

First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Durham
2020 Congregational Report for Great Lakes Gulf Presbytery

Hebrews 13:20-21 Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom *be* glory forever and ever. Amen.

This past year we have beheld the working of the Lord in several ways in our midst. Truly the Lord adds to his church as he wills. Our statistics convey these truths: Average Attendance; 42;

Membership **2019: 25 Communicant, 1 Baptized; 2020: 31 Communicant, 6 Baptized – Net increase: 6 communicant, 5 baptized**

Transferred to FRPCD: 5 Communicant, 4 Baptized, 3 Professions of Faith, 4 Transferred to other churches , 2 Removed by transfer to heaven, 1 Removed by excommunication

Teaching Ministry: The preaching series moved from The Book of Hebrews to The Gospel of Mark. In this new year we will have a series on presbyterian government and the requirements and qualifications for an elder. This is in hopes of having an election this summer. In the class hour on the Lord's Day we have been going through G.I. Williamson's study guide on the WCF. The Lord provided us two teachers beyond the pastor to teach this class. One of those teachers is in the process of transferring to another church, so we are thankful for the extra man to lead the class.

Recently a Raleigh study was started with about a dozen in attendance. Our first book we chose was Trusting God by Jerry Bridges. We hope people will grow in that fundamental grace of trusting God and also that men will exercise their gift to teach and help in leading the study that meets once a month. The women have an ongoing monthly study on the Book of James and the men have been using Manly Dominion in their monthly study.

Elder Training: It has been five years since we had local elders. We enjoy the blessing of our two provision elders Bob Bibby and Pastor Shawn Anderson. If the Lord leads us to elect a ruling elder(s), we seek to have the congregation prepared for it. The new preaching series will focus on presbyterianism and the duties and qualifications of elders. The men's study will revert to an elder's training class so as many men as possible will be exposed to this exercise.

Development of helpers: We have seen the organization of volunteers to help out with the children's ministry and the adult SS class. There is enthusiasm and grace in those who are helping out in ministry to the greater flock. There is still need of further develop the saints in ministry but the strides made thus far are very encouraging.

Finances: The year began with a serious short fall in giving. We had to cut back on several budget items. The year ended fairly well but the perpetual problem of not all members practicing true tithing still exists although it has been addressed multiple times. There were several mercy needs that developed and the congregation rose to the occasion to give generously to their struggling brothers and sisters through direct giving which testifies to the practice of brotherly love within the congregation.

Outreach: We have completed several years of holding a Thursday night dinner and bible study. The Lord sent us many neighbors from mainline churches as well as unbelievers. This new year we are taking a break from this type of outreach as we have many new members of the church who are in need of counseling and discipleship. We hope to start a new initiative of outreach soon.

Counseling and Discipleship: The Lord has sent us a wave of new people. One of our new members last year was released from prison after 17 years and is now a vibrant member of the congregation, excelling as a hard working and model christian. The Lord has sent us another believing prisoner who has 29 months left to serve out his sentence. Already the congregation is ministering to his grandmother and indirectly to his son in several ways. A number of unbelievers have come to our church with a burden to set their lives in order and draw close to the Lord, seeking forgiveness for their life of sin. A few adherents, married men, who are returning to the Lord after many years of personal and family neglect are seeking help in their walk with the Lord and help in evangelizing their unbelieving wives and children (who do not attend church with them). Evangelism and counseling is combined to minister to these new people.

Prayer: We need to grow organically in ministry to the lost with the gospel and within the Body of Christ. Gradually members are giving of their time and energy to ministry here in Durham, may the Lord bless that trend further. Please pray people will give more faithfully financially as well. Our need for new local elder(s) is ongoing. Pray that we will consciously seek to glorify God and proclaim Christ in all aspects of our lives.

	First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Durham 2019 Budget	2019 Budgeted	2019 Actual Jan-Dec	2020 Proposed
	Ministry Income Checking Account Balance Jan 1, 2020: \$19,785.06			
	Investment Balance Jan 2020: 330,975			
100	Undesignated tithes and offerings to the general fund (with PayPal)	\$99,156.88	\$94,122.28	\$94,862.46
120	2019 designated giving - Diaconal fund	\$0.00	\$790.00	\$790.00
110	Other designated giving		\$250.00	\$250.00
111	Book Table, Literature, and Sermon Audio			
114	Missions			
190	Total Funds available (tithes & offerings, designated funds carried forward, new designated giving)	\$99,156.88	\$95,162.28	\$95,902.46
199	Withdrawal from investments & cash	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
	100 Total Funds Available	\$119,156.88	\$115,162.28	\$115,902.46
	Ministry Expenses			
200	Payroll Expenses & Pastoral Compensation			
201	Salary & Housing (60% is for housing)	\$56,997.60	\$56,997.60	\$60,045.00
202	Medical Insurance	\$13,392.00	\$14,274.00	\$15,072.00
203	Retirement-\$700/month	\$8,400.00	\$8,650.00	\$9,000.00
204	Professional Expenses and Cell Phone Allowance	\$200.00	\$114.56	\$800.00
205	Pastoral Hospitality	\$800.00	\$238.11	\$300.00
	Total 200 Payroll Expenses Pastoral Compensation	\$79,789.60	\$80,274.27	\$85,217.00
300	Worship, Session, Diaconal, Administration			
286	Pulpit Supply	\$1,000.00	\$739.96	\$1,000.00
315	Intern	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
320	Session Work	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
330	Communion Expenses	\$100.00	\$34.69	\$100.00
335	Conference Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	
340	Diaconal Fund	\$3,000.00	\$1,948.22	\$2,500.00
345	Children's teaching materials	\$150.00	\$260.51	\$300.00

350	Administration			
351	Office Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	
352	Treasurer's, Clerk's, CPA expenses	\$300.00	\$20.00	\$200.00
353	Banking Expenses	\$50.00	\$35.00	\$50.00
355	PayPal fees (2.93% per \$1,000)	\$500.00	\$148.32	\$300.00
	300 Total Worship, Session, Diaconal, Administration	\$5,600.00	\$3,186.70	\$4,950.00
400	Synod and Presbytery			
410	Synod room and board fee (pastor & one ruling elder)	\$600.00	\$425.12	\$600.00
411	Synod & Presbytery travel expenses (pastor & one ruling elder)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
431	Presbytery assessments	\$1,306.96	\$1,306.96	\$694.77
432	Synod assessments (2.2% of 2019 line 100)	\$2,134.88	\$2,134.88	\$2,070.69
	400 Total Synod & Presbytery	\$4,041.84	\$3,866.96	\$3,965.46
500	Missions			
510	RPM&M	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$600.00
511	Global Missions (all from designated giving)	\$0.00	\$0.00	
512	Home Missions (all from designated giving)	\$0.00	\$0.00	
520	Other RP works (all from designated giving)	\$0.00	\$0.00	
525	Prison Ministries	\$0.00	\$0.00	
530	Outreach	\$700.00	\$415.97	\$600.00
	500 Total Missions	\$1,200.00	\$915.97	\$1,200.00
600	Book Table, Literature, and Sermon Audio			
440	Book Table - free literature	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
612	Free literature for distribution	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
620	Sermon Audio	\$360.00	\$359.40	\$360.00
	600 Total BTLA	\$960.00	\$359.40	\$560.00
700	Fellowship			
710	Fellowship expenses-food	\$500.00	\$267.75	\$500.00
711	Fellowship expenses-other	\$500.00	\$408.07	\$500.00
	700 Total Fellowship	\$1,000.00	\$675.82	\$1,000.00
800	Publicity			
830	Website	\$260.00	\$204.00	\$250.00
	800 Total Publicity	\$260.00	\$204.00	\$250.00
900	Facilities			
910	Utilities (building only)			

911	Gas	\$800.00	\$701.80	\$750.00
912	Electric	\$1,800.00	\$1,619.72	\$1,700.00
913	Water	\$800.00	\$716.05	\$800.00
915	Internet package for office	\$1,700.00	\$1,785.38	\$1,900.00
	910 subtotal utilities	\$5,100.00	\$4,822.95	\$5,150.00
920	Cleaning supplies	\$507.00	\$36.96	\$0.00
921	Cleaning contract	\$7,029.00	\$3,212.43	\$1,860.00
930	Facilities maintenance (includes Orkin)	\$7,617.44	\$4,976.83	\$5,500.00
935	Lawn care/Landscaping	\$2,540.00	\$2,484.60	\$2,500.00
940	Facilities equipment	\$0.00	\$65.56	\$0.00
941	Sound system	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
950	Insurance	\$3,462.00	\$3,628.00	\$3,700.00
	900 Total Facilities	\$26,305.44	\$19,227.33	\$18,760.00
	Total Disbursements	\$119,156.88	\$108,710.45	\$115,902.46
	Ending Balance	\$0.00	\$6,451.83	\$0.00