





Living Gratefully Together

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service. (1 Timothy 1:12)

Sometimes it's hard to feel grateful while living through a global pandemic and, yet, Paul's statement above in his first letter to Timothy reminds us that true gratitude rests in our calling to be disciples of Christ. As we look toward next year, we are excited to live into that calling through our ministries that mirror God's kingdom, our growing together as disciples, and our rich tradition of worship, made all the more exciting as we implement a long-term approach to inviting virtual worshipers into our services through live streaming. Thanks be to God for your generosity and the year and plans that lie ahead!

Total 2022 Budget \$871,801

Worship

Worship continues to be what defines us as a people of God. Our ability to provide options for either participating safely in person or through our weekly live stream marks a significant change in the last year and a half. Through it all, we have continued to give our best to God through strong preaching and music, thoughtful prayers, and inspiring Minute for Ministry segments, made possible through dedicated staff and volunteers. Our 2022 budget plans include bringing back special music as we look toward resumption of full in-person worship, performing needed piano and organ maintenance, and implementing a plan to support a long-term, sustainable version of live streaming our services, all made possible through your gratitude and generosity.

Spiritual Growth

We are called as a people of God to grow ourselves as Jesus' disciples, and our community has had a long, rich heritage of varied ways to do just that, even while in-person activities have been limited. Whether through the Tuesday Morning Prayer Group, Godly Play, James' Bible studies, The Bridge, or this summer's Youth Mission Mondays, we know our call to be more faithful disciples can be fulfilled. Grateful for our gifted staff and countless volunteers as well as your generosity, the 2022 budget includes the funds to support the many children, youth, and adult offerings as we look with hope toward resuming increasing numbers of in-person ways to grow our faith together.

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Mercy

Through our Mercy ministry we live out our call to serve those in need in our greater community, our nation, and around the world. Countless volunteers continue to make sure that bi-monthly meals are provided to our Welcome Table guests along with a monthly grocery store gift card, and support our Ives House and Drop & Dash ministries. Our 2022 budget funds these local ministries and supports the Falls Church Homeless Shelter, and includes monies for PC(USA)'s Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Your incredible generosity makes it possible for us to heed Jesus' call to love mercy, lifting up those in need in these local, national, and international ways.



Justice

God calls us to "do justice," which we heed through our Justice ministry's aim to dismantle unjust systems with a vision toward God's coming kingdom. Our quarterly Shout Out for Justice events continue promoting awareness of the injustice experienced by Persons of Color, and a small team of individuals is guiding us in our first year as members of VOICE (Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement), as we work with VOICE activists in our community and throughout the state. Looking toward 2022, our budget includes monies to sustain VOICE membership and promote next year's quarterly Shout Out for Justice, and look toward sponsoring in-person educational events, none of which would be possible without your generous giving.



Community Building

Discovering and mirroring God's constant and unconditional love in our midst through meaningful relationships continues to be the pulse of our community and the ministry that seeks to bind us. The Drive-Through Live Nativity, Escape Weekend, College-Age ministry, and fostering a hospitable community when we can be together— and even when we cannot—are the main focuses of our Community Building ministry, and it takes many volunteers to make these things happen. Your gratitude for our life together as a community will help support plans for 2022, which, in addition to sustaining these ministries, includes the hope that we can safely return to more robust seasonal gatherings and find ways to reach out to the community beyond our walls.

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