

The regular meeting of the Church Council was held on December 7, 1949 with Mr. Fred Gross presiding and the following present: Messrs. Hoffman, Hutchinson, Witzke, Jones, Ermer, Jorio, Laukeman, Myers, Bien Mueller, Weidel, Hammerbacher, Long, Strovel and LeBrun. Minutes of last meeting and Financial Secretary's report were read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Auditing - Books have been audited and found to be in order.

Finance - Progress.

Envelope - Tables will be set up on December 8, so that envelopes can be placed in alphabetical order for easy distribution on Sunday morning.

Calender - Eastern Star to use Hall December 21 for rehearsal. Congregational meeting to be held on Tuesday, December 13.

Charity - One family from the church who has very recently had both sickness and a death in the family has applied for aid from the church. Motion was made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Myers that Rev. Lehmann be authorized to help same. The Sunday School has volunteered to aid several needy families from the congregation.

Property - Toilet drain in men's room has been clogged up and Mr. Hamel has been contacted to repair same. Broken toilet seat in ladies' room to be replaced. There seems to be some difficulty in maintaining normal room temperatures over entire Sunday School Building, and every effort will be made to have this condition remedied.

Religious Education - The Sunday School reported that their percentage is holding up very well. There is a new organization within the Church for the young people which will be known as The Youth Fellowship.

Oyster Supper - Mr. Laukeman reports as of this date that they have collected a total of \$1,290.48 with 425 tickets still remaining out.

New Members -
Mr. Nelson Baldwin ----- 3602 Fait Avenue
Mr. William Bark ----- 3600 Blk. Foster Avenue

Motion was made by Mr. Myers, seconded by Mr. Ermer that we accept the above mentioned as members of our Church.

Old Business -
Since Mr. Strovel's report on the Boy's Brigade on November 2, three visits have been made by Mr. Jorio to get some positive action on the Brigade. Upon his visits, he has been unable to locate any leaders or members of the Brigade. This organization has been diminishing for some length of time and is without the proper leadership. It has been

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A letter of thanks has been received from the Committee of the Reformation Service for the use of our Church. The Rev. Mr. Kochheim and the people of St. John's have extended The Christmas Tree has been ordered.

New Business - (Election of Officers)

The following men were elected to office to serve for a term of one year: -

- Mr. E. L. Mueller ----- President
- Mr. A. Hofmann ----- Vice President
- Mr. Wm. Laukeman ----- Treasurer
- Mr. Myers ----- Financial Secretary
- Mr. Weidel ----- Recording Secretary

Edward J. Weidel
SECRETARY

Mr. Mueller then assumed his duties as President.

A letter was received from Mr. Mark Adams of the Canton Area Project expressing his sincere appreciation for use of our Sunday School auditorium for the National Kid's Day Program on November 19.

A motion was made by Mr. Witzke, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson that we proceed with Mr. Ruby's plan in having a violinist and Cellist to play Christmas Music from 10:30 until 11:00 P.M. before the start of the Christmas Service on December 24.

Mrs. Amrhein, during her sick leave, has requested to have the secretarial room locked in order that nothing will be disturbed.

The typewriter in the Secretary's room will be given a general overhauling.

A letter was received from Maryland Beach advising us that it will be necessary to make a \$10.00 deposit in January to insure ourselves of holding Wednesday July 26 open, should we desire to hold our annual picnic at such time. A motion was made by Mr. Ermer seconded by Mr. Hammerbacher that the picnic held last year at Maryland Beach was such an enjoyable one, that we again picnic there this coming year. Mr. Myers was instructed to forward the \$10.00 deposit.

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Dr. Koch will be our guest speaker on December 18, in Sunday School and in the Morning Church Service.

There is to be an Evangelistic Meeting held at St. John's Church at Lombard and Catherine Streets on Monday December 12 at 8:00 P.M. The Rev. Mr. Kochheim and the people of St. John's have extended this invitation to us urging each minister and councilman to attend.

The budget for the year 1950 will be drawn up and presented at the congregational meeting.

Meeting closed with prayer.

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