# ANNUAL REPORT

2024 A YEAR OF MINISTRY AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



GROUNDED. GROWING. GENEROUS.

## A NOTE FROM PASTOR AMY

In his second letter to Timothy, the Apostle Paul writes, "I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason, I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you.... For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline." (2 Tim 1:5-7)

There have been many times this year when, walking through the halls of the church, I have been struck by all those who made it possible — through a spirit of power and love and self-discipline — for FPC Richmond to be the church it is today. While this includes pastors, elders, and deacons of our 212 years past, it is by no means limited to these leaders, but also the many members and friends of the church who showed up for worship, sang in the choir, taught disciples of all ages, served on committees, gave of their resources, and served God's people in Richmond and around the world. In times of uncertainty and challenge, we can all benefit from Paul's words told to Timothy and remember that we are not the first to navigate the ups and downs of ministry in a broken and divided world. This has always been the task of God's people — to reveal a different possibility and vision of what the world can be, a place of welcome, inclusion, and compassion; a place Jesus calls the Kingdom of God.

In 2024, we had many opportunities to be grounded, growing, and generous disciples of Jesus. We upheld one another through the grief of loss, including the resignation of a long-term, beloved pastor, Mary Kay Collins. Through our master planning process, we imagined together how our building can be an even more effective tool of ministry that addresses the needs of today and of future generations. We worshiped, studied, baptized, broke bread, sang, cried, rejoiced together, then went beyond the walls of our building to serve and learn from our outreach partners. Know that this work matters as we continue to grow together and reveal to the world the promise and possibility of God's kingdom.

With deep gratitude for everyone in the past, present, and future who empower us to be Christ's church,

Amy Starr Redwine, Pastor and Head of Staff

#### 2024 YEAR-END

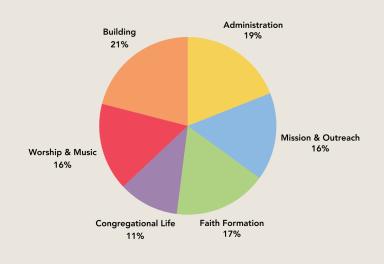
Actual Income: \$2,568,902
Actual Expenses: \$2,576,023
Deficit: -\$7.121

Pledged Income: \$1,727,481 Pledges Received: 96.5%

2024 STEWARDSHIP (for 2025 Budget)

Amount Pledged: \$1,722,038 Percentage of Goal: 96% Giving Units Pledged: 354 % of Members Pledging: 55%

#### 2024 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 an 8 member 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 (with investment balances as of December 31, 2024) 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**, \$1,913,130

Horace A. Gray, Jr. Fund, \$222,069

Guy R. Cramer Fund, \$865,763

William C. Wirth Fund, \$215,330

The First Fund, \$308,853

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, \$267,301

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, \$75,727

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

L.P. McCord Youth Fund, \$138,511

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

David F. Peters Fund, \$252,722

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

#### B. Richard Hill/Donald P. Whitley Fund, \$48,899

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

William H. Neal, Jr. Fund, \$127,259

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, \$137,198

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

John and Joan Trotti Fund, \$63,253

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

The Endowment Fund distributed \$163,930 in 2024. Contributions to the Endowment Fund totaled \$31,228 during the year and the investment balance as of December 31, 2024 was \$4,636,014.

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Active Roll: January 1st, 2024: 1,051 | December 31st, 2024: 1,042

#### 19 NEW MEMBERS

Bobby Cobb Jim Conschafter Katie Conschafter Charlie Ferneyhough Ellen Field Katie Jarvis Michael Jarvis Alex Jobe Janet Lung Sharon McCarthy Mary Millet
Dan Pora
Deborah Pora
Ann Posey
Wit Robertson

Margaret Saine Mark Saine Ema Simpson Bill Warren

#### 11 CONFIRMANDS

Tucker Aboud Addison Evers Margaret Galanti Austin Kapinos George Redwine Harry Reed Corinne Ruffner Emmett Sisler Georgia Townsend Mitchell Ward Lawson White

#### 19 BAPTISMS

Jay Blaylock Marshall Born Beatrice Brown Sara Bruni Kaki Jarvis Luke Kirkland Margaret Mann Avery Mazza Nora McAndrew Grace Prillaman Luther Prillaman Bobby Primiano Wills Quiriconi Carrington Rudd Philip Thompson

Beau Warner Spicer Warren Wrixam Warren Charlotte Wood

### 25 MEMBERS JOINED THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Jane Beaver
Mary Joyce Beringer
Charlie Bice
Carter Brenaman
Betty Butterworth
Courtney Chase
Laura Collier

Bob Davis Virginia Foster Hannah Gray Lally Jennings Barbara Jones Nancy Lee Leidy Elise Maloy

Trudy Marable
Liz Moore
Jeanne Nolley
Dorn Scherer
Ray Slabaugh
David Snyder
Deal Tompkins

Louise Whipple Joan Wilton Barbara Wiltshire Joan Winkler