

Saint Giles Presbyterian Church

Vibrant
Inclusive
Affirming
Relationships
Saint Giles
Welcoming
Open Engagement

2020

Annual Report

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Mission Statement

Our Statement of Core Identity:

We... Welcome, Include, & Affirm:

We are an open community of faith that believes in the transformative power of God.

We... Invite & Grow:

We invite others so we may all grow as a vibrant community of faith.

We... Engage:

We embrace a vision of discipleship where there's room for everyone to serve, give, and grow.

Our Strategic Goals:

Engagement

To spark engagement by refreshing our methods for inviting participation in church-essential activities while emphasizing individual calling and ensuring a place for all to serve, give, and grow.

Relationships

To proactively cultivate relationships (both within and outside of church family) with emphasis on nurturing our community of faith while actively inviting new disciples to join us.

Programs & Ministries

To cultivate thriving and purposeful ministries that meet the needs of our church community while serving the larger communities.

Adopted January 21, 2019

Revised March 18, 2019

Saint Giles Presbyterian Church 2020-2021 Session – Tree of Faith

The Tree Division oversees aspects of church ministry that focus on programs and are captured by the phrase “We grow in faith by...”

These aspects of church ministry currently include Worship, Fellowship, Congregational Care, Mission and our Age-Based Ministries (Children, Youth, Young Adult & Family, Membership, and Senior Adult).

The Elders serving in the Tree Division are Carol Pope (23), Peg Forster (23), Nicole Goolsby (22), Jennifer Gospodarek (21), Susie Lavender (22) Chris Maxwell (21), and Tom Augspurger (23).

The Roots Division oversees aspects of church ministry that focus on infrastructure. These aspects of church ministry currently include Property, Administration & Staff, Finance & Stewardship, Session Transformation and the Clerk of Session.

The Elders serving in the Roots Division are Elizabeth Abernathy (22), Mick Wilber (22), Steve Allison (23) and John Tracy (23).

Ruling elders, together with teaching elders, exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of a congregation as well as the whole church, including ecumenical relationships. When elected by the congregation, they shall serve faithfully as members of the session.

~The Book of Order (2013-2015), G-2.0301

<http://www.mission-presbytery.org/documents/BookofOrder2013-2015pdf.pdf>

The Annual Meeting
of the Congregation and Corporation

Saint Giles Presbyterian Church
Raleigh, NC
Sunday, February 3

Please note: Items may be added to this agenda.

The Moderator will communicate any additions near the beginning of the meeting.

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Prayer
3. Declaration of a Quorum (10% of active members)
4. Overview of the 2021 Operating Budget
5. Election of 2021 Congregational Nominating Committee At-Large Members
6. Adjourn and Close with Prayer

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Moderator's Report

Rev. Lance Perry,

Intentional Interim Minister

Dear Friends,

I am energized and feel blessed to be with you as your Intentional Interim pastor. Having started late in the year, most of my energy was focused on Christmas worship planning, getting up to speed with the session, and connecting with staff.

In December, I connected with the Worship planning team to implement the Longest Night worship service, recorded weekly worship, met to do initial Christmas worship planning with Eddie and Mona, met with the session, met several times with Emmie, and began meeting with Personnel to coordinate staff evaluations.

My main goals and strategies for 2021 are:

- Function as pastor and head of staff for all usual congregational needs including working with committees, staff support, etc...
- Form and train Transition Team (session appointed) - (January/February)
- Work with Transition Team to engage congregation around five interim ministry focus points (February-June)
- Work with session to prioritize and address/implement significant congregational needs/plans discerned through the Transition Team's engagement with the congregation
- If invited by COM and session, serve as process coach to PNC

As we continue to face into the COVID 19 pandemic in 2021, may God's grace continue to sustain us, grant us hope, and fill us with the Holy Spirit that we might remain faithful to our calling in Jesus Christ.

Peace to you and yours,

Lance

SAINT GILES STATISTICS

~Active Membership on January 1, 2020: **259**

Membership Gains:

Profession of Faith/Confirmation: 0

Restored from Inactive Roll: 0

Reaffirmation of Faith: 0

Transferred In: 0

Other: 0

Total Gains: 0

Losses

Dismissed/Transferred Out: 0

Removed from Active Roll: 0

Deaths: 8

Total Losses: 8



~Active Membership on December 31, 2020: **251**

~Age Distribution of Members

25 & under: **32** Ages 26-45: **59** Ages 46-55: **32** Ages 56 - 65: **36** 65 +: **92**

~Average attendance per Sunday in 2020

The average worship attendance per Sunday for any and all services was **69**.

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Tree Division

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Adult Ministry

Carol Pope

Despite the emergence of COVID19 and the ensuing end of face-to-face services at St. Giles in 2020, the Adult Ministry program began the year with enthusiasm and has continued to serve the adult community.

Included below are both activities and plans for 2020 and beyond. The Movers and Seekers group, consisting of several St. Giles members met regularly as did other small groups to brainstorm and plan for 2020.

January:

Dr. Linda Robinson (educator extraordinaire) spoke after church to a group of approximately 25 attendees about the life and teachings of the Diedrich Bonhoeffer (Lutheran pastor, theologian, and anti-Nazi dissident). Linda’s extensive knowledge and travels leading groups over a number of years intrigued all those present.

February:

Tentative plans had been made for a speaker from the NC Council of Churches to speak on environmental changes to our planet.

Fall 2020:

Phil Stiles and Tim Hoyt have graciously and expertly led Adult Sunday School via Zoom, building on their popular TED Talks discussion series. They have found intriguing TED Talks, sent links via email (as well as posted in the Church Newsletter), and led provocative discussions regularly. Good attendance has marked this offering.

2020 Plans:

For the rest of 2020, we had scheduled **Jamie Valvano** (inspirational speaker and educator) to speak about her life, faith...and her message about being each of our calls to be “extraordinary.” We had also scheduled **Bill Leslie** (former WRAL anchor, storyteller, and musician) to speak to our after-church group in the Fall 2020.

Given that the 2019 holiday **Book Bash** (sponsored by the Adult Ministry in partnership with Quail Ridge Books), we had planned to sponsor this event again in November 2020.

December 2020 was to include **Christmas Caroling at Raleigh Gardens** (in partnership with the youth of St. Giles). This experience was a positive one in 2019, so plans were underway for a repeat performance.

Further 2020 Ideas:

The Movers and Seekers planning group also discussed a panel discussion on social justice OR faith vs. work—perhaps led by Jim Hodges, Vanna Fox, and a youth representative. We also discussed possible speakers that might encourage our community neighbors to visit for after-worship speakers—e.g., sports leaders in the Triangle community (like Coach Levell Moton, NCCU Basketball Coach).

Future Vision:

We look forward to the continuation of our Sunday School TED Talk discussion...and continue to explore ways we can bring the Adulthood Ministry into the homes of more and more people.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Moody & Carol Pope

Children's Ministry**Peg Forster**

We have had a busy, unpredictable year full of changes and our new focus has been trying to keep in contact with each other and maintaining safe relationships. With the staff personnel changes and COVID, we have had to be flexible and creative in our approach. Our Children's Ministry Committee includes: Rita Hart, Elise Stiles, Chris Zaineddin, Charolette Brown, Elizabeth Abernathy, Karen Patterson, and we welcome Peggy Forester as our Chair. Thanks for all of their time and talents.

For the first couple of months, pre pandemic, this was our weekly Sunday School schedule:

Music - We continued our weekly music time, before Sunday School with the children under Pat Lindsay and Elizabeth Norris's direction.

Our monthly schedule worked nicely with an extended music time and a craft the first week, followed by Sunday School the second and third weeks and ending with a Kids 4 Mission event. This gave the kids continuity of teachers and took the stress out of scheduling volunteers.

Nursery - Jordan Dickinson continued to take care of our littlest members with the help of Saint Giles volunteers weekly. Kathy Matthews did an excellent job coordinating the nursery volunteer scheduling. Elizabeth Abernathy has developed procedures for safety and sanitation to provide a welcoming environment. Thanks to all!

Crafts: The kids start every month with a craft that follows the lectionary. Elise Stiles leads this with her artistic flare, with the help of Joyce Vollmer, Mary Byrd Pettanati and Sara Monazah. This is one of the kids favorite activities!

Joy Journeys: (3 years old to 2nd Grade)

We continued with the Young Children and Worship curriculum written by Stewart and Berryman. Each week a small group of children responded to the stories and parables and learned how to worship God in a respectful way.

Whirl: (3rd-5th Grade)

We continued with the Whirl Curriculum with all parties satisfied. This weekly curriculum follows the lectionary and brings the lessons into everyday life.

Kids 4 Missions (All Children)

On the fourth Sunday of most months, the children do hands-on projects to help our community. Due to the pandemic, there was little opportunity for our missions to continue. In June, we did pick up food from our children and youth's residences to donate to the Helping Hand Mission. We did supplement with a monetary donation that they were very grateful for! Thanks to Rita Hart for her continued devotion to the children and helping our littlest ones learn to worship with love and respect.

And then in March all of our regular activities came to a halt.

When the pandemic started to become more routine, we started our monthly meetings in June and started to brainstorm on how to stay in contact with our children and youth. Rita Hart conducted

Zoom Sunday Schools and taught a Joy Journey lesson quite a few times. Elise Stiles and Chris Zaineddin wrote personal notes that were mailed to our children. We help organized the first monthly hike in local parks. Rita Hart and Karen Patterson cooked homemade cookies that were delivered to the children and youth's residences. The Children's Committee, along with Rebecca, organized the Thankful Pumpkin Event. which was the first time we tried to social distance and see each other. For Advent, we delivered an interactive advent calendar for our families to share, with a refrigerator magnet. The committee, with Erin Wilbur's help, scheduled the Christmas Eve Hike at Umstead Park.

Thanks to the Cares Act, we were able to pay Jordan Dickinson at least through October. When normal activities resume, our plan is to keep her on.

We are looking forward to the church opening and to seeing our children again, when it is safe!

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Patterson & Peg Forster

Youth Ministry

Nicole Goolsby

Sunday School

This year the Youth met bi weekly during the school year for Sunday School. Mostly via Zoom since March but also a few outdoor sessions on campus. Feasting on the Word was the Youth Curriculum for Spring 2020 which continued in the Fall with Zoom. Tripp Carter and other volunteers have been crucial to the youth ministry at Saint Giles.

Youth Group

Earlier this year, the youth participated in Rise Against Hunger in January with Hudson Memorial and West Raleigh youth as an opportunity of service and fellowship.

Later in January the youth went on the Ski Trip with Hudson Memorial youth as another opportunity to fellowship.

The youth group continued the Presbytery 3 part Series of discussions of Faith and Sexuality that was presented by the Presbytery.

They held a successful Chili Luncheon and raised over \$1k.

In February, the youth had a Lock-in hosted at West Raleigh. Later in the month they ventured out to MacGregor Village to sharpen their teamwork skills at GameOn in their escape rooms. West Raleigh also participated and the youth were split into 4 diverse teams and tried to escape the rooms. Afterwards all gathered for a treat at Asali Bakery before praying and heading home.

March brought with it Covid and the closing/cancelling of most of the rest of the year's big group plans for in person Sunday School, Youth Group, Youth Council Retreats, BLT Luncheon, Montreat, Massanetta, and many more. James got to work right away figuring out how to meet virtually. By April 1st the youth were meeting on Zoom for Sunday School and Youth Group and holding some joint meetings with their friends at West Raleigh. There were also a few Movie nights using the Netflix Party app.

Youth Group continued to meet occasionally during the summer on Zoom. James made diligent efforts to connect with youth more through text and phone calls, making Pastoral Care the main part of his job. There were also occasionally house calls to visit youth and their families and listen to how they were doing and hang out outside.

Starting in September the Youth have been going on a monthly bike ride on Oak Park Green Way.

They have enjoyed the company of multiple adult chaperons joining to help keep everyone safe.

For Christmas James bought and wrapped socks for all our youth and hand delivered them with invitation to Zoom Christmas party. The Zoom Christmas party was led by Youth Council Youth from Saint Giles and West Raleigh.

Retreats

Cancelled due to Covid

Other

James continues to serve on the Presbytery's Youth Council on the Music Team. Luke Carter and Ethan Matthews both serve as well.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Minani & Nicole Goolsby

Worship Ministry

Susie Lavender

Thank you to:

The musicians and liturgists who helped lead worship each Sunday along with Katherine, Vanna, Rebecca and Lance;

Those who enhanced worship through creative worship arts, flowers, changing paraments through the liturgical calendar, and maintaining the sanctuary itself;

Those who supported worship moving smoothly including ushers, greeters, projectionists, sound board operators, communion preparers, etc.; and

Those who have worked tirelessly to provide worship via podcasts and pre-recorded material, weekly communications sent to members both through email and the US Postal Service and made meetings through Zoom possible.

Goals for 2021:

Support Lance with worship resources for service and encourage a vibrant worshipping community for the Saint Giles family of believers. Continue to provide worship via pre-recorded services and printed materials until services may safely return to the Saint Giles campus;

Continue to recruit and maintain a volunteer base for worship leadership support, including liturgists, head ushers, greeters, soundboard operators, projectionists, and communion and sanctuary preparers;

Initiate the search and hiring process for an Organist/Collaborative Pianist.

Respectfully submitted,
Susie Lavender

Congregational Care Ministry

Chris Maxwell

The Congregational Care Ministry team is charged with providing opportunities for our church members to grow in faith and have a place to serve others and fellowship with one another. The following groups are listed under this heading:

Crisis Care

This team assists church members and their families in times of crisis or need.

- Connection Callers/Helpers.
In the Spring of 2020, with the discontinuation of in-person church services, Katherine Kussmaul initiated a means for the congregation to be connected to a group of other members of the St.

Giles family. A group of about 8 people were encouraged to make telephone calls to a group of 10-12 others, checking to see what their needs were during the separation from gathering at St. Giles. These "connection calls" were continued for many people. In addition, the entire St. Giles congregation was encouraged to send cards, provide transportation, provide meals, and visit members in need of assistance. These "connection calls" are encouraged by everyone to reach out to others. If you would like to assist as a regular "connection caller" of 7-10 church members, contact Chris Maxwell.

- **Drivers/Meals.**

If you are able to provide meals or rides for families or individuals in need, please contact Chris Maxwell.

- **Funerals Receptions.**

Typically, in response to a death, the team provides food for the family, or if requested, assists with providing a small reception at the church following a memorial service. This past year, the Crisis Care team and others, provided assistance for one funeral reception at St. Giles in February. One memorial service was held on zoom in December, a couple private family services have been held at the St. Giles Columbarium, and several memorial services are pending.

Joy Bag Ministry

This is the 21st year of this ministry led by Chris Maxwell, Chris Gospodarek, and Sallie Taylor and assisted by dozens of dedicated volunteers from the St. Giles church family. A huge thank you to all of the countless volunteers who assemble and deliver special bags of goodies (Joy Bags) and/or a plant to individuals and families within the St. Giles family. In December 2020, approximately 80 deliveries were made by 16 deliverers to over 80 people. This was the 30th Joy Bag Delivery event. This is a ministry of love made possible and carried out by many St. Giles members. We know that everyone at St. Giles needed a LOT of extra love this year and we were able to give small Joy Bags to many folks at St. Giles. However, we know we missed many of you. We hope that you felt the love of our St. Giles family to each of you.

House Church

House Churches provide a chance for smaller groups of our members and friends to join together in an informal setting. House Churches may typically meet monthly in homes to share a potluck meal or may meet in restaurants. A program may be a spiritual study or a small group fellowship. At the start of the year, there were several groups ranging from 6 to 15 members. More information will be provided in 2021 to encourage all St. Giles members to join one of these groups as they start up again. Contact Chris Maxwell or any elder liaison for questions.

Presbyterian Women

- **Circle Meetings.** Circle members enjoy working together in the name of Christ to do God's will, and looking for opportunities to share His love. The blended Esther Circle typically meets at 11:30 a.m. in the Adult Center Parlor on the second Tuesdays September through May. We had attendance ranging from 10 to 25 in January and February, 2020, and are happy to have more. The 2019-2020 Horizons Bible Study was "Love Carved in Stone", written by Eugenia Anne Gamble (a look at the Ten Commandments or "words"). These Horizon Bible Studies lead us through how scripture speaks to specific circumstances and, perhaps most importantly, to our circumstances. The meetings provide excellent opportunities for learning, sharing, prayers, and fellowship. We look forward to meeting together in Fall 2021.
- **Circle Outreach.** As part of our Presbyterian Women outreach, we support the Episcopal Farmworker Ministry in Newton Grove, N. C., by collecting clothing and personal-care items to be assembled into kits and distributed to local migrant farm workers through the Raleigh/Wake unit of Church Women United. In February 2020, our women packed 40 extra large toiletry kits for the workers. We strongly feel that the migrant workers are surely some of what Jesus called ". . . the least of these", and it is indeed a privilege to help our sisters and brothers in a seemingly small-but-important way. (We typically had other "special collections, but they have been temporarily discontinued.)

St. Giles Book Group

St. Giles has a daytime book group that meets in the Adult Center on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. The group discusses books selected by the group. The books include novels, historical fiction, and nonfiction. Many interesting books have been read, and usually, there is a great discussion. Look for the title of the current month's book in the newsletter and consider joining a zoom meeting discussion. Contact Jean Smith to be put on the zoom meeting invitation.

Purls of Compassion or Quilting

The Purls of Compassion group knit or crochet prayer shawls and lap robes for church members who could use a symbol of the congregation's love and support. If you would like more information, contact Leslie Pressel. Also, if you are a quilter, you should contact Peg Forster for information on quilting projects.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Maxwell

Fellowship Ministry

Jennifer Gospodarek

Recognizing the importance of enjoyable gatherings with other St. Giles Family members, the Fellowship Team aspires to provide or facilitate such events as graciously and enthusiastically as possible. Breaking bread together feeds our bodies AND our souls, and gives us all excellent opportunities to get to know new friends and to visit with long-time ones. Our goal is for event attendees to feel welcome, be well-fed, and be inspired to again participate in fellowship offerings.

Things were normal for the first few months of 2020. We coordinated Coffee Hour hosts, worked with the Children's committee to host a Soup Lunch in January, and cooked and served our traditional Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner in February.

Then, when the pandemic hit, gathering in person and especially breaking bread together was not an option. To provide a chance for people to see each other and chat, we began monthly Zoom Coffee hours. It has been fun to see people's faces again!

We are hoping to have more opportunities to get together safely in the future. We're looking forward to seeing what 2021 brings!

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Gospodarek

Mission Ministry

Tom Augspurger

The pandemic led us to change some mission plans but opened new doors. Our work in 2020 included financial support of larger missions of the Presbytery and Synod and engagement of our members in hands-on local ministries. Some highlights of our year include the following:

In the three months before Covid-19 restrictions, ten teams from St. Giles delivered food for Meals on Wheels -- serving our neighbors who are homebound, disabled, or would otherwise be unable to maintain a balanced meal.

While Habitat for Humanity could not use our volunteers on-site during the pandemic, St. Giles joined Habitat's Presbyterian Build 2020, donating funds and participating in a virtual commissioning ceremony. The home we're building alongside Tenina Kennedy and her three children started from scratch in October, now has walls, windows, and a roof, and will be completed

in early 2021.

We continued our Angel Tree Christmas gifts to neighborhood children. Twenty-three members of our congregation bought and wrapped age-appropriate books for 42 children, ages 5 to 14, in the YMCA Community HOPE program. Donations in excess of book needs will be helpful for our continued engagement with Community HOPE, which provides learning, mentoring, and enriching activities for children in Raleigh's affordable housing communities.

St. Giles' session approved waiving Youth Center use fees for Community HOPE starting next year. Our action gives the organizers certainty in a home base for their help of children in our neighborhood with remote learning through the pandemic.

We were so close to hosting an April food-packing event with Rise Against Hunger to provide 10,000 meals. We postponed that due to social distancing. Because the group continues hunger relief work, we made a donation to them of the funds we budgeted for hosting and look forward to rescheduling this hands on mission work.

Many of the missions we support have websites for donations and offered holiday acknowledgements of donations made as Christmas gifts. We bundled website links in a Virtual Alternative Gift Market advertised in the church newsletter.

Our church provided gift cards for food and funds for electric bills to our neighbors in times of need through members' donations to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

We used our funds, time and newsletter to support other local missions and encourage member involvement. All of the following received funds, food items, or volunteer time from us (in addition to our work noted above): Urban Ministries of Wake County, Helping Hand Mission, Presbyterian Campus Ministry, Triangle Pastoral Counseling, Step-Up Ministry, and North Raleigh Ministries Thrift Store.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Gospodarek & Tom Augspurger

Roots Division

The Roots Division oversees aspects of church ministry that focus on infrastructure.

Clerk of Session

Elizabeth Abernathy

The primary role of the Clerk of the Session is to serve as the official record keeper for the church.

Duties include:

- Recording accurate minutes for stated and called session meetings. After approval of the minutes, to sign and have filed the final version in the designated notebook for review by the Presbytery.
- Compiling results of any electronic session meeting.
- Assisting with compiling the annual statistical report, due in February.
- Reporting any changes in Pastor's compensation to Presbytery.
- Sending names of any deceased Elders to Presbytery.
- Sending changes for the Presbytery Directory of called staff and clerk's information.
- Writing and sending letters of transfer.
- Handling correspondences from the Presbytery.
- Ensuring and participating in the annual review of Session rolls and records.

Goals for 2021

- Carry out the duties listed above in an accurate, timely manner and any additional responsibility required of this role.
- Attend Clerk training provided by Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Abernathy

Administration and Staff Ministry

Mick Wilber

Per Session Meeting dated 20 Jul:

- Served as the St. Giles Commissioner to the July 28th Presbytery Meeting via Zoom.
- Established/Selected to serve on IPNC.

Per Session Meeting dated 5 Aug:

- Hired Bridge Interim

Per Session Meeting dated 19 Oct:

- Established Video Producer to begin 1 Nov @ a rate of \$30 for 15-20 hours per week; based on funding saved with positions not hired and the assumption production hours will reduce to the 15 hr level

Per Session Meeting Dated 9 Nov:

- Hired Interim Pastor

Per Session Meeting dated 14 Dec:

- Established Covid protections for Office Administrator to include, no unnecessary drop by visits, all visitors will wear a masks and will use the provided hand sanitizer.
- Formally established Office Administrator to work Mon, Tuesday and every other Friday from hours 9-4 when in the office, and as needed when not in the office. Weekly hours to be worked are 25-35 per the provided Job Description. Hours will be documented tracking duties accomplished on a weekly time sheet.
- Work hours will minimize unnecessary social contact, while supporting Interim Pastor and Transition Team.
- Will continue to support Community with programs such as 'food coupons' by posting hours to be worked in the office on the Office Door.

Respectfully submitted,
Mick Wilber

Property Ministry

Steve Allison

January - March 2020

This was a fairly busy period for Property starting with repairs to Fellowship door when someone broke into building. No other damage to the building. Submitted insurance claim that covered the repair cost less the deductible.

Removed trees, excavated and installed some more handicap parking spaces adjacent to Sanctuary. This work was done by outside contractor. Self performed painting lines, decals and signs for handicap spaces.

Replaced light panel over pulpit that had fallen and installed safety measures to remove risk of other panels falling.

Found squirrels were invading Children's Center attic by chewing and enlarging vent holes that are just below the roof. They were nesting and damaging the ceiling in one of the classrooms. Hired critter control contractor to help remove squirrels and then organized volunteer work crews to cover the vent holes with wire in all the buildings.
Cleaned debris out of ceiling and repaired hole in ceiling.

Completed insurance value review for all buildings on campus to see if insurance coverage was adequate. After review insurance coverage was increased to cover the actual replacement cost.

Successfully passed the Raleigh Fire Marshall's inspection of all campus buildings.

Hired tree removal contractor to remove a couple trees and debris when a storm struck them near new handicap parking spaces and knocked down wires to outside light in same area. Duke Energy was contacted and repaired light and wires.

April - August 2020

COVID restrictions limited activities around the church campus during this period.

Installed sand bags and plastic in front of Adult Center doors across from office entrance when heavy rains were predicted. This area is susceptible to flooding if heavy rains occur. No flooding of Adult Center occurred during the year.

September - December 2020

Youth Building was cleaned up by youth and some of their family members along with the Youth Director.

A storm caused a limb to fall from one of the trees adjacent to Sanctuary and made a hole in the roof over choir room. This allowed water to come through the hole and damage the back wall in the choir room. Roof was repaired and insurance claim was submitted and a contractor hired to make repairs plus completely repaint the choir room. During repair process carpenter ants were found in damaged wall section and a pest control company was hired to treat area around sanctuary. Also hired tree removal contractor to remove the tree that was dead and the limb had fallen from to cause the roof damage.

Touched up ceiling in Children's Center where water leaks had occurred and put up new exit lights in Children's Center . Also repaired commodes in the same building.

Pruned bushes in front of Youth Building and in the island area between ingress/egress to Youth Building. More squirrels were encountered trying to get into Children's Center and additional hardware screens were installed to deter them.

All the events described above were undertaken by Property team with different combinations consisting of Dave Gospodarek, Doug Bunn, Bill & Chris Maxwell, Mark Evans, Ron Strand, Mick Wilber and family, Dave Smith and Steve Allison.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Allison

Finance & Stewardship Ministries

John Tracy
Dave Gospodarek (Church Treasurer)

The Finance & Stewardship Ministry team has responsibility for promoting Christian stewardship of time, talent and financial support within the congregation and is responsible for the accounting and disbursement of funds received from the congregation. It also has oversight responsibility for the financial activities of all other groups within the church.

Stewardship Giving:

The 2021 Stewardship campaign for financial giving was conducted in November 2020. In summary we have received 64 estimates as of 12/31/2020. There are a few estimates still to be received and when they are received, the total is expected to be \$296,000. That is a decrease of \$44,160 over 2020. A table with more detailed information is below:

Stewardship Campaign Data	2021 (thru 12/31/20)	2020 (total)
Number of units in	64	75
Dollars In	\$283,961	\$340,160
Increases or new units	20	33
Increases Dollars	\$ 14,883	\$ 38,268
Decreased or lost units	20	9
Decreased Dollars	\$ 51,042	\$ 22,330
No changes - units	34	36
No changes - dollar amount	\$128,420	\$124,708

Special Offerings:

In addition to our monthly Presbytery Hunger Offering Collection, two (2) special Presbytery offerings were collected in 2020 with the majority of these gifts supporting long-standing missions of the PCUSA. One (1) additional SGPC special offerings for more local missions were also collected. There were three (3) congregational offerings that were not received due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The offerings collected are documented in the table below with their associated contributions:

Special Offering	Focus	Distribution	Year	Offering Date	Amount Received	Offering Designation
Hunger Offering	Monthly Hunger Offering	100% to Presbytery for Distribution	2020	January - December	\$4,552	Presbytery
Easter Lilies	Easter Lily dedications and memorials	50% of Easter Lily donation money go to congregation charity	2020	March	\$0	Rise Against Hunger
One Great Hour of Sharing	Disaster Assistance, Hunger Relief and Community Dev.	<u>100% to Presbytery</u> 36% Presbyterian Hunger Program 32% Presbyterian Disaster Assistance 32% Self-Development of People	2020	April – May	\$525	Presbytery
Peace & Global Witness Offering	Education, mission support & conflict resolution programs	25% Congregational peace and mission efforts 25% Presbytery and synod peace and mission efforts 50% Presbyterian Mission Agency	2020	October	\$550	Habitat Build
Poinsettias	Poinsettia dedications and memorials	50% of Poinsettia donation money go to charity	2020	December	\$0	Interfaith Food Shuttle
Christmas Joy Offering	Presbytery related Ethnic schools & colleges and Retired Church Workers	<u>100% to Presbytery</u> 50% Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions 50% Racial ethnic education at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges	2020	December	\$745	Presbytery
Special Christmas Eve Offering	Special Collection on Christmas Eve	100% congregation choice	2020	December	\$0	Meals on Wheels

Finance

Dave Gospodarek (Church Treasurer)

This portion of Finance & Stewardship Ministry worked in conjunction with the Church Financial Secretary and Treasurer to accurately count and record monetary gifts from the congregation and other sources. Counting is done by volunteer church members every Sunday; the team appreciates the efforts of these volunteers very much.

The team also worked closely with the Church Treasurer and members of the Session to formulate and execute a budget for the Church. Expenditures versus the yearly budget are reported quarterly to the Session as well as recommended actions for their information and approval when necessary. For 2021, online giving through the Church website will be implemented.

Endowment Fund Committee

This Committee is appointed by the Session and is responsible for administering the Endowment Fund as well as the Memorial Fund. The Committee consists of five members. The members, and their terms of service, are the following:

Mark Evans (3 years; 2020)

Scott Vollmer, Chair (2 years; 2020) John Tracy became a member in 2020 as Chair of Finance Committee. Emily Morgan (3 years; 2022)

Dave Gospodarek, Church Treasurer (permanent voting member)

Pastor (ex-officio non-voting member)

Committee Activity:

The only activity in the Endowment Fund during 2020 was an increase in value of the investments. See the Treasurer's Report.

The Memorial Funds were increased by donations in memory of those who died, and also one large donation was received from the estate of a deceased member.

Please see the financial report at the end of this annual report.

Respectfully submitted,
John Tracy & Dave Gospodarek

CONGREGATION FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2020

January 15, 2021

TO: The Congregation

FROM: Dave Gospodarek, Treasurer

Results for 2020 – Page F-2:

- Income received during 2020 was \$29,300 lower than budgeted. \$20,200 was from members who either died, left the church or reduced their giving. Interest on savings was lower by \$3,900 due to reduced rates at the bank. \$5,200 was from reduced building use due to COVID closures during the year and other items.
- Expenses were \$41,000 less than budgeted amounts for 2020. Due to COVID, some budgeted items were not spent. See the explanations.
- The Church received a SBA PPP Loan during 2020 of \$46,552. This loan would be forgiven if the proceeds were spent on wages and staff levels were maintained during 2020. As a result this loan does not have to be repaid and becomes a grant from the federal government.
- As a result, 2020 ended up with a surplus of \$41,393.

Budget for 2021 – Approved by The Session on 1-18-2021 – Page F-3:

- The budget for 2021 contains the amounts that are projected based on current closed operations, and then, the full opening of the Church on August 1, 2021. The income projected for 2021 includes a gift from a deceased member's estate for \$57,000 that was received in late December. There was another \$40,000 received from this estate that has been put into the building fund. The overall deficit projected for 2021 is \$12,295.
- Staff salaries for the Interim Pastor, Your Director, DCE, Choir Director, and office administrator have been budgeted based on a contract with the interim minister and no increases to other staff. Benevolences have been reduced for 2021.

Assets on Hand, Building Fund and Endowment Fund– Page F-4, F-5

The Church continues to have a very ample supply of cash to meet today's needs and needs for the next several years. In addition to having a good reserve for general fund needs, there are funds set aside for the building fund that appears to be adequate for the needs of 2021 through 2023. Expenses from the Building Fund are listed on F-5.

Certain Statistics – Page F-6:

Benevolences spent by the Church represent 18.24% of total receipts. This is a slight decrease from 2019.

Giving to the General Fund is listed for each of the last 10 years. The amounts are trending downward

**ST. GILES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
GENERAL FUND
ACTUAL FOR 2020 COMPARED TO BUDGET**

	Actual 2020	Session Approved Budget 2020	Budget Differences	Explanation
Income:				
Estimates of Giving Received	\$ 330,188	\$ 345,000	\$ (14,812)	members left
Additional Giving not Pledged	14,568	20,000	(5,432)	less given
Earnings on investments	5,067	9,000	(3,933)	interest rates down
Transfer from Alternative Service Fund	2,000	-	2,000	used for video service
Loose offering & building use	5,842	13,000	(7,158)	COVID closures
	<u>\$ 357,665</u>	<u>\$ 387,000</u>	<u>\$ (29,335)</u>	
Expenses:				
ROOTS DIVISION				
Administration & Staff				
Director of Music	16,221	17,065	(844)	
Organist	9,425	13,000	(3,575)	COVID closure
Administrative Secretary Including Benefits	45,471	46,444	(973)	
Director of Contemporary Music	13,950	8,000	5,950	used more during year
Video Service Preparation	8,930	-	8,930	video production
Transformation Ministry	65	749	(684)	
Other Staff Expenses	205	1,000	(795)	
Social Security Taxes	6,986	5,932	1,054	
	<u>101,253</u>	<u>92,190</u>	<u>9,063</u>	
Pastor for Children's Ministry & Creative Transform	1,422	20,290	(18,868)	left in January
Youth Director Including Benefits	27,779	33,442	(5,663)	left in January
Minister's Compensation, Benefits, etc.	109,058	113,349	(4,291)	without minister for 1 month
	<u>138,259</u>	<u>167,081</u>	<u>(28,822)</u>	
Session expenses	96	200	(104)	
Operations Expenses	22,375	22,393	(18)	
Property Expenses	50,855	51,672	(817)	
Stewardship	-	200	(200)	
Long Range Planning	-	150	(150)	
TREE DIVISION				
Adult Education	158	850	(692)	did not spend
Children's Ministry	2,164	6,400	(4,236)	did not spend
Congregational Care	182	1,450	(1,268)	did not spend
Fellowship Ministry	130	2,650	(2,520)	did not spend
Membership	-	550	(550)	did not spend
Mission:				
Community Hope Program	11,000	11,000	-	
Presbytery	20,000	20,000	-	
Mission Outreach	13,760	14,400	(640)	
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
Senior Adult	-	200	(200)	
Worship Ministry	2,338	6,072	(3,734)	COVID closure
Young Adult Programs	-	1,400	(1,400)	COVID closure
Youth Ministry	254	5,000	(4,746)	COVID closure
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
Total expenses	<u>\$ 362,824</u>	<u>\$ 403,858</u>	<u>\$ (41,034)</u>	
SUBTOTAL OF REGULAR INCOME AND EXPENSES	<u>\$ (5,159)</u>	<u>\$ (16,858)</u>	<u>\$ 11,699</u>	
PPP Government Loan Forgiveness	46,552	-	46,552	SBA PPP Loan
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 41,393</u>	<u>\$ (16,858)</u>	<u>\$ 58,251</u>	

**ST. GILES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
GENERAL FUND
SESSION APPROVED BUDGET FOR 2021**

	Actual 2020	Session Approved Budget 2021
Income:		
Estimates of Giving	\$ 330,188	\$ 300,000
Additional Giving not Pledged	14,568	10,000
Earnings on investments	5,067	2,400
Transfer from Alternative Service Fund	2,000	-
Transfer from Estate Gift	-	57,000
Loose offering & building use	5,842	6,500
	<u>\$ 357,665</u>	<u>\$ 375,900</u>
Expenses:		
ROOTS DIVISION		
Administration & Staff		
Director of Music	16,221	14,000
Organist	9,425	10,500
Administrative Secretary Including Benefits	45,471	49,000
Director of Contemporary Music	13,950	12,000
Video Service Preparation	8,930	22,400
Other staff expenses	205	220
Transformation Ministry	65	-
Social Security Taxes	6,986	7,688
	<u>101,253</u>	<u>115,808</u>
Director of Children's Ministry and Creative Transformation	1,422	-
Youth Director Including Benefits	27,779	29,989
Minister's Compensation, Benefits, etc.	109,058	95,633
	<u>138,259</u>	<u>125,622</u>
Session expenses	96	1,200
Operations Expenses	22,375	25,400
Property Expenses	50,855	56,600
Stewardship	-	150
Long Range Planning	-	-
TREE DIVISION		
Adult Education	158	1,050
Children's Ministry	2,164	4,200
Congregational Care	182	1,450
Fellowship Ministry	130	2,650
Membership	-	550
Mission:		
Community Hope Program	11,000	10,000
Presbytery	20,000	17,000
Mission Outreach	13,760	14,900
Senior Adult	-	200
Worship Ministry	2,338	5,015
Young Adult Programs	-	1,400
Youth Ministry	254	5,000
	<u>254</u>	<u>5,000</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 362,824</u>	<u>\$ 388,195</u>
SUBTOTAL OF REGULAR INCOME AND EXPENSES	<u>\$ (5,159)</u>	<u>\$ (12,295)</u>
PPP Government Loan Forgiveness	46,552	-
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 41,393</u>	<u>\$ (12,295)</u>

**ST. GILES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ASSETS ON HAND**

	<u>12/31/2020</u>	<u>12/31/2019</u>
Cash and assets for General Fund	\$ 466,427	\$ 425,034
Cash in Building Fund	49,327	42,639
Investments in Endowment Fund	41,865	36,064
Columbarium Fund	28,997	23,760
Memorial Funds	7,845	5,965
Special Funds, held for designated use	131,185	52,610
Cash for Youth Projects	7,304	7,831
	<u>\$ 732,950</u>	<u>\$ 593,903</u>

Assets Held in:	<u>12/31/2020</u>	<u>12/31/2019</u>
Interest Bearing Checking Account	\$ 65,128	\$ 63,206
Savings & CD's - First Horizon, Fidelity Invest, Edward Jones	626,439	476,094
Cemetery plots - Montlawn, and Insurance Policy	2	2
Sales tax refund due	167	1,147
Prepaid Expenses for 2019	2,710	3,542
Advance to employee	-	200
Investments in Endowment Fund	41,866	36,064
Estimates of Giving for 2019 Deposited in January	-	12,630
Less unpaid bills (credits)	<u>(3,362)</u>	<u>1,018</u>
Total net assets held	<u>\$ 732,950</u>	<u>\$ 593,903</u>

BUILDING FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Total
Balance 12/31/2019	\$ 42,639
Donations Received in 2020	27,018
Expenses Paid:	
Repairs and Maintenance	(4,796)
Remove Trees - fix damage	(3,612)
Expand Handicapped Stalls- Sanctuary	(6,457)
Vandalism repairs to FH door	919
Fire Marshall Inspections	(608)
Leaf Blowing and Grass Cutting	(2,280)
Security camera and monitoring	(2,895)
Carpet Cleaning - FH & CC	(600)
Balance 12/31/2020	\$ 49,327
Potential Commitments for Vision Fund - 2021 and 2022:	
Smoothen Walkway Sidewalks	5,000
Replace Youth Building HVAC	12,000
Paint Inside Sanctuary, Youth and Children's Buildings	25,000
Regular Maintenance	6,000
	\$ 48,000
Building Fund Donations Due for Years 2021-2022	\$ 15,000
Transfer from Estate Gift	40,000
Aditions During 2021	\$ 55,000

ENDOWMENT FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Total
Balance 12/31/2019	\$ 36,064
Donations Received in 2020	-
Change in Market Value for the Year	5,802
Balance 12/31/2020	\$ 41,866

CERTAIN STATISTICS
For the Years Ended December 31,

	2020 Amount	2019 Amount	2018 Amount	2017 Amount	2016 Amount	2015 Amount	% 2020	% 2019	% 2018	% 2017
Total Receipts from General Fund and Special Funds	\$ 368,324	\$ 405,306	\$ 411,187	\$ 406,032	\$ 429,471	\$461,765	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
General Fund Benevolences Paid	44,760	46,400	51,960	59,250	53,115	71,572				
Special Fund Benevolences Paid	22,410	30,950	36,075	39,798	36,103	34,527				
Total Benevolences Paid	\$ 67,170	\$ 77,350	\$ 88,035	\$99,048	\$89,218	\$106,099	18.24%	19.08%	21.41%	24.39%
Ministers' Compensation and Benefits	\$ 109,058	\$ 111,126	\$ 108,947	\$ 110,061	\$ 104,716	\$ 116,909	29.61%	27.42%	26.50%	27.11%
Other personnel costs	\$ 123,198	\$ 125,380	\$ 121,509	\$ 125,884	\$ 118,120	\$ 103,503	33.45%	30.93%	29.55%	31.00%
Operations and Property	\$ 73,230	\$ 70,767	\$ 67,269	\$ 70,332	\$ 68,163	\$ 61,963	19.88%	17.46%	16.36%	17.32%

Giving Income History - General Fund - Last 15 Years

2020	\$ 344,756
2019	366,101
2018	352,434
2017	356,318
2016	370,078
2015	382,267
2014	382,597
2013	357,531
2012	356,583
2011	386,824