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## GRACE EPISOCPAL CHURCH

## 1989 ANNUAL MEETING

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### Grace Episcopal Church 1988 Annual Meeting Sunday, January 15, 1989

Following an 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion service, there followed a pancake breakfast and annual meeting.

Mo. Hall opened the meeting with prayers at 1:00 p.m.

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Mo. Hall announced that "because of the changes and chances of this mortal life, the minutes of the 1987 Annual Meeting have been lost."

Motion by Merrill Hunter and second by Bev Hunter to receive the following reports as contained in the Annual 1988 Report: Vicar's Report, Senior Warden's Report, Junior Warden's Report, and ECW Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Bev Hunter and second by Richard Moose to accept the year-end financial report as distributed. Motion carried.

Treasurer Ruby Stewart requested that members give her \$3.00 to defer the cost of the S.Dak. ChurchNews.

Motion by Richard Moose and second by Bev Hunter to accept the proposed 1989 budget as a guideline for the B.C. for 1989. Motion carried.

Mo. Hell shared some pertinent informational sheets with the members concerning the Episcopal Church. The first concerned the structure of the Church on both the national and the local levels. The second concerned distribution of the diocese of S. Dak.'s \$1.1 million budget. More than half of the diocese's income comes from the National Church, as we are a missionary diocese. . . 28% diocesan pledges - 12% interest - 5% miscellaneous sources - 55% National Church. Bishop Anderson has asked for double support from the National Church this year. The third sheet concerned the distribution of the diocese's 1988 expenses. Mission support accounts for 47% - 9% episcopate and staff - 19% administrative costs (probably the lowest in any diocese) - 18% program - 7% outreach (our assessment to support the National Church).

Under old business, members read through the Jr. Warden's Report and were told that at the last B.C. meeting it was decided to contract with a structural engineer from Sioux Falls to help us assess our physical plant problems. He will be at Grace on Jan. 18 and will prepare a report to present to the B.C. and to Randy Rheinhartz from the diocesan office. Mo. Hall has a preliminary report from him with several pictures which depict the damage very well. Jr. Warden Richard Moose spoke to the group about the details of the building deterioration.

The cordless mics will, hopefully, be here in a couple of weeks. The organ repair is nearly completed.

Under new business, Mo. Hall reported that the Youth Convention will be held in Watertown on Feb. 17-18-19 and includes students in seventh through twelfth grades. The Bishop will be there, and applications can be procured from Mo. Hall. The registration deadline is Feb. 1.

Mo. Hall mentioned a 10-part PBS series entitled "Ethics in America," scheduled to begin Mon., Jan. 30, as a possibility to use as part of an adult education program. Interest was shown in the group to use the series as a basis for reflections, impressions dialogue and discussion.

It was noted that a new portable altar was purchased last year as well as processional torches, altar linens and candles. Johnson spoke on the need for new vestments for both acolytes and layreaders. Lois Moose and Janice Johnson will do the measuring, and Patty Ericsson will investigate the financial feasibility of having them made locally as opposed to purchasing them through a church supply catalogue.

Motion by Richard Moose and second by Kitty Brewer to pursue improvements for vestments and a new altar hanging for the Pentecostal season. Motion carried.

Mo. Hall thanked Janice Johnson and Lois Moose for their altar work throughout the year. She also thanked them and Jennifer Jeratowski and Kitty Brewer for their work with the Sunday school.

Motion by Fred Stewart and second by Lois Moose to investigate Episcopal Church welcome signs to be placed in strategic locations around Medison. Motion carried.

Motion by Violet Witt and second by Bev Hunter to reelect and reaffirm the work being done by the existing nine members of the Bishop's Committee plus Mo. Hall. Motion carried.

Motion by Merrill Hunter and second by Richard Moose to elect Janice Johnson and Lois Moose as delegates to Diocesan Convention in Sioux Falls on Oct. 5-7. Motion carried. No alternates were elected.

In her Vicar's Report, Mo. Hall reported on the status of the grant by which she has been partially funded. Due to a sabbatical of a reservation clergyman, the diocese was able to extend her funding through May 31, 1989. The grant submitted to the National Church has yet to be funded.

As part of her new vision, Mo. Hall proposed thinking about three areas -evangelism -Christian education- pastoral care and outreach. She suggested
that we keep our antenna out for ways to involve Grace Church in the community
through time, effort and commitment to things that do not cost money.

Motion by Lois Moose and second by Fred Stewart to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine T. Brewer Clerk

#### SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

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The past year has been a year of transition at Grace Episcopal Church.

The year 1989 was the last year of the 1980s, and we now move into the last decade before a new century begins with the year 2000 A.D.

During the past year Mo. Karen Hall left Madison to return to seminary in Sewanee, conducting her last services Aug. 15. We were fortunate to have Father Allen Lewis take over in Flandreau and Madison starting in September.

A major concern during the year was the condition of our church building. We decided to move worship services into the Guild Hall starting in December for reasons of safety.

Cost of completely restoring the sanctuary is estimated to be more than \$200,000, and a committee consisting of Lois Moose, Richard Moose and Janice Johnson is looking for sources of funding.

Some innovations during the year were our first Indian Taco sale, midweek morning prayer services during the summer and study of Bishop Craig's L.I.F.E. message in the fall.

We are fortunate to have dedicated Sunday School teachers and lay readers, and dedicated members of the Bishop's Committee, ECW and Altar Guild.

It is about 105 years since the first Episcopal services were held by pioneer settlers in this area, and nearly 100 years since Grace church was consecrated. We look back and admire the spirit of pioneers in building a substantial new church and wonder what we, as modern pioneers, will decide for the future.

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#### Members of Grace Church:

This past year has seen many changes in our Church. Improvement has been made in the landscaping with flowers, shrubs being planted and the sign moved to the east side onto Blanche Avenue. 1989 also saw the installation of a new dual channel cordless microphone system. This system was installed into the already present public address system.

Other improvements in the interior of the church were the installation of added electrical outlets in the kitchen, and the completition of a Preist,s Office on the second floor.

On the down side however, is the structural problem of the church proper. We are faced with a TOTAL refurbishing which carries a price tag of 250-300,000.00 in dollars. A fund raising effort, nationwide is currently under way. How successful that effort will be, is yet to be determined, by June 30, 1990 to be exact.

The Bishop's committee decided to close the main part of the church for the winter and to hold services in the guild hall during the winter for structural safety reasons, and to conserve finances. This process received a serve blow in December when the east door of the church was not locked and blew open during the extreme cold and wind just prior to Christmas. This caused the furnaces to operate overtime, also caused the pipes to freeze in the basement. The end result was a flood on December 24 with broken water pipes and two feet of water in the basement. The water had to be pumped out, the furnaces disassembled and dried out, and Christmas Eve services being cancelled. Not to mention an extremely large December heat bill. Maybe next year.

The physical structure of the church is an end result of many, many years of neglect on the part of maintenance. As was stated in my last year's report - Building do not become old with out maintenance. They become ruin. However, that is not the issue. The real issue is what should be done, especially in light of our current congregation.

Another issue that needs to be addressed in this years meeting is that of cleaning of the church. Two years ago, it was decided to stop hiring a cleaning person to do the work weekly, and family's of the church would be assigned the task on a monthly basis. HOWEVER, THAT PROCESS HAS NOT WORKED! Some families do a fine job, and other families do NOTHING. They issue excuses like, we are not home; we forgot; it didn't need it! Didn't need it with bulletin's that are three weeks old laying on the floor, in the same place, and it didn't need it? So what happen's? The families that do a

good job, look around and decide to join the others. Why Not? Fair is fair. The end result is complaints about the church being not clean. Usually from the very people that said it "Didn't need cleaning." And the end result is more neglect. Suggestions to this problem are welcome. Pass them on to the new Junior Warden.

Which brings me to the last item on my "report" agenda. I have served as the Junior Warden for the Church for the past four years. I feel that it is time for some else to serve in that capacity, and therefore my resignation was submitted to the Bishop's Committee several month's ago, effective on the annual meeting date. I wish the new Junior Warden well.

Richard Junior Warden Grace Episcopal Church

#### 1989 SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

1989 Sunday School study continued with the Joy curriculum.

Classes met from Jan. to May, and Sept. to Dec. with the summer off. The grades that met were 4 year olds, 2nd graders, and 5th graders (total of 5) and 5 year olds, 3rd graders, and 6th graders (total of 7); respectively.

In May, the children received awards for excellent attendance - various awards were given according to their years in attending Sunday School.

In December, the Christmas Program was presented. The theme was "A Birthday Party for Jesus." All Sunday School children particianted in this program. A gift (cross pins and a car) was given to each member of Sunday School.

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Debt Reduction Special Offerings				300.00 550.00	
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Diocesan Pledge Insurance Bond	136.72 196.00 33.00	1460.00 1112.00 71.00	1460.00	1328.00 714.00	
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# NOTES

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### E C W TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance:	January 1, 198957.84
Income:	Dues
Savings	200.00
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EXPENSES	
	ECW Membership48.00 Convention231.88 Gifts20.00 Supplies100.00
Total Exp	penses400.28
New Balar	nce for Janury 1, 19909.06
Savings a	nt First Bank261.39

# PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1990

## Projected Income:

Pledges
Total9200.00
Anticipated Expenses:
Heat
Audit35.00
T E C
Disc. Fund
Budget Imbalance205.00