

History
Of
First Church of Christ, Scientist
Elkhart, Indiana

1896
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The first interest in Christian Science in Elkhart became evident when a lady from Chicago, Illinois came here to secure students for Mrs. Plunket and Mrs. Hopkins, who were holding classes in the study of Christian Science in that city in 1885.

Mrs. Vidilia MacLachlan, wife of a prominent merchant here, became interested and responded to this solicitation. Upon her return from Chicago, Mrs. MacLachlan, together with her husband and a few other people began holding Christian Science services in the MacLachlan residence.

In 1887, two class-taught students of Christian Science, Mr. And Mrs. Albert Brown, moved to Elkhart from Michigan. Mrs. Brown's sister, Mrs. Viola E. Philliber, a resident of Elkhart, who had a serious heart ailment, became interested and received absent treatments from a Mrs. Bissell, of Big Rapids, Michigan. Mrs. Phillibar's complete healing within three weeks time caused other people to become interested in Cristian Science and attendance at the services increased.

When it became apparent, however, to most of the students that MRS. Eddy not being accorded the recognition due her as the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science and the author of the textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, attendance at the meetings diminished somewhat, until the earliest students here gave up their study of Christian Science.

Meetings were then held in the homes of the various loyal students for some time and in 1889 arrangements were made for holding them regularly in the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, on the southwest corner of Pigeon (Lexington Avenue) and Fourth Streets.

Increased attendance soon called for more space, and in 1890 services were held for a few months in the Broderick Opera House (located on the West side of Main Street in the one-half block immediately north of Lexington Avenue). Later in that same year, more suitable quarters were found in the G.A.R. Shiloh Post Hall, at Main and Franklin Streets. It was at this location that the first known steps were taken to organize in a more formal way.

On March 6th, 1896, nine students signed the Articles of Association (EXHIBIT A), and were granted a charter by the State of Indiana under a law passed in 1887, giving legal status to voluntary associations. The

First subscribers were

Mary C. Cady	Phoebe Lounsberry	Anna M. Zimmer
Mary C. Greene	Viola E. Philliber	Mary B. Turnock
Dora Philliber	George Lounsberry	Charles T. Greene

These charter members were the first to sign the membership roll.

The organization was called "FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, ELKHART, INDIANA". By-Laws were adopted at a meeting on March 9, 1896. As the church grew "New occasions teach new duties" (Christian Science Hymnal, page 258) these By Laws were changed in 1898, 1902, 1908, 1911, 1916, 1919, 1922, 1927, 1932, 1934, 1944, 1949 and the last change was made in 1955. As many copies of these By Laws as we have been able to locate are all designated EXHIBIT B.

The first service, after incorporation, was held in the G.A.R. Shiloh Post Hall on March 15, 1896. Mr. George Lounsberry was First Reader and Mrs. Viola E. Philliber was Second Reader. They served until the Annual Meeting, October 6, 1896. Further Sunday services and Thursday testimonial meetings were held in this hall.

The minutes of the first Annual Meeting held October 6, 1896, reported that the collection averaged \$1.41 per Sunday and that after all indebtednesses were paid there remained \$15.00 cash on hand. The Readers elected at this meeting were: First Reader, Charles T. Greene and Viola E. Philliber, Second Reader George Lounsberry was appointed to serve as the First Sunday School Superintendent. In March of 1897 the members voted to

purchase two copies of Science and Health to give - one to the Library of the City Fire Department and one to the Library or the City High School.

During the next twelve months, the Elkhart Church was recognized as a Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts; the earliest available record of this being the card which appeared in the Christian Science Journal of April, 1897. This recognition has been maintained from that time.

The following names were added to the membership roll during the next few years:

1897		
Elizabeth Irene		Marie H. Henshaw
Albert Turnook		Grace Philliber
		L. Alice Campbell
1898		
A. A .Carpenter		Elma Brooker
Calista Wright		Richard Turnock, Jr.
		Louise Sweet Minier
1899-1900		
Charles Emery	Norman Barber	Elsie Gillam
Grace Emery	Iola Barber	Marietta Brown
Charles Benfer	Hovard Barber	Maggie Siess
Rose Benfer	Minnie Kantz	Mary Shew
Charles Bartlemay	Nellie Parker	Louise Lowell
Cora Bartleme.y	Otto Deal	M. Adelia Deal
Mary w. Bates	Mary Brennan	Pearl A .Deal
John C. Evans	Ora Irene MacBride	

On March 20, 1897, a Christian Science Reading Room was established in the residence of Mrs. Viola Philliber at the corner of Fourth Street and Lexington Avenue, which arrangement continued until October 23, 1899. \$5.00 per month rental was paid. On August 12, 1901, the Reading Room was reopened in the Spohn Building on the corner of Second and Franklin streets where it remained until it was moved to its new location at 111 West Lexington Avenue. \$15.00 per month rental was paid and the hours were from 2 to 4 and 7 to 8, each week day except Wednesday. In October of 1905 the evening hours were discontinued. In June of 1916 the offer was accepted from the Christian Science Publishing Society "to open a regular monthly statement account with the Reading Room".

During these early years, Board Meetings were held in the homes of the Board members and were subject to the call of the President. On November 8, 1900, this was recorded in the Board minutes "On account of the storm November 8 by general consent it was decided to hold the meeting of the Board appointed for this date on Monday evening, November 12, 1900".

The first public lecture on Christian Science in Elkhart was given by Mr. Edward A. Kimball, a member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, in the Bucklen Theatre, corner of Main and Harrison Streets in March, 1900. During these years interurban cars were hired by members of this church to go to lectures in Goshen and South Bend. In 1903 a lecture committee was first appointed. It was the work of this committee to solicit funds from the members, make all arrangements for the lecture and pay all bills in connection therewith.

In July of 1900, the first contribution of this church in the sum of \$4.00 was made to the State Committee on Publication for Indiana. The first reference found regarding per capita tax is in the minutes of the Annual Meeting of 1920 when the members voted to send 20¢ per member to the Committee. The first appointment of an Assistant Committee on Publication from Elkhart was also made in this year. Bryce Reid accepted this appointment.

Items from a financial statement in 1901, show that the Clerk was paid \$1.00 a month the readers \$1.00 per Sunday, Organist \$1.50 a month and in February, 1904, an invitation was extended to Mabel Philliber to sing at church services "when convenient" for \$1.00 a Sunday. The January 11, 1902 Treasurer's report shows a balance in the Treasury after payment of all bills of \$8.47.

Increasing attendance at the church services called for larger quarters and on July 17, 1902, a committee of four - Mrs. Philliber, Miss Campbell, Mrs. Green and Mr. Benfer - was appointed "to look about and see what can be done to secure suitable rooms for holding church services and for Reading Rooms."

On June 22, 1903, a special meeting of the church members was called to hear the report of this committee.

A new building was about to be constructed at 115 West Lexington Avenue by Mr. C.L. Monger, who offered to include a large room suitable for holding the church services and also space for the Reading Room at a price of \$30.00 per month. Motion to accept Mr. Monger's offer was unanimously passed, and contract was signed October 6, 1903. (EXHIBIT C.).

This rental agreement was renewed March 4, 1908, and again January 1st, 1914, between Harrison W. Godfrey (successor to Charles L. Monger) and the church.

In January, 1904, the new auditorium became available, which, with the Reading Room, occupied the entire second floor of the Monger Building. The first meeting in the new rooms was a board meeting on January 18, 1904.

On Sunday, February 21st, members of the South Bend, Goshen and Niles church were invited to attend services in the new hall.

Two Readers desks were purchased for the new hall for \$30.00. Early members have said they feel reasonably sure that these are the two desks still in use in the Sunday School Room.

In January, 1904, a gift of all of Mrs. Eddy's works except Science and Health (which had previously been given) were given to the Elkhart Public Library along with a subscription to the Christian Science Journal. Later on a subscription to the Christian Science Sentinel and the Christian Science Monitor were also given.

The subscriptions to the Sentinel and the Monitor have been given almost uninterruptedly since then.

An outside lighted sign was needed for the hall and in June, 1904, arrangements were made to purchase one at a total cost of \$13.50 which included the electricians work. A member of the Board was appointed to let the members and friends know that donations would be accepted for the sign. A lady was employed to keep the hall and the Reading Room clean and was paid 10¢ an hour. In 1906 her salary was raised to 3.00 a month.

In 1905 and 1906 the members contributed periodically to The Mother Church Building Fund. This notation is a part of the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of December 7, 1905: "It was announced at the Board meeting that after the service on Thanksgiving Day someone suggested that it would be a good thing to do to contribute something to The Mother Church Building Fund. The suggestion was acted on at once and in a few moments voluntary offerings amounting to \$18.00 was handed to the Church Treasure to be forwarded at once to the Treasurer of The Mother Church Building Fund".

In 1906 it became evident that eventually the organization would require a building of its own and a Building Fund Committee was appointed. On the Committee were: Mrs. Mary C. Greene, Mrs. M. Adelia Deal, Mrs. Viola E. Philliber, Mrs. Mary B. Turnock and Mrs. Cora M. Cook. A fund was established and \$697.00 placed therein during the year.

The following is a paragraph from the Board minutes of September 20, 1908:

"The question was brought up whether we would continue to submit to the Salvation Army playing their band music and loud singing in front of our hall during our services. After discussing the matter it was decided that we would hold to the Truth that they do not disturb our meetings and would not at this time call the law to our aid".

Following is a Resolution presented at the January 5th, 1911, Board meeting. The Resolution in the form of a letter was sent to the Christian Science Board of Directors:

"Board of Directors
First Church of Christ, Scientist
Boston, Massachusetts:

Dear Sirs:

The Board of Trustees in behalf of First Church of Christ, Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, hereby desire to extend an expression of loyalty and devotion to Christian Science, and to the Board of Directors of The Mother Church.

Board of Trustees
(Signed) George Lounsberry, Clerk".

During the next several years (1909, 1910, 1911 and the early part of 1912) several building sites were considered. A committee of three: Joe Kies, Albert Turnock, and a Mr. Reynolds, was appointed to look into these different sites that had been offered and report to the membership:

Mrs.Ella Conn Hagenbaugh	High and Third	\$6,500.00
Mr. Fieldhouse	Southeast corner of Jackson and Second	6,000.00
Burhands property	Franklin and Third	1,000.00
Burris property	Jefferson and Second	5,500.00
Conn	Lexington and Second	12,000.00
Boss	Jackson and Third	5,000.00
Compton	Jackson and Third	5,000.00

After considering all the sites the Board was instructed by the membership at a special meeting on March 26, 1912, to purchase the Burhands property at Franklin and Third Streets for \$7,000 and contact the members for pledges.

On April 4, a down payment of \$200.00 was made on this property, and \$1200.00 paid on April 30. Payments were to be made in "11 installments of \$500.00 each, and one for \$600.00, one installment due each year, beginning April 30th, 1913, all deferred payments bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum until paid, the interest payable semi-annually".

The membership was invited to look at this property to decide if they should stay in their present location or remodel this house and move into it, hold services there and have the Reading Room there. At a meeting May 6, the membership voted to stay in their present location and rent the buildings.

One building on the Burhands property was subsequently rented for \$25.00 a month and one for \$18.00 a month.

During these years when the church was purchasing property, salaries were:

First Reader	\$1.00 per service
Second Reader	1.00 per service
Soloist	1.00 per Sunday and 50¢ for Wednesday
Organist	1.00 per Sunday and 50¢ for Wednesday
Clerk	2.00 per month
Treasurer	1.00 per month

At times it seemed difficult to make contract and interest payments and periodic announcements were read from the desk informing the membership of the need of contributions to the Building Fund. In December of 1914, the Church lovingly contributed \$14.00 to the War Relief Fund in reply to a request from Adam H. Dickey for such contributions. In April of 1915, the Board authorized "J.B. Moore as Sunday School Superintendent to suggest to the Sunday School that they donate \$25.00 to the Church Building Fund".

Collections from the Sunday School were at this time kept separate from church funds. In July the Board accepted assistance from the Trustees under the Will of Mary Baker Eddy for the giving of a lecture by Virgil O. Strickler. During this year, cards advertising the Christian Science church "Were placed in all the street cars.

On November 5, 1915, a special meeting of the Board was called for the purpose of discussing church property. The building committee recommended:

"The sale of the Franklin Street property and the purchase of the vacant lot on the southeast corner of Second Street and Lexington Avenue and that steps be taken for the building of a church edifice"

The franklin Street property "Was placed in the hands of a realtor be sold. Since they had been unable to sell it, in July of 1917, it was placed in the hands of Mr. E.C .Bickel to sell at Auction. In August, 1917 checks were forwarded to the church for sale of this property. Mr. Bickel's accounting is as follows:

"I sold at public auction your Franklin Street property to Herman Borneman for	
	\$6,805.00
Expenses of sale	\$50.22
Net proceeds or sale	6,754.78
Paid Trustees of John Cook estate who executed proper Warranty Deed	4075.50
Net revenue to church	\$2,679.28

for which find checks attached \$2229.50 and \$449,78 respectively.

Respectfully,
(Signed) E.C. Bickel

P.S. The regular 5% fee would have been \$340.25-50.22 expenses net \$290.08 which is cheerfully given to your cause. (Exhibit D)

At a special church meeting held on November 9th, 1915, the following motion was made and unanimously carried: "That the Board of Trustees be instructed to at once purchase the vacant lot on the southeast corner of Second Street and Lexington Avenue at a price of about \$10,000.00 and to take necessary steps for the construction of a church edifice thereon."

On November 9th, a special Board Meeting was called for the purpose of appointing a committee to make arrangements for raising funds for the financing of our church site and building. George Berkey, William Haggerty and H. H. Alberts were appointed and the former building Fund Committee discharged. Ira H. Church was employed as church attorney.

On the 6th of December, these Resolutions were adopted:

"Resolution No .1

"Whereas there has been some negotiations between the Trustees of the First Church of Christ Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, with Carl B. Greenleaf for the purchasing of the following described real estate located in the City of Elkhart, Elkhart County, Indiana, to-wit:

"One hundred five (105) feet from off the west end of lot number sixty-two (62) as the said lot is designated on the recorded plat of the First Addition to or Continuation of the Village of Elkhart in Conformity with the Original Plat

(frequently spoken of as Beardsley's First Addition to the Town (now city) of Elkhart.

"Now therefore be it resolved by the Trustees of the First Church of Christ Scientist that they proceed with said negotiations and purchase for said church, the above described real estate at and for the purchase price of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars."

"Resolution No.2

"Whereas, the First Church of Christ Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, has purchased the following described real estate, or is about to purchase same, to-wit:

(real estate described as above)

"And Whereas it is necessary to mortgage the above described real estate in order to secure money to pay the purchase price of said above described real estate now therefore be it resolved by the Trustees of the First Church of Christ Scientist of Elkhart, that the said First Church of Christ Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, borrow of the St. Joseph Valley Bank of Elkhart, Indiana, Ten Thousand (\$10,000) Dollars for a period of ten years, said loan to be evidenced by twenty promissory notes of the First Church of Christ Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, one of said notes maturing and becoming due on or before five years after date, one on or before five and one-half (5-1/2) years after date, two on or before six (6) years after date, two on or before six and one-half (6-1/2) years after date, two on or before seven (7) years after date, two on or before seven and one-half (7-1/2) years after date, two on or before eight (8) years after date, two on or before eight and one-half (8 1/2) years after date, two on or before nine (9)

years after date, two on or before nine and one-half (9-1/2) years after date, and two on or before ten (10) years after date, that said notes draw six per cent (6%) interest per annum and all of said notes secured by a mortgage on the above described real estate and that the Trustees of said First Church of Christ Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, are hereby authorized to affix and attach the name of First Church of Christ, Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, to said mortgage and to each of said notes by these Trustees and that the seal of such church shall be by these Trustees affixed to said mortgage and that said debt so created by said notes shall be a debt of First Church of Christ Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, and said mortgage shall be a lien on the above described property owned by First Church of Christ Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, to secure the payment of said notes as they may become due."

The Trustees (Directors) at this date were: Mrs. Adelia Deal, N.B. Corns, Mrs. Mary J. Hackman, Jacob C. Lane, Irwin D. Landis, Richard Turnock, Sr., Jas. F. Boyer, Mrs. Bertha E. Longacre and John B. Moore.

The recorded copy of this list of Trustees is designated (EXHIBIT E). In February, 1916, this letter was sent to the Salvation Army who occupied a one story building on the new Church property:

"Capt. of the Salvation Army,
Elkhart, Indiana

Dear Sir: - You doubtless are aware of the fact that the lot at the corner of Second Street and Lexington Avenue, on which your meeting place is located has been purchased by First Church of Christ, Scientist of this city and the Board of Directors have appointed a committee to call on you at your head-quarters Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock to arrange with you for the vacation of this building sometime between April 1st and May 1st. Of course you will understand that we will not charge you for the use of this building up to that time. We expect to begin the construction of our new Church during the early part of the summer.

"Trusting we will have the pleasure of meeting you at the appointed time and assuring you of our desire to help you secure favorable quarters elsewhere, we are

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Very truly yours,
BOARD OF DIRECTORS"
(EXHIBIT F)

A Finance Committee composed of I.D. Landis, Mrs. Cora A. Bell, Mrs. Edith Cook, Mr. N. B. Corns, Mrs. Mary J. Hackmah, Mrs. Martha H. Reynolds and Miss Aimee Rush was appointed "to devise ways and means of raising money to meet the obligations of our new church property."

In addition to the nine board members, Mr. D. P. Kurtz, Mrs. Harriet Liver and Mrs. Jean Boyle were "Appointed as a building committee for the selection of plans, to arrange all the details of the erection of a church edifice".

On Thursday evening, March 14th, 1916, a report of the Building Committee was approved by the membership by a vote of 40 to 6. This report contains valuable information regarding our church and for that reason it is set forth here with the exception of the reasons for rejecting the plans of the other architects:

"To the Membership of
First Church of Christ, Scientist
of Elkhart, Indiana.

"Your Building Committee consisting of J.C. Lane, Chairman; J.B. Moore, Secretary; I. D. Landis, N.B. Corna, Mrs. Bertha E. Longacre, Mrs. Mary J. Hackman, Mrs. Jean B. Boyle, Mrs. Harriet Liver, Mrs. M. Adelia Deal, Jas F. Boyer, Richard Turnock Sr., D.P.Kurtz, appointed by your Board of Trustees on the fourteenth day of January, 1916, desire to make the following report.

"The Chairman, Secretary and other members of the Committee were authorized to invite each of the three Elkhart Architects and others from out of the city to submit competitive drawings without obligating the Church to accept them. Under these arrangements one and two floor plans were submitted by the following Architects; Simmons & Simmons of Elkhart, Elwood & Elwood of Elkhart, I. Hill Turnock of Elkhart, S.S. Beeman of Chicago, Ills., Wm. C. Jones of Chicago, Ills., and L.B.Valk of Los Angeles, Calif.

"After the Building Committee had looked these plans over carefully, it was decided that it would be advisable to appoint a Committee of three, whose duty it should be to thoroughly examine all plans presented for the new Church Edifice and then recommend to them, the Building Committee, the plans that in their estimation were the best.

"After the Committee had performed this duty to the best of its ability, a meeting of the Building Committee was called to receive the report of the smaller Committee which was as follows:

(NUMBEBS 1 THROUGH 7 WERE PLANS OF VARIOUS OTHER ARCHITETS THAT WERE REJECTED FOR VARIOUS REASONS AND NOT COPIED HERE)

"Eighth, the one floor plan presented by Mr. Turnock of this city, was very good with the exception that the Foyer was not very large, the arrangement of the Reading Room, Librarian's Room and other necessary rooms were not as convenient as it is possible to obtain with a two floor plan. The building was necessarily very large covering almost the whole lot.

"Ninth, the two floor plan presented by Mr. Turnock is excellent and our choice of all the plans for the following reasons;

"First, there is no waste space in the building,

"Second, stairs are about 2-1/2 feet wider than in any other plans presented and are easier steps.

Third, spacious Retiring and Rest Rooms for both Ladies and Gents with toilets adjoining,

"Fourth, Librarian's room of ample size adjoining the Reading Room,

"Fifth, has separate Magazine and Cloak Room,

"Sixth, has ventilating shafts providing for superior ventilation, obviating the necessity of using the windows,

"Seventh, arrangement of rooms for Readers, Soloist and Organist better than in any other plan.

"Eighth, more convenience and better arrangement for the Organist as he can go to the Console direct from his room without having to come out onto the platform and down the steps to the Console, as all other plans necessitate. "Ninth, has an organ loft that will take any size of an organ we might wish to install. "Tenth, this plan provides space for an Elevator for the convenience of any one who desired to use it. Price complete \$25,000.00; Capacity 505, \$27,500.00 Capacity 650.

"Your committee has given careful and prayerful consideration to the advantages and disadvantages of the respective one floor and two floor plans. After an exhaustive investigation we have ascertained that we will be able to have a more commodious Church building with an adequate Sunday School Room by adopting the two floor plan. Also, to our surprise, a two floor Church can be built proportionately cheaper.

"The two floor plan makes it possible to have a Sunday School Room seating 270 pupils, a commodious and well lighted Reading Room with good sized Librarian's room adjoining, a check Room that will meet the necessities of the entire congregation. Commodious quarters for Ladies 'and Gents retiring rooms, a beautiful spacious Foyer, and all these can be secured without encroaching upon the size of the main auditorium.

"Your committee believes that a two floor plan is the more feasible considering the size of the lot. They are also convinced that a two floor Church building would present a better exterior appearance; that it would have a sufficient height to make it harmonize with the new City Hall, Masonic Temple, High School Building and the three and four story business blocks to the east on Main Street. We heartily recommend two floor plan and we believe that ninety per cent of the Science Churches over the country are built on this plan.

"It seems that the chief objection offered to the two floor plan is the necessity this plan offers for the flight of stairs entering the rear of the main auditorium and the front of the main auditorium. Your Committee has gone into the matter deeply and finds that the stair-ways entering the rear of the auditorium can be made 6-1/2 ft. wide with an intermediate landing. The rise of each step would be about six inches, while the width would be 13 inches. This would offer a very inviting stair-way that would be less hazardous than the five or six steps outside which should be necessary if the building were built on the one floor plan. We are under the impression that the seeming disadvantage offered by the interior stairways on a two floor plan have been somewhat exaggerated as there would be absolutely no comparison between the stairs that we now have and the ones planned for the new church. These steps can be deeply carpeted and no undue physical exertion will be required to ascend them.

Respectfully submitted
(Signed) by the Committee

"After hearing this report the two plans recommended were thoroughly examined by the Building Committee and a motion was duly made and seconded that the two floor plan prepared by Mr. Turnock of this city be recommended to the Church for acceptance at a specially called meeting, whereupon a vote was taken and all present voted in the affirmative. Mr. G. C. Berkey and Mr. H. H. Albert, members of the Finance Committee were also present on invitation and expressed their hearty approval of the plans.

"It is therefore, the desire of the Building Committee to heartily recommend to you Mr. Turnock's two floor plan as we consider it to be by far the best plan presented and believe that it will fully meet our every need.

Respectfully submitted

Building Committee

(Signed) J. C. Lane, Chairman

(Signed) J. B. Moore, Secretary"

The deed for the present church lot was signed on March 9th, 1916. (EXHIBIT G)

An unusual request was presented to the Board in May - a request "to rent the new church lot for a merry-go-round for a week or so". The request was denied.

The specifications for labor and materials required to entirely complete the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Elkhart, Indiana, submitted by E. Hill Turnock, Elkhart, Indiana, is designated EXHIBIT H.

The architecture of the church is described as CLASSIC IONIC. The auditorium will seat approximately 500 people, the balcony 250 and the Sunday School Room will accommodate approximately 200 pupils. The grill in front of the organ loft is of cast decorative plaster. At a special meeting of the building committee it was decided to place the inscription over the platform: Christianity is again demonstrating the Life that is Truth and the Truth that is Life". The lettering is done in Gold leaf and should never be painted, neither is the background for the lettering to be painted. Provisions were made for installing an elevator. The shaft for the elevator is floored over at each floor. An Elevator could be installed at the present Literature Distribution Closet and the Custodian's Supply closet. The lamp posts in front of the church are of cast iron.

The Art Glass windows of the church at the time of building, cost \$1.35 per sq. ft., and are set in lead and zinc.

Mr. D. R. Kurtz was awarded the general contract for the erection of the church edifice in July, 1916 EXHIBIT I is the contract signed between Mr. Kurtz and the Church. The surety bond of Mr. Kurtz as principal and George W. Garvin and Frank Brumbaugh as sureties in the sum of \$5000.00 is EXHIBIT J.

EXHIBIT K is the newspaper clipping of the REVIEW of July 10, 1916, announcing the erection of our Church.

Following is the letter sent to the Church membership shortly after the contract for the construction of the building had been let:

"Elkhart, Indiana, July 12, 1916.

"Dear Friend:-

"At the semi-annual business meeting held the evening of the 6th, the building committee's action in awarding the contract for our new church edifice was approved and immediate construction authorized.

"While we have every reason to be greatly encouraged in this movement, due to the excellent contributions and collections each week, especially the third Sunday of the month, it is necessary that we be satisfied with nothing short of continuous and uninterrupted giving, being assured that God will abundantly bless our every individual effort towards the furtherance of His cause.

"A church home properly located, ventilated and suitable to our needs has become a necessity. The plans of the building have been carefully and prayerfully drawn; the architect chosen is one of the best; the contractor is a conscientious builder and a long time member of the Christian Science Church.

"Therefore, let us in the spirit of unity, harmony, gratitude and love put forth our every effort in contributing mentally and financially to the needs of the new church that Christian Science, its teachings and works, may be better understood and established in the City of Elkhart.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

"P.S.-It is desirable that each member assist in circulating among their friends, here and elsewhere, the attractive folders relative to the church. A liberal supply may be obtained in the Reading Room or by applying to the ushers."

EXHIBIT L letter and folder.

This action was taken at the Board meeting on August 3rd: "It was moved, by Corns and carried that the Sunday School disband for the month of august".

During August the contract for the pews was awarded to the Theodore Kundtz Company, Cleveland, Ohio. The pews are of red birch with a hand rubbed finish. The hymnal racks are birch veneer. Total cost \$ 2,350.00. " 1/3 of said sum to be paid in cash on delivery of invoice, ballance to be paid by note to mature 6 months after completion of contract bearing interest at the rate of 6%". EXHIBIT M.

"A special meeting of members of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Elkhart, Indiana, was called September 12, 1916, for the purpose of ratifying the action of the Board of Trustees in deciding to issue Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) worth of bonds, the funds from the sale of which shall be used in the construction of a new Church Edifice.

"Upon motion of Mr. John Goofrey and seconded by Mr. Berkey the Church adopted the following resolutions ratifying and confirming the action taken by the Board of Trustees:

"Whereas, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in regular meeting assembled on the 9th day of November, 1915, authorized and directed its Board of Trustees to purchase ground for a church site and finance and build a church on said grounds; and,

"Whereas, the Board of Trustees of First Church of Christ, Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, did on the 7th day of September, 1916, by resolution duly adopted authorize the issuing of ten year five per cent gold bonds of said church, and did further authorize the execution of a mortgage to the St. Joseph Valley Bank of Elkhart, Indiana, as Trustee, to secure the payment of said bonds and the interest on same; and,

"Whereas, the said Trustees of said Church at said meeting so held on September 7th, 1916, authorized its President and its Clerk to sign the name of First Church of Christ, Scientist of Elkhart, to said bonds and the interest coupons attached thereto, and to sign the name of First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Elkhart, Indiana, to said mortgage and to attach the seal of said Church to said mortgage,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by First Church of Christ, Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, in special meeting assembled that the resolution and acts of said Board of Trustees of said Church is hereby in all things ratified and confirmed". (EXHIBIT M-1 TRUST DEED)

"The vote on the above resolutions stood thirty favoring, one opposed and four not voting". The resolution does not so state, but 200 \$100.00 gold bonds, interest payable semi-annually on October 1st and April 1st at 5% was the action actually taken.

On October 5th, 1916, at the Board of Trustees meeting, this report was made by J.C. Lane, President of the Board and Chairman of the committee supervising the laying of the corner stone:

"Complying with the action of this Board, Mr. Berkey, Mr. Landis and myself met at our reading rooms on the morning of September 25, 1916, and proceeded to investigate thoroughly all the following pieces of literature: One Holy Bible (corresponding in makeup to the \$5.00 edition of Science and Health), one copy of Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy (5.00 Edition) one Christian Science Quarterly Bible Lessons, one Church Manual of The Mother Church , one current (September) Journal, one (Sept) Herold and one each (September 2, Saturday) edition of the Christian Science Monitor and Sentinel, last received; also a memorandum of all the above with reference to the service of laying the corner stone.

"After finding the above perfect and not mutilated or damaged in any way, we wrapped them carefully in several thicknesses of architect's tracing linen, placed them in a copper box, took latter to a coppersmith, had the cover hermetically sealed, and we then proceeded to our Church lot, Cor. Second St. and Lexington Avenue. At 9:00 A.M., the President, Mr. Lane, read from the Bible as follows:

John 4:2,4

Matt.11:28

I Peter 2: 4,5,6,9, 17

"This was followed by reading of correlative passages from Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mrs. Eddy, Page 241, lines 24-27; Page 140, lines 16-22, followed by repeating the Scientific Statement of Being, page 468. We then had Silent prayer followed by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer with its spiritual interpretation as given in our text book, followed by pronouncing the benediction given in II Cor.13:14. The box above referred to having been placed in the receptacle of the corner stone and the cover well cemented in place, we considered the corner stone duly laid, and dispersed."

Those present in addition to Mr. Lane were: D.P. Kurtz, the contractor, George Berkey, Charles Greene and Irvin Landis, First Reader.

It is interesting to note at this time that the matter of the members taking the front seats and leaving the rear seats for late-comers was discussed; and this notation from the March, 1917 Board meeting: "The matter of our Wednesday evening testimonies was then taken up and it was admitted by all present that the meetings could be improved upon by each doing his part in the giving of testimonies, which is a privilege and should not be neglected". In reviewing the entire history of our Church, the nagging problem of empty front seats and the scarcity of testimonies on Wednesday evening has always been evident.

Mr. Boyer who was serving as Church organist recommended that a Moller organ made at Eagerstown, Maryland, be purchased. Our Organ is a three Manual with an Electro Pneumatic Action, 1387 pipes including the chimes. Cost, \$5000.00; \$1500.00 paid on completion and acceptance of organ, balance to be paid: "in six notes of even amount payable in 6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36 months with 6% interest payable semi-annually." EXHIBIT N, Organ Contract. Carpeting for the auditorium was purchased costing \$2.35 per yard.

The Building Committee in special session on October 16, 1917, submitted the following inscriptions that were accepted:

"AUDITORIUM - For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. II Tim.1:7
"FOYER, OVER FOUNTAIN - The Lord God omnipotent reigneth.Rev.19:6
"HALL - Draw nigh to God and he will draw nigh to you. James 4:8
"AUDITORIUM - Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of Love and peace shall be "With you. II Cor 13: 11
"HALL - Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only. James 1: 22
"READING ROOM - Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils; freely ye have received, freely give. Matt.10:8
"SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM - Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Luke 18:16"

The quotations engraved in the mortar tablets on the outside of the church are:

NORTH TABLET FACING WEST - "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. Rev. XI: XV

SOUTH TABLET FACING WEST - "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. Hab.II:XIV"

WEST TABLET FACING NORTH - "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with Men. Rev. XXI: III" "Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace. Job XXII:XII"

EAST TABLET FACING NORTH OVER LEXINGTON AVENUE ENTRANCE: "First Church of Christ, Scientist, Reading Room."

EXHIBIT 0 is the newspaper article of December 12, 1917, from the Elkhart Truth as the church building was being completed.

In January of 1918, it was agreed that the indebtedness of the church be consolidated in a single bond issue and the following motion carried;

"Whereas, the Board of Trustees of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Elkhart, Indiana, do on the 7th day of January, 1918, by resolution duly adopted, authorize the issuing of \$50,000 first mortgage six per cent ten year refund gold bonds of said church - proceeds of bonds to be used to take up all prior liens and other indebtedness created in the construction of the new church edifice. And do further authorize the execution of the mortgage to the St. Joseph Valley Bank of Elkhart, Indiana, as trustee to secure payment of said bond and the interest on same".

EXHIBIT P is a letter of the Smith-Martin Company, of Chicago, Illinois, offering our Church Improvement Bonds for sale.

Following is a list of the \$100.00 and \$500.00 Church Improvement Bond Holders:

\$200.00	Miss Augusta Walters, Ravanna, Illinois
100.00	Mrs. Charlotte Wellteton, New Haven
200.00	Mrs. Clara T. Cobb, Schoolcraft, Michigan
500.00	J. I. Liver, City
1000.00	A.H. Beardsley, City
500.00	Mrs. Ella H. Doty, Detroit, Mich.
2100.00	Mrs. Cora K. Cook, City
100.00	Mrs. Edith Sage, City
500.00	Mrs. B.C. Godfrey, City
100.00	Mrs. Mary A. Brennan, City
500.00	Mrs. Sophia M. Benedict, City
400.00	Mrs. Frances Bigelow, City
500.00	Mr. H.H. Alberts, City
500.00	Mrs. Jennie Long, City
100.00	Miss V. Edna Henson, Canyon, Texas
100.00	Mrs. Ada Bradley, Bay City, Michigan
100.00	Mrs. M. Lynch, Chicago, Illinois
1700.00	Mrs. B.C. Godfrey, City
1000.00	Mr. J.E. Plummer, Belize, British Honduras
200.00	Mrs. Ella H. Doty, Detroit, Michigan
500.00	Mrs. Matilda Gibbons, Del. Res. Texas
100.00	Mrs. H.C. Pauly, Chicago, Illinois
200.00	Mrs. Ada Bradley, Bay City Michigan
200.00	Miss Laura Abel, Cascade, Wisconsin
200.00	Mrs. Clara Y. Cobb, Schoolcraft, Michigan
100.00	Mrs. Ada A .Bradley Bay City, Michigan
1000.00	Mrs. M.F. Wolff, Janesville, Wisconsin
800.00	Miss Mildred B. Parkin, Chicago, Illinois
100.00	Mrs. Edna Henson, Canyon, Texas
400 00	Mrs. SolJiiia Benedict, City
100 00	Mrs. Edna Henson, Canyon, Texas
100 00	Mr. Wm. C. Utes, Chicago, Illinois
100 00	Mrs. Louise Casler, Chicago, Illinois
100.00	Mrs. M.A. Betts, Chicago, Illinois
100.00	Mr. Jno.F. Godfrey, City
200.00	Miss Laura Abel, Cascade, Wisconsin
300 00	Mrs. B.C. Godfrey, City
\$500.00 Bonds	
500.00	Miss Laura Abel, Cascade, Wisconsin
500.00	Miss Florence Hubbard, Ellicottville, New York
500.00	Miss Leola Hubbard, Ellicottville, New York
500.00	Mrs. A.M. Lynch, Chicago, Illinois
6000.00	Miss Annie W. Carter, Chicago, Illinois

Bond Holders continued:

\$ 500.00	Mrs. Matilda C. Gibbons
5000.00	Mrs. Lois Mildred Plummer, British Honduras
2500.00	Mrs. J.E. Plummer, British Honduras
3000.00	Bert H. Hershaw, Chicago, Illinois
8000.00	A. Frieda, Chicago, Illinois
4000.00	Mr. J.E. Plummar, British Honduras
500.00	Carroll J. Scribner, Chicago, Illinois
500.00	George W. Houcks, Ellicottville, New York
500.00	Mrs. A. G. Cox, Chicago, Illinois
2500.00	Mrs. J. E. Plummer, British Honduras

Although the pews had not been permanently installed, the auditorium was first opened to the public to hear a lecture by Virgil O. Strickler on December 14, 1917. The audience was estimated to include about 700 people. The first service in the new church was Sunday morning, February 17th, at 10:45, with an approximate attendance of 550 people. Mr. I.D. Landis was First Reader and Mrs. Marie Turnock, was Second Reader. Visitors were taken through the church accompanied by a church member.

At the semi-annual meeting on July 11, 1918, the building committee reported that the total cost of the new church was \$60,980.83.

On October 29, 1918, the Board sent this letter to the Christian Science Board of Directors:

"Board of Directors,
The First Church of Christ, Scientist
Boston, Mass.

Dear Friends:

"We, the Board of Trustees of First Church of Christ, Scientist of Elkhart, beg leave to submit the following facts to the Board of Directors of The Mother Church, with the humble request that you frankly advise us on any point you deem necessary.

"After unanimous consent of all members present, at a meeting called for the purpose of considering the purchase of a particular site on which to erect a new Church Edifice, this Board of Trustees made the purchase and proceeded with plans for the erection of an edifice which was to cost approximately \$300,000.00

"At that time, a number of Christian Science Churches were financing new edifices by issuing bonds, and our Board of Trustees adopted this method, which action was also unanimously approved at a special church meeting.

Letter continued:

"Some months later, after the construction of the church was well under way, and the bonds had been issued and practically all sold, an article appeared in the Christian Science Journal, which discouraged the issuing of bonds for the construction of Christian Science churches. We did not see then how our course could be changed, and completed our church using the financial proceeds of the bond sale for this purpose.

"Also, we began the construction of our church nearly two years before our nation became engaged in war. Labor and material conditions became such that the construction cost was increased about 35 or 40%. Our completed structure represents a cost of \$61,000.00 including the site.

"Today, with our beautiful edifice completed, and attendance at regular services and Sunday School doubled, we still owe \$56,300.00. Our building fund collections have been ample to pay the interest on this indebtedness, and a little on the principal despite the fact that we, as loyal Scientists deem it our duty to answer the financial appeals of our Government, Red Cross, Camp welfare, and other worthy causes, in these days when money is needed in the fight against error and autocracy•

"A few members of this Church are openly criticizing this Board, for the extra cost and the manner in which the construction of our edifice was financed. Is this Board in error in feeling that it is the duty of every member of this church, to show their loyalty by aiding in every way possible in the wiping out of the indebtedness on our material church structure? This advise is humbly sought at the request of eight of the nine members of this Board.

"It is this Board's earnest desire to be rightly guided by the Manual of The Mother Church, and not to take any action contrary to the wisdom or the advice of the Board of Directors of The Mother Church to whom our loyalty is unquestioned.

Board of Trustees:
J.C. Lane, President
Ethelyn Neff, Clerk
G.C. Berkey
R. Turnock, Sr.
Martha Reynolds
N.B. Corns
John F. Godfrey
Miss Aimee Rush
Bertha Longacre."

Yours sincerely,
Board of Trustees
First Church of Christ Scientist
By _____
Clerk
401 Monger Building

This letter in reply was received from the Christian Science Board of Directors in November'

"Board of Trustees,
First Church of Christ, Scientist,
Mrs. Ethelyn Neff, Clerk,
401 Monger Building
Elkhart, Indiana

Dear Friends:

"I am instructed by The Christian Science Board of Directors to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 29 and to make the following reply.

"Your situation at this time necessarily involves different circumstances and necessitates different action than would have been the case at the time the question of financing your church building was before you. The experience of the Board has been such that they have not favored a large financial outlay and the issuing of bonds to finance the building of a Christian Science church. Our Leader's thought was that each Christian Science church should, through demonstration work out a satisfactory solution of its needs financially and otherwise. Should solicitation over a wide area become the custom with Christian Science churches, a regrettable condition would ensue. In your case certain steps have been taken and necessarily these must enter into consideration in working out the problem before you.

"The Directors cannot consistently offer specific advice to branch churches regarding their local affairs and they are not sufficiently informed as to the details of the situation to give counsel which would be of value other than general observations. The Board certainly does avoid putting forth every effort to reduce an indebtedness such as that on your church edifice and without making an appeal to other fields for assistance. Infinite Mind when its availability is demonstrated supplies the wherewithal to meet all legitimate debts and your situation is a question for Christian Science demonstration and effort. In other instances similar to yours churches have earnestly worked along this line and raised large amounts when from a human standpoint it seemed impossible to do so. Mrs. Eddy says on page 199 of Science and Health: "The devotion of thought to an honest achievement makes the achievement possible." To meet the situation before you, you need earnestly to prove God's allness.

With all good wishes,
Sincerely yours,
(Signed) Chas. E. Jarvis
Corresponding Secretary for
The Christian Science Board of Directors."

Following is a

"STATEMENT OF EXTRAS AND EXCESS COST OVER CONTRACT OF
THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST'S BUILDING
AT ELKHART, INDIANA

Feb. 11, 1918

Building Committee

No.	Items	Contract	Extras	Excess	
1	Excavating	100.00			100.00
2	Concrete Work	666.30	1075.95		
	Concrete Walk		24.00		1766.25
3	Carpenter Work	2203.17	191.68		2394.85
4	Brick Work & Plaster	6267.50	64.50	147.00	6499.00
5	Stone Work	5590.00	54.58		5644.58
6	Rough Hardware	400.00	21.07	60.00	481.07
7	Builders Hardware	600.00	59.25		659.25
8	Roof & Sheet Metal	869.00	1.35		870.35
9	Lumber Bill	2262.09		372.00	2634.09
10	Mill Work	2060.00	111.55		2171.55
11	Art Glass	1200.00	40.00	412.10	1652.10
12	Art mosaic & Tile Co.	649.00	168.60	146.40	964.00
13	Ornamental Plaster	1245.00	127.91	357.07	1747.98
14	Structural Iron	878.00			878.00
15	Ornamental Iron	660.00		70.00	730.00
16	Painting & Decorating	2000.00	108.21	125.00	2233.21
17	Electric Wiring	1085.00	48.46	15.00	1148.46
18	Incidentals	1544.00			1544.00
19	Freight on Blower		16.55		
	202 Hours D.P.Kurtz time		97.85		114.40
	Lum. Bill to house blower		30.06		30.06
	on all grades of labor			2818.85	2616.85
20	Total Bid	30,279.06			
	Discount	662.06			
	Contract Price	27,617.00	2241.57	4339.42	36,860.05

EXHIBIT Q.

This resolution was adopted at the time or the litigation between the Christian Science Board of Directors and the Board of Trustees of the Christian Science Publishing Society by the church members at a special meeting on April 21st, 1919:

"Whereas, this branch of the true vine, First Church of Christ, Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, is and desires to continue loyal to our Leader, Mary Baker Eddy to the church which she founded, The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Mass. and to comply with and live up to all the requirements of the By-Laws given in the Mother Church Manual, therefore,

"BE IT RESOLVED by the membership of this church, fifty-five of whom are members of The Mother Church, that we regret exceedingly and condemn the action taken by the Trustees of the Christian Science Publishing Society, against the Christian Science Board of Directors, which action we think wholly uncalled for, and inexcusable, for it appears clear to us that the Trust Deed (Exhibit A) of the Church Manual and precedent makes the said Board of Directors the sole and exclusive governmental authority in the Christian Science movement, including all its various activities, and

"BE IT RESOLVED - that we shall forever so consider and esteem said Board of Directors as the paramount authority of the Church, and gladly do our part at all times to uphold them in it.

"RESOLVED: That a copy of these resolutions, together with a copy of the letter which will be sent to said Board of Directors, informing them of our action, be sent also to the Trustees of the Christian Science Publishing Society, also to John V. Dittmore, one of the defendants."

Christian Science literature was not distributed nor was any made available for sale during the litigation and the church card was removed from the Journal. Only Mrs. Eddy's works, Life of Mrs. Eddy by Sibyl Wilbur, Concordance, Quarterly and Armstrongs "Mother Church" were received from the Publishing Society. The Lesson-Sermon committee at this time was loyal to the Board of Trustees of the Publishing Society. Quickly however, a committee loyal to the Board of Directors prepared the following quarterlies.

Mr. ___ Godfrey was the first Christian Science Monitor representative appointed in Elkhart in September of 1919.

In November, 1920, minutes is this paragraph: "A letter was read from the Secretary of the Board of Directors in Boston, asking for financial help for The Mother Church". The following action was taken: "A motion was made, seconded and carried, that this Church send a monthly donation to The Mother Church, amount to be determined at each Board meeting, to be sent until rescinded by the Board, \$25.00 to be sent for November. That the Clerk be instructed to write a letter accompanying the check stating the financial condition, and explaining our inability to send larger check at this time". \$25.00 was sent each month until September, 1921, when a letter was received from The Christian Science Board of Directors stating that there was now a substantial amount and that contributions could be stopped.

The first reference made to BOARD OF DIRECTORS instead of BOARD OF TRUSTEES is in the minutes of January 13th, 1922.

At the Semi-Annual Business meeting of July 13, 1923, the matter of redecorating the Church was discussed - the approximate cost \$2000.00.

"It was moved that each member indicate on a slip of paper with no signature thereon, the amount they will give before October 1st in addition to the sum they are now giving and that all members of the church be notified by the Clerk of this action and be given the privilege of making their additional pledges. Motion seconded and carried". Total amount pledged at this meeting \$1,378.50. In October at a Special Meeting of the members, a definite figure of \$1500.00 for redecorating the entire church was presented. The members after considerable discussion felt that they could not afford at this time "to take up this work" stating that they felt it would be better to apply all funds to the reduction of their bonded indebtedness. The question was then voted on, defeated and dropped.

A Memorial Service for President Harding was held Friday afternoon, August 17th, 1923, and a flag was placed at half mast in the auditorium for thirty days.

At the first Board meeting in September, a motion was made that all money placed in the contribution plates on Sunday the 18th, outside of that placed in the Expense Fund and Building Fund envelopes be forwarded to the Christian Science Relief Fund for Japan in Boston. The motion was carried and \$79.38 was forwarded to Boston for this purpose.

Another evidence of the generosity of the members is noted when the use of our auditorium was offered to the Methodist membership for each Sunday evening and Thursday evening service for their use until their Church, damaged by fire, was fitted for services.

A Special Meeting of the membership was called July 17th, 1924, for the purpose of discussing the financial condition of the Church:

"A talk by the Treasurer, Mr. Berkey, showed receipts in the Building Fund amounting to \$3289.46 for the first six months of the year. This amount included a balance on hand at the beginning of the year of \$261.71. Since January 1st, \$1000.00 has been paid on bonds and \$1343 in interest on the indebtedness. A balance of \$917.74 in the Building Fund was reported by the Treasurer".

About this time J.W. Fieldhouse gave \$500.00 to the Church Building Fund, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bell gave \$1000.00 worth of stock in Elkhart Carriage Company, and the Christian Scientists in Nappanee sent \$10.00. Other church members contributed generously to the Building Fund. Many times when a lecture was announced, a check for \$100.00 was received from J.W. Fieldhouse and on several occasions he attended our lectures.

The redecorating of the church was again discussed in February of 1925. A bid of \$1125.00 was received and the members voted to proceed. All inscriptions were to remain the same. Pledges amounted to \$511.00, and a \$500.00 gift was received from the South Bend church for this purpose, so only approximately \$135.00 was needed to complete the work. \$125.00 was paid weekly and the balance to be paid "when the work is passed on favorably". At this time also the pews were washed and varnished. The suggestion was made at this time that a good architect be contacted in regard to placing grill work to conceal the organist during services and that a railing be placed in front of the church. It was about this time that the "No Parking" sign was first used in front of the church, the sign being approved by the Chief of Police.

The first reference made to the Christian Science Monitor Advertising Information Committee is found in the minutes of July, 1925. The Committee at this time was known as the MONITOR INTEREST COMMITTEE, Mrs. Irmym Unger was Chairman. She reported to the members at the Semi-Annual Business Meeting that "the first thing this committee had to do was to become acquainted with the Monitor." Each number can help in this work by patronizing the merchants advertising in the Monitor whenever possible. Our advertisers at this time are: The Charles S. Drake Co., George Flanders & Son, Spore Shoe Repairing Co., R.W. Evans Coal Co., and the Tax Adjustment Co."

For several years, the position of Housekeeper or Chairman of the House Committee seemed most difficult to fill. In April of 1926 this action was taken: "A motion was made that the Clerk get in touch with Mrs. Easley to ascertain whether she is willing to accept the position as housekeeper for the remainder of the year." In case Mrs. Easley refused to act as housekeeper, the Clerk was authorized to begin alphabetically with our membership roll and ask each woman member to serve one month."

In May action was taken that hereafter in the absence of the First Reader, the Second Reader is to take his place at the Wednesday evening meetings.

Again the generosity and love of their fellow-man was shown by the members of this church when "all the loose collection on Sunday, May 8th be sent to The Mother Church for relief of those in the flooded districts of the south" in response to a request for help from branch churches.

This interesting motion appears in the July 14th minutes: "A motion was made and supported that a committee be appointed by the Board of Directors of this church to look after traffic regulations on corner of Lexington and Second Streets."

On February 29th, 1928, a special meeting of the members was called for the purpose of considering a resolution authorizing the Board of Directors of said church to issue bonds and execute a mortgage and Deed

of Trust on the Church property, for the purpose of refinancing the Church debts. The following resolution was offered and Mrs. James Nyce moved its adoption:

"Whereas, First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Elkhart, Indiana, heretofore issued its certain first mortgage ten-year gold bonds, in the sum of Fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars in denominations of Five hundred Dollars, and One Hundred Dollars, each, said bonds being numbered from One (1) to two hundred twenty (220) both inclusive, each and all of said bonds bearing date of April 1, 1918, and due and payable on or before April 1st, 1928;

"And, Whereas, said church to secure the payment of said bonds executed its certain mortgage or deed of trust to the St. Joseph Valley Bank of Elkhart, Indiana, Trustee;

"And, Whereas, there are now outstanding unredeemed bonds in the sum of Twenty-seven Thousand Eight Hundred (\$27,800.00) dollars, together with interest thereon, and which said bonds are due and payable as of April 1st, 1928;

"And, Whereas, said Church has not in its treasury sufficient funds with which to meet said obligation;

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that said First Church of Christ, Scientist of Elkhart ,Indiana for the purpose of meeting said obligation and property discharging same, issue and cause to be issued its certain first mortgage serial negotiable gold bonds in the aggregate amount of twenty-eight thousand (\$281000.00) Dollars, in the form, amounts and maturities hereinafter stated, and execute and deliver its mortgage or Deed of Trust to the St. Joseph Valley Bank or Elkhart, Indiana, as Trustee, upon the following described real estate, to-wit:

"One hundred five (105)feet from off the west end of Lot number sixty-two (62) as the said lot is designated on the recorded plat of the First Addition or Continuation of the Village of Elkhart in conformity with the original plat, (frequently spoken of as Beardsley's First Addition to the Town, now city,) of Elkhart, Indiana:

"That all of said bonds are to be dated April 2nd, 1928, and the principal and interest thereon payable in gold coin of the United States of America, of or equal to the present standard of weight and fineness, at the St. Joseph Valley Bank, in the City of Elkhart, Elkhart County, State of Indiana, and to bear interest at the rate of six per cent (6%)per annum, payable semi-annually on the first date or April and the first day of October of each year until maturity of said bonds, such interest to be represented by coupons attached to said bonds, and said principal to be payable aa follows, to-wit:

\$10,000.00	April 1st, 1933
\$18,000.00	April 1st, 1938

"That said bonds be executed by the Board of Directors, and to consist of eight (80) bonds of One Hundred (\$100.00) dollars each, twenty (20) bonds of Five Hundred (\$500.00) dollars each and Ten (10) Bonds of One Thousand (\$1000.00) dollars each.

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the St. Joseph Valley Bank of Elkhart, Indiana, be made Trustee, under said mortgage or deed of Trust, and that said mortgage or Trust Deed be executed in behalf of this church by the Board of Directors thereof, and that the coupons on said bonds bear the signature of the President and Clerk of said Board.

The motion was seconded and all present voted in favor of said resolution, motion duly carried.

On the 11th day of April, another special meeting of the members was called for the purpose of amending the resolution adopted by the members of the church at the meeting held February 29th.

Only the last paragraph of the above resolution was amended to read as follows:

"That said bonds be executed in behalf of this church, by the President and Clerk of the Board of Directors x x x and that said mortgage or Trust Deed be executed in behalf of this church by the President and Clerk of the Board of Directors".

In July, the Board was authorized to "get two electric fans on trial and see to proper wiring" and "to purchase palm leaf fans for the use of the congregation". There was discussion at the Send-Annual Meeting "as to the feasibility of purchasing the lot on Second Street next to the Church edifice, resulting in the decision to allow the matter to rest for the present".

The present reading room hours 11:30 to 4 were established by the Board in September and the Librarian's salary at that time was \$35.00 per month. The Reader's salaries were raised to \$5.00 per service.

Up to September, 1928, stationary seats were used in the Sunday School Room and these faced west. An order was given in this month to a Mr. Kurtz of Mishawaka to build 15 tables for the Sunday School at a cost of \$6.00 apiece. Also at this time a used piano was purchased for the Sunday School.

According to the minutes of this month, Sunday School was from 9:45 to 10:30, and the Superintendent, Mrs. Ethel Church, was instructed to close the Sunday School promptly at 10:30 since church was beginning at 10:45. The smallest Sunday School class was moved from the Sunday School Room to the Reading Room for teaching during the Sunday School hour.

At the January, 1929 membership meeting a motion was made and carried that "we invest \$2,000.00 of the funds in our Building and Interest Fund in first mortgage real estate certificates issued by St. Joseph Valley Bank yielding 6% interest, these bonds maturing in about 3 and 1/2 years".

A Committee was appointed at this time to assist the Treasurer in counting the Sunday Collections. In 1930 this was changed to "the Treasurer and a Board Member, preferably the Clerk". In January of 1934, the "ushers" system of counting money was started, and is done this way now.

On recommendation of the Christian Science Publishing Society, the MONITOR SUPPORT COMMITTEE was changed to MONITOR ADVERTISING INFORMATION COMMITTEE.

In the report of the Chairman of the Literature Distribution Committee on July 18, 1929, Mrs. Anne Lynch stated that 41 stations were receiving Christian Science Literature each week.

So the soloist would not have to hold her Hymnal and solo all during the Sunday morning service, a velvet bag was hung on the arm of her chair for this purpose.

The Reading Room showed definite signs of progress and in October this motion was made and carried. In as much as the Board feels the Reading Room is now self-supporting all office supplies, telephone bills, etc., should be paid from the Reading Room funds."

In January of 1930, a committee was formed known as the "Binding and Indexing Committee. This committee's work was to secure information on the binding of Journals and Sentinels for the Reading Room and if approved to proceed with the work. A notice was read from the desk: "A privilege is given to the members of the church to contribute to a fund for the binding of old Sentinels and Journals for a permanent file in the Reading Room". After securing all pertinent information the committee agreed that

"we go ahead with the work of having the 21 or more volumes of Journals bound in the cloth binding at \$2.00 or less per volume." The Committee then proceeded to prepare Journals for Binding. In April this committee reported to the Board that the Journals were ready for binding and that practically enough funds had been collected to pay for these volumes.

The committee: J.C. Lane, John Cain, Mrs. John Cain, Mrs. Ethel Church, Mrs. Leone Finnell, Mrs. Golden, Mrs. George Gothiea, George Gothiea, Mrs. Grace Hansen, Mrs. Mixer, Mrs. William Martin, Miss Georgia Reynolds, Mrs. Mabel Sigertoos and Mrs. Mildred Stutsman, was authorized to proceed with the work.

Names of new members of the church were read from the desk on "Sacrament Sunday even as late as January, 1930. Nothing is found indicating when this practice was discontinued.

In April or 1930, a letter was received from Boston describing the new Sanatorium at San Francisco and giving church members an opportunity to contribute to the fund for this new project. A notice regarding this was read from the desk in order that all might know about it and have an opportunity to give.

As of December 1st, 1930, the financial condition of the church seemed severe, and a special membership meeting was called. Several motions were made and carried at this meeting:

"1. "We discontinue the practice of borrowing from the building and interest fund to pay our current expenses;

"2. That this body recommend to the board that it materially reduce all salaries of members, use its discretion in cutting the salaries to meet our present need and that a notice of the deficiency in our General Fund be read from the desk;

"3. That a letter be sent to the members of this church who were not present telling them of the deficiency in the general fund and the plans made to meet this problem;

"4. That a meeting of church members be held every quarter until this financial problem is met;

"5. That two committees be appointed to do metaphysical work, one for our church services, and one to do work for our financial condition.

The Readers' salaries were reduced to \$2.00 per service and the soloist's salary to \$3.00 per service. This amount just covering the average amount of deficit for each week. The Librarian's salary was reduced from \$35.00 to \$30.00 per month and the hours were changed to 12:30 to 4, but the following year they were returned to the former hours 11:30 to 4.

The first mention of an amplifying system for our church was in the November, 1931, minutes. A motion was made but was lost.

At an informal business meeting of the membership on November 4th, a letter was read from Boston about the need for a new Publishing House and asking for gifts from each branch church. A motion was made that this church pledge \$25.00 a month for the next eighteen months to the fund for the new Publishing House.

A fund was established for purchasing new hymnals and at the 1933 Semi-Annual business meeting, it was agreed that a special evening for an hour's singing of one-half hour before or after the Wednesday evening meeting be held for practicing the new hymns. It was decided that this be done one-half hour before the following Wednesday evening meeting.

On Monday February 22nd, 1932, a George Washington Bicentennial Service was held and during this month the bulletin board for church announcements was placed in the foyer.

In March a lecture was given in the High School Auditorium by Dr.

Henry J. DeLange. Reference is made in November of the previous year regarding a bill for the use of the High School Auditorium for a lecture, but no mention is made of who the lecturer was or when it was held.

The financial situation seemed most critical in April, 1933. The Church Funds in the St. Joseph Valley Bank had been restricted, the interest due April 1st was paid but there were insufficient funds to take care of the general expenses.

Church bonds had been purchased by a J.E. Plummer. About this time the Trustee of Mr. Plummer's estate requested payment of the bonds. An Extension Agreement (EXHIBIT R) between the estate of J.E. Plummer and the Church on \$5,000.00 in bonds for five years, \$1,000.00 for 1 year and \$11000.00 in cash as soon as funds were released from the bank, was signed.

In October it was necessary to borrow money with which to pay bond interest due. In June of 1934, the restricted funds of the Reading Room were transferred to the restricted funds of the Church General Fund and the Sunday School restricted funds were placed in the Building Fund.

"A motion was made and carried that a committee of one man and one woman be appointed for the next three months to welcome the strangers coming to church. The names of this committee to be known only to the Board". This motion appears in the minutes of October, 1933, and later on the committee was designated as the "Welcome Committee". Members were added to it at various times during the year, sometimes monthly. This was discontinued in 1941. Some years later this was again done with Church members serving as "Greeters" and later it was discontinued.

For some time, no member of the Church would accept appointment as Reading Room Librarian, so in the early part of 1934, the Board "designated 6 librarians, each to serve one day a week without pay; and that the money that has been paid to a Librarian each month, be paid to the Church Treasurer

to be put in the regular Building Fund". In January of 1935, \$4.00 a month was paid to an "Executive Librarian".

Sunday School pupils were first appointed to serve as Cloak Room attendants in 1934. A committee, 'With three or four assistants was appointed to take charge of small children during the church hour, was also commenced. Action was taken the same year that "Readers alternate in introducing lecturers", and "A motion was made, carried that we establish a permanent fund from which we send \$10.00 a month to The Mother Church General Fund". This contribution has continued since.

Although the motion was defeated, at the January 1935 Annual Meeting, a motion was made: "that in as much as we have a deficit in our current expenses, we eliminate the payment or all salaries, unless possibly the Janitor, for one year in order to catch up on current expenses".

At the April, 1935, Quarterly Business Meeting, a committee appointed to draft a Resolution of Loyalty to The Mother Church, submitted the following letter that was accepted and sent to the Board of Directors of The Mother Church:

"The members of First Church of Christ, Scientist of Elkhart, Indiana, assembled at a quarterly business meeting, wish to assure you of their loyalty to the organization established by our great Leader, Mary Baker Eddy, and their loyalty to you the representatives appointed to carry forward our Leader's work.

Our local Church increases in attendance, in interest, and our members are proving their progress by their 'works'.

"Again let us assure you of our allegiance to the Cause, and our endeavors as individual members to fulfill the obligations placed upon us; to increase our understanding of the Scriptures, the text book, the Manual, our Leader's other writings, and to support the Monitor and our unique periodicals.

Prayerfully and sincerely,
(Signed) First Church of Christ, Scientist
Elkhart, Indiana".

In May, 1935, a Decorating Fund was established to redecorate the church immediately. The colors chosen for the Auditorium were light blue for the ceiling and "flesh" for the walls. The quotations were changed and the following ones used: "Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth", Christ Jesus Front left wall. "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God", Christ Jesus Front right wall. "And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive", and "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only", staircases.

In the August Board minutes this statement is found: "Miss Rush met With the Board for the purpose of announcing that we are permitted to have a radio broadcast Sept.23, 24, 25, 27 and 28th. Readers for these broadcasts and subjects were talked over and decided upon". This was a devotional time sponsored by our local Y.M.C.A. In checking with one of the former readers they stated that at first these programs were prepared by each participant and sent to the state Committee on Publication for approval. Later on the programs were prepared by Boston and sent here to be read over the radio by members of our church and some members of the Goshen church were also included. In February of 1936 mention is made of a broadcast to be held the week of March 30th, the readers were: Mrs. Wagers, Mrs. Finnell, Mrs. Warner, Mr. Nyce and Mr. Croop of Goshen.

In September, 1936, the readers were: Mrs. Marie Turnock, Mrs. Anne Lynch, Mr. O.D. Oviatt, Mrs. Leone Finnell and Mr. Mabel Sigerfoos. May 1937: Mrs. Jessie Warner, Mrs. Nellie Wagers, Mrs. Leone Finnell and Mrs. Mabel Sigertoos. January, 1938; Mrs. Leone Finnell, Mrs. Maude Shreiner, Mrs. Mary VonDoehren, Mrs. Marie Turnock and Mrs. Mabel Sigerfoos. February, 1940 Mr. LaMar Croop of Goshen, Mrs. Maude Shreiner, Mrs. Mary VonDoehren, Mrs. Leone Finnell and Mrs. Ethel Tay. Broadcasts were given in January, 1942, November, 1942 and April, 1944, but no readers are listed. Readers for December, 1944 were: Mrs. Anne Lynch, Mrs. Ethel Tay, Mrs. Gertrude Beehler, Mrs. Maud Shreiner, Mrs. Marie Turnock, D. Ray Grossillm, Mr. J.L. Anderson and Mr. Frank Bundy. No further mention is made of any broadcasts.

In January, 1937, at the regular Board meeting a motion was made and carried "to give a leather covered Manual to every child who has attended Sunday School for a long period of years, when they become twenty; at the discretion of the Board in each individual case". This practice has continued almost uninterruptedly to the present time. The Sunday School hour was also changed to 9:30 at this time.

At a special meeting of the Board in September, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolution authorizing the issuance of \$17,700.00 first mortgage bonds in the amount of \$17,700 to bear date of October 1, 1937 to take up the bond debt of \$17,700 maturing April 1, 1938, and the making of a new Trust Deed bearing date of October 1, 1937, supporting the new issue of bonds".

At a special membership meeting held the same day on motion made and carried the membership voted unanimously to sustain the resolution adopted by the Board. (EXHIBIT S, copy of bond)

The first agreement made by The Elkhart Truth to advertise the Monitor in exchange for a one year subscription of the Monitor was in April of 1938. This Monitor Exchange Subscription is still in effect.

In July of 1938, this is found in the Board minutes: "Motion that this Church issue non-interest bearing certificates; these certificates to be sold to the members and the money taken to pay off bonds when they become due. In this manner we could retire our bonds and not have to have another issue". Carried.

In order to avoid misunderstanding and confusion, it was decided to send the following notice to each of the Elkhart funeral directors in January or 1939:

"In case a Christian Science funeral is requested and the interested parties have no choice of a Reader; necessary arrangements can be made by calling either the Clerk of the Church or the Chairman of the Board of Directors" (The Clerk's name and phone number and the Chairman's name and phone number were included in the notice).

The following Resolution was adopted at the December let, 1939, Board meeting:

"CREMATION OF CANCELIED BONDS AND COUPONS.

"Whereas there are now in possession of this Board of Directors, complete files of cancelled bonds and coupons connected therewith, issued under following described mortgages, viz., covering

"First Mortgage 6% bonds dated April 1,1918,in the amount of \$50,000 statement designated herewith as 1st Issue',

"First Mortgage 6% bonds dated April 2, 1928, in the amount of \$28,000.00 statement designated herewith as 12nd Issue'",

be it

"RESOLVED: That this Board's desire for cremation of said cancelled bonds and coupons per detailed statements thereof, be respectfully submitted to the St. Joseph Valley Bank, Trustee, and ask their favorable consideration and joint action, in said cremation, which does not in any way affect the present refinancing mortgage dated October 11 1937, in the amount of \$17,700.00".

"In accordance with a Resolution of the Board of Directors of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Elkhart, Indiana, adopted at a meeting held on this date, in the matter of destruction, by burning, of bonds and interest coupons satisfied and cancelled, appointed E.E. Lynch and Grace M. Hansen as representatives of this Board to act in conjunction with representatives of the St. Joseph Valley Bank, Trustee under the Mortgage of this Church organization dated, April 1, 1918, in the destruction by burning of cancelled bonds and coupons issued under said Mortgage as fully described in the lists attached hereto.

(Signed) David A. Turnock, Chairman

(Signed) Mrs. Mabel E. Sigerfoos, Clerk".

On December 19, 1939, these cancelled bonds and coupons were "destroyed by fire in the furnace of the building known as the St. Joseph Valley Bank, Elkhart, Indiana", in the presence of Mr. Lynch and Mrs. Hansen, representing the church and N. Fred Reich and Rehea Prather, representing the bank.

(EXHIBIT T).

In January of 1940, the Lexington Avenue Entrance to the Church and the first room at the head of the back stairs were redecorated at a cost of \$30.00, with the painter donating \$5.00 toward the work. The heating plant was in need of repairs, the repairs were made, and it was necessary to secure a loan from the bank to finish paying for the repairs. A loan without interest was offered to the Church in the sum of \$314.00 to pay for the repairs. The loan was accepted. New air valves were installed on the radiators at this time, and a member of the church had the floor of the auditorium refinished.

A loan of \$750.00 to the Bond Fund, without interest, was gratefully accepted by the Board. The interest bearing bonded indebtedness thereby being reduced to \$12,000.00. At the July, 1940 Semi-Annual Business Meeting, a motion was made and carried "that the church members grant the financial committee authority to investigate the practicality of having interest on bonds reduced from 5% to 4%, also whether the bond holders are willing to have interest reduced".

At the October Quarterly meeting it was reported that the Chairman of the Finance Committee had succeeded in getting the interest on bonds reduced to 4% according to the action taken at the Semi-Annual meeting. She also stated that she had letters from some of the bond-holders saying that they would be glad to take more of the bonds at that price if they were available.

Also, at this meeting, the first mention was made regarding dedicating the Church when a motion was made and carried "that the Board take up the subject of a Dedicating Committee, discuss it, and take whatever action they deem wise." Mrs. Leone Finnell was asked to be Chairman.

A radical change in the ushering activity was tried in January of 1941. The office of Head Usher was rotated monthly among the ushers and the ushers were rotated in their positions monthly.

The Church was cleaned in March of 1941, but the minutes are so brief there is no complete information. The Church was also caulked and weather-stripped.

Beginning in May of 1941, the American Flag was displayed at all church services.

"The Chairman of the Monitor Advertising Information Committee sent a request to the Board for permission to display Monitor Advertising on a bulletin board in the cloak room, but after a brief discussion it was the opinion of the Board that this was too commercial to be approved". Now the bulletin board with the Monitor Advertisers is in the hall leading to the Sunday School Room.

A War Relief Committee was set up by this church. This committee was extremely active during the war. Members worked two days a week in a room donated by Mrs. Leone Finnell. Some of the members on this committee were: Mrs. Mildred Stutsman, Mrs. Julia Schenk, Mrs. Nina Stametz, Mrs. Louise Muir, Mrs. Leah Jones, Mrs. Ruby LeMonte, Mrs. Jane Bundy, Mrs. Louise Hemminger, Mrs. Dora Achberger, Mrs. Peggy Anderson, Mrs. Helen Gothiea, Mrs. Dwight Hall, Mrs. Regina Reed, Miss Mary Thompson, Mrs. Barbara Turnock, Mrs. Anne Lynch, Mrs. Grace Hansen. There is no information in the minutes regarding this committee and this information has been obtained by talking with some committee members. This committee sewed all types of clothing -

dresses, baby clothes, boy's trousers, boy's shirts and night-wear - these were sent to Boston for distribution overseas. Knitted sweaters were also made and sent. Most of the materials used were new and donated - used clothing was used some if it was in good condition. One of the members said that meetings were also held in home on several occasions.

This Resolution was passed at the September, 1941, Board meeting:

"On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Derfler, the Finance committee of this Church is authorized to turn over to the St. Joseph Valley Bank, Trustee, in Elkhart, Indiana, the sum of \$4000.00 to be used by said Trustee in redemption, retirement and cancellation of a like amount of First Mortgage 4%, bonds issued by this First Church of Christ, Scientist, Elkhart, Indiana, maturing October 11 1947, together with interest due thereon, said redemption, retirement and cancellation to be effective October 1, 1941.

Board of Directors, First Church of Christ, Scientist".

The mortgage release for the Third Issue of bonds is designated EXHIBIT T-1.

The Property Investment Statement prepared by Fred H. Reynolds on the 30th day of September, 1941, is designated EXHIBIT T-2. •

Then "It was suggested that the Chairman of the Finance Committee (Mrs. Leone Finnell) and the Clerk write to the Trustees under the will of Mary Baker Eddy regarding contributions available for the bond fund, after the indebtedness has been reduced on October 1st".

A Special Meeting of the members was held on December 1, 1941, for the purpose of legally authorizing action by the church on the application for a grant, or last Payment Certificate, on the building indebtedness, from the Trustees under the Will of Mary Baker Eddy. A letter was received from Boston outlining the steps to be taken, and when authorized by the membership, an attorney would be appointed by the Board of Directors to proceed with the preparation and filing of data required. The estimated amount of the grant would be approximately \$3534.10. The membership voted to proceed with the application.

Mr. Ira Church was hired as legal representative.

February 25, 1942

"At a special meeting of the Members of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Elkhart, held on Wednesday evening, February 25th, 1942, the following resolution presented by Mrs. Finnell, Chairmen of the Finance Committee, who moved its adoption:

"RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Marie K. Turnock, the Clerk Doris S. Morton and the Treasurer, Fred H. Reynolds, be and hereby are authorized and instructed to make application to the Trustees under the Will of Mary Baker Eddy in the name and behalf of the Church for assistance in building, remodeling or purchasing an edifice for Christian Science services.

"The motion was seconded by Harry Lewis, and the Resolution unanimously adopted. Mr. Finnell moved and Mrs. Kies seconded the motion that the meeting adjourn.

(Signed) Doris S. Morton, Clerk".

"A Special Meeting of the Board was held on Wednesday evening, February 25th, immediately after the Special Meeting of the Church members. The vote of the Church members was attested by the Chairman, the Clerk and the Treasurer of the Board, and the attached Resolution was unanimously adopted on motion by D.R. Grossman, seconded by Mrs. Wagers.

(Signed) Doris S. Morton, Clerk".

All forms were prepared and a DECLARATION OF TRUST duly executed on July 31, 1942 (EXHIBIT U). The amount of the Trust \$3534.10.

On February 14th, Ralph Wagers of Chicago addressed an open Church meeting on the work of the Dedication Committee.

At the Quarterly Business Meeting in April, 1942, "The Treasurer gave the report of church finances for the first quarter of the year 1942, followed by the report of the Chairman of the Finance and Dedication Committees, who stated with gratitude that the balance of the Church indebtedness would be approximately \$500 to \$700 plus incidental expenses provided the final payment from the Trustees under the Will of Mary Baker Eddy was approved for the estimated amount (which it was).

A Special Meeting of the membership was called for May 6th, 1942 for the purpose of amending the Articles of Association of this Church, by correctly stating the name of said organization, and to provide for the changing of the number of directors from three to seven. The Original Articles of Association gave the name of our church as FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST (SCIENTIST), it was amended to "FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST OF ELKHART, INDIANA".

The number of Board members was changed from 3 to 7. Members were: Marie K. Turnock, Nellie M. Wagers, Fred H. Reynolds, J. Lawrence Anderson, Doris B. Morton, D. Ray Grossman and Netta H. Godfrey. The membership approved the resolution setting forth these changes on May 20th, 1942.

The Articles of Association are a most important part of our Church History. All the proceedings relevant to changing the Articles are in the April and May 1942 Church minutes. For convenience sake these have all been duplicated and filed under EXHIBIT v. The Certificate of the Secretary of State acknowledging the filing of Amendments to our Original Articles is also in this Exhibit V.

At the October meeting "It was decided to hold the Dedication services on Sunday, November 8th, at 11:00 A.M., and at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The Treasurer had prepared a brief history to be read and he was to contact the local newspaper about printing an announcement of the Dedication, and the Clerk was authorized to prepare church notices as well as one to be sent to nearby churches inviting them to attend these special services".

On November 8, 1942, First Church of Christ, Scientist, Elkhart, Indiana, was dedicated. Readers were Walter S. Finnell and Helen Gothiea, and the Dedicatory Address was read by Fred H. Reynolds.

"ADDRESS AT THE DEDICATORY SERVICE, HELD NOVEMBER 8, 1942

"FRIENDS: This is a memorable day in the history of this Church, for we have reached that point of progress, desired by all Christian Science organizations, the world over - that of Church dedication, and to announce with great gratification our entire freedom from debt, as required in the By-Laws of all Christian Science churches, and today we may voice with joy our Leader's words to First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Chicago, as recorded in the volume entitled "The First Church of Christ, Scientist and Miscellany", page 182, for on that occasion she said:

"Humbly, gratefully, trustingly, I dedicate this beautiful house of worship to the God of Israel, the Divina Love that reigns above the shadow, that launched the earth in its orbit, that created and governs the universe - guarding, guiding, giving grace, health and immortality to man.

'May the wanderer in the wilderness of mortal beliefs and fears turn hither with satisfied hope. May the birds of passage rest their weary wings amid the fair foliage of this vine of His husbanding, find shelter from the storm and a covert from the tempest. May this beloved church adhere to its tenets, abound in the righteousness of Love, honor the name of Christian Science, prove the practicality of perfection, and press on to the infinite uses of Christ's creed, namely - 'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and 'With all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself'.

"As a brief resume of the beginnings of Christian Science in this locality, such information as could be gathered from the earliest members, and the Church records is here given. In 1887, a man and wife, students of Christian Science from Michigan, located in Elkhart. A relative here, having a serious physical difficulty, became interested in the study and was entirely healed, and later a charter member of this organization.

"Result of the healing and the efforts of the students aroused sufficient interest in Mary Baker Eddy's discovery and revelation, to promote the holding of Sunday services in one of the homes, about the year 1889. Later, the small organization moved to a larger hall, now remembered as the Broderick Opera House, and there continued services. Attendance and interest increased sufficiently to encourage rental of a more permanent location and in 1890, the organization moved to Shiloh Post Hall, corner of Main and Franklin Streets, where Sunday services were conducted for several years.

"March 6, 1896, Articles of Association were made and subscribed to by persons voluntarily associated as a corporation. The subscribers were nine in number, being also the first to sign the membership roll. The first service was conducted March 15, 1896, and during the ensuing four years, 32 members were added.

"March 20, 1897, a Christian Science Reading Room was voted and established in the home of a member of the organization, corner of Fourth and West Lexington Avenue but was discontinued a year and a half later.

"In 1900, a new block was planned between Main and Second Streets on West Lexington Avenue, and on April 17, 1900, the organization voted to occupy the second floor of this anticipated structure when completed. Lease was authorized October 6, 1903. First service was held there Sunday, January 17, 1904

"Pending completion of this Hall, the Reading Room was again established, in the Spohn Block, corner of Second and Franklin Streets, August 12, 1901, and continued until January, 1904, when the Auditorium and Reading Room combined and located in the new block.

"As the organization grew in attendance and membership, finally filling all available space, decision was made towards a new permanent Church home. Many sites were offered, resulting in the purchase of the present location of our Church property, Second and Lexington Avenue, to which title was acquired on March 9, 1916. Plans were adopted at that time and construction work was started July 10, 1916, the corner stone being laid September 25, 1916.

"First service in the new structure, a lecture given by Virgil O. Stricklen, December 14, 1917, was attended by an estimated 700, though the building was not entirely furnished at this time. February 14, 1918, the Reading Room was moved to the new building and the first Sunday service held in the completed structure occurred February 17, 1918.

"Sunday morning and Wednesday evening services are held each week and the Reading Room is open daily except Sundays and Holidays from 11:30 to 4 o'clock, to which all are invited to attend." (EXHIBIT W)

In December, new carpeting for the Reading Rooms and the Directors' Room was purchased, and a 60 day option on the lot to the South of the Church at a cash price of \$4000.00 was taken.

At a special meeting of the members, January 30, 1943, "The Chairman explained the proposal to the members to purchase the lot adjoining the Church property on the South, and stating that the cash purchase price was '4000.00 delivered free of all encumbrances." He further explained that there would be some small expense incidental to the transaction, that the special paving assessment on Second Street would be payable by the Church. It had been ascertained that the local bank would negotiate a note up to \$3000.00 to finance the purchase, if necessary. A Resolution:

"That the Chairman, Daniel R. Grossman, and the Treasurer, Fred H. Belllolds, are authorized and instructed to negotiate a note with The First National Bank of Elkhart, or an amount not to exceed \$3000.00 at 0\$, interest, payable by this church.

"That a copy of this Resolution signed by the Clerk shall constitute authority to The First National Bank to consummate this loan".

was accepted by the members (Deeds regarding lot purchase EXHIBIT X). In January, of 1965, an offer was received of \$17,000.00 for this lot. This offer was rejected because it was felt the Church and the lot should not be separated.

In March of 1943, the contract was let for cleaning the church auditorium at a cost of \$150.00, the two stairs \$50.00, Sunday School room and halls adjacent thereto \$75.00.

The salaries of \$5.00 per service for the Readers, \$10.00 for the Treasurer, per month, \$15.00 for the Clerk per month, organist \$5.00 per Sunday and Librarians \$50.00 per month were established. In January of 1945, the Librarian's salary was increased to \$60.00 per month and the hours were set for 11:00 to 4 and from 10 to 4 on Saturday - the hours to be tried for a 60 day period and if found satisfactory, to be continued. However in August of 1945, the former reading room hours were returned to: 11:30 to 4. In 1948 the hours of 11:30 to 4:30 were tried but were shortly returned again to 11:30 to 4. In the later part of 1948 and in 1949, evening hours in the Reading Room of 7 to 9 on Mondays were established, but were discontinued. In 1954, the Librarian's pay was set at \$2.80 per day and the Assistants \$2.25 per day.

At the Quarterly Business Meeting it was agreed to send \$25.00 per month to The Mother Church War Time Fund. In late 1945 and 1946 food parcels were sent to Christian Scientists in France and it was agreed that this church continue its participation in the sending of food parcels to Europe as outlined in a recent communication from the Wartime Activities Committee of The Mother Church. The Clerk wrote Boston asking for 25 names to whom such parcels could be sent. Later a letter was read from the Wartime Activities of The Mother Church giving an outline of the relief program being carried out at the present time and that such relief was being taken care of through the services of the organization known as CARE, the Wartime Committee in Boston being one of the member agencies of CARE. This church then sponsored two CARE packages per month at \$10.00 each for a period of ten months.

At the July, 1943, Semiannual Business Meeting action was taken to send a paid subscription of the Christian Science Monitor to the Elkhart County Infirmary. Nothing is found in the minutes indicating how long this was continued.

The April, 1944 Board minutes contain this paragraph: "The Treasurer was instructed to pay the entire balance of \$700.00 on the lot purchase due April 29, 1944, if by so doing a balance of \$200.00 could be maintained; otherwise, to make a payment leaving a balance of \$300.00". The Maintenance Committee was authorized to proceed with the proposal for the installation of a new roof together with insulation at an approximate cost of \$2290.00. In January of 1945, it was necessary to borrow from The First National Bank \$1200.00 at 4% interest for the purpose of paying the balance on the insulation and new roof. In June, the contract was let for the installation of a Fairbanks Morse, stoker to the furnace.

The members voted to change the time of the Wednesday evening meetings from 7:45 to 8 o'clock at the Annual Business meeting in January, 1946. In August, the salary of the caretaker was set at \$100.00 per month.

In December, 1946, this is found in the minutes: "In view of the emergency caused by the coal strike, and in conformity with the request of the Mayor of this City, a motion was made, seconded and carried that our Wednesday evening meetings be discontinued until further notice".

Nothing is found in the minutes indicating that this was actually done, neither do church members that were asked remember that this was done.

The Wednesday evening services were, however, held in the Sunday School room for a time to conserve on the coal.

It was again necessary to borrow \$500.00 and instead of borrowing from a bank, the loan was made from a church member at 4% interest.

The April, 1947, Board minutes contain this sentence: "As some misunderstanding seemed to exist among some of our Church members as to the presentation of the Manual to Sunday School pupils, a motion was made, seconded and carried that only those pupils who have been regular attendants of the Sunday School up to the age of twenty years are to receive copies of The Manual of The Mother Church when they leave Sunday School".

Notice of appointment forms that are now in use were adopted in September of 1947 and the Board approved the ushers' attire as follows: "regular morning attire of frock coat, grey striped trousers, the stiff-turn down detachable collar, a white handkerchief be worn in the pocket and gloves be eliminated". In March of 1950 a resolution was passed authorizing the ushering staff to wear business suits for Sunday and Wednesday services.

At the 1949 Annual Meeting, a motion was made and carried "That this Church donate to the Building Fund of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Mishawaka, all of the collection not otherwise marked by the contributor, on one Sunday within the next two months and that notices to that effect be read at the Sunday service on that day and also on the previous Sunday". In April, \$160.00 was sent.

At the Quarterly Business meeting in April "The subject of changing the Sunday School hour from 9:30 to 11 was discussed, after which a motion was made, seconded and carried that the Sunday School hour be at 11 o'clock".

A loan of \$1000.00 was made from The First National Bank in February of 1950 for the payment of current bills.

"A motion was made, seconded and carried that the income from the parking lot for one year (\$200.00) be used for the improvement and upkeep of the Church grounds; and that the expenses for the purpose need not wait on accumulation of the funds". This motion appears in the April, 1950 Quarterly Business Meeting minutes. Also at this meeting the motion was made and carried "that this Church conduct a Sunday, evening service on the Second Sunday of each month at 7 P.M., beginning not later than May .14, 1950". In June of 1956, it was decided that the evening services for July and August be discontinued and in November, action was again taken to permanently discontinue the Sunday evening services.

Also at this meeting a system of purchase orders for purchases made in the name of the Church was authorized.

In September, a contract was let to James Snedaker for painting all exterior wood and iron work. No record is found as to the amount or if the work was actually done. Chester Collier was employed to repair the church organ, starting with replacement of contacts in the console. No mention is made of any amount.

An estimate on the cost of a new roof in the sum of \$1396 was submitted by Floyd Laidlaw in April of 1951 and the Board was empowered to let the contract. A committee to improve the Sunday School room was appointed and new 21" incandescent crystal light fixtures were installed, acoustical tile was put on the ceiling, the room was painted and the west wall was papered. The rooms and halls behind the platform were washed in July.

The collection bags with handles were purchased in the spring of 1951, the bag at the side of the soloist's chair was replaced with a table, and the first Visiting Committee was appointed.

Again it was necessary to borrow \$750.00 from the bank for the payment of current bills.

At the Annual Meeting in 1952 "A motion was made, seconded and carried that this church offer gift subscriptions of The Christian Science Monitor to ministers of churches in Elkhart; and that the Board of Directors be authorized to work out the manner in which it shall be done". A committee of one was appointed to contact each Elkhart minister individually and offer him a free subscription to The Monitor, and one subscription a month be given to a local minister.

It was brought to the Board's attention that usually the Wednesday evening services were running several minutes past 9 o'clock. "A motion was made and carried that the Reader be asked to begin reading the last hymn at 8:55".

In 1952 several progressive steps were taken: The bulletin board for the Christian Science Monitor Advertising Information Committee we placed in the Sunday School hallway; this church began sending (and still is) \$5.00 per month to the Christian Science Benevolent Associations; purchased 100 chairs at \$4.51 each from the Monroe Company of Colfax, Iowa, for the Sunday School room; ordered the outside Bulletin Board for the church from the A.C. Davenport and Son Company of Chicago.

Mr. Ted Bailey was employed to do some painting and cleaning of the board room, reading rooms, and the upstairs halls and small rooms back of the platform at a cost of \$903.00 in November of 1953.

The following is a paragraph from the April, 1954, minutes regarding Social Security for church employees:

"The matter of Social Security for the Custodian was brought up for final disposal. It was moved, seconded and carried that no action be taken by the Board in connection with Social Security for any church employee for the following reasons: 1. For church employees to qualify as participants, the church would be required to file a request to participate, which request would need to be approved by 2/3 of the then church employees. All of the church employees joining in the request would be required to participate. Any new employees would be required to participate so that participation would soon likely be mandatory for all who are paid by the church for services rendered, except that probably Readers could maintain exemption. 2. Participation would then be mandatory for a period of ten years, at which time it could be discontinued providing that, before the end of the eighth year of participation, proper notice had been given of termination. 3. During participation, the church and its employees would be required to comply with any rules or regulations established by the Federal Social Security Agency. These could include health insurance, physical examinations, hospitalization or other procedure which may not be compatible with the teachings of Christian Science. 4. It would be a step toward association of church and state by inviting a certain control of the church by the government. We believe that the freedom of the church granted by the Constitution should not be diminished by voluntarily requesting exemption from the Social Security Act".

New wall cabinets, counter and display case for the Reading Room were installed in 1954, at a cost of \$405.40.

The Christian Science Radio Program "How Christian Science Heals" was first broadcast over station W.T.R.C., Elkhart, on May 23rd, 1954, on a free time basis. \$'5.00 per month is given monthly to the Radio and T.V. Fund of The Mother Church.

In March of 1955 a contract for redecorating the church (exclusive of the Sunday School) was given to Rogers and Carl, at a cost of \$3500.00. The "pledge system" was used for this redecorating. It was at this time that the drinking fountain in the foyer was removed and a new one installed;

lettering in the stair-wells was not replaced; and the hymn racks were installed in the auditorium for displaying the Hymn numbers at a cost of \$25.00.

Also at this time this Resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED That Harrison Church be asked to investigate the Articles or Association of this Church and any later amendments With reference to the number of directors for this church and to bring to the attention of the Board any other matters regarding the legal status of our Church which he feels should be considered".

At the Quarterly' membership meeting in April, 1955, the membership voted to adopt the Resolution of the Board for Reincorporation and Reorganization under the 1943 Acts.

The purpose of the organization (church) was changed from:

"The purpose or which the corporation is formed is to carry on a religious society and transact the business necessary to sustain the Worship of God"

to:

"To function as and conduct services and activities of a branch church of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts, according to provisions of the Manual of The Mother Church; to conduct Christian Science services, maintain a Reading Room and provide for distribution of Christian Science literature; conduct authorized Christian Science lectures and conduct all other activities of a Christian Science Church, and to do all other things necessary for the furthering of these purposes of incorporation".

And where the previous Articles of Incorporation called for "a board of seven directors", the Articles of Reincorporation were changed to:

"A Board of not less than three nor more than nine shall be elected by ballot of the members at the annual business meeting of the church to serve for a term of three years. Provision for the election of directors shall be as stated in the By-Laws".

The Articles of Reorganization were approved and filed with the Secretary of State on September 30, 1955.

Changes were made in the Church By-Laws at this time regarding the election of Readers (See Article IV, Section 1 of the Church By-Laws adopted in 1955); a change in the election of Directors (Article II,

Section 5 of the By-Laws). These Articles of Reorganization, the Certificate of the Secretary of State certifying to the filing of same and all papers relevant thereto are EXHIBIT Y.

The chime action of the organ was replaced in December of 1955 at a cost of \$450.00. In the early part of 1962, extensive organ repairs were again needed and the following motion was made and carried:

"That the organ be repaired by replacing the leather pouches at a cost of \$3200.00; that the contract be let within the next few days; that the \$3200.00 be spread over an eighteen month period; that a payment of \$175.00 be made February 10, 1962, and that \$175 00 on the 10th of each month thereafter until the total cost of \$3200.00 is paid; that the work commence not later than June 15, 1962".

The work was done and all payments made in accordance with the above motion.

At the Annual business meeting of the membership January, 1956, "A motion was made, seconded and carried that a fund be established to repay the Trustees under the Will of Mary Baker Eddy the amount of money paid by them on this Church's indebtedness in the sum of \$3534.10. Payments to be made whenever money in the fund justifies a payment. Payments to continue until the total amount is repaid".

This amount was repaid in full and on October 6th, 1960, a Release of the Declaration of Trust was signed by the Christian Science Board of Directors and duly recorded in the Miscellaneous Record Volume 250, page 483 of the Records of Elkhart County, Indiana. (EXHIBIT Z)

For many months there was considerable discussion on enlarging the Reading Room, putting in a display window, changing the door, and enlarging the windows. At a special meeting of the membership in September of 1957, a plan was presented for expanding the reading room at a cost of approximately \$10,000.00. The plan was not accepted by the membership•

In October of 1957, a "Reading Room Fund" was established. This fund was to be used for improving the Reading Room. Two years later a new aluminum and glass door at the Reading Room entrance was installed by the Pittsburg Plat Glass Company and a new outside lighted sign for the Reading Room was installed. In November of 1960, the lamp posts on the abutments at the Reading Room entrance were removed.

Gas heating for the church had been considered for some time. In October, 1960, an estimate of \$700.00 was given by the Turnock Equipment Company for converting our present heating system to gas. In November, contract was awarded this company to proceed with the conversion.

At the 1961 Annual Meeting, a motion was made and carried that the church be cleaned immediately (with the exception of the Sunday School Room), that the carpets be cleaned and pews be washed. In March this contract for washing was awarded to Mr. Eugene Carl at a cost of \$2,100.00. In April, Mr. Carl submitted a bid of \$50.00 to paint each stair veil. The bid was accepted.

At this Annual Meeting a "Motion was made, and carried that the Board appoint a new committee to be known as the Church Building Committee, of which everyone is a member; that the Committee meet each month for metaphysical work only".

Members of the church were appointed by the Board to conduct these meetings on subjects that unfolded to each individual. Those conducting some of these meetings were: Mrs. Atha Riebs, Scott Macintire, Mrs. Patricia Geedy, Mrs. Edllla Baltpurvins, T. Stuart Murray, David A. Turnock, Mrs. Rosalie Raney, Mrs. Amy Allen, Mrs. Doris Johnson, Mrs. Mabel Sigerfoos, Mrs. Maria Turnock, Mrs. Ruth Adams, D. Ray Grossman, Mrs. Louise Hemminger, L. Robert Riebe, Mrs. Regina Reed, Mrs. Julia Schenk, Mrs. Ellen Overlease, Mrs. June Newman, Mrs. Thelma Cummins, Mrs. Marjorie Shreiner, Mrs. Treva L. Erskine, Mrs. M. Leah Jones.

Other meetings were held and considered "Church Building" such as: Kodachrome slides of the Benevolent Associations; a Talk by Mr. Edward Williams, Committee on Publication; Tape, "Spiritual Mission of Church"; New York World's Fair Slides showing Christian Science Site and Exhibits; College Information Film "Ambassadors for Christian Science at the University"; Tape, "What it Means To Be a Christian Scientist" and some Lecture preparation meetings.

At the April 5, 1962, Quarterly Membership meeting "A motion was made, seconded and carried that the meetings be held on a Friday evening or every other month, with possible exceptions in unusual cases. The last Friday was suggested as a time".

At the Semi-Annual meeting, 1965, a motion was made and carried "That the Board make the decision as to when the Church Building meetings should be held until the Annual Meeting at which time further action might be taken".

About November of 1961, an Electro Voice public address system was installed in the Auditorium, at an approximate cost of \$300.00. At this time, the curtain was placed behind the small grill at the edge of the platform in the auditorium, and from December 14th through December 22nd the Reading Room was open evenings from 6 to 9.

In June of 1962, a Reading Room Progress Committee was established. The purpose of this committee was to do specific metaphysical work for the Reading Room.

In October, a New York World's Fair Activities Committee was appointed with L. Robert Riebe, Chairman. In July of the following year at the Semi- Annual Business meeting "A motion was made, seconded and carried that the Church contribute to the financial fund for the Christian Science Activities at the New York World's Fair 1964-1965 to the extent of a per capita contribution of 15¢ per month per member until the need is met".

In April, 1963, "Mr. Walter Doll, at the request of the Board, submitted the following appraisement of the Church property: Land, \$74,250.00, Building \$90,882.00, total land and building \$165,132.00". The value of the organ was increased to \$14,000.00 from \$7,000.00.

In the December 9th Board minutes is found this information: "A motion was made, seconded and carried that the telegram from the State Committee on Publication regarding the Memorial Service for President Kennedy be included in these minutes: 'Joseph Erskine, 149 Kenwood Elkhart, Indiana. Your Church may hold Memorial Services for President Kennedy. Follow Wednesday evening meeting procedure, but omit testimonies, but read either President Johnson's or Governor's Proclamation or both'".

After receiving this telegram on Saturday evening, November 23rd, the Board and the first Reader were contacted. It was agreed that a Memorial Service be held the following Monday evening at 7:30 with the First Reader conducting the service.

A letter received from the Committee on Publication for Indiana, Howard Holan regarding special services is set forth herewith:

"January 1, 1964

"To Executive Boards and Assistant Committees on Publication
Re: Special Services in Christian Science Churches

Dear Fiends:

Consideration has been given to providing a precedent as to the proper order for any special services in Christian Science Churches (such as the recent Memorial Services for President John F.Kennedy)

The order for a special service is as follows:

1. Hymn
2. Reading of the Proclamation
3. Readings from the Scripture and correlative passages from Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy.
4. Silent Prayer, followed by the audible repetition of The Lord's Prayer
5. Hymn
6. Benediction

When Mrs. Eddy was with us such services were held. We ask that you keep this letter in your file and if the occasion should arise again, you then you may refer to this order of business.

Cordially yours,
(Signed) Howard B.Holman
Committee on Publication"

In March of 1964 it was decided to have a night guard light installed in the parking lot. This was done.

This is found in the Semi-Annual Minutes of 1964:

"The Committee to study the feasibility of presenting Manuals to Sunday School pupils at the age of 12, made their report. The Chairman read a letter from Mrs. Alice Davis Bundy, Supervisor of the Sunday School Division of the Department of Branches and Practitioners, of The Mother Church. Then she read their recommendation that "A copy of The Manual of The Mother Church should be presented by the Board of this Church to any and all members of the Sunday School between the ages of 12 and 20 who are accepted as members in this Church or in The Mother Church; otherwise The Manual should be given to students in good standing at age 20, as before'".

In August of 1964, a cash gift of \$450.00 was received from Emil Stanz of South Bend for the purchase of new books for the Church.

The following purchases were made:

- 130 Brown Hymnals (Church)
- 30 Blue Hymnals (Sunday School)
- 11 Manuals, Blue (Sunday School)
- 7 Bibles, Blue (Sunday School)
- 7 Science and Health, blue (Sunday School)

In September, 1964, extensive repairs to the Church building and grounds was commenced: old sidewalks were removed and replaced, the wood floor at the foot of the steps to the Sunday School room from the rear hall was removed and vinyl asbestos floor covering was installed; the outside of the Church was tuck pointed; all windows and doors were caulked; exterior doors and windows were given one coat of paint and putty was replaced as needed; screen and storm sash that were on windows at time were painted; the area between the Church and the building to the East was black topped. Ira C. Mast & Son was given the contract for this work at a total cost of \$3,336.00. The terms of the contract being \$500.00 down upon completion of the work and \$300.00 per month until paid. October 7, 1965, the final payment was made on this contract.

In addition to the above work, Shreiner and Son was given a contract to furnish all labor and materials necessary to install a new 5" copper downspout from roof drain on the northeast corner of the Church to the roof drain lateral at the southeast corner of the Church at a total cost of \$818.00.

A change was made in the Reading Room hours on October 5, when "A motion was made, seconded and carried, that the Board of Directors approve extension of the Reading Room hours on Mondays to 9 P.M., beginning as soon as the Reading Room Staff desires to put them into effect, with the additional salary of \$2.25 for one attendant approved. This will be on a trial basis". At the December 7, 1964 Board meeting, the 9 P.M. Moooy closing time was established on a permanent basis. In April, 1965, the evening closing was changed to 7 P.M., as it is at this time.

At the Semi-Annual Membership meeting in October, 1964, this action was taken: "After some discussion concerning the display of the American Flag, a motion was made, seconded and carried that we should purchase a new American Flag, and place it on the present standard after same has been shortened and made firm, and display the flag in the foyer". This was done

In October, 1965, 13 round non-folding plastic top tables were ordered for the Sunday School from the Adirondack Chair Co., of New York at a cost of approximately \$500.00.

At the 1966 Annual Meeting "A motion was made, and seconded that a Welfare Fund be established, to be administered by a committee appointed by the Board. After some discussion balloting resulted in the motion being carried." Philip F. Overlease was appointed Chairman of this committee. At the 1966 Semi-annual meeting this motions was made and carried:

"That the Visiting Committee be constituted as the

Primary committee to check into all needs and emergencies that a Church member might have, and that the following should be members of this committee:

- "1. Assistant Committee on Publication, who knows the rights of Christian Scientists,
- "2. The Welfare Committee, with the resources of the local community to assist in any emergency,
3. The Benevolent Association Committee, so that there will be "a follow-through, and that this be under the present Chairman of the Visiting Comlttee.

At the April Quarterly Business meeting in 1966 a motion was made and carried that "reports other than at the Annual and Semi-Annual meeting be eliminated".

Also at this meeting the motion was made that the Church be redecorated and Mr. Eugene Carl was given the contract at an approximate coat of \$3500.00. At this time the auditorium, stair wells, front and back foyers, nursery, cloak room, Sunday School room, Board room the room at the top of the back stairs and hall were all redecorated. The curtains hung across the East wall of the Sunday School room in 1959 were removed. New carpeting for the Board Room, Silent Room and Sales Room was purchased at an approximate cost of \$500.00.

Board action at their May, 1966 meeting was taken as follows: "In the event substitute Readers are needed, the previously elected readers will substitute whenever they are available, if these readers are not available, then the ones previous to those will be asked. A record will be prepared of former readers for the past fifteen years".

At the October, 1966, the hours of Church services were changed as follows: Sunday morning services and Sunday School from 11 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. and Wednesday evening services from 8 P.M. to 7:30.

HISTORY
OF
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST
Elkhart, Indiana
1967 -1980

In January of 1967, the Board agreed that the quotation above the Reader's desk: "Christianity is demonstrating the 'Truth that is Life, and the Life that is Truth'" was in need of re-gilding. The lettering is 23 carat gold leaf and was re-gilded at a cost of \$210.00.

Church action increased the soloist's salary to \$10.00 for Sunday. The organist's salary was increased to 8.00 on Sunday and 7.00 on Wednesday.

As of this date, the replacement value of the organ was set at \$40,000.00.

At the July Semi-Annual meeting the membership voted to let the contract for new aluminum and steel front doors to Interstate Glass Company of South Bend at cost or \$1,866 plus a fee not to exceed \$100.00 for the removal of the old doors. These doors were purchased because of generous gifts of Mrs. D. Ray Grossman, Harrison Church and John Kurtz.

The membership mailing list for the church had previously been given to a letter shop so that envelopes for church mailings, plus letters could be prepared and mailed from there. Specific metaphysical work was done on this and in obedience to the directive from Boston, the list was recalled from the letter shop and all future mailing will be done by the Clerk of the church. This action resulted in the purchase of an addressograph for church use.

At the annual Meeting in January, 1968, the membership voted to send \$5.00 a month to the New Church Center in Boston plus any additional contributions received from members. At the October Quarterly Business Meeting this was increased to \$10.00

There have been times when emergency circumstances prevented a reader from being at his post on Wednesday evening, with no marked books available. The Board therefore decided that a set of books marked for a Wednesday evening service be prepared and always available at the church in the event they were needed for a Wednesday service.

At different times - amending the church by-laws had been discussed. The Board appointed a committee of three: George Vincent, Chairman, Treva Erskine and Raymond Stutsman to study the by-laws and make recommendations on needed revisions.

At the October, 1968 Quarterly business meeting a motion was made. Seconded and carried that a "committee be appointed to review the feasibility of new facilities for our church". At the next Board meeting, Joseph Erskine was appointed Chairman, Cecil Schenck, Raymond Stutsman, Robert Gottschalk and George Vincent members of such a committee.

A special board meeting was held in February of 1969, to consider the proposed amendments to the By-laws. After much discussion a motion was made. Seconded and carried that the revised set of By-Laws be submitted to the membership at the April Quarterly business meeting for their adoption. This was done and the old By-Laws were repealed and the new By-Laws adopted in their entirety. (Copy in folder with other By-Laws).

At the June Board meeting "It was decided to send a wire to the Mother Church as an expression of gratitude for their stand during the recent minority commotion in Boston. The wire read: "We are grateful for the stand you have taken on The Manual. Be assured that you have our complete loyalty and support".

At a special meeting of the Board on July 2, 1969, a motion was made and carried "that the Board procure the services of K/M Associates for an evaluation of our building. It was also suggested that the Feasibility Committee be brought in for a meeting with K/M Associates before a contract is signed".

This was the month when the new electric typewriter for the church was purchased; it was decided that Wednesday evening services be held in the Sunday School room; a fund be established to refurbish the Sunday School; boiler insurance was re-examined and this insurance added to our coverage.

In August the "Investigation and Evaluation of First Church of Christ, Scientist" was received from K/M Associates. (Exhibit Z-1)

The Feasibility Committee then met with the Board and four points were discussed at length: (1) Masonry joints be closed: (2) Steel beam in basement be plastered: (3) Faulty electrical switches be replaced (referred to Building and Ground Committee): (4) Switch panel to be replaced if it continued to overheat (action deferred): action to be taken on first two immediately.

Jerry Scoville was asked to secure a fair market appraisal of the church property and be on the lookout for possible new building sites.

At the Annual Meeting in 1970 a By-Law change recommended by the Board "that the words "men and women" be deleted from Article II, Section 1". Motion made, seconded and carried by the membership that the recommendation be accepted.

Also in 1970 the contribution to The Mother Church Building Center was increased from \$10.00 to \$20.00 and the First Reader's salary was increased from \$5.00 to \$10.00 for Wednesdays, and the Second Reader's salary increased from \$5.00 to \$7.00 for Sundays.

At the October quarterly business meeting a motion was made and carried that the reading room be moved from the church and a committee of five members, including at least one board member, be appointed to find such a place. A store building at 207 S. Main street was found and at a special membership meeting on December 17th a "motion was made, seconded and carried to accept a written lease for three years commencing January 1, 1971, and expiring December 31, 1973, at a monthly rental of \$250.00 per month". T. Stuart Murray was appointed Chairman of the Relocation and Renovation Committee.

In 1972 The Indiana Termite Company of South Bend was hired to do termite extermination on the church and give a yearly contract to yearly inspect the building at a cost of \$50.00 per year: Workinger Electric removed the front lights and pedestals and the Building Committee was asked to submit to the membership a complete presentation of the pro and cons of disposing of the church building or building a new church.

At the Quarterly Business meeting in April of 1973, "It was moved and seconded after a motion was made, that we amend Article II. Section 2 of the Bylaws as follows: "Under Ballot 1, substitute 'all but one' for 49% and under the Ballot 2, add 'new names may be nominated on this ballot'". Motion carried

The members will be notified of this motion in conformity with Article VI, Section 1, at least two weeks before the next Semi-Annual business meeting at which time the members then present will make the definite decision on this amendment."

"It was moved and seconded that the Board offer funds for two sets of books and markers for each new first reader and one set of books for each second reader from now on, beginning with the Readers elected in November, 1973. These books shall become the property of each reader and shall be either reader size or the new type size. According to the preference of each reader. Also a hymnal concordance shall be provided for the use of the first reader, to be passed along to each new first reader. In the event a new first reader does not need the concordance, it shall be returned to the Board to be kept for the next first reader." Motion carried.

"It was learned that all persons who work for the church regardless of what they do, will need to have withholding Taxes taken from their salaries if they earn more than \$48.00 per month. Each case for each month will need to be figured." At this time only the organist, reading room librarian and sometimes the soloist will be the only ones that this will concern.

At the October, 1973 Quarterly business meeting "it was moved seconded that we renew the lease for the reading room for one year." Motion carried.

At the April, 1974, Quarterly Business meeting, the wording of Article II, Section 1 of our By-Laws which deals with the personnel of the Board was discussed. The minutes of the Annual Meeting, January 8, 1970, state: "a By-Law change was recommended. The Board of Directors moved that the words 'men and women' be deleted from Article

II, Section 1 of the By-Laws of this church. Members will be notified. At the July, 1974, Semi-annual meeting the wording "at least one man and one woman was accepted by the membership as the change in the By-Law.

A new heating system for the church was discussed. Peter Parmater contacted heating contractors: Shreiner & Sons, Rieth Plumbing and Heating, Walker Automation Heating, Heilman Heating and Air Conditioning, Pine Manor of Goshen and Bocks submitted bids. Bock's suggestion is that they replace the worn parts of the present boiler at a cost of not over \$3,000.00. Book's bid accepted.

Stephenson's contacted the Board in regard to leasing our parking lot for \$900.00 a year. They offered to blacktop it, mark off three parking spaces at the west end of the lot for church parking, maintain and police the lot. In December the lease was signed.

Reading Room lease renewed for one year.

In January of 1975 Jerry Scoville and Marian Reasoner were elected to serve three years on the Board to fill the vacancies of retiring Board members Joseph W. Erskine and Priscilla Webb. Peter Parmater was elected Chairman, Marian J. Reasoner, Clerk, and Nancy Stutsman, Treasurer. In October, Marian Reasoner resigned as a member of the Board. At a special meeting Treva L. Erskine was elected to the Board to serve Marian's unexpired term, and Mrs. Erskine then elected Clerk of the Board.

Soloist's salary increased to \$25.00 per Sunday.

December, 1975, SUMMARY OF BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS DURING

1975 AND THE PRIOR TWO YEARS:

1. Termite Treatment
2. Operation clean-up
3. Handrails installed in stairwells
4. Employed janitor service.
5. Light columns removed in front - spot lights installed
6. New lights in board room. Office and vault
7. New light and receptacle plug in nursery
8. Window painted on outside. Screens and storm window painted
9. Hardware cloth installed on window to the east
10. Furnace renovated and modernized: new septic tank and time clock on furnace controls
11. New exhaust fan.
12. Leak in northwest stairwell stopped - damage under roof repaired
13. New wall pipes in Sunday School room and north well of foyer
14. New faucets in rest rooms
15. Lot surveyed
16. Leased parking lot to Stephensons
17. Insurance program reviewed - insurance program updated
18. Entered back in Internal Revenue paycheck deduction tax schedule
19. New rise shelves in reading room windows
20. C.A.R.E. committee formed
21. New Lecture signs
22. All committee activities of church listed in church activity book
23. Duplicating machine given church by a member
24. Purchased new fans for Sunday School and Board room

At the October Quarterly Business meeting in 1976, the reading room lease was renewed for one year. The new lease required that we carry Public Liability and Property damage with limits of \$100,000. An endorsement will be added to our insurance to meet this requirement.

In 1977 the insurance on the contents of the Reading room was increased to \$6,500.00: Frank Cave was employed as organ repair man; and fourteen new aluminum three track storm windows were purchased at an approximate cost of \$300.00

At the Annual Meeting in 1978, Miriam E. Cummins and Joseph W. Erskine were elected to serve on the Board for three years. Mr. Eriskine was elected chairman, Miriam Cummins, Clerk; and Juanita Bowlby, treasurer.

In compliance with the Mayor's request that all churches remain closed on Sunday, January 26th, because of the heavy snowfall, our church complied.

In April of 1978, Dr. Bruce Gustafson's contract as Church organist was renewed for one (1) year. He was also given permission to invite the Elkhart County Chapter of The American Guild of Organists to hold their May 9th meeting in the church auditorium. Church Soloist, Mary June Miller will also participate.

At the April Quarterly Business Meeting the membership voted to hold Sunday morning services and Sunday School at 9:30 during June, July and August.

Jim Purvis of City Roofing will fix the Church roof for \$7, 314.00 with a five (5) year guarantee on the shingles and two (2) years on the rest of the roof.

Mr. Nagy was awarded the contract for tuck-pointing the church and at the Quarterly Business meeting in October, the membership voted to renew the Reading Room lease for one (1) year with the monthly rental of \$250.00.

Annual Meeting, 1979. The membership voted to return to the 10:30 A. M. time for Church and Sunday School during June, July and August.

Ruth Adams and Mary June Miller were elected to the Board each for a three (3) year term. Board officers for 1979 are: Jeanette Satterfield, Chairman; Miriam Cummins, Clerk; Ruth Adams, Treasurer.

The latter part of January, 1979, a letter was received from the Office of The Treasurer of The Mother Church. A copy of the letter is attached hereto and made a part of this history. The letter returned to The Treasurer was signed by Jeanette Satterfield, Board Chairman; Miriam Cummins, Clerk; Ruth Adams, Treasurer; Mary June Miller and Joseph Erskine. Copy of said letter is attached hereto and made a part of this history.

Office of the Treasurer Investments, Gifts and Endowments
Division

January 22, 1979

Executive Board
First Church of Christ, Scientist
Mrs. Miriam Cummins, Clerk
123 West Lexington
Elkhart, Indiana 46514

Friends:

It gives me great joy to notify your Board of an arrangement by which a gift of up to \$150,000 from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous, is to be made available through us to your branch church for the purpose of erecting a new church edifice.

We are empowered to distribute the funds to you on the condition that

A new church building is contracted to be built, within five years of the date of this notification.

Another condition is that we can distribute the money only in accounts matching contributions raised by your own branch for the purpose of covering the total cost of building, land, fixtures, organ, etc.

My personal good wishes to all your members,

Cordially, Treasurer

P. S. Would you please have the Clerk acknowledge receipt of this letter by signing the extra copy enclosed and returning it to us in the enclosed stamped, self-- addressed envelope.

THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CENTER,
BOSTON, MA. USA. 0211

At a Special meeting of the members approved accepting the matching fund offer of \$150,000.00 from The Mother Church. The following procedure from the floor at the July, 1979, Quarterly Business Meeting, produced the following motions:

After discussion the land available, the cost of the land, the approximate cost of building a new church, the value of the church property. The motion was made to 'Build a new Church as soon as possible'. The motion was seconded, and passed. The vote was by ballot.

"The motion was made, seconded and passed that 'the Church property be put on the market'

"The motion was made that 'The Chairmen of the Church Building committee be authorized to select an architect and to investigate the feasibility of the building site, to prepare a feasibility study of the site - up to one thousand dollars could be spent for the study.' The motion had a second and was passed. The vote was by ballot".

ELKHART
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE PRACTITIONERS

LISTED IN THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE JOURNAL

1896	Mrs. M. A. Deal	1915	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal
1898	Mrs. Mary B. Turnock	1915	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds
1898	Mrs. Phebe Lounsberry	1915	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1898	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1916	
1898	Mrs.M. Adelia Deal	1917	Jacob C. Lane
1900	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1917	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1900	Mrs. Phebe Lounsberry	1917	Mrs. M. Adella Deal
1900	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1917	Mrs. Ella Conn Hagenbaugh
1901	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1917	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds
1901	Mrs. Phebe Lounsberry	1917	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1901	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1918	Jacob C. Lane
1902	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1918	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1902	Mrs. Phebe Lounsberry	1918	Mrs. M. Adella Deal
1902	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1918	Mrs. Ella Conn Hagenbaugh
1903	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1918	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds
1903	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1918	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1904	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1919	No Record
1904	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1920	No Record
1905	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1921	No Record
1905	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1922	No Record
1906	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1923	Jacob C. Lane
1906	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1923	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1907	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1923	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1907	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1923	Mrs. M. Adella Deal
1908	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1923	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds
1908	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1923	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1909	Mrs. Carrie Snyder	1924	Jacob C. Lane
1909	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1924	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1909	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1924	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1910	Mrs. Carrie Snyder	1924	Mrs. M. Adella Deal
1910	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1924	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds
1910	Mrs. Maria Berry	1924	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1910	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1925	Jacob C. Lane
1911	Mrs. Carrie Snyder	1925	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1911	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1925	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1911	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds	1925	Mrs. M. Adella Deal
1911	Mrs. Maude Shreiner	1925	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds
1911	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1925	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1912	Mrs. Carrie Snyder	1926	Jacob C. Lane
1912	Mrs. Ella Conn Hagenbaugh	1926	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1912	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1926	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1912	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds	1926	Mrs. M. Adella Deal
1912	Mrs. Maude Shreiner	1926	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds
1912	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1926	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1912	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1927	Jacob C. Lane
1913	Mrs. Carrie Snyder	1927	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1913	Mrs. Ella Conn Hagenbaugh	1927	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1913	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1927	Mrs. M. Adella Deal
1913	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds	1927	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds
1913	Mrs. Maude Shreiner	1927	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1914	Mrs. Carrie Snyder	1927	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1914	Mrs. Ella Conn Hagenbaugh	1928	Jacob C. Lane
1914	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1928	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1914	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds	1928	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1914	Mrs. Maude Shreiner	1928	Mrs. M. Adella Deal
1914	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1928	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds
1914	Mrs. Viola E. Philliber	1928	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1915	Mrs. Carrie P. Snyder	1928	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1915	Mrs. Ella Conn Hagenbaugh	1928	Mrs. Sarah Longfield

1929	Jacob C. Lane	1938	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1929	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1938	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1929	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans	1938	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1929	Mrs. M. Adella Deal	1938	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1929	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds	1938	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1929	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner	1939	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1929	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1939	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1929	Mrs. Sarah Longfield	1939	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1930	Jacob C. Lane	1939	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1930	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1939	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1930	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans	1940	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1930	Mrs. M. Adella Deal	1940	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1930	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds	1940	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1930	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner	1940	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1930	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1940	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1930	Mrs. Sarah Longfield	1941	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1931	Jacob C. Lane	1941	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1931	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1941	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1931	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans	1941	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1931	Mrs. M. Adella Deal	1941	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1931	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds	1942	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1931	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner	1942	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1931	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1942	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1931	Mrs. Sarah Longfield	1942	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1932	Jacob C. Lane	1942	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1932	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1943	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1932	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans	1943	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1932	Mrs. Alice T. VonZimmerman	1943	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1932	Mrs. M. Adella Deal	1943	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1932	Mrs. Martha Hill Reynolds	1943	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1932	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner	1944	No Record
1932	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1945	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1932	Mrs. Sarah Longfield	1945	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1933	Jacob C. Lane	1945	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1933	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1945	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner
1933	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans	1945	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1933	Mrs. Alice T. VonZimmerman	1945	Mrs. Pauline A. Klingly
1933	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1946	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1933	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner	1946	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1933	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1946	Mrs. Anne T. Lynch
1934	Jacob C. Lane	1946	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1934	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1946	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1934	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans	1946	Mrs. Pauline A. Klingly
1934	Mrs. Alice T. VonZimmerman	1947	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1934	Mrs. M. Adelia Deal	1947	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans
1934	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner	1947	Mrs. Anne T. Lynch
1934	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1947	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1935	Jacob C. Lane	1947	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1935	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1948	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1935	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans	1948	Mr. Thomas S. Murray
1935	Mrs. Alice T. VonZimmerman	1948	Mrs. Albeerta H. Evans
1935	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay	1948	Mrs. Anne T. Lynch
1935	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner	1948	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1935	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1948	Mrs. Gertride E. Beehler
1936	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1948	Mrs. Harriet Walker
1936	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans	1948	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1936	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay	1949	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1936	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner	1949	Mr. Thomas S. Murray
1936	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1949	Mrs. Albeerta H. Evans
1937	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1949	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay
1937	Mrs. Alberta H. Evans	1949	Mrs. Gertrude E. Beehler
1937	Mrs. Alice T. VonZimmerman	1949	Mrs. Harriet Walker
1937	Mrs. Ethel Lenora Tay	1949	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers
1937	Mrs. Maude E. Shreiner	1950	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds
1937	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1950	Mrs. Albeerta H. Evans

1950	Mrs. Bseeie N. Gordon	1970	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1950	Mrs. Gertrude E. Beehler	1971	Mr. T. Stuart Murray
1950	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1971	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick
1950	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1971	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1951	Miss Georgia H. Reynolds	1972	Mr. T. Stuart Murray
1951	Mrs. Albeerta H. Evans	1972	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick
1951	Mrs. Bseeie N. Gordon	1972	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1951	Mrs. Gertrude E. Beehler	1973	Mr. T. Stuart Murray
1951	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1973	Mrs. Gertrude E. Beehler
1951	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1973	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick
1952	Mrs. Bseeie N. Gordon	1973	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1952	Mrs. Gertrude E. Beehler	1974	Mr. T. Stuart Murray
1952	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1974	Mrs. Gertrude E. Beehler
1952	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1974	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick
1953	Mrs. Bseeie N. Gordon	1974	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1953	Mrs. Gertrude E. Beehler	1975	Mr. T. Stuart Murray
1953	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1975	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick
1953	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1975	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1954	Mrs. Gertrude E. Beehler	1976	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick
1954	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1976	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1954	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1977	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick
1955	Mrs. Anne T. Lynch	1977	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1955	Mrs. Gertrude E. Beehler	1978	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick
1955	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1978	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1955	Mrs. Nellie M. Wagers	1979	Mrs. Mary Urick Worthington
1956	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1979	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1957	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1980	Mrs. Mary Urick Worthington
1958	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1980	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1959	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1981	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1960	None	1982	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1961	Mrs. Marie J. Turnock	1983	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine
1962	Mrs. Marie J. Turnock	1984	Mrs. Mary Urick Worthington
1963	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine	1985	None
1964	Mr. T. Stuart Murray	1986	None
1964	Mrs. Ellen L. Overlease	1987	None
1964	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1988	None
1964	Mrs. Maria J. Turnock	1989	None
1964	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine	1990	None
1965	Mr. T. Stuart Murray	1991	None
1965	Mrs. Ellen L. Overlease	1992	None
1965	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1993	None
1965	Mrs. Maria J. Turnock	1994	None
1965	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine	1995	None
1966	Mr. T. Stuart Murray	1996	None
1966	Mrs. Ellen L. Overlease	1997	None
1966	Mrs. Harriet Walker	1998	None
1966	Mrs. Maria J. Turnock	1999	None
1966	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine	2000	Urick, Mary Alice
1967	Mr. T. Stuart Murray	2001	Urick, Mary Alice
1967	Mrs. Ellen L. Overlease	2002	Urick, Mary Alice
1967	Mrs. Harriet Pollock Walker	2003	Urick, Mary Alice
1967	Mrs. Maria J. Turnock	2004	Urick, Mary Alice
1967	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine	2005	Urick, Mary Alice
1968	Mr. T. Stuart Murray	2006	Urick, Mary Alice
1968	Mrs. Harriet Pollock Walker	2007	None
1968	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick	2008	None
1968	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine	2009	None
1969	Mr. T. Stuart Murray	2010	None
1969	Mrs. Mary Alice Urick	2011	Watkins, Paulette
1969	Mrs. Triva L. Erskine	2012	Watkins, Paulette
1970	Mr. T. Stuart Murray	2013	Watkins, Paulette
1970	Mrs. Mary Alyce Urick	2014	Watkins, Paulette

CHURCH ORGANISTS AND SOLOISTS

No complete list of Church organists and soloists is found but the following information is from the Church minutes.

Mr. James Boyer served as organist from 1914 to October, 1918; then Harley Powles, Mrs. Kate Schwinn, Mrs. Franc Silkwood Grover and in 1925 Mrs. Constance Sykes became the Church organist and has served almost continuously since then.

Some of the substitute organists were: Mr. Merle Noles, Mr. Rex Buell, Mrs. Leif Thorne, Mrs. Mae Scherer, Mrs. Harvey Crawford, Mrs. Wesley Felmlee and Mr. Warren Johnson.

Mrs. John Liver served as soloist for some years, Mrs. Floyd (Blanche) Bowling was appointed soloist in 1923 and served in this capacity until 1946. Mrs. Morten (Billie) Baum sang during 1947. During the next few years several soloists were appointed: Woodrow Helenburg, Robert Henry, Mrs. Eloise Helenburg, Mrs. Mary Martin, and in 1953, Mrs. Mary June Miller, our present soloist was appointed.

1967 through 1980

Mary June Miller continues to serve as the church soloist. In early 1977, our beloved and faithful church organist, Mrs. Constance Sykes passon on, and from then until august, substitute organists served the church. In August, 1977, Dr. Bruce Gustafson, Profesor of Music at St. Mary's College in South Bend was hired as organist and continues as orgainist.

First and Second Readers

1897	Charles T. Greene	Viola I. Philliber
1898	Charles T. Greene	Viola I. Philliber
1899	Charles T. Greene	Viola I. Philliber
1900	Charles T. Greene	Viola I. Philliber
1901	Charles T. Greene	Viola I. Philliber
1902	Charles T. Greene	Marie B. Turnook
1903	Charles T. Greene	Marie B. Turnook
1904	J. C. Lane	Marie B. Turnook
1905	J. C. Lane	Marie B. Turnook
1906	J. C. Lane	Adellia Deal
1907	J. C. Lane	Charles T. Benfer
1908	J. C. Lane	Adellia Deal
1909	Carrie P. Snyder	Adellia Deal
1910	Frank L. Shreiner	Hattie C. Burrus
1911	John B. Moore	Maude E. Shreiner
1912	John B. Moore	Maude E. Shreiner
1913	John B. Moore	Maude E. Shreiner
1914	Georgia Reynolds	Frank Shreiner
1915	Georgia Reynolds	Frank Shreiner
1916	Georgia Reynolds	Frank Shreiner
1917	I.D. Landis Marie	K. Turnock
1918	I.D. Landis Marie	K. Turnock
1919	I.D. Landis Marie	K. Turnock
1920	D. Ray Grossman	Miss Aimee Rush
1921	Brice Reid	Miss Aimee Rush
1922	Miss Aimee Rush	George Berkey
1923	O.D. Oviatt	Miss Maude Kingsberry
1924	O.D. Oviatt	Miss Maude Kingsberry
1925	O.D. Oviatt	Miss Maude Kingsberry
1926	George Berkey	Nellie Wagers
1927	George Berkey	Nellie Wagers
1928	George Berkey	Nellie Wagers
1929	James R. Nyce	Lucy M Colley
1930	James R. Nyce	Eula G. Parsell
1931	James R. Nyce	Eula G. Parsell
1932	Carrol Evans	Alice Von Zimmerman
1933	Carrol Evans	Alice Von Zimmerman
1934	Carrol Evans	Alice Von Zimmerman
1935	A.H. Von Doehren	Miss Ella DeCamp
1936	A.H. Von Doehren	Miss Ella DeCamp
1937	A.H. Von Doehren	Miss Ella DeCamp
1938	Fred H. Reynolds	Anne T. Lynch
1939	Fred H. Reynolds	Anne T. Lynch
1940	Fred H. Reynolds	Anne T. Lynch
1941	Walter S. Finnell	Helen Gothiea
1942	Walter S. Finnell	Helen Gothiea
1943	Walter S. Finnell	Helen Gothiea
1944	Frank A. Bundy	Gertrude E. Beehler
1945	Frank A. Bundy	Gertrude E. Beehler

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1946	Frank A. Bundy	Gertrude E. Beehler
1947	George Vincent	Treva Erskine
1948	George Vincent	Treva Erskine
1949	George Vincent	Treva Erskine
1950	T. Stuart Murry	Jane Bundy
1951	T. Stuart Murry	Jane Bundy
1952	T. Stuart Murry	Jane Bundy
1953	Howard Snyder	Dora Ashberger
1954	Howard Snyder	Dora Ashberger
1955	Joe Erskin	Atha Riebs
1956	Joe Erskin	Atha Riebs
1957	Joe Erskin	Atha Riebs
1958	Charles Shreiner	Regina Reed
1959	D. Ray Grossman	Regina Reed
1960	D. Ray Grossman	Regina Reed
1961	Scott McIntyre	June Newman
1962	Scott McIntyre	June Newman
1963	Maria Turnock	June Newman
1964	David A. Turnock	Ina O. Howes
1965	David A. Turnock	Ina O. Howes
1966	David A. Turnock	Ina O. Howes
1967	David A. Turnock	Helen W. Smith
1968	Lloyd McCreary	Rosalie A. Raney
1969	Lloyd McCreary	Rosalie A. Raney
1970	Lloyd McCreary	Rosalie A. Raney
1971	George Riebs	Helen Smith
1972	George Riebs	Helen Smith
1973	George Riebs	Helen Smith
1974	Ruth Adams	Maija Riebs
1975	Ruth Adams	Maija Riebs
1976	Ruth Adams	Maija Riebs
1977	Pat Geedy	Pat Gottschalk
1978	Pat Geedy	Pat Gottschalk
1979	Pat Geedy	Pat Gottschalk
1980	Jim Champaigne	Priscilla Webb
1981	Jim Champaigne	Priscilla Webb
1982	Jim Champaigne	Priscilla Webb
1983	Jeanette Coleman	Nancy Stutsman
1984	Jeanette Coleman	Nancy Stutsman
1985	Jeanette Coleman	Nancy Stutsman
1986	Ray Stutsman	Margo Mathis
1987	Ray Stutsman	Margo Mathis
1988	Ray Stutsman	Margo Mathis
1989	Phil Overlease	Walda Sylvester
1990	Jeanette Coleman	Walda Sylvester
1991	Jeanette Coleman	Walda Sylvester
1992	Mary Overlease	Lynne McKee
1993	Mary Overlease	Lynne McKee
1994	Mary Overlease	Lynne McKee

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1995	???	???
1996	Jeanette Coleman	Nancy Stutsman
1997	Jeanette Coleman	Nancy Stutsman
1998	Jeanette Coleman	Nancy Stutsman
1999	Rachael Parmater	Eleanor Rose
2000	Rachel Parmater	Lynne Gwin
2001	Rachel Parmater	Lynne Gwin
2002	Linda Snorek	Pat Gottschalk
2003	Linda Snorek	Mary Noreus
2004	Linda Snorek	Mary Noreus
2005	Mary Noreus	Pat Beitelshes
2006	Mary Noreus	Pat Beitelshes
2007	Mary Noreus	Pat Beitelshes
2008	Jim Champaigne	Carol Champaigne
2009	Jim Champaigne	Carol Champaigne
2010	Jim Champaigne	Carol Champaigne
2011	Margo Mathis	Mindy Tulley
2012	Margo Mathis	Mindy Tulley
2013	Margo Mathis	Mindy Tulley
2014	Jim Champaigne	Jason Champaigne
2015	Jim Champaigne	Jason Champaigne
2016	Jim Champaigne	Jason Champaigne
2017	Jim Champaigne	Carol Champaigne
2018	Margo Mathis	Mindy Tully

INCOMPLETE LIST OF THOSE THAT HAVE LECTURED HERE

George Louis Ahgmalian
William Henry Alton
Catherine Andwander
Lela May Aultman
Anne E. Herzog
WILLIAM Henry Alton
Harvey Bathurst
Frank Bell
Herbert W. Beck
Neil H. Bowles
Clayton Bion Craig
George S. Cook
Miss Coulson
Archibald Carey
Gordon R. Clark
Louise Knight Wheatley Cook
George Channing
Jules Cern
John Randall Dunn
Henry J. DeLange
Richard J. Davis
Inman H. Douglas
Judge Ewing
Clarence Eaton
Arnold H. Exo
Bruce Fitzwater
Judge Samuel W. Greene
Mary Wellington Gale
Joseph C. Heard
Barbara Dix Henderson
Dr. Walton Hubbard
Ella H. Hay
Lenore Hanks
Judge Hill
Anne E. Herzog
Hazel Harrison
Howard H. Irwin
Ruth Elizabeth Jenks

Bliss Knapp
Lowell F. Kennett
F. H. Leonard
Roy Lining
Sue Harper Mims
Margaret Morrison
Alhert Clinton Moon
Thomas A. McLain
Florence Middaugh
Rev. P. McKinzie
Carroll Norton
Grace Jane Noee
George Nay
Mr. Nysewander
Geith Plimmer
Oscar Graham Peeke
Jessica Pickett
Thomas C. Poyser
Robert Stanley Ross
Herbert A. Rieke
Peter v. Ross
Earl E. Simms
James Spencer
Virgil Strickler
Gordon H. Smith
Paul Stark Seeley
Georgiana Tenant
Rev. Tomlinson
Charles V. Winn
Paul K. Wavro
Ralph A. Wagers
Theodore Wallach
Edward C. Williams
Harvey W. Wood
John Wyndham
Otto Ziegenhagen

Members of Board of Directors

1896	George Lounsberry
	Viola E.Philliber
	Mary B. Turnock
	Charles T. Greene
1897	George Lounsberry
	Viola E.Philliber
	Mary B. Turnock
	Charles T.Greene
1898	Nothing found in the
	minutes regarding
	an election for Board
	members
1899	George Lounsberry
	Viola E.Philliber
	Mary C. Greene
	Louise Menier
	Mary Brennan
1900	Mrs .Phoebe Lounsberry
	Norin Barber
	Charles Benfer
	Mary B. Turnock
	Ora McBride
1901	Charles Benfer
	Mrs. Phoebe Lounsberry
	George Lounsberry
	Viola E. Philliber
	Mrs. Charles T. Greene
	Charles T. Greene
1902	Mrs. Charles T.Greene
	Charles T.Greene
	Viola E.Philliber
	Mrs .George Lounsberry
	George Lounsberry
	Charles Benfer
1903	Charles Benfer

	George Lounsberry
	Phoebe Lounsberry
	J. C. Lane
	Charles T.Greene
	Mrs. Charles T. Greene
1904	J. C. Lane
	Adelia Deal
	Charles T.Greene
	Mrs. Charles T. Greene
	Viola E. Philliber
	George Lounsberry
1905	Charles Benfer
	Richard Turnock, Sr.
	Charles T. Greene
	Mrs .Charles T. Greene
	Viola E.Philliber
	George Lounsberry
1906	Charles Benfer
	Mrs .Harriet Lane
	Mrs. Delight K. Wood
	Viola E. Philliber
	George Lounsberry
	Mrs. Charles T. Greene
1907	Charles Benfer
	Mrs.Delight K. Wood
	Mrs .Charles T. Greene
	Viola E. Philliber
	Mrs. Harriet Lane
	Mrs. Hattie C .Burris
1908	Charles Benfer
	Mrs .Viola E.Philliber
	J. C. Lane
	George Lounsberry
	Mrs. Delight K .Wood
	Mrs. Charles T. Greene
1909	Charles Benfer
	J. C. Lane
	George Lounsberry
	Mrs. Mary B .Turnock

	Mrs. Carrie P. Snyder
	Charles T. Greene
1910	Charles T. Greene
	Napoleon B. Corna
	Mrs. Maria F. Berry
	Mrs. Adelia Deal
	Mrs. Hartha Reynolds
	George Lounsberry
1911	William Freeman
	Frank L. Shreiner
	Charles Benfer
	Bertha E. Longacre
	Adelia Deal
	Ella Conn Hagenbaugh
1912	Bertha Longacre
	N.B. Corns
	Ella Conn Hagenbaugh
	J. C. Lane
	Charles Benfer
	Frank L. Shreiner
1913	Charles Benfer
	Miss Georgia Reynolds
	N.B. Corns
	Ella Conn Hagenbaugh
	Frank L. Shreiner
	J.C. Lane
1914	J.B. Moore
	Bertha Longacre
	Adelia Deal
	N.B. Corns
	J.C. Lane
	Miss Georgia Reynolds
1915	J.C. Lane
	I.D. Landis
	N.B. Corns
	Adelia Deal
	Bertha Longacre
	J.B. Moore

1916	James F. Boyer
	Bertha Longacre
	John B. Moore
	Richard Turnock, Sr.
	Mrs. Mary Hackman
	J.C. Lane
	N. B. Corns
	I. D. Landis
	Adelia Deal
1917	John Godfrey
	N.B. Corns
	Miss Aimee Rush
	J. C. Lane
	Richard Turnock, Sr.
	Bertha Longacre
	Mrs. Ethelyn Neff
	Mrs. Martha Reynolds
1918	J. C. Lane
	Bertha Longacre
	Mrs. Ethelyn Neff
	Richard Turnock, Sr.
	Miss Aimee Rush
	John Godfrey
	George Berkey
	Mrs. Martha Reynolds
1919	George Berkey
	Mrs. Martha Reynolds
	Mrs. Ethelyn Neff
	Miss Aimee Rush
	John Godfrey
	Richard Turnock, Sr
	W. B. Corns
1920	Brice Reid
	A. T. Hinkle
	Mrs.Ethelyn Neff
	George Berkey
	J. C. Lane
	Miss Georgia Reynolds
1921	Richard Turnock, Sr.
	Mrs. Alberta Evans

	George Berkey
	A.T. Hinkle
	Brice Reid
	Miss Georgia Reynolds
1922	George Berkey
	Miss Georgia Reynolds
	A .T. Hinkle
	Richard Turnock, Sr.
	Brice Reid
	Mrs. Alberta Evans
1923	J. C. Lane
	Mrs. Kate Easley
	A. J. Hinkle
	George Berkey
	Mrs .Alberta Evans
	Richard Turnook, Sr.
1924	Mr. W. R. Wagers
	Mrs. Alberta Evans
	J. C. Lane
	George Berkey
	Mrs. Kate Easley
	A. J. Hinkle
1925	George Berkey
	George Gothiea
	Mrs. Kate Easley
	J. C. Lane
	Mrs. Alberta Evans
	W. R. Wagers
1926	J. Lane
	George Gothiea
	W. R. Wagers
	John Cain
	O.D.Oviatt
	Mrs. Alberta Evans
1927	Mrs. Irynn N. Unger
	Mrs. Eula G. Parsell
	George Gothiea
	W.R. Rogers
	John Cain

	Mrs. Godfrey
1928	John Cain
	O.D. Oviatt
	James R. Nyce
	Mrs. Irynn Unger
	Mrs. Alberta Evans
	Mrs. Eula Parsell
1929	George Berkey
	Elmer E. lynch
	Miss Ella DeCamp
	Mrs. Eula G. Parsell
	Mrs. Irynn Unger
	Clarke Keene
	Mrs. Godfrey
1930	Mrs. Godfrey
	Mrs. Ethel Church
	Mrs. Gertrude Beehler
	Clark Keene
	Mrs. Grace Hansen
	Mrs. Alberta Evans
	Walter S .Finnell
1931	Mrs. Grace Hansen
	George Gothiea
	Elmer E. Lynch
	Gertrude E. Beehler
	Mrs. Ethel Church
	Walter S. Finnell
	O. D. Oviatt
1932	Mrs. Oertrude Beehler
	Mrs. Ethel Church
	Mrs. Mabel Sigerfoos
	Frank Shreiner
	Walter Finnell
	Mr. J. W. Evans
	Mrs. Grace Hansen
1933	Mrs. Nellie Wagers
	Mrs. Alberta Evans
	Mrs. Grace Hansen
	Walter Finnell

	Mrs. Mabel Sigerfoos
	Mr. J. W. Evans
1934	A. H. VonDohren
	Mrs. Leone Finnell
	James R. Nyce
	Mrs. Alberta Evans
	Frank Shreiner
	Mrs. Nellie Wagers
	Mrs. Mabel Sigerfoos
1935	Mrs. Alice VonZimmerman
	O. D. Oviatt
	Mrs. Netta Godfrey
	Bryan MacMillan
	Mrs. Nellie Wagers
	Mrs. Leone Finnell
	Mrs. Pearl Walsh
1936	Mrs. Leone Finnell
	Mrs. Pearl Walsh
	Mrs. Marie Turnock
	Valentine Petzold
	Mrs. Netta Godfrey
	David Turnock
	Bryan MacMillan
1937	Mrs. Grace Hansen
	David Turnock
	Mrs. Anne Lynch
	O. D. Oviatt
	Mrs. Netta Godfrey
	Mrs. Mabel Sigertoos
	Mrs. Pearl Walsh
1938	Mrs. Helen Gothiea
	Mrs. Lettie Kies
	J. H. VonDohren
	David Turnock
	Mrs. Grace Hansen
	Mrs. Ethel Tay
	Mrs. Anne Lynch
1939	Walter Finnell
	George Gothiea

	Mrs. Ethel Tay
	Mrs. Grace Hansen
	David Turnock
	A.H. VonDoehren
	Mrs. Mabel Sigerfoos
1940	George Gothiea
	Neva Deffler
	Mrs. Nellie Wagers
	Mrs. Ethel Tay
	Mrs. Marie Turnock
	Walter Finnell
	Mrs. Mabel Sigerfoos
1941	Mrs. Nellie Wagers
	Mrs. Marie Turnock
	Neva Deffler
	George Gothiea
	Miss Gergia Reynolds
	Lawrence Anderson
	Mrs. Doris Morton
1942	D. Ray Grossman
	Mrs. Netta Godfrey
	Mrs Doris Morton
	Mrs. Marie Turnock
	Mrs. Nellie Wagers
	Lawrence Anderson
	Mis Georgia Reynolds
1943	Doris Vanderwalker
	Mrs. Anne Lynch
	D. Ray Grossman
	Miss Georgia Reynolds
	Lawrence Anderson
	Mrs. Doris Morton
	Mrs. Netta Godfrey
1944	Mrs. Netta Godfrey
	Frank Muir
	T. Stuart Murray
	Mrs. Lettie Kies
	Mrs. Anne Lynch
	Doris Vanderwalker (resigned)
	Mrs. Marie Turnock

	D. Ray Grossman
1945	A. Dwight Hall
	Mrs. Nellie Wagers
	Mrs. Marie Turnock
	Mrs. Lettie Kies
	Frank Muir
	T. Stuart Murray
	Mrs. Anne Lynch
1946	L. Robert Riebs
	Frank Muir
	A. Dwight Hall
	Mrs. Marie Turnock
	Nellie Wagers
	Mrs. Lettie Kies
	T. Stuart Murray
1947	L. Robert Riebs
	Mrs. Gertrude Beehler
	Frank Muir
	Ernest Puterbaugh
	A. Dwight Hall
	Mrs. Marie Turnock
	Mrs. Nellie Wagers
1948	Mrs. Leone Finnell
	Louis Achberger
	D. Ray Grossman
	L. Robert Riebs
	Mrs. Gertrude Beehler
	Frank Muir
	Ernest Puterbaugh
1949	J. Lawrence Anderson
	Mrs. Leone Finnell
	D. Ray Grossman
	Louis Achberger
	Frank Bundy
	Gertrude Beehler
	Ernest Puterbaugh
1950	Mrs. Leone Finnell
	D. Ray Grossman
	Louis Achberger

	George Vincent
	Leah Jones
1951	Mrs.Treva Erskine
	Frank Bundy
	Charles Shreiner
	Mrs. Leah Jones
	George Vincent
1952	Mrs.Treva Erskine
	Frank Bundy
	Mrs. Ramona Allen
	Howard Snyder
	Mrs. Leah Jones
1953	D. Ray Grossman
	Frank Bundy
	Mrs. Ramona Allen
	Mrs. Atha Riebe
	Mrs. Treva L. Erskine
1954	F. S. Gordon
	George T.Vincent
	D. Ray Grossman
	Mrs.Ramona Allen
	Mrs. Atha Riebs
1955	Mrs. Regina Reed
	Mrs. Treva Erskine
	D. Ray Grossman
	F. S. Gordon
	George Vincent (resigned)
	Amy Allen
1956	Mrs. Regina Reed
	Mrs. Treva Erskine
	D. Ray Grossman
	Charles S. Shreiner
	Harold J. Parmater
1957	Mrs. Dora Achberger
	James J. Burnham
	Charles S. Shreiner
	Mrs. Treva L. Erskine
	Mrs. Regina Reed

1958	D. Ray Grossman
	Mrs. Ellen Overlease
	Charles S. Shreiner
	Dora Achberger
	James J. Burnham
1959	L. Robert Riebs
	D. Ray Grossman
	Mrs. Dora Achberger
	Mrs. Ellen Overlease
	James J. Burnham
1960	T. Stuart Murray
	Marjorie S. Shreiner
	Mrs. Ruth G. Adams
	D. Ray Grossman
	L. Robert Riebs
1961	Mrs. Marjorie S. Shreiner
	T. Stuart Murray
	L. Robert Riebs
	Scott MacIntire
	Mrs. Treva L. Erskine
1962	Mrs. Patricia Geedy
	T. Stuart Murray
	Marjorie S. Shreiner
	Mrs. Treva L. Erskine
	David A. Turnock, elected for
	2 years to replace Scott
	MacIntire who resigned
1963	D. Ray Grossman
	Mrs. Regina Reed
	Mrs. Patricia Geedy
	David A. Turnock
	Mrs. Treva L. Erskine
1964	Philip Overlease
	Mrs. Ruth G. Adams
	Mrs. Regina Reed
	D. Ray Grossman, resigned
	Mrs. Patricia Geedy
	Joseph W. Erskine, appointed

1965	Joseph W. Erskine
	Harold Parmater
	Mrs. Ruth G.Adams
	Mrs.Regina Reed
	Philip Overlease, resigned
	L. Robert Riebs, appointed
1966	Mrs. Ruth G. Adams
	T. Stuart Murray
	Joseph W. Erskine
	Mrs. Maria Turnook
	Mrs. Helen W. Smith, resigned
	Mrs. Georgia Hobson, appointed
1967	Joseph W. Erskine - Chairman
	Marjorie S. Shriener – Clerk
	T. Stuart Murray – Treasurer
	Marian J. Turnock – Resigned
	Jerry Scoville
	Georgia Hopson
1968	Jerry Scoville – Chairman
	T. Stuart Murray
	Georgia Hobson
	Mary Leah Jones
1969	George Vincent – Chairman
	Marjorie S. Shreiner – Clerk
	Georgia Hobson – Treasurer
	Jerry Scoville
	Raymond Stutsman
1970	Raymond S. Stutsman – Chairman
	Patricia Gottschalk – Clerk
	Patricia Geedy – Treasurer
	George T. Vincent
	Jerry Scoville
1971	George Vincent – Chairman
	Juanita Bowlby – Clerk Elected 7-6-71
	Patricia Geedy – Treasurer
	Patricia Gotschalk _ resigned 7-1-71
	Raymond S. Stutsman

1972	Patricia Geedy – Chairman
	Juanita Bowlby – Clerk
	Patricia Gottschalk – Treasurer
	Joseph W. Erskin
	Priscilla Webb
1973	Priscilla Webb – Chairman
	Juanita Bowlby – Clerk
	Nancy Stutsman – Treasurer
	Joseph W. Erskine
	Constance Sykes
1974	Joseph W. Erskine – Chairman
	Priscilla Webb – Clerk
	Nancy Stutsman – Treasurer
	Constance Sykes
	Peter Parmater
1975	Peter Parmater – Chairman
	Marian J. Reasener – Clerk
	(resigned Oct, 1975)
	Treva L. Erskine – elected to serve unexpired term – Clerk
	Jerry Scoville
	Constance Sykes
	Nancy Stutsman – Treasurer
1976	Jerry Scoville – Chairman
	Treva L. Erskin – Clerk
	Juanita Bowlby – Treasurer
	Peter Parmater
	Raymond Stutsman
1977	Raymond Stutsman – Chairman
	Juanita Bowlby – Treasurer
	Treva L. Erskin – Clerk
	Jerry Scoville
	Jeanette Satterfield
1978	Joseph W. Erskine – Chairman
	Miriam E. Cummins – Clerk
	Juanita Bowlby – Treasurer
	Jeanette Satterfield
	Raymond Stutsman

1979	Jeanette Satterfield – Chairman
	Miriam Cummins – Clerk
	Ruth Adams – Treasurer
	Joseph W. Erskine
	Mary June Miller
1980	Peter Parmater – Chairman
	Miriam E. Cummins – Clerk
	Ruth Adams – Treasurer
	Joseph W. Erskine
	Mary June Miller
1981	Robert Gottschalk
	Peter C. Parmater
	Patricia Geedy
	Ruth Adams
	Mary June Miller
1982	Patricia Geedy
	Jeanette Satterfield
	Robert Gottschalk
	Margo Mathis
	Peter Parmater
1983	Robert Gottschalk
	Charles Pooler
	Juanita Bowlby
	Aija Kampars
	Margo Mathis
1984	Treva Erskine/J. Champaigne
	Margo Mathis
	Juanita Bowlby
	Robert Oldendorph
	Jan Reed
1985	James Champaigne
	Robert Oldendorph
	Jan Reed
	Peter Parmater
	Zenta Kampars
1986	Pete Parmater/ B. Gottschalk
	Robert Oldendorph
	Zenta Kampars

1995	
1996	
1997	Lynne Gwin
	Pete Parmeter
	Bob Gottschalk
	Walda Sylvester
	Patricia Gottschalk
1998	Rachel Parmater
	Pete Parmater
	Margo Mathis
	Ray Stutsman
1999	Rachel Parmater
	Pete Parmater
	Margo Mathis
	Jan Reed
2000	Ann Moore
	Mary Noreus
	Margo Mathis
	Jan Reed
	Bob Gottschalk
2001	Ann Moore
	Mary Noreus

	Mindy Tully
	Jan Reed
	Rick Meserve
2002	Ann Moore
	Mary Noreus
	Mindy Tully
	Jim Champaigne
	Rick Meserve
2003	Pete Parmater
	Eleanor Rose
	Mindy Tully
	Jim Champaigne
	Rick Meserve
2004	Pete Parmater
	Pat Beitelshes
	Ann Moore
	Jim Champaigne
	Nancy Stutsman
2005	Pete Parmater
	Pat Beitelshes
	Nancy Stutsman
	Margo Mathis
	Jan Reed
2006	
2007	
2008	

2009	
2010	
2011	
2012	
2013	
2014	
2015	
2016	Mindy Tully
	Jan Reed

	Pete Parmater
	Jason Champaigne
	Margo Mathis
2017	Jason Champaigne
	Jim Champaigne
	Jerry Scoville
	Pete Parmater
	Jan Reed
2018	Jason Champaigne
	Jim Champaigne
	Jerry Scoville
	Jan Reed
2019	Jason Champaigne
	Jim Champaigne
	Jerry Scoville
	Jan Reed
2020	