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2023

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*Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults*  
The Rev. Benjamin S. Brannan  
*Parish Associate for Visitation* Nancy O. Gray  
*Engagement Coordinator* Connie Polly  
*Children's Ministry Coordinator* Maria Blackshaw  
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*Custodians* Iman Alston, Shirley Newton  
*Maintenance* John Tarta  
*Preschool Director* Alice Light  
*Preschool Asst. Director* Lori Privott



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# PASTOR'S NOTES

Dr. George C. Anderson



## A Congregation that Bloomed in 2023

We can mark 2023 as the year Second Presbyterian Church essentially left the transition from the pandemic behind. Though Sunday morning in-person attendance has not come back to what it was, the church became as busy as it has ever been. Participation in retreats, clubs, visitation, Bible Schools, and youth programs was strong.

I want to highlight two ways the congregation is blooming. That Second Presbyterian Church is blooming in these ways are significant reasons why, even after 26 years, I remain energized to serve Second Presbyterian Church as a pastor.

## The Congregation's Outreach is Blooming!

How the church has become even more missional in its ministry is a huge and historic story. The pandemic jumpstarted this blooming in two ways. First, the congregation expanded its giving to meet immediate needs of the pandemic. Second, it was during the pandemic that the Mission Build Campaign was successfully conducted. Two of the four projects of the campaign have been built. A team from our church attended the dedication of the new Dominican Republic hospital which is now serving patients. Alexa House opened in January and will be dedicated on the afternoon of Mother's Day, May 12, 2024.

Building costs shot up during the pandemic and all four projects went over budget or are going over budget. Alexa House is no exception with actual costs being double what originally was anticipated. How the church and community responded to make sure the renovation could be finished and the house begin hosting families is one of the most inspiring stories of 2023. Church members heard of the need and responded generously through gifts and through support of the silent auction of Helen Fitzpatrick's art collection by Eric Fitzpatrick. The greater community responded with large grants from St. John's Episcopal Church, Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church, the William Golding Foundation and the Burns Foundation. Renovation costs have been met with some funds left over for an Alexa House Maintenance Fund.

The session decided to further accelerate the church's mission by including a 10% increase in benevolent spending in the 2024 budget to help with affordable housing, health care for those who cannot afford it, and support of schools in at-risk communities. And then... Surprise! The congregation was so generous with its pledges that the session added thousands more to the benevolent work of the church (a few other needs were met includ-

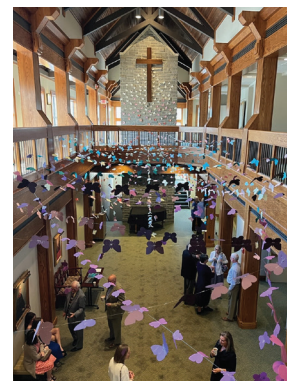
ing moving our outstanding new custodian, Shirley Newton, from a part-time to a full-time position). **The 2024 budget will contain the largest increase in budgeted outreach spending in our church's history.**

## The Congregation's Staff is Blooming!

We are served by an incredible staff that has evolved tremendously: continuity is provided by us long-timers (Jeff and Marianne Sandborg, Elizabeth Link, Stacy Moore, Lori Privott, John Tarta and me) and those who have joined the staff in the last four years:

- **Youth and Outreach:** Ben Brannan has made his own stamp on the youth programs of the church while working closely with the Service and Outreach Committee in expanding the way our church serves the larger community.
- **Administration:** Nathan Anderson brings a pastor's mentality to this role. Meredith Koliba manages the work of the pastoral staff in ways never done before at Second. Nicky Harless brings her CPA expertise to her part-time work as our church's financial secretary.
- **Media and Communications:** Andrea Boone has so advanced how we go about media and communications that we've added Rachel Vogado (also a pastor) to work with us part-time to help with the greater responsibilities.
- **Congregational Care, Engagement and Hospitality:** Nancy Gray, our Parish Associate, is expanding how we offer congregational care. Connie Polly shows no hesitation in getting to know visitors and helping them get to know the church. John Brady Anderson (there are three Andersons on staff!) provides both welcome and assistance to those who walk through the church doors.
- **Preschool:** Alice Light, working with Lori Privott, has taken the preschool to new levels.
- **Custodial:** Iman Alston and Shirley Newton keep our facilities clean and inviting.

I hope you join me in giving thanks for how the Spirit moved our family of faith in 2023. We cannot underestimate the importance of worship, fellowship and education in building a caring community of faith. We also cannot underestimate how significant it is that over decades we have grown into being one of the most impactful organizations in meeting regional needs. So many American congregations are struggling or conflicted. I hope you join me in praising God for the strength Second Presbyterian has and the impact it is making.



# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Rev. Elizabeth N.H. Link

We are so grateful to be able to learn and grow together. In 2023, Christian education at Second focused on building relationships and learning the biblical story. Midweek studies for adults explored themes from the parables, the Sermon on the Mount, and women from the Old Testament. The Bible in Black and White continued to draw meaningful participation, and special adult Sunday school series examined the theology of Tolkien and spiritual and theological issues tied up in the climate crisis. Adult Sunday school participation was strong, and teachers found engaging and creative ways to help students tackle difficult and important topics.

“FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL TO MIDWEEK CLASSES, THE MEMBERS OF SECOND PRESBYTERIAN MAKE IT POSSIBLE. WE HAVE GREAT HOPE AS WE MOVE INTO THE YEAR AHEAD.”

Evening Vacation Bible School in June offered a deeper look at the parables from Luke with our guest speaker the Rev. Dr. Millie Snyder. Morning Vacation Bible School engaged children and volunteers alike as they learned about festivals of the Israelites and connected the Last Supper with the Lord’s Supper we celebrate each month. The Trent Getaway provided rest, learning, and relationship building for around a hundred members of all generations. And the fall program year kicked off with a Rally Day Picnic at beautiful Braeloch Pavilion.



Thanks to the leadership of Maria Blackshaw, our new Children’s Ministry Coordinator, and many faithful volunteers, children’s Sunday school provided creative and imaginative ways to help preschool and elementary aged children learn and love God’s Story. Maria and Alison Conte led a wonderful year of Kids’ Fellowship on Sunday nights, and it was exciting to have our children sing in worship and share in the story of Jesus’ birth in the annual Christmas pageant. Children, Worship, and Wonder continued strong, and we are grateful for the ways it helps our young ones learn about and learn to love worship.

The Christian Education Committee continues to work with energy and enthusiasm to explore our Christian education theme this year: “Build It Together.” None of these opportunities for faith formation would be possible without the gifts and time of faithful and willing volunteers. From Sunday school to mid-week classes, the members of Second Presbyterian make it possible. We have great hope as we move into the year ahead. With thanksgiving, we continue to work to discern and follow the will and work of God’s Spirit in the halls and beyond the walls of Second Presbyterian Church.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ATTENDANCE (All Ages)	
Year	Attendance
2021	288
2022	329
2023	386



# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Maria Hammond, Committee Chair

Our theme this year was similar to the Christian Education theme: continuing to build! We have spent the last year looking for ways to bring our members together to worship, eat, and celebrate time spent together—all while doing what we can to keep our members safe.

Our Food Services subcommittee co-chairs, Robin Hobbs and Mary Airheart, have done an amazing job leading the food committee and taking care of the church’s needs. They supply the food for Meet and Greet between services, help prepare the church dinner for the Trent Symposium, and purchase breakfast food for the Pancake Breakfast. After we moved the Church Picnic to an August date, Robin and Mary planned and served food for the big day! Over **300** people attended, and it was such a success that we plan to do it again with Rally Day on August 25, 2024 at Braeloch. Another fabulous Christmas Dinner was served this past December with baked chicken, macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, salad, and desserts kindly made by church members.

The Congregational Care subcommittee includes important ministries such as Second Family, Second Takes a Meal, Flowers to our shut-ins, the Flower Coordinator, and Visitation. This year, the Visitation committee held an “extended table,” serving communion to shut-ins on World Communion Sunday in October. We are looking for more volunteers to help with delivering flowers!

Our Fellowship chair, Mia Copeland, has been instrumental in making the Trent Getaway weekend a wonderful success! We had over **100** participants attend to spend time together as a church family! The Gals’ Gathering was a recent, one day event at the church where **45** members were able to be together and reflect on our own personal “Winter Gardens.” 2PC Clubs were established that brought back and created new clubs which include supper club, movie club, the parenting club, pickleball club, coffee club and loads more! More than **100** people signed up for ten 2PC Clubs in its inaugural year.

After three years of faithful service, Christal Pearson passed the Engagement Coordinator baton to Connie Polly. Connie spent the last part of the year learning her new role and jumping right in, helping visitors and new members feel welcome and get connected.

Many of our committee members and church staff work behind the scenes to make Congregational Life at Second Presbyterian happen. Thank you to ALL those volunteers and employees for such amazing work!

## Congregational Life Committee:

**Congregational Life Chair – Maria Hammond**

**Congregational Care & Fellowship Chair – Mia Copeland**

Second Family – Sue Caudill, Alice

Loftin, Cindy Smith

Visitation – Nancy Gray

Flower Ministry – Linda Shiner

Flower Coordinator – Denise

Revercomb

Second Takes a Meal – Deborah

Vaughan

2PC Clubs – Maria Hammond, Varied

Card Ministry – Becky Russell

Trent Getaway – Donna Wardell,

Chrissy Underwood

Gals’ Gathering – Chasity Fitzpatrick

Columbarium Project – Mary Phillips

Hospitality / Greeters – Elizabeth

Vacher

**Engagement Coordinator – Christal Pearson/Connie Polly**

**Food Services – Robin Hobbs and Mary Airheart**



# YOUTH

## The Rev. Ben Brannan

The hope and goal of the Youth Ministry here at Second Presbyterian Church is transformation of lives through relationship with God and with one another. We believe that young people need opportunities for meaningful experiences of faith, authentic relationships with other youth and with adults, and the freedom to play joyfully together. This has been true through the ages here at Second, and in 2023, the youth continued to build upon the tradition and experience of the past! We built new and deeper relationships with each other and with our siblings in Christ; we built new programs; we built (or at least helped build) a home. All of this is to build up the body of Christ through love in word and deed.



Young people yearn for deep relationships, to engage in meaningful conversations that help foster a sense of identity. The youth did this as they spent time with each other in Sunday school and at Youth Group. The youth even fostered deeper relationships with our siblings in Christ through a joint Faith and Sexuality Retreat with the youth at Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church. We built deeper personal relationships with God as we explored our prayer life throughout Lent. We built relationships with youth from all over the country at Montreat Youth Conference, especially the group from Unity Presbyterian Church in Fort Mill, South Carolina. Our faith is built on relationships, and we have built relationships in all facets of life.

Last year the youth built two new programs. In April, the youth led a church-wide service day. ***The Great Day of Service*** saw **40** participants of all ages go out into the community and offer a helping hand. We served at Mill Mountain Zoo and helped spread gravel along the Zoo-Choo Track; we helped stock and organize the pantry at the Presbyterian Community Center; we cleared out the overgrown garden at the West End Center; and we cleaned the RAM House van to help with transportation needs. It was a great day to build up our city through service! Additionally, the youth had their first ever ***At-Home Mission Week!*** **13** youth gathered for **3** days of “seeking the welfare of the city” through partnership and service. This impetus of the Mission Week was to give our youth an introduction to “mission trips” so they will be prepared for out-of-town mission. However, the week offered youth an incredible opportunity to serve even through a busy summer schedule. The group organized and restocked the racks at Thrift 460 (Second Helpings of the Rescue Mission); the youth went “plalking” (picking up litter while walking) through the Belmont neighborhood with Habitat for Humanity and toured a new Habitat home before spending the afternoon at the Re-Store; we restocked and organized the pantry at the Presbyterian Community Center, and we helped with landscaping at Mill Mountain Zoo.

During the summer, a group of **9** traveled to Bell County, Kentucky to serve those underserved in the Appalachia region. Partnering with Appalachian Service Project, our group worked to make a home safer, warmer, and drier, all the while building relationships with the homeowner and the other groups. We installed new windows, reframed the front and rear doorways, framed out underneath the house for underpinning, installed new flooring and a new toilet, and replaced old siding with new house-wrap and siding. We got our hands dirty and worked really hard... and it was all worth it to make the home a place of warmth and safety for Ms. Patterson.

Last year was a year of building! Whether it was in our own church, our own community, our own city, or beyond what we know and beyond our comfort zone, the youth have leaned into what the Apostle Paul says: “Love builds up!”

# SUMMER PASTORAL INTERN

The summer of 2023 welcomed Second’s third summer pastoral intern. It was a joy to have a child of the church join in the work and mission of Second in a new capacity. Philip Smith served on Youth Council for four years and was a vital member of the youth group and a leader to many. During his first year at James Madison University (2022-2023), Philip became



more and more intrigued about faith as he worked with Young Life at JMU. His heart was yearning for direction and study as it related to leadership, Christian history, group management, and conversation facilitation. These became his four main points of focus during his internship. Philip grew even more into a compassionate, thoughtful, and fun-loving person, and it was a joy to watch him learn, grow, serve, and lead this summer.

Second lives into God’s call to be a “teaching church”! Through the internship, as well as the Trent Symposium, Edmund’s Lectures, and Evening Vacation Bible School, Second Presbyterian Church has a heart for both teaching and learning, and it is our prayer that we continue to foster and facilitate moments of faith formation for years to come!

# YOUNG ADULTS

The Young Adult program here at Second is ever-changing. National mobility rates remained below 10% for the second consecutive census reporting cycle for the first time on record (according to the Census Bureau which began recording mobility rates in 1947). Even so, young adults aged 20-34 still rank the highest in mobility rates across our population. So, what does this mean for Young Adults here at Second? We are in a season of transition. With life circumstances changing and with recent moves, our young adult program is being reformed! We had good gatherings of fellowship and connection and moments of faith! Young Adults want to be challenged, want to be engaged in deep and meaningful conversations, and seek to find a place of warmth and welcome. Second Presbyterian Church is that place. Come find out how you might be involved in our Young Adult program.

# ENGAGEMENT

## Elizabeth Link, Executive Pastor

In the fall of 2023, we gave thanks to Christal Pearson for her faithful work as our church Engagement Coordinator. Christal saw us through three years of change and growth, ushering visitors and new members into the church from the height of the pandemic in 2020 through our reemergence in 2022 and 2023. Though Christal “retired” her official role on our staff, her participation as an active member in the church continues, and we are so grateful.

In November, we welcomed Connie Polly into the Engagement Coordinator role. Connie hit the ground running, welcoming visitors and members alike on Sunday mornings and helping make connections in the weekdays between. As Connie is learning and growing in her role, we look forward to the year ahead.

We’ve discovered how important our live stream worship service and other online opportunities for education and connection are for new visitors. It is the first “window” into our church for many, and we often find in-person visitors have been worshipping online with us for weeks (or even months!) before taking the leap to enter our doors. We even had new members join us remotely, living both out of town and in assisted living facilities, unable to join us physically in person. We are so glad and grateful for the ways we can connect to members and visitors this way.

In 2023, we welcomed **38** new members. They bring with them many gifts, energy, and a love for Christ’s church. I hope and pray we will continue to find ways to reach out to these new members and visitors among us, that we might extend the right hand of Christian fellowship and welcome them fully into this faithful community with love.

# SERVICE AND OUTREACH

Alice Holman, Committee Chair

In 2023, the Service and Outreach Committee focused on ongoing, forward-looking ways to deepen our calling to be a mission-minded church. The support of the congregation in these efforts has been extraordinary.

The congregation’s pledged support is instrumental to our church providing consistent, planned aid to **24** local agencies, Solid Rock International, Beth-El Farmworker Ministry, Union Presbyterian Seminary, and the greater PC(USA) church. The congregation’s financial committee is vital in helping these agencies meet their missions. On top of this pledged giving, the congregation responded to monthly Outreach Offerings by donating more than **\$36,000** in additional support of ministries focused on food insecurity, at-risk children, people who are financially disadvantaged, the homeless, people who have mental health challenges, and isolated seniors.

Through the foresight and thoughtfulness of two families at Second Presbyterian, our church provides additional support to local agencies through funds these families established: the Lil Brown Fund and the Mountain Avenue Fund. In 2023, the Service and Outreach Committee recommended distributions of **\$13,690** from the Lil Brown Fund to address mental health issues especially where they intersect with the poor. Additionally, the Service and Outreach Committee recommended the distribution of **\$17,242** from the Mountain Avenue Fund in support of local ministries dealing

with homelessness, poverty, hunger, and at-risk children. Continued contributions to these funds will allow Second Presbyterian to provide ongoing support in the future.

Beyond financial support, **our congregation is in the community supporting those in need.** Members provided meals for Kids Soar and Family Promise, provided a place for families of inmates for video conferencing loved ones through AFOI, and packed snacks for the Greene Memorial Summer Pack-a-Snack program for Roanoke City students. Additionally, our involvement with Congregations in Action supports class parties, tutors, Fun Day, and the Pack-a-Snack program at Highland Park Elementary. The Service and Outreach Committee supported Morningside Elementary in SE Roanoke by volunteering to help with their back- to-school cookout, STEM night and purchasing hot chocolate supplies and delivering the hot chocolate to the classrooms for movie day on December 20. The committee sponsored a collection of school supplies for both Highland Park and Morningside. The Service and Outreach Committee donated a very creative basket of kitchen items to RAM House. This basket was part of a silent auction to raise funds to support the RAM House ministry.

The Service and Outreach Committee also coordinated multiple collections throughout the year, collecting canned goods each month for the PCC food pantry, gift cards for the West End Center’s angel bags, and Angel Tree gifts for seniors. We

also donated Christmas cards and stamps to the Local Jail Ministry to be distributed to inmates in the local jails.

The Service and Outreach Committee is working to deepen relationships with the agencies we currently support and exploring ways to engage the congregation more actively. One way we intend to do this is through a partnership with St. John’s Episcopal Church to sponsor a home with Habitat for Humanity. The “Partners in Prosperity” build will take place in 2024.

Looking ahead, Second Presbyterian will commit 16 workdays with Habitat for Humanity for the Mussa family homeowners. We will continue the monthly canned food collection for PCC. We will support an affordable housing initiative and work in partnership with Loudon Ave Christian Church to make healthcare more affordable through the Horizons Healthcare services. Service and Outreach will sponsor a Missions Fair on April 14 during the Sunday school hour and following the 11 o’clock worship. This fair will allow the congregation to interact with representatives from the agencies that we support and to learn about how they can become more involved.


**The Service and Outreach Committee remains dedicated to focusing on ministries of compassion in our community. We are grateful for our congregation’s continued support and commitment to acting as a mission-minded church.**

# DIGITAL REACH

Andrea Boone, Media & Communications

Virtual worship plays a significant role in ministry, and maintaining an active online presence is crucial for reaching and engaging members. In today’s digital era, leveraging platforms like the church website, YouTube, podcasting, and social media is essential for online visibility, enabling the church to connect with people wherever they may be. One of the easiest ways to individually amplify the reach of Second Presbyterian is by *liking, sharing, and subscribing!* Social media algorithms thrive on engagement, so a simple tap or click can further expand Second Presbyterian’s outreach as we share the Gospel news and all that God is accomplishing through the work of Second Presbyterian Church.

### YOUTUBE CHANNEL STATS



**Views**  
**15.9K**

**Watch Time**  
**3.6K HOURS**

**Top Geographies by Views**

United States	9,323
United Kingdom	66
India	61

**Watch Time by Subscription Status**


Subscribed (26.6%)
Not Subscribed (73.5%)

**Total Subscribers**  
**744**  
**New Subscribers**  
**+84**

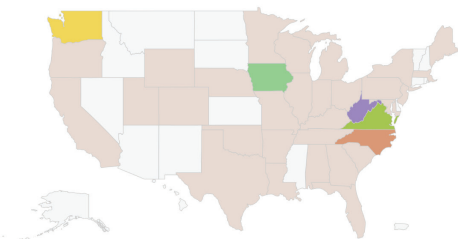
### PODCAST STATS

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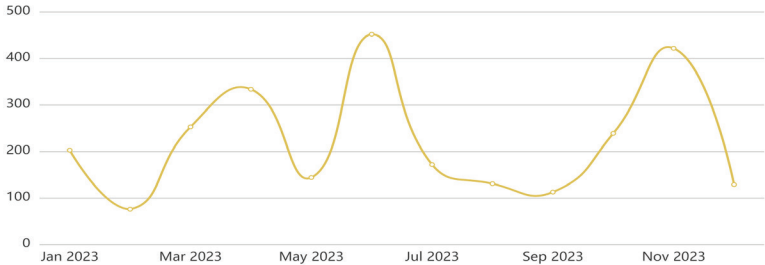
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**States Reached (USA)**  
Virginia (64.36% of USA downloads)  
Followed by: West Virginia  
Washington  
Iowa  
North Carolina  
Florida



**2,656**  
**Worldwide Downloads 2023**  
**(Around 221 per month)**



Virginia	1602	64.36%
West Virginia	192	7.71%
Washington	134	5.38%
Iowa	94	3.78%
North Carolina	64	2.57%
Florida	59	2.37%



**Downloads**  
**2.7K**

**ESTIMATED AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Year	In Person	Online Views
2023	225	178

**WWW.SPRES.ORG**

**60%** increase in web users over 2022.

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SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESCHOOL

Sally Nichols (Chair) & Megan Moore



The Second Presbyterian Preschool program has become one of the most robust preschools in the Roanoke Valley. Our ten student classrooms are all full and many have waitlists. Over the past year, we have added a second Pre-K classroom in addition to our infant room, toddler room, two young twos classrooms, two older twos classrooms, and two three-year-old classrooms. The program not only provides a traditional half day “core” preschool program, but also offers wrap around care with options for early drop off, after care, and extracurricular activities for the older preschool children. These offerings provide parents with options for full-time care of their children. Our preschool’s summer programming now offers 9 weeks of fun, summer curriculum, as well.

One of the biggest accomplishments of the past year is the beautiful new playground equipment that was installed late summer 2023. It was no small undertaking to get the new playground funded and under construction. Funds for the playground were secured through a grant more than two years ago by the previous preschool director, Sally l’Anson. The church’s Property Committee worked on the logistics of having the old equipment removed and the site prepared for the new equipment to be delivered and installed. This included a last-minute change to longer lasting, soft flooring installed under the equipment. Special thanks to Jim Pickens, Aaron Copeland, and Alice Light for all their hard work and dedication to make this playground a reality!

This year our Preschool Endowment, which was established in 2018, has grown to a point where the Preschool Committee can begin using a small percentage of the interest each year to fund projects and programs. Members of the committee have established the goals of the fund to enhance our program, control tuition, and offer scholarships for staff. The committee is focused on raising awareness of the fund in order to continue its growth.

Preschool Director, Alice Light, diligently worked with preschool staff and local organizations such as the United Way to ensure that the preschool remains licensed and provides care that is the most beneficial for our children. Our Preschool Committee has prioritized staff raises in order to retain and attract the best teachers and to keep up with minimum wage increases. In addition, Alice has worked to provide a quarterly staff meeting for her teachers and provide early childhood education training opportunities for her staff. If you or anyone you know has an interest in working with our preschoolers, please reach out to Alice (alight@spres.org).



GIFTS

Your generosity matters. In 2023, you gave **\$275,263** out of the budget to benevolent causes. These gifts helped sustain the ongoing expenses of...

- the local ministries of compassion and transformation in which we support;
- the larger church through support of institutions which build the PC(USA) such as the Presbytery and General Assembly;
- our international involvement in the Dominican Republic where we partner with Solid Rock International to transform barrios through medicine, construction, and education.

For a more detailed list of the ministries and institutions we support, see the itemized list of benevolences on page 12.

The amount given over and beyond budgeted benevolences to causes through special gifts and projects of the Restricted Funds totals **\$95,162**. That “over and beyond” generosity is listed below.

2023 Benevolences outside of our Operating Budget:

Contribution Area	Amount
Trent Fund Principle	\$ 55,166
Mountain Avenue Fund	\$ 15,482
Help Fund	\$ 4,070
Trustees Fund	\$ 5,000
Special Gift	\$ 20
Special Offering - Two Cents-a-Meal	\$ 2,904
Special Offering - PCC	\$ 77
Special Offering - Disaster Relief	\$ 9,854
Family Promise - Manger Offering	\$ 2,589
Total:	\$ 95,162

In Sum:	
Budgeted Benevolences	\$ 275,263
Over and Beyond Benevolences	\$ 95,162
Total 2023 Outreach Support:	\$ 370,425

On behalf of those who have been blessed by this support, thank you!

2023 Memorial Gifts	
John Arbogast	Shirley Johnson
Lee Baker	Betty Kulp
Carl Barber	Bob Kulp
Judy Baumgardner	Bill Logan
Sam Bickford	Bill Mangus
Susan W. Blaylock	Joann Manley
Paul Buford	Boo Miller
Richard Burleigh	Marshall Mundy
Alexa Cannon	Joan Oliver
Karen Carter	Mason Powell
Cicely Childers	Gene Richter
Helen Fitzpatrick	Treva Richter
Judge Beverly Fitzpatrick	Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rosebro
John Michael Flannagan, Jr.	Henry Rosebro, Jr.
Michael Flannagan	Dick Smith
Frances Garrett	Nancy Smith
Sally Anne Goff	William Smith
Sally Gravely	Alton Turman
Chris Harkness	Billy White
Fannie Howard	John William Wilks
Mary Neely Huddle	Bob Williams
Elizabeth Harshbarger	Cranston Williams, Jr.
Hurt	Jeanette Williams
John P. Johnson	

2023 Honorariums	
Brady Anderson	Lynn Genheimer
George Anderson	Bauer Horn
Martha Anderson	Bill Kirk
Jodi Ayers	Shireen Kirk
Ron Ayers	Jeff Sandborg
Charlotte Barrows	Marianne Sandborg
George Barrows	Carolyn Shackelford
Bill Blaylock	Will Shackelford
Luann Fitzpatrick	Beth Smith
Ben Garden	John Turnbull
Laura Garden	Kate Turnbull
Fred Genheimer	Church Staff



# 2023 EXPENSES

(2024 Challenge Budget Preliminary)

**Total Benevolences & Expenses . . . . . \$1,643,807**  
**Total Receipts (General Fund). . . . . \$1,318,752**  
**Budget Surplus . . . . . \$ 53,369**

**General Fund Surplus: Jan. 1, 2023 \$157,389**      **General Fund Surplus: Dec. 31, 2023 \$210,758**  
*(Unaudited)*

## BENEVOLENCES (20%)

\$32,600	General Assembly (2.37%) <i>General Assembly budget, Missionary Support (National), Missionary Support (Solid Rock), Union Presbyterian Seminary, Montreat Annual Fund, "The Presbyterian Outlook."</i>
\$5,000	Synod of the Mid-Atlantic (0.36%) <i>General Synod causes, Massanetta Springs Conference Center, U-Kirk at VT Campus Ministry.</i>
\$33,300	Presbytery of the Peaks (2.42%) <i>Presbytery budget, World Hunger.</i>
\$204,363	Local Church (14.85%) <i>Presbyterian Community Center, PCC Pathways, PCC Summer Camp, Family Service, Family Promise, Roanoke Area Ministries (RAM), West End Center, Roanoke Valley Jail Ministry, Feeding SW Virginia, Habitat House (Partners in Prosperity), Child Health Investment Partnership (CHIP), The Turning Point (Salvation Army), Society of Saint Andrew, Bradley Free Clinic, House of Bread, Rescue Mission, Kids Soar, Cool Springs Summer Camp program, Super Hero Kids, Congregations in Action, AFOL visitation program, Outreach Offering.</i>
<b>\$275,263</b>	<b>Total Benevolences</b>

## CHURCH EXPENSES (80%)

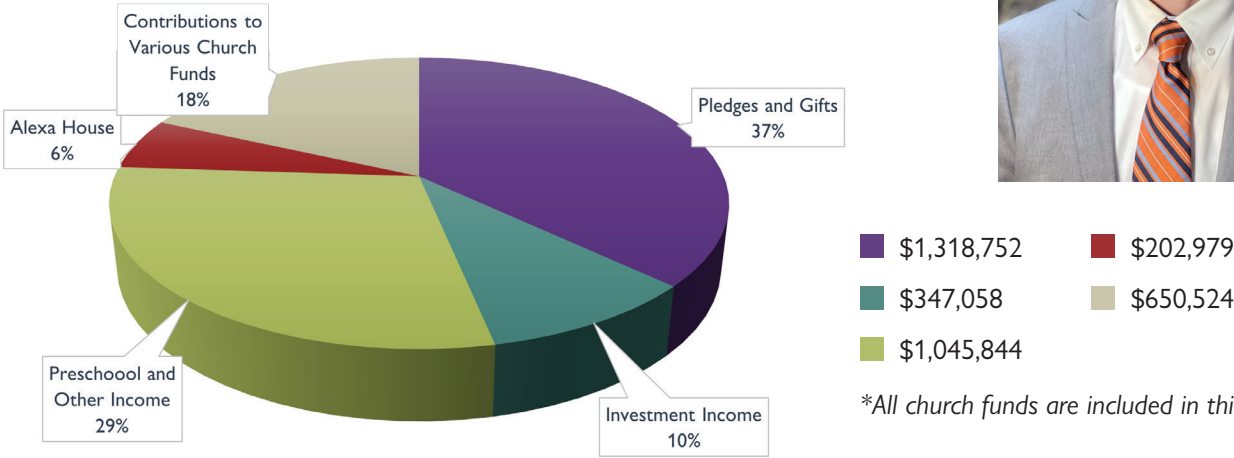
\$27,509	Christian Education (1.61%) <i>Adult, youth and children's church school, church hour program, confirmation class, Youth programs, College Student program, Vacation Bible School, summer conferences, Advent workshop, pancake breakfast, leadership training, midweek classes, resource library, church library, youth missions, recreational equipment, and other Christian Education costs.</i>
\$17,101	Worship and Music (1.00%) <i>CCLI Copyright Licensing, worship miscellaneous expenses, picnic worship service, "Upper Room®" devotional magazine, communion supplies, Children's Music, Chancel Choir, memorial service expenses, live stream tech payments, worship special speakers/musicians, Bell Choir, organ/piano tuning and repair.</i>
\$3,440	Congregational Life (0.20%) <i>Angel Tree program, receptions, picnic, Christmas dinner, pancake breakfast, Second Clubs, church greeter program, Care Notes™, new members classes, newspaper listing, baby fund.</i>
\$84,811	Church Program Support (4.98%) <i>Insurance, utilities, office equipment and supplies, computers, and office machines.</i>
\$285,306	Utilities, Maintenance, Repair, Buildings and Auto (16.74%) <i>Building and grounds, utilities, maintenance, security and fire alarm, church vehicles, repair and replacement of furniture and furnishings, energy efficiency projects, and security projects.</i>
\$916,956	Personnel (53.81%) <i>Salaries and payroll taxes, medical insurance and annuity benefits, continuing education, housing and auto allowances, business expenses, and retirement package.</i>
\$33,421	Other (1.66%) <i>Stewardship, food, miscellaneous, audit, and financial services contract.</i>
<b>\$1,368,544</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>

# FINANCES

Nathan Anderson, Administrator



## TOTAL CHURCH RECEIPTS 2023\* – \$3,565,157



\*All church funds are included in this total.

## 2024 PLEDGE ANALYSIS SUMMARY

Stewardship Report as of February 14, 2024. 286 contributors have pledged a total of \$1,339,392 for 2024. Of these contributors:

- 6.2% Increase over pledges in 2023
- 27 First-time pledgers
- 108 kept the same pledge
- 134 increased pledges
- 17 decreased their pledge
- 39 contributors pledged last year but have not yet for 2024

**It is not too late to turn in a pledge; contact Nathan Anderson, Administrator at 540-343-3659.**

## EXPENDITURES FROM OTHER CHURCH FUNDS (off budget) Balances as of December 31, 2023

\$91,237	Second Fund
\$15,482	Mountain Avenue Fund
\$113,260	Trent Fund
\$61,136	Maintenance Fund (Limited)
\$839,496	Mission Build & Alexa House
\$41,254	Other Smaller Funds
<b>\$1,161,865</b>	<b>Total Expenditures from Other Church Funds</b>

## FUND BALANCES as of December 31, 2023

\$4,660,445	Second Fund
\$415,199	Mountain Avenue Fund
\$2,767,477	Trent Fund
\$1,299,515	Maintenance Fund (limited)
\$2,259,627	Other Church Funds

## 2023 TOTAL BUILDING & MAINTENANCE EXPENSES – \$161,623



# SESSION COMMITTEES

## 2023

### Executive Committee

George Anderson  
Nathan Anderson  
Maria Blackshaw  
Ben Brannan  
John Caudill  
Pattie Clevenger  
Bill Durham  
Maria Hammond  
Alice Holman  
Robert Kulp  
Cynthia Lawrence  
Wayne Lewis  
Elizabeth Link  
Ken Lyons  
Bob Martin  
Joe Miller  
Sally Nichols  
Kelly Speas  
Chrissy Underwood  
Cindy Young

### Christian Education Committee

Sarah Bishop  
Maria Blackshaw\*  
Ben Brannan  
Robin Hobbs  
Sally l'Anson  
Elizabeth Link  
Carol Moneymaker  
Martha Wheeler

### Congregational Life Committee

Mary Airheart  
Susan Carter  
Mia Copeland  
Maria Hammond\*  
Robin Hobbs  
Elizabeth Link  
Christal Pearson  
Connie Polly

### Finance Committee

George Anderson  
Nathan Anderson  
Jack Avis  
Manly Aylor  
Kandy Elliott  
Fred Greear  
Cecil Kelley  
Kenneth Laughon  
Wayne Lewis\*  
Elizabeth Link  
Bob Martin  
Joe Miller  
Lee Osborne  
Brownie Polly  
Kelly Speas

### Nominating Committee

George Anderson  
Ron Ayers  
Helen Dean  
Bill Durham  
Mark Lawrence  
Elizabeth Link  
Ken Lyons\*  
Kipper Nottingham  
Chrissy Underwood

### Personnel Committee

George Anderson  
Nathan Anderson  
Thomas Blaylock  
Helen Dean  
Susan Lancaster  
Elizabeth Link  
Lee Osborne  
Betsy Prillaman  
Chrissy Underwood\*

### Preschool Committee

Michele Aimonetti  
George Anderson  
Margaret Ashburn  
Laura Beth Gregory  
Emma Kozlowski  
Alice Light  
Elizabeth Link  
James Moneymaker  
Megan Moore  
Cayce Myers  
Sally Nichols\*  
Lori Privott  
Jessica Tims  
Emily Roseman

### Property Committee

George Anderson  
Nathan Anderson  
John Caudill  
Aaron Copeland  
Jack Dickerson  
Bob Groth  
Cecil Kelley  
Robert Kulp\*  
Chris Link  
Jim Pickens  
Matt Prescott  
Hank Simpson

### Service and Outreach Committee

Ben Brannan  
Lucinda Hancock  
Alice Holman\*  
Pat Houghton  
Jenny Lee  
Susan Leivy  
Kirk Ludwig  
Anna McLean  
Julie Mugford  
Connie Polly  
Randy Rhea  
John Shoulders  
Beth Smith

### Stewardship Committee

George Anderson  
Nathan Anderson  
Ginger Avis  
Jim Baynton  
Nancy Gray  
Cynthia Lawrence\*  
Cindy Young\*

### Worship and Music Committee

George Anderson  
Pattie Clevenger\*  
Alison Conte  
Bonnie Johnson  
Jerry Lusk  
Darin Pearson  
Jeff Sandborg  
Marianne Sandborg  
Doug Settles  
Linda Steadman  
Robert White

\*Committee Chair

# MEMBERSHIP

## Welcome New Members of 2023

Ann Bickley  
Chris Bickley  
Edith Burton  
Vincent Croteau  
Brad Daniel  
Marcy Daniel  
Walker Daniel  
Lucy Paige Ellett  
Lawson Fralin  
Donna Frentz

Kathryn Hancock  
Will Hancock  
Doug Hankins  
Karen Hankins  
Cindy Hodges  
Daniel Hodges  
Cole Hoff  
Luke King  
Elizabeth Millar  
Gary Millar

Jean Millar  
Max Mizuba  
Gracie Munro  
Brownie Ed Polly  
Meghan Prillaman  
Rich Raymond  
Nestor Eduardo Sanchez  
David Speno  
Lynn Speno  
John Thomas

Mary Emily Thomas  
Drew Underwood  
Connie Vaughn  
Joe Vaughn  
Nathan Wainwright  
Carson Waters  
Kylie Young  
Maggie Young

... but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love. – Ephesians 2:19-22

## Beloved Members Who Died in 2023

Carl Lawrence Barber  
Judith Markley Baumgardner  
Susan W. Blaylock  
Susan Gurley Boyle  
Paul Chalmers Buford, Jr.  
Richard Edward Burleigh  
Karen Spohr Carter  
Helen Chewning Fitzpatrick  
John Michael Flannagan, Jr.  
Sally Anne Eatough Goff  
Christine Kemery Harkness  
Lora McWhorter Hopkins  
John Paul Johnson  
Betty Alice Baker Kulp  
Betty Johnston Miller  
Richard Bryan Smith  
Ruby Mae Lipscomb Thornton  
Cranston Williams, Jr.  
Robert G. Williams

June 18  
January 29  
November 29  
April 29  
March 06  
March 19  
May 24  
April 20  
August 05  
November 29  
September 27  
December 31  
September 14  
August 19  
June 11  
May 24  
March 22  
December 10  
October 06

## New Babies of 2023

Wallace Calder Gunn  
Paige Gibson McGhee  
Henry Frayser Wilkes

September 14  
April 15  
August 20

## ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP Year-End Statistics

<b>Gains</b>	
Profession/Reaffirmation	8
Certificate of Transfer	14
Confirmation	16
<b>Total Gains</b>	<b>38</b>

<b>Losses</b>	
Certificate of Transfer	5
Death	19
Moved to Inactive Roll	2
<b>Total Losses</b>	<b>26</b>

## **Net Membership** +12

Children of Active Members	194
Infant/Child Baptisms	9
Adult Baptisms	3

## Year-End Active Membership

