

# III Chronicles

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*“The Lord preserveth all them that love him.” Psalms 35:20 (to:)*

## GOOD OF THE CHURCH & COMMUNITY

Gratitude was expressed for the Metaphysical meeting held on Oct 9, 2022 after church. Next assignment is to read the Extension of the Mother Church.

A reminder that nothing can happen in the church without members knowing and having input. We have the purest form of Democracy – one person-one vote.

Thanks to members who came early to see the History Committee display.

Cards were made available for members to sign which will be sent to friends and members who are unable to attend services at present.

Cindy Ogrinz is the new chair of our newsletter, III Chronicles.

There will be a Principia Christmas Sing in the Sunday School December 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:30 pm.

## EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

Presented by Susan Butler

Metaphysical Theme: Expectancy of Good  
Feedback from members is always welcome. Members are asked to give their ideas regarding Committee Streamlining to the Executive Board.

Our dear fellow member, Elaine Fox has passed on. If you wish, she requested that a donation in her name be given to the Colorado Springs Philharmonic. Gerry Amber, father of Karen Powell, also passed.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### FAC Report

Presented by April Husak

This church is blessed to have a Financial Advisory Committee comprised of official, and unofficial, members who happily and generously support and assist when needed. We haven't had regular meetings, but when help or advice is requested, they respond and get to work. As treasurer and the chair of the committee this year, I am grateful for each one of them.

There have been two big items for our committee this year. In July, the committee created the 2022-2023 Budget which was presented at the July Membership Meeting. Any of our church members may request to see the budget at any time. Please contact the clerk at [clerk@christiansciencecoloradosprings.org](mailto:clerk@christiansciencecoloradosprings.org) and we will supply you a copy.

The second item you have already heard about is the refreshing of our financial reports to make them easier to read and use. The FAC is responding for the good of the membership and future treasurers. These updates are intended for accurate and uncomplicated use.

This is a work in progress, you will hear updates and changes as they occur.

## Metaphysical

Presented by Patsy Gantt Reiman

The Metaphysical Committee continues to work prayerfully on the ongoing unfoldment of the place of the Stable for the Manger for the Babe of Christian Healing in our community — our blessed Branch Church! We work daily to handle mortal minds' complacency, stagnation, blockage stoppage, veil, cover and concealment of the next right step in this continual unfoldment. At all times and under all circumstances, overcome evil with good

Progress is the unopposable law of the unfoldment of good, harmony, health and happiness of God that cannot be stymied or stalemated. The Metaphysical Committee's Inspirational Meeting held earlier this month was very healing, mentally stimulating, infinitely inspiring and a testament to the metaphysical clarity of thought of the 26 members attending. We look forward to the inevitable progress to be seen.

We will be reading the following book in preparation for our next Metaphysical Meeting:

The Mother Church Extension, by Margaret Williamson

## Ad Hoc Building and Design

Presented by Pete Husak

Thank you to the Metaphysical Committee for your prayerful work.

We are still looking for the perfect tenant to take the Sunday school. The number of prospects is pretty small but if we are patient, I think we will find the right one.

My view of the market is that office tenants and religious organizations are starting to renovate or look for space. Young Life is

considering a renovation, Every Home for Christ is doing a renovation and Compassion is doing a major renovation. Because of the Space business in Colorado Springs Defense Contractors are actively looking for space in Colorado Springs. Many employers are asking employees to come back to the office in January of 2023 as others are still using the Hybrid method. All in all the market seems to be picking up.

I am happy to continue the committee and keep looking.

## Lecture

Presented by Lynn Wilson

Tom McElroy to be our lecturer this coming year. Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 25, 2023 at 10 am. The venue is as yet undecided, but the committee would like to be in a community space, since most of the recent lectures have been done inside our church or online only. Please mark your calendars for February 25 at 10 and anticipate hearing of the location soon.

## Sunday School

Presented by Pete Husak

Gratitude was expressed for the Sunday School Staff and musicians.

Our Sunday School had 9 visiting students this year. Two sets of two kids from grandparent members of the church, A/U kids passing through and others.

There are currently two high schoolers attending. They are both National Leadership Council members. One is attending Fountain Valley School and takes the shuttle from the school most Sundays.

Hunter McKown graduated from Sunday School so he was gifted a church manual. There are some kids in the Children's Room who will soon be ready to join us in Sunday School.

Lynn has put our hours on the Sunday School door so passersby know when we are open. We are ready for students if we have one or if we have eight. We know they are hungry to learn and understand how to heal.

## TELLER COMMITTEE

Presented by Russ Ogrinz

The Teller Committee is in action at every church business meeting. Prior to the meeting the committee sets up in the foyer and facilitates the sign-in process and distributes handouts relative to that specific meeting.

During the meeting, if a ballot vote is needed, the Teller Committee distributes and collects membership lists and ballots, tallies votes and provides written reports of the results to the Chairman of the meeting.

Mrs. Eddy made two By-Laws for branch churches which read, in part, that “each Church of Christ Scientist shall have its own form of government, “and that “in Christian Science each branch church shall be distinctly democratic in its government” (Manual of the Mother Church, Art. XXIII, Sects, 1 and 10). The Teller Committee is certainly aligned with these democratic by-laws.

## Usher

Presented by Walt Hieronymus

The Ushers serve a large role in the church. From the opening of the building, to the helping of people get from the curb to the front door, to the opening of the doors with a smile, we are there to spread the blessing of coming to hear God’s message of good.

As the year progresses though, and people start heading to sunnier climes, our number of volunteers start to diminish, and vacancies occur in the schedule. Already we are only able to staff the two middle doors coming into the auditorium but coming forward we may have to change how we hand out the

quarterlies to those entering or change how we do the collection. We have been able to get by with the collection each week by utilizing the sound person on one aisle and using Leslie Campbell who graciously stands in for us on the south aisle. We have a wonderful crew that serve us, but the need of additional people is growing. We could use another Head usher on both Sundays and Wednesdays. We also need additional door ushers for both services. We have tried to have people serve only once per month, but the time has arrived that necessitates doing more.

If you can give us some help, we would appreciate it. Please let me know if you are willing. We know that “whatever blesses one, blesses all”, as Mrs. Eddy stated (Science and Health Page 206:15)

## NEW BUSINESS

Member motion:

**It was moved and seconded that the membership change the structure of the Readership to incorporate a Readers Pool to serve a one-year term. The Pool would consist of 3 pairs of readers that would serve together on a rotating basis and would require the membership to elect three First Readers and three Second Readers. This would entail substituting the By-Law Article IV, Section 5, paragraph A1 to read, “Readers shall be elected by the membership to serve in the Readers Pool for a term of one year with an election taking place annually.” PASSED**

## CALENDAR & NOTICES

### Membership Meeting

Saturday, Jan. 21, 2023 10:00 a.m.

### Election Meeting

Saturday, January 28, 2023 10:00 am

The church service teleconference number is: 712-770-3697, access code: 380 442#

