



**FALLS CHURCH**  
PRESBYTERIAN  
1873-2023

## NARRATIVE BUDGET 2024

# SERVING, GIVING, GROWING

“Put your gifts at the service of one another,  
each in the measure you have received.”  
– 1 Peter 4:10 INB

It has been a blessing to celebrate 150 years of serving God at FCPC. And yet, we know God has more for us to do. “Put your gifts in the service of one another,” Peter tells us, and so we look to continue doing just that, both among one another within our faith community, and among the community around us that we serve. Bringing not only our monetary gifts but also our gifts of talents allows us to answer the call of Christ to work toward the kingdom of God here on earth. Grateful for all we have been given and for the generosity of the saints through the years, we look ahead to serve, give, and grow in the coming year.

**Total Budget \$946,017**

# WORSHIP

In our 150 years as a congregation, we have proclaimed to the world through our worship our faith in the one true God. In 2024, the Worship Ministry Team looks to complete the upgrade of our audio-visual system to better enrich worship—in person and through streaming—for both our traditional and informal services. We also look to continue finding new ways of worshipping and ministering with pastors and program staff, and look with excitement toward the person God will call to be our new Senior Pastor.



*easter worship in fellowship hall 2023*

**\$324,520 34%**



*confirmation class of 2022*

# SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Growing as disciples is something we do as a people of God. Here at FCPC, we look to continue a strong tradition of doing just that. The Spiritual Growth Ministry Team is excited to continue offerings such as Godly Play, The Bridge, Waffle Church, Spaghetti & Scripture, as well as a second year of our Spiritual Growth community ministry, the Crooked Steeple Literary Festival. We also look forward to partnering with the Justice Ministry in providing ongoing book discussions and reflections by authors of color to further develop antiracist practices in our faith community.

**\$200,337 21%**

# MERCY

Our church has long answered the call of mercy—in different ways over the years, yes, but all in service of those who need it most. Serving others not only changes those we serve, but it changes us. The Mercy Ministry Team will continue to be this strong arm of serving in long-established ministries such as Welcome Table, support of the Falls Church Homeless Shelter, and contributions to National Capital Presbytery missions and PC(USA)'s Presbyterian Disaster Relief, and in newer ones such as Drop & Dash and the Fairfax County Hypothermia Shelter.



*shout out for justice event*

# JUSTICE

Justice work is long, hard work, but Jesus never tired of it during his ministry on earth, as he sat at table with, and stood for, the marginalized. Our Justice Ministry recognizes the long view that is needed, answering Jesus' call to lead our congregation in working alongside those whose voices have long been silenced. In 2024, the team has plans to establish a more active core VOICE team and lead FCPC into living into our new designation as a Matthew 25 church, working to dismantle structural racism.



*breakfast bags-to-go for hypothermia shelter guests*

\$177,934 19%

# COMMUNITY BUILDING

Community Building is certainly about serving, giving, and growing, and our ministry team focuses not only on our own faith community but also in building relationships with the community outside of our walls. Looking ahead to 2024, the Community Building Team will continue fostering fellowship after Sunday services and plan another Escape Weekend, lead special and social youth events, provide Vacation Bible Camp for our own and community children, and show care and love to our FCPC college students while they are away from home through the College-Age Ministry.



*escape weekend 2022*

\$131,761 14%

\$111,465 12%