

North Raleigh Presbyterian Church

Annual Report • 2019

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful year at NRPC! 2019 marked the 35th anniversary of our charter and we celebrated that milestone in so many great ways. On the back of this report you'll see a photo of our October Homecoming Picnic which was our official church birthday party. We also celebrated as we ordained and installed Brandon Melton as our Associate Pastor (see right) and as we read (and preached!) the Bible together from Cover-to-Cover.

GROW was our theme for the year, which meant particular emphasis on our education, fellowship and caring ministries. Inside this report you'll read about innovations in each of those areas of our life and work. Our church community grew in numbers and in generosity as well. Your financial giving – as well as your offerings of your energy, imagination, intelligence and love – is enabling us to think about how we will continue to grow our ministry to one another and to the world.



It is a privilege to serve you and to serve with you. As we move into 2020 our focus is shifting toward our *SERVE* ministries. I invite you to find the place where your particular gifts and passions can make Christ known to the world.

Grace and peace,

2019 Membership Summary

In the Church Triumphant: Dorothy Ross, Fred H. (Mack) McBride Jr., Hutton Barron

New Presbyterians (Baptisms): Adaline Melton, Molly Proseus, Erik Judy

New to Our Fellowship: Jack Heberer, Jen Judy, Kimberly LaDue, Laura Hudson, Bonnie Burger, Stuart Russell, Pamela Russell, Judith Ganey, Michael Ganey, Janice Martin, Cary Martin, Andrew Glaze, Beatrice Hurt, Jacqueline Fleming.

Confirmands: Joseph Antoun, Thomas Barlow, Cohen Goodin, Dietloff Jordaan, Erik Judy, Michael Patterson, Will Russell, Elliot Worth

Total Membership: 281 **Children:** 65 **Affiliates:** 5

*The mission of North Raleigh Presbyterian Church is
to be a welcoming community serving Jesus Christ through engaged discipleship.*

WORSHIP

Worship • Sacred Arts • Spirituality

- Added Epiphany Vespers with attendees leading the service.
- Ruling elders led Holy Week prayer vigils to grow in spiritual leadership.
- Study groups led Advent candle lighting, illuminating our *Grow* theme.
- Led an engagement Sunday highlighting Worship discipleship.
- Arranged the Narthex space to allow for a larger post-service gathering area and changed the layout of the bulletin to simplify following the flow of the service.

SPIRITUALITY & SACRED ARTS

- Hosted Intergenerational Sunday School hour to explore “Lament”. Participants learned about laments in the Bible, wrote laments of their own and expressed them as art.
- Various types of Prayer Shawls were made which will be distributed by Deacons.
- Work began on a Peace Pole which will be placed outside near the sanctuary.



MUSIC MINISTRY

- Youth Choir (10 – 12 members) sang in worship 8 times.
- Youth Bells (9 members) played in worship 8 times.
- Orchestra (15–18 members ages 9–70+) played in worship three times and accompanied the Easter cantata.
- Adult Choir (15 – 25 members) sang most Sundays from the Sunday after Labor Day through Pentecost.
- Shared the annual Easter cantata on the Sunday after Easter (April 28)
- Adult Bells (8 members) played in worship monthly.
- Combined children, youth and adult choirs (and a few bell ringers) presented a Homecoming anthem
- MAX music offerings of hymns and other songs related to session themes.
- 50+ children, youth and adults presented the annual Christmas pageant
- Summer music included small ensembles of singers, bell ringers, and instrumentalists as well as soloists



Hanging the paper lace Easter banner

GROW

Education • Fellowship • Caring

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

- Weekly Sharing God's Story @ Home
- Cover-to-Cover Children's Church Curriculum
- GROW Summer VBS

YOUTH EDUCATION

- Participation in Presbyterian Coffee Project
- Supported MAX, Parent's Night Out, and VBS
- 2019 Confirmation Class
- Attended Montreat and Massanetta youth conferences.

ADULT EDUCATION

- Weekly Parent's Corner and Videos to equip parents for faith formation at home
- Cover-to-Cover: Through the Bible in 1 Year
- Adult MAX Bible Study on Fellowship



Homecoming picnic

FELLOWSHIP

- Cookies and Conversation receptions
- Potluck lunches
- Easter Sunday breakfast
- Annual church picnic
- Receptions to honor the choir, confirmands, new members, and church officers
- Nifty Sixties lunches
- Advent Dinner and Pie Auction hosted by the men of NRPC
- Women's beach retreat



October BloodMobile event

DIACONATE

- Continued care for NRPC members
- Hosted Lunch-n-Learn gatherings on end-of-life planning and Alzheimers/dementia
- Organized a BloodMobile event in conjunction with Trunk-or-Treat

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NEW IN OUTREACH FOR 2019

- DTM foundation disbanded and NRPC continued this important ministry as Comfort Cooks. Many families at UNC hospital's PICU and NICU have benefited from home-cooked meals that have grown from once a month to twice a month.
- Over 60 backpacks were donated by our members for the Wake County Foster Program.
- NRPC hosted its first-ever CROP walk at Blue Jay Point.
- Completed the Home Preservation Project for Habitat for Humanity
- Oak Hollow Community was a new recipient of our Angel Tree gifts.
- A tutoring program was started at the elementary school across the street (Stough Elementary).
- Returning after several years, support for Presbyterian Campus Ministry



Packing backpacks



Habitat rest break



Preparing to depart for ASP

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Comfort Cooks in action

MEMBER & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Held three Engagement Sundays in September to highlight the many ways in which members worship, grow, and serve at NRPC
- Hosted a welcome luncheon to encourage newer members as they find their places at NRPC
- Established a team to focus on welcoming newcomers into our congregation

Our Outreach continued supporting:

- Angel Tree for children in foster care.
- Appalachia Service Project
- Food Bank of Central/Eastern NC
- North Raleigh Ministries Crisis Ministry and Food Pantry- a great response to our 35th-anniversary food drive along with our budgeted monetary contributions.
- Helen Wright (expanded in October to 2 dinner shifts)
- Habitat for Humanity workdays
- Nutbush Presbyterian Church clothing distribution
- Urban Ministries
 - International Ministries (Ian Vallenga and Jhanderys Dotel-Vallenga in Nicaragua)
- L'Arche of NC

The 2019 Super Saturday Yard Sale yielded over \$12,300.

Proceeds supported outreach ministries (75%) and NRPC projects (25%).

- Ocracoke Schools PTA after the NC Hurricane season
- Home Depot Gift Certificates that went to The Presbyterian Disaster Relief in response to their efforts to help after the hurricane season
- School Supplies to go in the backpacks for Wake County Foster Program
- L'Arche of North Carolina
- NRM Open Arms, Open Doors Fund Raiser
- Provided lunches for the Special Olympics
- Basketball goals and school supplies for the Boys and Girls Club
- Hearts With Haiti
- Food Lion gift cards for the NRPC staff to have on hand when a need arises.
- Projects portion of yard sales proceeds went to the Kitchen Remodel fund.

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2019 Financial Summary

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Actual</i>
Total Income:	415,866	478,854
Total Expense:	416,249	445,500
Income Detail:		
Pledges Paid:	350,366	321,470
Other Offerings	62,000	67,000
Other Income	3,500	90,384
Expense Detail:		
Benevolence	39,350	53,133
Human Resources	261,287	252,292
Program/Property	115,612	140,074
Program/Property Expense Detail:		
Worship	6,125	4,944
Grow	10,500	13,724
Serve (incl. Property)	98,987	121,406

Stewardship snapshot: 104 pledges for 2020 (68% of households) totaling \$367,484

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Security Response Team is now comprised of 16 individuals. Our goal is to ensure the safety of congregants through preparedness for emergencies

Donor Restricted Funds

You might consider gifts to these funds to honor special events or in honor/memory of someone you love or appreciate:

New Building Fund - future construction	9,189
Memorial Gardens - upkeep & development	13,819
Music Fund - supports music ministry	2,737
Sanctuary Pipes Fund - expands organ	23,800
Memorials - undesignated memorial gifts	5,215
Playground - upkeep & development	532

(Amounts are fund balances at time of printing)

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

- Completed maintenance of the swale
- Installed new glass doors at the entrance to the FMB
- Task forces began planning for a refurbishment of the FMB
- Installed programmable thermostats in trailers
- Installed phone lines and extended wifi into the sanctuary



Fun at the Annual Picnic

Ministers: All the Congregation

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