



ANNUAL REPORT 2023

A YEAR OF MINISTRY AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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A NOTE FROM THE PASTORAL STAFF

We come to the end of 2023 grateful for a year that saw an expansion of Sunday activities to include the Sunday's Cool Cafe and additional faith formation opportunities for children, youth, and adults. We experienced increased worship attendance at both the morning and evening services throughout the year. Behind the scenes, the Membership Committee took on the task of reviewing our membership rolls, culminating in a thorough, thoughtful process of helping our members to clarify their connection to the church and their desired level of engagement with our ministries. In response to our new outreach vision of empowering children and families living in Richmond's East End, we held our first annual outreach recruitment drive to invite each of our members to engage with one of our outreach partners, and many of our members participated in the work of RISC as we sought to decrease gun violence and increase access to affordable and healthy housing in our city.

In addition to the many joys and celebrations we shared, this year we endured significant challenges and difficult losses. We continue to provide a ministry of presence and compassion as we support one another through pastoral care, our Neighbors at First deacon ministry, small groups, and community-wide programs, including a series of events to raise awareness and provide tools for suicide prevention and a worship service for parents who have had a child die.

In all of this we have sought to live out the promise of the gospel, which the angels announced to the shepherds on the first Christmas night: good news of great joy for all people! This is the gift God has given us in Jesus and it is the gift we are privileged to share with one another and with our wider community as we strive together to follow God's command to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God.

Amy Mary Kay Jack Josh

2023 YEAR-END

Actual Income: \$2,473,407

Actual Expenses: \$2,446,890

Surplus: \$26,517

Pledged Income: \$1,750,000

Pledges Received: 99.7%

2023 Stewardship

(for 2024 Budget)

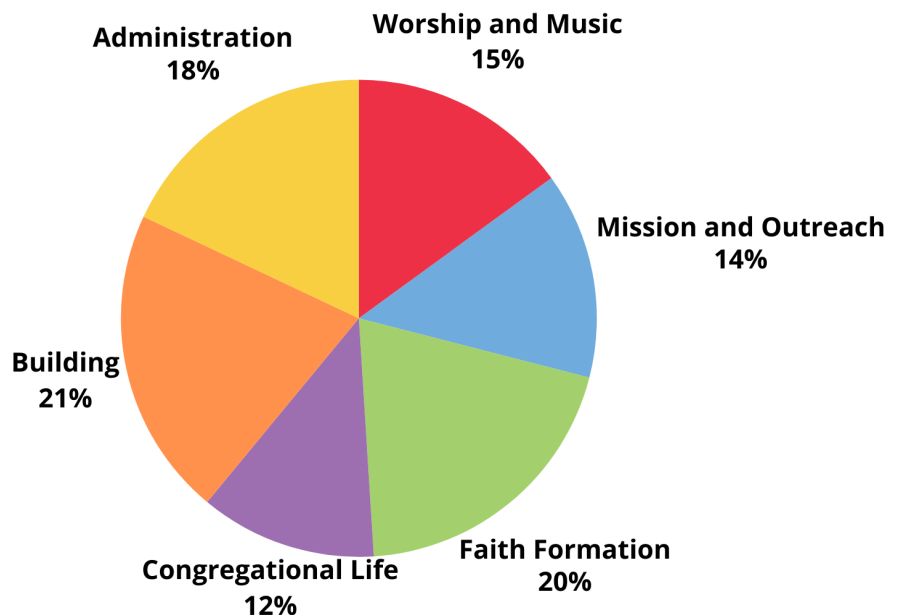
Amount Pledged: \$1,727,481

Percentage of Goal: 90%

Giving Units Pledged: 354

% of Members Pledging: 55%

2023 Spending by Ministry Area



ENDOWMENTS

The First Presbyterian Church Endowment Fund, Inc. (the "Endowment Fund") is a nonprofit organization that was formed in 1969. The purpose of the Endowment Fund is to establish a fund, the income and principal of which may be used from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Endowment Fund in its discretion may determine, and subject to certain restrictions established by donors, for the increase of the Endowment Fund and for the uses and purposes of First Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Virginia. The Endowment Fund is governed by a 7 person Board of Directors which is elected by the Session of which a minimum of 2 of such Directors must be current members of the FPC Session. Listed below, and organized by type of fund, are the 13 sub funds that comprise the First Presbyterian Church Endowment Fund, Inc.

Assets without Donor Restrictions

Funds available for such purposes as the Board of Directors may determine.

General Fund, \$1,712,414

Horace A. Gray, Jr. Fund, \$198,251

Guy R. Cramer Fund, \$772,905

William C. Wirth Fund, \$192,235

The First Fund, \$247,038

In 2023, a fund (the Emily McKnight Tafel Fund) was established honoring the memory of Emily Tafel. This fund is accounted for as part of the First Fund.

Adult Mission Fund, \$198,388

This fund is designated by the Board of Directors to be used to support the Adult Mission Program of the church.

Assets with Donor Restrictions

Walter L. Carson Memorial Fund, \$69,383

This fund is to be used to support a bi-annual lecture series.

L.P. McCord Youth Fund, \$123,699

This fund is to be used to support youth projects of the church.

David F. Peters Fund, \$225,616

This fund is to be used to support the Mission Outreach Program of the church.

B. Richard Hill/Donald P. Whitley Fund, \$43,654

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William H. Neal, Jr. Fund, \$110,843

This fund is to be used to support the leadership development of church officers at FPC and other churches that are members of the Presbytery of the James.

Memorial Garden Fund, \$129,081

This fund is to be used to provide maintenance for the Memorial Garden.

John and Joan Trotti Fund, \$54,241

This fund is to be used to support the adult education of the church.

The Endowment fund balance as of December 31, 2023 was \$4,109,735 in thirteen sub funds.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Active Roll: January 1st, 2023: 1,414; December 31st, 2023: 1,051

43 NEW MEMBERS

Chris Brown	Kierston Koplin	Rob Rudd	Katie Whitaker
Orran Brown	Joe Logan	Taylor Rudd	Mike Whitaker
Kit Campbell	Michelle Logan	Alison Santos	Merrill White
Pat Campbell	Callie Nickles	Carter Santos	Rainey Wilson
Allison Carnes	Beverly Olsen	Jay Scholten	Taylor Wilson
Michael Carnes	John Piersol	Kate Scholten	Harriet Yake
Josh Duval	Rebecca Piersol	Judson Simpson	Steve Yake
Bev Harris	Tricia Preyer Porter	Lisa Slattery	
Tom Harris	Anna Prillaman	Bryan Thompson	
Claire Kapinos	Joe Prillaman	Meg Thompson	
Katherine Kapinos	Jason Prillaman	Pam Tinsley	
Matt Kapinos	Jillian Prillaman	Tom Tinsley	

20 CONFIRMANDS

Addi Basmajian	Emma Darling	Reed Nelson	Thomas Starke
Caitlin Call	Cash Erwin	Frances Reynolds	Alice Tafel
Micheal Call	Thomas Galanti	Emory Ruffner	Molly Westbrook
Madelyn Chewing	Maeve Morgan	Berkley Santos	Graham Winters
Addie Cook	Hayes Neal	Eliza Grace Saunders	Charlie Yonce

20 BAPTISMS

Robert Carnes	Sloan Hendrick	Olive Piersol	Charlie Scott
Julia Dewey	John Hodges	Bess Santos	Nancy Sieber
McKinley Doyle	Millie Holley	Caroline Santos	Grace Whitaker
Emma Harvey	Harper Kirk	Smith Santos	Katie Whitaker
Eleanor Hastings	Charlie Mauck	Archie Scott	Edie Wright

19 MEMBERS JOINED THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Bex Bertok	Kay Grinnan	Bob Nolley	Emily Tafel
Don Collins	Bob Hill	Peggy Jane Owen	Barbara Westmoreland
Eleanor Davenport	Billie Grace Howell	Wrenn Putney	Don Whitley
Causey Davis	Mary Hutter	Peggy Rudder	Jane Willis
Jim Farnham		Betty Stallard	Charles Winkler