



# Clergy Assurance Fund

*Serving the Episcopal Clergy of Pennsylvania since 1769*

Participant Manual and Annual Report 2019

The mission of the Clergy Assurance Fund is to provide support to the families and widowed spouses of clergy serving the Episcopal Church in the five dioceses of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.



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*The Bishop of Pennsylvania*

The Right Reverend Daniel G. P. Gutierrez (2016)

*Vice-President*

James L. Pope (1992)

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*In order of seniority*

The Right Reverend Allen L. Bartlett, Jr. (1986)

Paul Spencer Adkins (1993)

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The Reverend Richard C. Alton (2014)

Dana B. Hall, CFA, MDiv, MFT (2014)

SooHee Lee Lim, CFA (2015)

The Very Reverend Scott T. Quinn (2015)

The Right Reverend Audrey Cady Scanlan, *The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania* (2015)

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Clifford W. Kozemchak (2017)

The Reverend Isaac Miller (2017)

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The Right Reverend Kevin D. Nichols, *The Bishop of Bethlehem* (2018)

The Rev'd Noah Evans (2019)

Tamika Rodriguez (2019)

# Dear Friends,

While this is the 250<sup>th</sup> Annual Report of the Corporation, it is the first under the new identity of the Clergy Assurance Fund. That change is discussed later in this report, but let me just assure you that it does not indicate a reduced concern for and commitment to the well-being of widowed clergy spouses. Rather it tries to be fully inclusive of all aspects of our ministry to clergy families. Read more on Page 6 of this booklet.

You will also note the larger size of the booklet. That is simply to allow for photographs and descriptions of the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations that took place in early October. We will be returning to the usual size ... one that has served us well for the past decades ... next year.

We want to acknowledge the retirement of two Members of the Corporation this past June. The Rev'd Cliff Cutler, a Member since 2007, retired from his post as Rector of Saint Paul's Church in the Chestnut Hill section of Philadelphia and has moved to New England. Cliff served for several years as a member of the Nominating Committee and had the honor (or perhaps task) of being the pastor to not one or two but to three other Members of the Corporation.



Members of the Corporation (clockwise from upper left) Stephen Heimann, Esquire with wife Monika Hemmers; The Rev'd Cliff Cutler with wife Amy; Corporate Secretary Nolan Atkinson, Esquire with wife Elizabeth and Treasurer John Miller.



**John A. Miller**  
*Treasurer & Executive Director*

The Rev'd Canon Dr. Ted Babcock joined us in 2014 after retiring as Canon to the Ordinary in the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. During his time in that diocese he was instrumental in developing the plan that resulted in our funding of the Clergy Wellness Initiative, focusing on linking clergy who serve in relative isolation in that largely rural diocese with others for mutual encouragement and support. After retirement, Ted moved to the Diocese of Pittsburgh where he was in the forefront of developing the program of ministry throughout Pennsylvania that focuses on issues of Addiction and Recovery. We have been honored to be able to provide initial funding for both of these initiatives and thank Ted for his excellent work in developing them.

We also welcome two new Members. Ms. Tamika Rodriguez is an active community organizer in the Philadelphia area with extensive experience in parish administration and long-term strategic planning; The Rev'd Noah Evans is the Rector of Saint Paul's Church in Mount Lebanon in the Diocese of Pittsburgh with experience in Young Adult Internship program development and multi-cultural issues. We look forward to their contributions to our mission and ministry in coming years.

Faithfully yours,

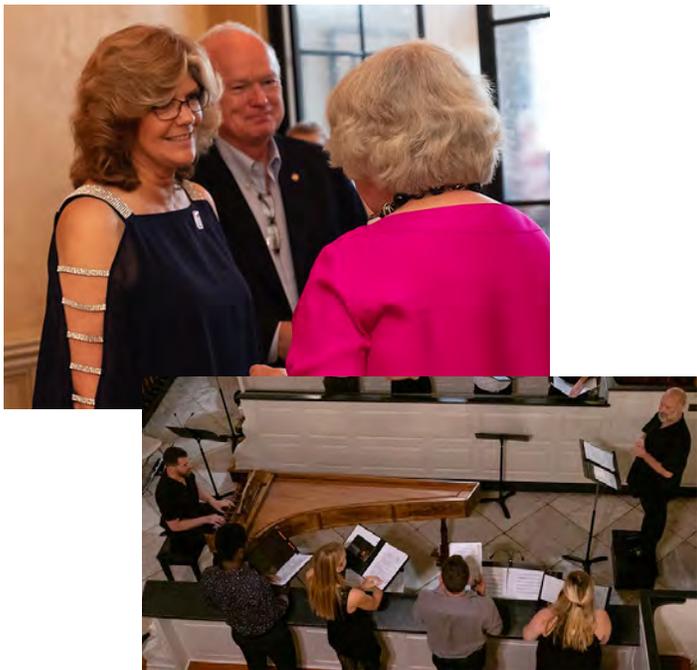
**John A. Miller**  
*Treasurer & Executive Director*

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# 250 years of becoming ~ Welcome & Wednesday concert

The Corporation began planning for the celebration of its 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary some five years ago and those plans, formulated by a Committee chaired by The Right Rev'd Edward Lee, culminated in two days of events beginning on Wednesday, October 2.

Some 160 persons participated in the events, many coming into Philadelphia specially for the occasion from as far away as Florida, Maine, and Nevada. Out of town guests were accommodated at two hotels in the Society Hill area of Philadelphia where all of the anniversary events took place, and a welcome reception was held at the Penn's View Hotel on Wednesday afternoon. Guests were greeted by Vice President James Pope, Committee Chair Bishop Lee, and Treasurer John Miller among others as they enjoyed a buffet of antipasti, renewed acquaintances, and met others for the first time.



“Founder” Bishop Allen Bartlett with Chaplain Sherry Deets and The Rev'd Christopher Pyles.



Descendants of “Founder” Horace Binney

Following the reception, buses took the guests to historic Saint Peter's Church a few blocks away. Saint Peter's was one of the two “combined parishes” under the leadership of our first President, The Rev'd Richard Peters. Here in the beautiful and most unusual sanctuary, with its pulpit at the west end and the communion table at the east, singers from Choral Arts Philadelphia and players from the Bach Collegium, all under the direction of Matthew Glandorf provided a concert of “The Treasurers’ Musick” in honor of the fourteen deceased Treasurers of the Corporation, including music by the first Treasurer, the Honorable Francis Hopkinson who was America's first published composer as well as, later, a Signer of the Declaration of Independence.

The concert ended with the Foundling Hospital Anthem composed a few years before our founding by George Frederick Handel and ending with the Hallelujah Chorus that Handel also incorporated into his oratorio Messiah.



IT Support Technician Milton Brugada with F.O.C.U.S. Executive Director Bonnie and The Rev'd Canon Linton Studdiford.

# Powel House dinner & tours

Following the concert, the buses were standing by to take the guests a short distance to the home of Philadelphia's colonial era Mayor Samuel Powel, an early Member of the Corporation and perhaps the city's most prominent citizen of his day, for a buffet dinner in the spacious garden alongside the house itself. Catered by Diverse Caterers, the menu included historically-based dishes such as Shepherd's Pie, Martha Washington's muffin recipe, and other delights that included excellent wines provided by Vice President Pope.

When guests had quieted the hunger pangs developed during the hour-long concert, they proceeded into the historic house for desserts, digestifs, and tours provided by the caretakers of the property on behalf of the Philadelphia Landmarks Society. Fortunately the unseasonably hot weather that had prevailed all day, forcing the concert musicians and attendees as well to forego more formal attire, had moderated by the time buses returned the guests to their hotels.

On Thursday morning and early afternoon, as well as again on Friday morning for those staying on, a variety of tours were offered and taken advantage of by over a hundred guests. Small group walking tours of the historic area included visits to the home of Bishop William White, long-time Member of the Corporation and our third President and culminated with lunch at the City Tavern, an accurate replica on the site of the colonial establishment of the same name. Other tours visited colonial era churches including Saint George United Methodist Church where Blessed Absalom Jones and Richard Allen ministered before they left to found the African Episcopal and the African Methodist Episcopal churches respectively.

That tour ended at Mother Bethel AME church that still occupies its original site, the longest African American owned property in the United States.

Privately guided tours were also given of the new Museum of the American Revolution, while other guests took advantage of the Sightseeing Bus Tour that includes an open-air drive through Center City Philadelphia with admission to a choice of two dozen historic sites and museums along the way.



Member of the Corporation Louisa Ridgway and other guests on a tour of Mayor Samuel Powel's House.



# 250 years of becoming ~ Evensong

As Thursday afternoon came to a close, about 180 guests and local residents began filling the pews of historic Christ Church where, 250 years ago, the Corporation held its very first Annual Meeting. As they gathered they were able to view a display of memorabilia of Bishop White, Rector of that parish while also serving as the American church's first Presiding Bishop including a recently discovered portrait of the bishop lent to the exhibition by Saint Luke's Church in the Germantown section of Philadelphia where it had been residing, little noticed, for decades.

At a few minutes before 4:30, the Members and Officers of the Corporation followed the Verger up the center aisle to pews reserved for them flanking the grave of the first President, Christ Church's rector The Rev'd Richard Peters, in the center aisle. The brilliant new pipe organ then announced the opening hymn "All People That On Earth Do Dwell" sung by the singers of Choral Arts Philadelphia and the congregation as the participating clergy entered the church in procession.

Former Presiding Bishop Katherine Jefferts Schori led the service of Evensong with her husband, Professor Richard Schori and Bonnie Studdiford, long-time Executive Director of Families of Clergy United in Support (FOCUS) serving as lectors. The Rev'd Tim Safford, current Rector of Christ Church, then extended warm greetings to the Corporation and all present.

The choir then offered the debut performance of "Fathers and Mothers," the winning setting of the Anniversary Hymn

composed by Jason Cole as a part of a competition sponsored by the Corporation. The hymn was followed by the Sermon Before the Corporation offered by former Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold, following a tradition that encompassed five such Sermons in the earliest years of the organization's life.

After a closing Intercession on behalf of the Corporation and a rousing verse of "O God Our Help in Ages Past" the Members of the Corporation, officiating clergy and congregation processed out of the church to waiting buses.



# Reception & Dinner

As the fleet of buses pulled up a few blocks away, a Fife and Drum brigade serenaded guests as they walked up the long portico to enter the National Constitution Center. There on the Grand Hall Overlook, bedecked with flags of the thirteen original states, students of the University of the Arts serenaded guests during a lavish reception. A substantial buffet of cheeses, fruit, and breads anchored a glass wall through which the present day City of Philadelphia could be seen, while an adjacent window wall looked along Independence Mall to the home of America's independence two blocks away.

At seven o'clock guests were encouraged to find their tables for dinner while the Members of the Corporation went to the grand staircase for a formal (well, somewhat formal!) group photograph. They then waited in Statuary Hall for the announcement of the entrance of the Members and Officers of The Widows Corporation, the last formal use of the name that has served so endearingly for about one hundred and fifty years.

Vice President Pope introduced Bishop Daniel Gutiérrez, President of the Corporation, who offered an invocation and invited all to proceed to enjoy the dinner of Caesar salad, a steak and salmon combination plate, and a dessert of cheesecake with raspberries prepared and expertly served by Brulée Caterers with wines chosen by Mr. Pope.

In the course of the dinner, Member of the Corporation Professor Paul Spencer Adkins introduced Jason Cole, composer of the winning anthem as well as his spouse, Mackenzie Wright, who had also submitted a work to the competition. They spoke briefly about their experience and thanked the Corporation for the award of \$5,000 that was presented.

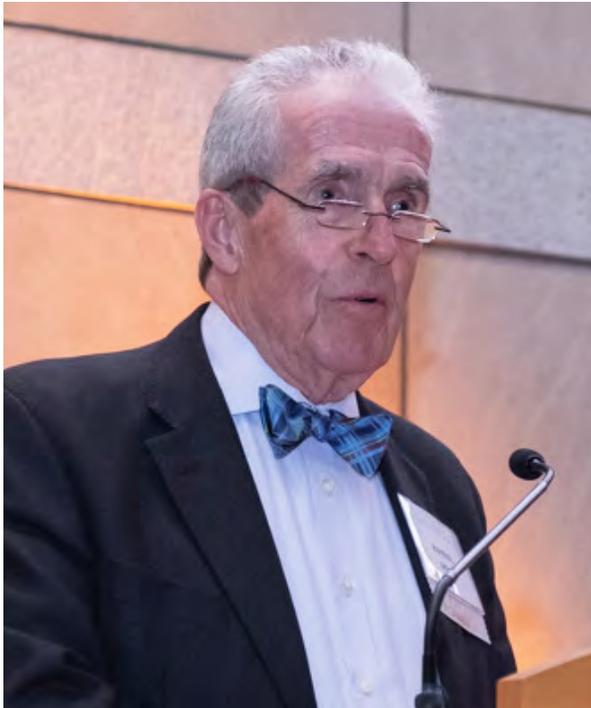
The highlight of the evening was a talk by local church historian Michael Krasulski who previewed his monograph, "The Widows Corporation, 250 Years of Becoming...", which was published

by the Corporation in observance of the occasion. One of Michael's observations was that in his research, the records of the Corporation reported that on the occasion of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Members of the Corporation ceremoniously reposed the first book of the Minutes of the Corporation on a table in their midst and contemplated it in silence for three minutes, after which they proceeded to the business of the day without further comment.

Treasurer John Miller referred to this in his remarks by saying that, in a way, we were doing the same thing in this anniversary celebration. We had spent time (considerably more than three minutes) contemplating our shared history, but now it was time to look forward to new days, new work, and new challenges. He introduced the video presentation "Clergy Family Wellness: The Questions" (available on our website) in which Chaplain Sherry Deets unpacks some of the usually unspoken challenges facing clergy families today and invites further conversation around these issues.



# 250 Years of Becoming ~ Renaming



**James L. Pope**  
*Vice-President of The Widows Corporation*

As the evening drew to a close, Vice President James Pope took the podium and, after thanking all who worked to make the anniversary celebrations such a memorable occasion, spoke briefly about the process of exploring and eventually adopting a new identity.

The Widows Corporation, a name that perfectly described our mission at the time it was adopted as our “doing business as” name in 1870, had long been recognized as no longer being so fully descriptive. Especially since the late 1990’s when programs to help the families of living clergy had begun to be developed, the appellation seemed to be unduly constrictive. At the same time, in the general society, more and more widowed spouses were less apt to seem themselves in that term. As a result, surveys and focus groups had explored alternatives for some years but without reaching a solution.

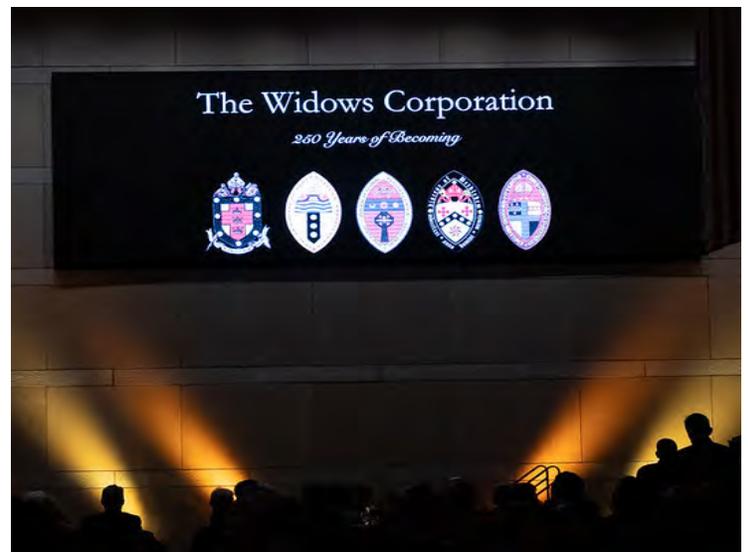
Meanwhile, in 2000 the General Convention authorized the formation of the study group that became FOCUS (Families of Clergy United in Support) and worked for more than a dozen years to explore the challenges facing clergy family members. Through contacts with its Executive Director, Bonnie Studdiford and others over recent years it became apparent that the missions of The Widows Corporation and FOCUS were somewhat complimentary.

As the Anniversary Committee considered how best to observe this landmark occasion, Chairman Bishop Lee insisted that it not just be a celebratory “pat on the back” but that it should also be an occasion for productively looking forward.

In due course, that challenge resulted in the determination to lift up the unique challenges of clergy families for the wider church to observe, discuss, and, by God’s grace, to develop approaches to resolution.

It was this widening of the Corporation’s focus that finally produced the breakthrough to a new, more comprehensive identity which was adopted at the Annual Meeting in June and formally announced at the close of the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner.

Therefore the Corporation will henceforth be known as the Clergy Assurance Fund: Assurance to our Clergy that we will use our Fund to help them maintain healthy families that support healthy clergy who will better lead healthy congregations.



## 250 Years of Becoming



# Insurance Programs

## Basic Security for the Future

The basic vehicle for enrollment with the Clergy Assurance Fund is the “Free \$1,000” policy of life insurance. This is available to every bishop, priest or deacon (transitional or vocational) of the Episcopal Church canonically resident in any of the five dioceses in Pennsylvania or to any such cleric living within Pennsylvania regardless of canonical residence. Participation is now also open to Lutheran and Moravian clergy serving in Episcopal parishes. This insurance policy opens the door to every other benefit of participation in our programs of assistance; it is completely free of charge and requires only the most basic contact information. Once enrolled, the coverage and eligibility for assistance can never be lost, even by moving out of state or by ceasing to be actively engaged in ministry.

Beyond the basic enrollment policy, premium-based policies of life insurance can be purchased. These policies of up to \$150,000 based on the age at the time of purchase are issued on the basis of a fifteen-year premium payment period at rates that are highly subsidized by the earnings on the Corporation’s investments.

Once the fifteen years of payments have been received, the policy is marked “Paid Up” and no further premiums are charged. It is our very long-standing practice to begin refunding the premiums in annual installments over the next fifteen years, though this program must be approved each year at the Annual Meeting.

Regardless of the Premium Refunds, however, the insurance never ends until the death benefit is paid out to the designated beneficiaries. In this way the policies are closer to the “whole life” model of commercial insurers even though the payment plans are more similar to the “term insurance” model.

Finally, any natural person or persons may be designated as the beneficiary of these policies of insurance, as well as religious and charitable organizations. In the event that no beneficiary has been named and no legal heirs can be identified at the time of death, proceeds of the insurance are paid to the diocese in which the cleric was resident at the time of initial enrollment.

primarily to enable the bishop to fulfill the obligation to see to the well-being of the local clergy.

When a Wellness Fund request is made, the bishop can see if other diocesan funds may be used to address the need and also can exercise such pastoral care as may be indicated by the situation at hand.

When the bishop has signed the application, it is submitted to the Corporation’s office for payment. Payments can be made to the cleric as reimbursement for funds already disbursed or directly to service or care providers for fees yet to be billed. And in one more effort to support the families of clergy, insured clerics are eligible for a Spousal Death Benefit of \$5,000 upon submission of a copy of the death certificate of the spouse or acknowledged life partner.



## Wellness Funds

### Help for the Whole Family

During the lifetime of the enrolled clergy person, the Fund for Clergy and Clergy Family Wellness can be accessed for a variety of needs. While the most common uses of these funds are reimbursements of medical, dental and prescription drug expenses that have not been covered by medical insurance programs, they can also be requested for expenses of retreats, counseling, and other similar needs.

In order to request Wellness Fund assistance, a simple application is completed by the cleric and submitted to the diocesan bishop or designated pastoral care officer. This involvement of the bishop is

# Family Grants

“... the orphans and widows in their distress...”

When the insured clergyperson dies, an early step for the surviving family to take is to contact the office of the Corporation to report the death. A copy of the death certificate is required in order to release the death benefit to the designated beneficiaries which is normally accomplished within a week of receiving the certificate.

After that, however, the surviving spouse is eligible to apply for need-based assistance for life or until re-marriage. This assistance is administered in three ways. The primary program is grants of Supplemental Income. These grants are intended to help provide a margin of income in excess of what is needed to cover fixed expenses such as housing and medical care. While the amount of this margin differs depending on the living circumstances (for example a young widow with minor children versus an older widow in a retirement community) the process begins with a simple application submitted in February for grants that are determined in March and distributed quarterly beginning in May.

Educational Assistance grants of up to \$5,000 per year can be made to the children of deceased insured clergy through the completion of their professional level education. These are also generally approved in March although requests can be submitted at other times as needed.

Finally, Emergency Aid can be provided to widowed spouses for any purpose at all. These are based on need and are highly individualized depending on the unique circumstances. It is important for all surviving spouses to remember that they may always inquire about the availability of assistance for any type of financial need that arises. These grants are made throughout the year as needed.



# Summary of Programs

## Enrollment

All Episcopal clergy living or canonically resident in Pennsylvania; Lutheran or Moravian clergy in Pennsylvania engaged in Episcopal ministries.

\$1,000 free death benefit policy required to enroll:

**[ClergyAssuranceFund.org/clergy/enrollment](http://ClergyAssuranceFund.org/clergy/enrollment)**

## Additional Coverage

At below-market rates:

24→40: to 150,000

41→50: 100,000

51→60: 75,000

61→72: 50,000

**[ClergyAssuranceFund.org/clergy/additional-coverage](http://ClergyAssuranceFund.org/clergy/additional-coverage)**

## Wellness Fund

For all insured clergy and their families; applications to be approved by local bishop; \$5,000 maximum annual grant for medical expenses not covered by other insurance

**[ClergyAssuranceFund.org/wellness-fund-assistance](http://ClergyAssuranceFund.org/wellness-fund-assistance)**

## Spousal Death Benefit

Spousal Death Benefit of \$5,000 to all insured clergy whose spouse or life partner dies

**[ClergyAssuranceFund.org/spousal-death-benefits](http://ClergyAssuranceFund.org/spousal-death-benefits)**

## Surviving Spouse benefits

Supplemental Income to bridge gap between income and expenses

Emergency Aid for one-time expenses

Education Assistance for children through completion of professional education

**[ClergyAssuranceFund.org/family](http://ClergyAssuranceFund.org/family)**

# Dear Friends,



The Reverend Sherry Deets  
*Chaplain*

As our Treasurer & Executive Director John Miller noted, we have been actively working to more fully understand the current needs and concerns of our clergy families. Clergy family support has been and continues to be the cornerstone of our mission and ministry. Life insurance, at highly subsidized rates, remains our primary source of this support, but as we have been able we have adopted ways to assist the families of living clergy and we want to continue in that vein.

The thoughtful planning by our Anniversary Committee led to not just celebrating 250 years of existence but to having a meaningful celebration. This led to the exploration and wholehearted support of the work of FOCUS (Families of Clergy United in Support) and the subsequent creation of our video “Clergy Family Wellness: The Questions”.

The video attempts to point out that clergy families face unique challenges within the church system that are unlike those facing other professionals. Part of this is because the priest is responsible to the parish for her livelihood unlike a teacher, for example, to his students or a doctor to her patients. This can create a blurring of boundaries that puts an unhealthy strain on the family life.

And just what is a clergy family these days, anyway? In decades past it was one thing, but as society has changed the church has changed as well and the clergy family of today may look nothing like its precursors. How well does the congregation recognize and accept the differences? And to whom can the priest or family member turn for pastoral support? In the words of one commentator, “Who ministers to the minister?”

These are just samples of issues that need to be lifted up, explored, and discussed openly and honestly in the search for solutions that will lead to healthy families supporting healthy clergy who lead healthy congregations.



We ask that you take about fifteen minutes to view the video “Clergy Family Wellness: The Questions” on our website at [ClergyAssuranceFund.org/family/resources](http://ClergyAssuranceFund.org/family/resources).

Perhaps this video could be shown to those in the ordination process, to search committees, or to vestries as a starting point for good, frank conversation about these very real challenges.

Then we would love to hear from you, not only about other challenges that you have witnessed or experienced but also about ideas that are generated, models that have been implemented, and outcomes that have been realized so that we might share them on our website as part of a growing list of resources for the wider church.

Thank you for joining us in our mission and the various ministries that strive to support our clergy and their families for years to come!

Blessings,



**The Reverend Sherry Deets**  
*Chaplain*



**Chaplain Sherry Deets**



**Members of the Corporation Dana Hall and  
The Very Rev'd Scott Quinn**



## SUMMARY OF INSURANCE / FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

Fiscal Year ending 3/31/2019

### INSURANCE ACTIVITY:

	Lives	Policies	Death Benefit	Last Year
New Lives Insured:	35	35	\$ 35,000	\$ 26,000
Additional Insurance Issued:		11	949,000	670,000
Lives Lost/Reduce:	<u>-26</u>	<u>- 39</u>	<u>-1,262,800</u>	<u>- 1,347,763</u>
<b>Net Change:</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>\$ - 278,800</b>	<b>\$ -651,763</b>
<b>Total Insurance in Force:</b>	<b>1,313</b>	<b>1,939</b>	<b>\$64,971,650</b>	<b>\$65,250,450</b>

### FINANCIAL ACTIVITY:

	<u>FYE 2019</u>	<u>FYE 2018</u>
Reserve for Future Death Benefit:	\$43,289,000	\$43,185,000
Reserve for Other Liabilities:	2,834,430	3,392,657
Reserve for Board Designated Distributions:	804,269	365,675
Reserve for Operations:	<u>24,156,442</u>	<u>26,750,909</u>
<b>Total Assets:</b>	<b>\$71,064,141</b>	<b>\$73,694,241</b>
Interest on Investments (net of Fees):	\$ 1,089,334	\$ 943,148
Capital Gains/Losses	1,352,346	4,480,631
Premiums Received:	<u>85,462</u>	<u>90,147</u>
<b>Total Receipts:</b>	<b>\$ - 177,550</b>	<b>5,513,926</b>
Death Claims Paid	\$ 1,160,800	\$ 1,348,763
Change in Policy Reserves:	104,000	- 146,000
Operating Expenses:	313,308	326,595
Premium Refunds:	170,000	181,243
Grants:	<u>664,248</u>	<u>534,080</u>
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ 2,458,162</b>	<b>\$ 2,244,681</b>



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ACCOUNTANTS

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

*The Members of The Corporation for the  
Relief of the Widows and Children of  
Clergymen in the Communion of the  
Protestant Episcopal Church in the  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Clergymen in the Communion of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, d/b/a The Widows Corporation (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of March 31, 2019, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### ***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Widows Corporation as of March 31, 2019, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

### ***Report on Supplementary Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information on pages 14 through 16 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

*BBD, LLP.*

**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
June 10, 2019**



Clockwise from upper left: The Rev'd David Lovelace and wife Elaine, The Rev'd Elizabeth Eisenstadt Evans with The Rev'd Canon Arlette Benoit-Joseph and husband Junior; Historian Michael Krasulski with guest Joseph Quinn; William Haas, Esquire (extreme right) representing the New York Corporation.

*The Financial Statements that follow are abstracts from the full Audited Financial Statements. The full Audited Financial Statements are available upon request from the Treasurer.*

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year ended March 31, 2019

## ASSETS

Cash	\$ 53,573
Investments	70,898,969
Investment income receivable	109,597
Premiums due and deferred	<u>22,002</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ <u>71,084,141</u></b>

## LIABILITIES

Policy reserves for payment of future benefits	\$ 43,289,000
Accrued expenses	151,269
Grants payable	483,000
Premium refunds	<u>170,000</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b><u>44,093,269</u></b>

## NET ASSETS

Without donor restrictions	
Operating	24,151,267
Board designated	
Endowment for spousal death benefits	2,500,000
Spousal death benefits funds	75,000
Grants	132,000
Anniversary reserve	117,430
Yeates trust	<u>5,175</u>
	26,980,872
With donor restrictions	<u>10,000</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>26,990,872</b>
<b>Total liabilities and net assets</b>	<b>\$ <u>71,084,141</u></b>

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Year ended March 31, 2019

	Without Donor <u>Restrictions</u>	With Donor <u>Restrictions</u>	Total
<b>REVENUE</b>			
Premiums	\$ 85,462	\$ -	\$ 85,462
Investment loss	(263,012)	-	(263,012)
<b>Total revenue</b>	<u>(177,550)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(177,550)</u>
<b>BENEFITS AND OTHER EXPENSES</b>			
Death claims	1,160,800	-	1,160,800
Actuarially required increase in policy reserves	104,000	-	104,000
Operating expenses	359,114	-	359,114
Premium refund	170,000	-	170,000
Grants	664,248	-	664,248
<b>Total benefits and other expenses</b>	<u>2,458,162</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,458,162</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	(2,635,712)	-	(2,635,712)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
Beginning of year	<u>29,616,584</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>29,626,584</u>
<b>End of year</b>	<u>\$ 26,980,872</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$ 26,990,872</u>



Clockwise from upper left: Assisting Chaplain James Rinehart with wife Nancy; Bishop Audrey Scanlan; Member of the Corporation Kathleen Stephenson, Esquire with husband James Colberg; Bishop Daniel Gutiérrez with The Rev'd Canon Shawn Wamsley and wife Miriam; Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts-Schori with Bishop Allen Bartlett.

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended March 31, 2019

## CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

<i>Change in net assets</i>	\$ (2,635,712)
<i>Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities</i>	
Net unrealized losses on investments	3,738,971
Net realized gains on investments	(2,386,625)
(Increase) decrease in Investment income receivable	(40,279)
Premiums due and deferred	(7,158)
Increase (decrease) in	
Policy reserves for payment of future benefits	104,000
Accrued expenses	(126,388)
Grants payable	58,000
Premium refunds	(10,000)
<b>Net cash used for operating activities</b>	<u>(1,305,191)</u>

## CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Proceeds from sale of investments	40,661,298
Purchases of investments	<u>(39,363,341)</u>
<b>Net cash provided by investing activities</b>	<u>1,297,957</u>
Net change in cash	(7,234)

## CASH

Beginning of year	<u>60,807</u>
End of year	<u><u>\$ 53,573</u></u>



From left, singers under the direction of Matthew Glandorf; Presiding Bishops Katharine Jefferts-Schori and Frank Griswold; The Rev'd Richard Bruckart with wife Deborah.

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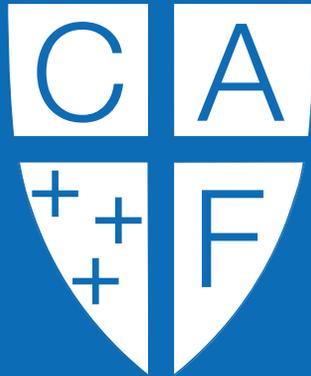
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