

The November meeting of the Church Council was held on November 3, 1954. Those in attendance were A. Witzke, W. Bark, Jr., E. Jones, H. Jenkins, H. Smit, G. Hammerbacher, F. Gross, F. Long, G. Hoffmann, and A. Fader, Sr., and J. Will, and F. Hutchinson. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Rev. Lehmann. The reading of the minutes for the month of October were read and approved, and accepted and a copy is herewith contained in these minutes.

Auditing Committee: The auditing committee reported that progress has been made this year in regards to the financial affairs of the church, and a more widespread program of banking church funds has been established.

Envelope Committee: The envelope committee reported that the new envelopes for the year 1955 will be ready for distribution the Sunday of December 12, 1954.

Property Committee: The property committee reported that there are still four keys to the inner doors of the church building to be distributed to the members of the Church Council and various other leaders of church organizations. The property committee had no report regarding the windows to be repaired in the lower portion of the church building and Sunday School Hall. The switch to the door of the Sunday School Hall is broken, that is to say, the light switch above the door. Mr. Witzke promised to look into the matter.

Music Committee: This committee reported that the youth and childrens choir is making excellent progress. The Church Council agreed that they will allot the sum of \$2.00 per week for refreshments for the Church Choirs after their practice sessions. The motion was made by G. Hammerbacher and seconded by H. Smit. The Youth Choir is in need of hats ~~for~~ to complete their choir apparel. Mr. Albert Fader, Sr. was instructed to take the matter up with the choir director and report back to the Church Council as to the cost of these hats and the number needed by the choir.

Charity Committee: This committee reported that there was one case brought to the attention of this committee for the month of October. The need was met by this committee.

Finance Committee: This committee reported that progress is being made in the redistribution of the Church's funds to various other depositors in the City so that the minimum margin of safety might be given to each account in the name of the Church.

Fellowship Committee: The chairman of this committee reported progress.

Interorganization Committee: The Ladies Aid and the Ladies Guild of the church are to share in the work of the Oyster Supper.

Building Fund Meeting: A meeting has been called for November 9, 1954 at 8:30 o'clock.

Religious Education: Rev. Lehmann reported that the Sunday School attendance is running from 65% to 70%, and that new members are always coming in each Sunday. He reported that there is only a very small group in the Bible Study Group now meeting under his direction.

Two new members were taken into the congregation by the <sup>motions</sup> ~~vote~~ of Mr. G. Hammerbacher and Mr. Albert Fader, Sr., and passed by the entire Council Board. The new members are John Carl Weber, and Mrs. Ruth Weber - 411 Cornwall Street, Baltimore 24, Maryland.

The Nominating Committee headed by Mr. George Hoffmann has offered the following for the Junior Board of the Church Council. They are ~~William~~ <sup>Wesley</sup> Coleman, William Single III, Donald McEvoy, Jesse Hoffman, John Lang, Richard Single, Herman Rossmark, Julius Fischer, Charles Pumphrey, William Papon, Joseph Rice, and George Lawrence.

The Nominating Committee also offered the following for the Senior Board of the Church Council. They are Henry Smit, J. Albert Fader, George Hammerbacher, Ernest Jones, E. Louis Mueller, Wilbert J. Ermer, Albert A. Hofmann, and William Sungle, Jr.

There being no further business before the Church Council at this time the meeting was ordered adjourned by President Fred Gross upon the motions of George Hoffmann and Frank Hutchinson. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

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(William Bark, Jr. - Recording Secretary)