeting with prayer. He then appointed J.P. Jervey Jr., Register of the Vestry, as Secretary of the meeting.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were approved as read.

The Treasurer's report was received and filed.

The Treasurer then explained the 1958 budget in detail, setting the total amount at \$4228.00

The next order of business was the election of the Vestry for the coming year. Mr. Stitt explained that under the plan for rotating the Vestry, Messrs. Strudwick and Richardson would be ineligible to serve for 1958. He then announced that nominations were in order, and the following names were placed in nomination:

J.M. Michaux	Hugh Cole
L.P. Collins	A.S. Quintard
C.R. Kennon Jr	J.P. Jervey Jr.

A motion to close the nominations was then carried.

The Chair appointed the following as tellers: E. Strudwick Jr, W.R. Richardson, and Miss Constance Johnson. The electors then proceeded to vote for five vestrymen by secret ballot.

Mr. Strudwick, reporting for the tellers, announced the following names as having received the highest number of votes, and in each case a majority of the votes cast:

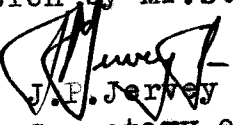
J.M. Michaux, A.S. Quintard, J.P. Jervey Jr., L.P. Collins, and C.R. Kennon Jr.

As a result of the balloting the five named above were declared to constitute the Vestry for 1958 and were advised that they would enter upon their duties as such on January 1, 1958.

The Treasurer brought up the matter of the Rector's car expense. After some discussion, Mr. Strudwick suggested that the matter be taken up at the first meeting of the new vestry. This was agreed upon and no action was taken at this time.

Mr. Stitt expressed thanks for the help and support given him ~~thereby making no further business~~ by the Vestry and officers of the Vestry, the Womens Auxiliary, the officers and teachers of the Sunday School, and the congregation as a whole, during the past year.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9 p.m. following benediction by Mr. Stitt.


J.P. Jervey Jr.
Secretary of the Meeting.