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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Services every Sunday at 11 A. M.

Rev. Henry F. Kroman, Rector.

Mr. C. E. Jordan, Lay Reader.

Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia.

The Rt. Rev. Robert A. Gibson, D. C., Richmond, Va.

Number of Communicants of St. Paul's Church reported at last Council—184.

Vestrymen.

Dr. H. M. Clark—Senior Warden.

Mr. A. S. E. Thorp—Junior Warden.

Mr. C. E. Jordan—Registrar.

Mr. G. G. Tyler.

Mr. Milton Cave.

Mr. J. B. Chew.

Mr. W. F. Boxwell.

Major A. H. Johnson.

Mr. Eugene Keyser.

Mr. Bailey Tyler.

Mr. W. A. Buckley.

Mr. John G. White.

Vestry meets first Friday of each month at 2 p. m.

Parish Treasurer.

Mr. A. St. E. Thorp—Gainesville, Va.

Treasurer of Envelope System.

Mr. Geo. G. Tyler.

Calendar for March and April.

(15th of each month inclusive.)

March 20th—5th Sunday in Lent.

" 25th—Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

" 27th—Sunday next before Easter.

" 28th—Monday before Easter.

" 29th—Tuesday before Easter.

" 30th—Wednesday before Easter.

" 31st—Easterday before Easter.

April 1st—Good Friday.

" 2nd—Easter Day.

" 3rd—Easter Day.

" 4th—Easter Monday.

" 5th—Easter Tuesday.

" 10th—1st Sunday after Easter.

SERVICES.

Holy Communion First Sunday each month 11 a. m.

Services every Sunday 11 a. m.

Sunday School every Sunday 9.15 a. m.

Wednesdays in Lent 4 p. m.

Fridays in Lent 4 p. m.

Services in Holy Week.

Monday, 4 p. m.

Tuesday, 4 p. m.

Wednesday, 4 p. m.

Thursday—Holy Communion, 8 p. m.

Good Friday—11 a. m.

Saturday, 3 p. m., Baptismal Service.

Easter Day, 11 a. m.

PARISH ORGANIZATION.

The Rector is ex-officio the head of all organizations.



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HAYMARKET, VA.

PARISH GUILD.

The Parish Guild, organized on the 15th of August, 1898, meets the first Monday after Easter and the first Monday in Advent. Reports are read from each organization with general discussion following.

Sunday School

Mr. Geo. G. Tyler—Superintendent.
Mr. Robt. Meade—Sec., Treas. and Librarian.
Miss Norton Tyler—Organist.
The first Sunday of each month the Rector has morning Prayer with the Sunday School.

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

Number of Members—26.
Meets second Friday of each month at 3 pm.
Mrs. Eugene Keyser—President.
Miss Mary Lee Meade—Vice President.
Miss Louise Bleight—Sec'y and Treasurer.

Junior Branch of The Woman's Auxiliary

Number of Members—26.
Meets first Saturday of each month at 4 p. m.
Mrs. Charles Janney—Director.
Miss Nora White—President.
Miss Matilda Tyler—Vice President.
Miss Louise Cave—Secretary.
Miss Lucille Jordan—Treasurer.

Infants Branch of The Woman's Auxiliary.

Mrs. H. M. Clarkson—President.

The King's Daughters

Number of Members—35.
Meets last Wednesday of each month at 3 pm.
Mrs. H. M. Clarkson, President.
Miss Lucy F. Berkeley, Vice President.
Mrs. C. E. Jordan, Treasurer.
Miss Nellie Clarkson, Secretary.

St Paul's Aid Society

Meets last Friday of each month at 4 p. m.
Number of Members—32.
Mrs. M. M. Magaw, President.
Miss Berate Meade, Vice President.
Mrs. Chas. Janney, Secretary.
Miss Norton Tyler, Treasurer.

Chancel Guild

Number of Members—10.
Meets first Tuesday of each month at 3 p. m.
Mrs. J. B. Chew, President.
Miss Jean Clarkson, Secretary and Treas.

Choir

Miss Halle Meade—Organist.
Members of choir, D. Miss Mary L. Meade, Miss Edmonia Tyler, Miss Grace Carter, Miss Carrie Tyler, Miss Beate Meade, Mr. Robert Meade, Mr. Geo. G. Tyler, Mr. Willard McComas.

USHERS.

Dr. H. M. Clarkson, Mr. A. St. E. Thorp.

Keeping Prayer Books and Hymnals in Order.
Mr. Geo. Meade, Clarkson.

Sewing Class for Colored Children.
Meets every Saturday at 3 p. m.
Mrs. Henry F. Kroman, President.
Mrs. John T. Haydon, Secretary.

Parish Organization of the Church of Our Saviour.

Whittle Parish, Fauquier County.
Henry F. Kroman, Rector.
Services every Sunday at 3 p. m.
Number of Communicants of The Church of Our Saviour reported at last Council—33.

Vestrymen

Mr. C. P. Jones, Senior Warden.
Mr. Robt. McCarty, Junior Warden.
Mr. Wm. Beverley, Registrar.
Mr. A. W. Strother.
Mr. D. M. Waller.
Vestry meets first Wednesday in every alternate month at 11 a. m.
Mr. C. P. Jones—Parish Treasurer and Treasurer of Envelope System.

Ladies' Aid Society.

Number of Members—23.
Meets first Thursday of each month at 3 pm.
Mrs. W. M. Bartle—President.
Miss Janie Beverley, Vice President.
Miss Clara Stover, Secretary.
Mrs. A. W. Strother—Treasurer.

SERVICES.

Holy Communion Easter Sunday 8:30 pm.
Holy Communion Third Sunday each month at 3:30 p. m.
Service every Sunday 3:30 p. m.
Sunday School 9:30 a. m. (beginning 1st Sunday in April.)

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EDITORIAL.

The most important society in the Protestant Episcopal Church is the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. Many of our Church people do not know this. Indeed some are ignorant of the existence of the Society and many are unacquainted with its purposes and methods of working. The "Great Commission" of our Lord to His Church is:—"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." It is through the Missionary Society that the Church undertakes to carry out this command. Every baptized member of the Church is a member of this Society. The Society meets once in every three years in the General Convention of the Church represented by the Bishops, Clergymen and Laymen. Between sessions of the General Convention the society is represented by a Board of Managers who meet monthly and have entire control of the affairs of the Society.

For convenience sake the work is divided into two parts, Domestic and Foreign. Domestic Missions include the spread of Christ's Kingdom within the United States, and countries controlled by the United States. Foreign Missions include the work in all countries outside of the control of the United States. We have definitely organized and aggressive mission work in China, Africa, Japan, Brazil, Cuba, Haiti and Mexico. The Domestic work of the Society is among the white people, Indians and colored people, in forty Dioceses and twenty one Missionary Districts of our own land.

Our Church seems to be awaking from a long lethargy to a sense of her responsibility in carrying out her Lord's "Great Commission." It was with a view of, in some measure at least, adequately meeting the pressing financial demands for the extension of our Lord's Kingdom that the "Apportionment Plan" was set on foot and adopted by our representatives at the time of our last General Convention, in San Francisco, in October 1901. Under this plan the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society divides the total amount for the missionary work of the year among the various dioceses. The diocesan authorities then divide these smaller amounts among the congregations of the diocese. Then the Minister in charge of each congregation is asked to make known to his congregation the amount they are expected to give. In

this way every member, of every congregation in the country, may know just how much his congregation is asked to give to maintain the mission work of the Church. For instance the total amount asked for Domestic and Foreign Missions, from the whole Church is \$900,000 for the year 1904. Of that amount the Board of Managers has apportioned \$5,900. to the Church in the Diocese of Virginia as her share to raise. The Diocese of Virginia divides this amount among the various Churches in the diocese. The part of this \$5,900, that St Paul's Church, Haymarket, is asked to raise is \$50. The Church of our Saviour, Whittle Parish, is asked to raise \$10. Surely this is not too much to be expected of us. We did more last year. We can do still more this year.

Let it be noted and remembered that this apportionment is in no sense a tax or an assessment. Neither is it to be taken as a limit of ability of any to give. It is simply an endeavor to divide fairly among all members of the Church an expense for which all are responsible. There is no law to compel the individual, or the congregation, or the diocese to give for this purpose. But these amounts are the fair proportion of each to give. And it is what the Church at large expects us to give, if we would not fall short of our duty in her eyes. Many congregations are able to give more than their apportionment and should take a just pride in doing so.

A few statistics may give us an idea of what has been achieved in two years under the Apportionment Plan.

1st. In 1903 the offerings for Missions from all congregations were \$160,000, larger than in 1901.

2nd. In 1901, 2,226 congregations, out of a total of 6,546 in the whole church made missionary offerings. In 1903, 4,177 congregations made offerings, a gain of 1,951 giving congregations.

3rd. In 1902, 754 congregations gave the full amount apportioned them or more; in 1903, 1,447 congregations gave their full apportionment or more. And many others fell short by only very small amounts. Tested by the experience of two years the Apportionment Plan is a thoroughgoing success. With a little more determined, concerted and widespread endeavor, a still greater success may be attained. It is certainly the duty of every one of us, and should be considered a privilege, to support the work which has been undertaken in our name, by our chosen representatives.

If you are a baptized member of the Protestant Episcopal Church you are a member of this great Missionary Society and the duties and responsibilities of membership rest upon you. You may not

have known it heretofore, you may not like it now. You may wish to shirk the responsibility. But the fact stands and the responsibility is not lessened by refusing to bear it. It is pathetic sometimes to hear men say they do not believe in Missions and therefore they will not give to Missions. If they are sincere in such utterance they only thereby confess their ignorance of Jesus Christ and His great atoning work. A man cannot know and believe in the Incarnate Christ as the Saviour of mankind and not believe in Missions—for Missions is simply another word for the spread of Christ's Kingdom among men.

Does the religion of Jesus Christ with all its strength in time of temptation, with all its comforts and consolation in time of trouble, with all its joy and peace, mean anything to you? Does it help you to live aright? Do you suppose it will mean nothing to the poor human soul, with no opportunities, off in our isolated districts? Do you think it will not help him? Do you suppose it will mean nothing to the far off heathen groping in darkness, living in sin and dying in despair? Do you think it will not help him? Do you think our Lord did not mean you when He gave His "Great Commission"? That you have no responsibility whether some soul die in darkness and despair or dies in the joy and peace of an eternal Saviour? The need is there, and the Saviour is there. It is yours and mine to bring the two together. That the needy, sinful man may rejoice in his sins forgiven, his soul saved, and the Saviour rejoice in the wanderer brought home—and in the fact that you His disciple have obeyed His command.

We sometimes hear the statement made that most of the money given for Mission work is spent before it reaches the Mission field for which it was given. In other words that the machinery for administering the work is too cumbersome and expensive. The following fact will explode any such idea. The cost of administering the work of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society for the year 1903 was a fraction over six per cent of the amount of money passing through the treasury. This is as good a showing as any well equipped business house, running on sound principles, can make.

It has been suggested that a question column in The Church Messenger would be interesting. We will be glad to give space to any pertinent questions that any may desire to ask and an effort will be made to answer them as fairly and fully as possible. Let us have the question that is puzzling you or weighing on your mind.

What are you doing to keep it? Are you letting it pass by without any meaning to you—without being any help to you? Have you consciously given up any one appetite or passion or sin that you may be more like your Master and live nearer to God? If you have not, will you not begin now? Have you been taking the time and the trouble to attend the week day services at the Church? If not, why? More interested in your own affairs or God's?

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Saturday, April 2nd at 3, p. m. there will be special Baptismal Services at St Paul's Church for all the unbaptized children in the parish, whose parents may wish to bring them at that time. There are many children in the parish who have not been baptized, and this important matter should not be longer delayed. Why not make your plans to bring the little ones to the church at this time and dedicate them to the dear Lord who loves them and the Father who gave them to you? Be sure to notify the rector beforehand of your intention.

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We will be glad to have all who intend to subscribe for The Church Messenger send in their names as soon as possible. We wish to have the paper entered at the postoffice as second-class matter, in order that we may get the benefit of the cheaper rate of postage for that class. To do this it is necessary to have a number of subscribers equivalent to 50 per cent. of the circulation of the paper. For this reason we would like your names at once. If not convenient to send the money with your name, that can follow later. What we want now are the names of those who wish to become actual subscribers.

PERSONAL AND BRIEVITIES.

Don't forget to subscribe for The Church Messenger.

Lack of appetite is a sure indication of disease—or laziness. This is as true of things spiritual as physical. Not hungry means—not working. Do you want a prescription?

The infidel sneeringly remarks: "Two thirds of the church members of this country are women." Very true. It is also true that out of 45,000 convicts in our state prisons, more than 43,000 are men! Now what?—Exchange.

It was a pleasure to see Mr. Geo. G. Tyler return from Philadelphia looking so much better. He left home the day after his arrival, for Bellaire, Ohio, to be with his brothers and to have a perfect rest free from the cares and worries of farm life.

An offering will be taken at the 11 a. m. Service on Good Friday, at St. Paul's Church, for the promotion of Christianity amongst the Jews. It seems fitting that an offering for this purpose should be taken at that time. The people chosen of God crucified the Lord of life. The Christ hanging upon the cross prayed—"Father forgive them for they know not what they do." We should strive to follow in the spirit of our master.

Don't forget the childrens service Easter Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. This service is especially for the combined Sunday Schools, but all of the children of the parish are expected to be present. The Sunday Schools are busy practicing the music for this occasion and will march with their banners from the vestry room, around to the front doors of the Church, and up the middle aisle. The children's offering for Missions will be taken at this time.

There will be a meeting of the congregation at St Paul's Church on Easter Monday April 4th, at 10.30 a. m. for the annual election of the vestry. This will be followed by the meeting of the Parish Guild which embraces all of the various organizations within the parish. Appointments will be made at this time. Also a written report will be read from each organization and the work of each generally discussed. This is a means of keeping the entire congregation informed and interested in the different departments of work. It is urged and hoped that all interested in the welfare of the parish will be present at this time.

St James Church, Leesburg, has secured as its rector Rev. J. W. Morris, D. D. Dr. Morris is now doing temporary work at Grace Church, Richmond, Va. Dr. Landon Mason rector of that Church being on the sick list. Dr. Morris is pledged to Grace Church till June 1st. It is hoped however that Dr. Mason will be able to take up his work before that time and the newly elected rector of Leesburg be released to take charge at St James immediately after Easter. We are delighted to welcome so earnest a christian worker into our Piedmont Convocation.

Rev. Wm. H. Laird the newly elected rector of St James Church, Warrenton, Va. reached his field of work Wednesday March 2nd and assumed charge of the parish. Mr. Laird has made a very favorable impression upon the people of the community and the future is bright with promise of a big and harmonious work.

At the meeting of the vestry of St Paul's Church Friday Mar. 4th, the resignation of Mr. G. A. Hulfish was accepted and Mr. John G. White unanimously elected to fill the vacancy.

One of the most faithful and earnest workers in the cause of Christ has been called to her eternal reward. Mrs. C. Lee Starkweather, formerly Mrs. Geo. C. Akinson, died in Occoquan, Prince William Co. Feb. 29th after a brief illness. She was an influence for good in the lower end of this county.

A "Silver Tea" will be given by the Chancel Guild on Wednesday, April 6th, from three to six o'clock at the residence of Mrs. S. K. Meade, in Haymarket.

Letters of transfer to the Church at Dumfries, Va. have been given to Mrs. James E. Carter, Miss Louise Carter and Miss Sarah Carter. While we regret to lose them from our parish yet we are glad for the Church at Dumfries, which is weak, to have this added strength.

A Roll of Honor for the Sunday School of St Paul's Church, Haymarket, will be published in The Church Messenger every two months. The names of all scholars

who have been at the Sunday School at this time, every Sunday, for the past year, preceding, will be given.

Died on March 2nd, at Haymarket, Va. Tulloss, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Tulloss, Haymarket, Va.

Died, March 4th, at 10.30 a. m. at her home, "Millbrook," Miss Maria Jane Beverley, in the 76th year of her age. After a long and painful illness she has passed to her reward.

Died: Mrs. Mary Woodville at Haymarket, on Monday March 7th in the 85th year of her age.

The many friends of the Misses Beverley are glad to welcome them back to their home "Millbrook." Since early in December they have been visiting in Essex Co., Va., at the home of their uncle, Mr. Robt. Beverley. Miss Jeanie, as organist of The Church of Our Saviour as been especially missed and we are glad to hear again the tones of the organ in the services of the Church.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bartle have been spending several weeks at the home of Mrs. Bartle's parents, Mr and Mrs. P. Jones. Mr Bartle has been quite ill with the grip but we are glad to learn has entirely recovered.

The Sunday School at The Church of Our Saviour will begin the second Session on April (10th) at 9:30 a. m. It is earnestly urged and hoped that teachers and scholars begin promptly at that time; and with a determination that each will do what we can to make the Sunday School a success in accomplishing its purpose.

A meeting of the congregation of The Church of Our Saviour will be held the Tuesday after Easter April 5th, at 3 p. m. for the annual election of the vestry.

At the same time there will be a meeting of the Ladies Aid Society.

Since the fire in August which destroyed their residence, the family of Mr John Bleight have been uncertain as to where they would locate. It seems now that they have rented a house in Fredericksburg Va. for six months with a view to locating there. We will miss them from the community and especially from the church. It is earnestly hoped that at the expiration of the six months their thoughts of, and desires for, the old home land will be so strong, that they will again turn this way and decide that old friends are best and no neighborhood better than ours for them to live in.

Dr. Edward Beverley has been visiting at his father's home for some weeks. He is recuperating after a special course of study taken in New York to more fully equip him for his profession. Dr. Beverley has been considering where he will locate to continue the practice of medicine and it is thought that he will decide to locate in the eastern part of Texas.

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is man's sanctification wrought."