

A PAGE FROM THE LONG AND AMAZING HISTORY OF ST. STEPHEN AND THE INCARNATION EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The 1960s



The 1960s brought
major changes
to U.S. society —
and to St. Stephen's.



"Vestments may be
the next challenge
to the traditionalists
of the Episcopal
Church, if the trend at
St. Stephen and the
Incarnation spreads.
St. Stephen's, which
is usually a few jumps
ahead of the popular
trends in the liturgical
revolution, hasn't used
a traditional vestment
in years."

-The Washington Star,
April 5, 1970



In 1967, Bill Wendt invited
H. Rap Brown, chairman
of the Student Nonviolent
Coordinating Committee, to
speak at St. Stephen's when
he was denied permission
to speak elsewhere in the
area, having been charged in
Maryland with incitement to
riot. **Brown's speech at
St. Stephen's included
strident calls to
violence**, but many think
that the 900 people who heard
him that day didn't take up
Brown's call to burn down
Washington in part because
they heard him speak in a
church. Wendt was credited
with helping DC avoid a riot.



The Revs. Barry Evans and Bill Wendt.

WIDENING THE CIRCLE THE CAMPAIGN FOR ST. STEPHEN'S