

## THE CHURCH SERVICE SOCIETY NOTES

### Annual Meeting

There was an attendance of about 65 members and friends at the Annual Meeting of the Society, held within Greyfriars Kirk House on 27 May 1974, the President, the Rev. John Heron, B.D., S.T.M., in the Chair.

Tribute was paid by the Rev. J. B. Logan to the memory of Dr. J. W. Stevenson, sometime Editor of *Life and Work*, who had been a member of the Council since 1936, and had a deep interest in the aims of the Society.

The Rev. Neil Swart, President of the newly-founded Society in New South Wales, Australia, on vacation in Holland, was welcomed to the meeting.

Mr. Heron delivered his Presidential Address on 'The Real Presence', after which he was warmly thanked, in the name of the members, by the Rev. G. Rendle Leathem.

The Secretary's report recorded a slight increase in the membership, referred to the formation of a new Society in New South Wales, and to the impending dissolution of the Society in Victoria. Members were urged to visit the South West Loft at Greyfriars Kirk where the Church Service Society Library had been inaugurated, and they were also invited to present gifts of liturgical books and texts for the Library.

The Treasurer's statement estimated a substantial credit balance after allowing for liability to the publishers for the printing of the journal. In the Centenary Fund there was a credit balance of £75.

It was intimated that the Council had appointed as Centenary Lecturer for 1974, the Rev. James M. Todd, M.A., Minister of the United Reformed Church at Leatherhead, Surrey, the lecture, on 'Tradition and Change – Worship in the United Reformed Church' to be delivered in Edinburgh and Glasgow.

The Rev. John B. Logan, B.D., S.T.M., was unanimously elected President for the ensuing two years and installed in office. The Rev. A. K. Robertson, B.D., Ph.D., was elected as Vice-President, and the Secretary and Treasurer were continued in Office. The Council were re-elected, with the addition of Mrs. Christine Henderson, Edinburgh, Sir James Marjoribanks, Kirk Yetholm, and the Rev. J. C. Lusk, Foulden.

Only once before, as far as is known, had the Annual Meeting been convened at the Kirk of the Greyfriars – on the occasion of the

Centenary of the Society in 1965. The change of location very evidently commended itself to members (judging by the enhanced attendance). Not only so – it is in many ways appropriate that the Society, founded last century in consequence of the work of Dr. Robert Lee, should return to Greyfriars as its home.

A large number of members and friends adjourned to the lounge of Kirk House, where a buffet supper was served.

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We regret to announce the death of Mr. William McCrea, F.R.I.B.A., a Glasgow architect who had retired to Dunblane. He was a member of the Council of the Society since 1966 and took a keen interest in the work of the Society. He had recently promised to contribute to the Journal on aspects of some more recent Glasgow church designs in which he had been involved.