
Warrenton Presbyterian Church

Annual Report – 2005

Letter from Pastor Schmahl

December 11, 2005

Dear Friends:

For the first time we are providing you with an Annual Report which we hope will give you a concise summary of our congregation's life during the past year.

In this report you will find: photos of church staff, officers and teachers; the 2006 Budget which was approved by the session; reports from session committees, and a wealth of statistical information. After our new officers are ordained and installed in January, a black and white addendum with their photos will be made available for those who wish to use this report as a resource during the coming year.

If you have suggestions for ways in which we can make next year's Annual Report more effective in presenting a snapshot of our church's life and mission, please forward them to me. Any omissions or errors in this report are inadvertent, and I bear sole responsibility for them.

Our congregation is being richly blessed by our Lord Jesus. I believe that his Spirit is powerfully present here and in our wider community through you, the members of the Warrenton Presbyterian Church. It is my hope that this report will give you joy as you reflect on some of the many people whose service to Christ here help to make our church so very special.

Pastor Schmahl

Session Committee Reports

Property Committee Report:

Duties of the property committee include all maintenance and repair work to the Church building and surrounding grounds. This would include overseeing all maintenance contracts on the heating and air conditioning units, on the organ, on the elevator, on the fire suppression system and on termite and pest control contracts. The committee is also responsible for setting up lawn mowing and snow removal contracts. In 2005 our major projects included restoring the first floor windows and doors on the original Church building. Also restoration and stabilization of the steeple. 2006 projects will include painting all exterior areas of the original Church building and two Sunday school wings.

Administration Committee Report:

The Administration Committee is responsible for scheduling the use of the church facilities. During the week the fellowship hall, the sanctuary and other rooms are used by groups within the church family and also from the community. An hourly fee schedule is used to determine payment for non-member use. The church is also available for weddings of members and non-members, and the Administration committee works with the church's wedding coordinator to schedule these.

Membership Committee:

The Membership Committee is responsible for welcoming visitors and facilitating the requests of prospective new members. The committee coordinates with the Deacons in providing materials at a Visitor's Table with information for first-time visitors.

Mission Committee Report:

The Mission Committee wishes to thank the congregation and friends for your support during the last year. To give you an idea of what our committee has been doing, the following is a brief look at our activities.

Each year our goal is to set the committee budget at 10% of the church's over all budget. In 2005 this amounted to \$50,000. This was used to help support our church Missionaries (the Boyles, the Mortons, Pere Bruno, and Elizabeth White), National Capital Presbytery missions, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and state and local groups in need of support.

The local and state groups our church helps are: Habitat for Humanity, Presbyterian Home and Family Services, FISH, Fauquier Family Shelter, Literacy Volunteers of

Fauquier County, Young Life of Fauquier County, Fauquier County Promise, Shadow Lawn Adult Day Care and Senior Center, Fellowship of Christian Athletes at both Fauquier and Liberty High Schools, and Fauquier SPCA. Your Mission Committee also helps our church youth cover expenses that come up from time to time, such as assistance with the annual Fred Camp work trip.

In addition, the committee sponsors the monthly donation of food to FISH on Communion Sunday, and special donations of school supplies for needy Fauquier children. We are also involved with special offerings to One Great Hour of Sharing, World Wide Communion Sunday, the annual Crop Walk, and the Thanksgiving offering to Presbyterian Home and Family Services. During 2005 the committee set up the congregation's Care Givers program, which assists members and friends with special needs.

The members of the committee are: Rae Bell, Rita and Anson Bossard, Joan Broughton, Bill Bundy, Phil Montgomery, Matt Sienkiewicz, Angelica and Bill Sudduth, and Pat Wingo. Please thank each of them for their donation of time and effort to help your church's Mission Committee.

Personnel Committee Report:

The Personnel Committee is responsible for overseeing all non-clergy staff of the church. Duties include annual budget requests for staff salaries and benefit packages, hiring new staff when required, and annual performance reviews. The committee works with the staff to ensure the best possible relations with the congregation and members of the community. Members of the committee are: Bob Donaldson, moderator, Joan Broughton, Ruth Pennington and Darlene Williamson.

Christian Education Committee Report:

The Christian Education Committee is responsible to oversee the following activities of the Warrenton Presbyterian Church: 1) The Church School program for both children and adults, 2) programming for Youth Ministries, 3) Children's Worship conducted during both Worship services, 4) Vacation Bible School, 5) the Church Library and 6) working with the Music Committee for the annual Christmas Pageant.

The success of this Christian Education Committee can only be attributed to the dedication of its committee members: Joan Broughton, Jeanette Walker, Suzanne Hayes, Susanne Taylor, Tracy Damone, Laura Cline, Lucy Lindsay Director of Christian Education and Mike Lindsay Chairperson. The committee meets the third Monday of each month to plan and discuss committee activities. We welcome anyone who would like to participate in our month meetings.

Church School: Warrenton Presbyterian Church had nine classes for infants through twelfth grade. Some of the materials used included: 1) *David C. Cook*, 2) *We Believe* from the Presbyterian Church USA, 3) *Witness* by Augsburg and 4) *Confirmation Journeys of Faith* from Presbyterian Church USA. One of the most exciting times during our Church year is when the youth complete Confirmation Class, are confirmed and become members of the Church. The success of the Church School program is attributed to our experienced and dedicated teachers. Each year our Sunday School Program is started with “Rally Day”, usually held the first Sunday after labor Day. At Rally Day each Sunday school teacher displays the curriculum they will be using, in the Church Fellowship Hall. It is a good time for parents to meet their teachers and see the Sunday School materials. Our average attendance for 2005 was 80 for children and youth and 75 adult.

Adult Education: Warrenton Presbyterian Church offered four Adult classes in 2005. These classes included: 1) Christian Believer and Disciple lead by Susanne Taylor, 2) Westminster Confessions lead by Pastor Schmahl, 3) Marriage Enrichment, Parenting and *Purpose Drive Life* study lead by Bob and Jeannie Allen, Nicolle and Quentin Jones and Terri and Paul McBride and 4) *The Present Word* lead by Fred Gleason, Mike Hayes and Mike Lindsay.

Youth Ministries: Youth Ministries has three programs for our church youth: Kids Club grades 2 thru 5, Middle School grades 6 thru 8 and senior high grades 9 thru 12. Kids Club meets once a month while the Middle School and Senior High meet weekly on Sunday evenings.

Children’s Church and Children’s Worship: During both of the Adult Worship Services, the children of the church had Children’s Church and now Children’s Worship. Children’s Worship is a new program to help teach the children how and why we worship. We all need to thank Lucy Lindsay for writing the Children’s Worship program.

Vacation Bible School: Each year Warrenton Presbyterian Church has Vacation Bible School for 3-year olds thru 6th grade. In 2005 we had an attendance of 75 kids. The material used was by Gospel Light Publishing. Suzanne Hayes served as our Vacation Bible School Director.

Church Library: The Warrenton Presbyterian Church Library continues to grow thanks to the dedication of Laura Cline our Librarian. Books are obtained through the regular church budget and donations. All church members are encouraged to stop by our library to browse for information, inspiration or just please reading.

Special Events: Christmas Pageant. Two pageants, one by elementary age children and the other by the youth of the church are held the Sunday before Christmas. A dinner by Crafty Ladies is served between the two performances.

Worship Committee Report:

The Worship Committee provides assistance to the staff of the church in the worship of the congregation. This includes the physical needs for worship such as special bulletins, maintaining the weekly flower chart, season decorations and the supplies in the pews. The ushers, communion servers and communion stewards are scheduled and worship aids such as hymn books, Bibles, candles and printed matter are considered and ordered. Everyone welcome as a member. Members are notified of meetings, usually held the third Sunday of each month after 11 Am worship.

Fellowship Committee Report:

The Fellowship Committee of Warrenton Presbyterian Church has been created to offer church members and their guests periodic friendly, social get-togethers at minimum expense. The activities of this committee include monthly pot-luck luncheons following the second service on the fourth Sunday of each month. The Committee supplies the meat and drinks for this event with attendees bringing a favorite dish to share.

In 2005 the Committee received a new chairman as Belden Bell joined the Session and was given this assignment. Former chairman Mike Hayes graciously agreed to remain active with the Committee through June to give guidance on various committee-sponsored events.

On February 13, a Sunday evening, 80 congregation members and guests were treated to a sumptuous, catered dinner commemorating Valentine's Day, complete with live music by an Irish singer who sang appropriate romantic ballads.

Following a January 'kick off' luncheon, the committee moved to plan and execute a Valentine's Day Dinner. The committee worked very hard to decorate Fellowship Hall and create the proper ambience for this event.

March through May saw continued monthly luncheons with an average attendance of about 80 folks.

On June 6 the annual church picnic was hosted by the committee at Rady Park in the Town of Warrenton. The Committee provided meat, drinks and a variety of salads with church members bringing desserts. Games for the kids and various board games were also available or this fun event. Some 85 church members were in attendance.

The Committee and its events adjourned for July to September, resuming again on October 2 when World Communion Day was commemorated with a guest Ethiopian seminary student from Richmond. Some 90 people attended this luncheon.

Finally, on October 30 the church celebrated its 150th anniversary with a fellowship luncheon that attracted, appropriately, 150 folks, a record crowd. With its chairman absent, the committee members did yeoman's work under Mary Hall in making this a marvelous event.

The Committee attempts to meet on the Thursday evening before the monthly luncheon or event to wrap up planning details. Meetings are held at 7:30 in the church library.

This year's committee, besides its chairman and his wife, Rae, consisted of Rita Bossard, Gayle Foley, Ruth Pennington, Mary Hall, Rosemary Schneider, Wanda Utley, Jo Sargent, Mike Hayes, Beth Caldwell and Betsy Goin. We look forward to another convivial year in 2006.

Annual Statistical Report (January 1, 2005 to Date)

Weekly Worship Attendance

	8:45 AM	11 AM	Total
January 2, 2005	82	190	272
January 9, 2005	128	266	394
January 16, 2005	114	269	383
January 23	44	114	158
January 30	35	151	186
February 6	109	238	347
February 13	199	279	478
February 20	125	260	385
February 27	110	235	345
March 6	121	253	374
March 13	108	213	321
March 20	222	284	506
March 27	257	382	639
April 3	89	207	296
April 10	125	225	350
April 17	125	230	355
April 24	152	225	377
May 1,	112	223	335
May 8	121	241	362
May 15	114	181	295
May 22	142	216	358
May 29	79	193	272
June 5	111	175	286
June 12	152	249	401
June 19	88	?	?
June 26	84	139	223
July 3	84	139	223
July 10	93	153	246
July 17	103	180	283
July 24	108	145	253
July 31	118	175	293
August 7	95	192	287
August 14	82	152	234
August 21	116	136	252
August 28	110	???	???
September 4	79	178	257
September 11	163	277	440
September 18	107	177	284
September 25	117	190	307

October 2	127	173	300
October 9	122	210	332
October 16	113	202	315
October 23	133	201	334
October 30	204	251	455
November 11	92	203	295
November 13	136	168	305
November 20	196	217	413
November 27	114	190	304
December 4	107	207	314

Baptisms

January 9, 2005, 8:45 AM service: Lillie Rebecca Gouldthorpe (b. 10/31/04), infant daughter of Sarah Gouldthorpe, church member, pastor Schmahl officiating.

January 16, 2005, 8:45 AM service: Alexis Nicole Gray (b. 11/16/04), infant daughter of Kimberly and Alan Gray, church members, pastor Schmahl officiating.

January 16, 2005, 11 AM service: Vincent Cade Fuller (b. 4/18/04), infant son of Jennifer and Steve Fuller, church members, pastor Schmahl officiating.

February 20th, 2004, Mason Hamilton Howell (b. 10/23/04) infant son of Steven Roger Howell and Kyra Fishbeck Howell (members), at the 8:45 AM service, pastor Schmahl officiating.

February 20th, 2004, Kiki Adriana Wine (b. 11/22/04) infant daughter of France Wine (member), at the 11 AM service, pastor Evans officiating.

April 17, 2005, Joseph Anthony Henson (b. 1/4/05), infant son of Ken and Laura Henson (members), 11 AM service, pastor Evans officiating.

May 15, 2005, Kelly Dawn Austin, on reaffirmation of baptismal vows. Pastor Schmahl officiating.

June 19, 2005: Ian Thomas Williamson (b. 8/21/04), infant son of Jan and David Williamson (nonmembers), pastor Evans officiating.

August 7, 2005: Jacqueline Christina Timberlake, infant daughter of David and Kim Timberlake (members).

November 27, 2005: Ruth Anne Chierichella (b. 4/15/05), infant daughter of John and Shannon Chierichella, pastor Schmahl officiating.

Weddings

March 5, 2005: Steven Randall Dingus (member)/Janna Marie Smith (nonmember), Warrenton Presbyterian Church, pastor Schmahl officiating.

April 16, 2005: Kristine Hickey/Kirk Heydt (members), Warrenton Presbyterian Church, pastor Evans officiating.

August 13, 2005: Thomas Huntley Thorpe (nonmember)/Laura Gray Bartenstein (member), Warrenton Presbyterian Church, pastor Schmahl officiating.

November 5, 2005: Tracy Boyles (member)/Gibson Mazurkiewicz, Warrenton Presbyterian Church, pastor Schmahl officiating.

November 19, 2005: Bryant Smith (member)/Betran Hill, private residence, pastor Schmahl officiating

Funerals

March 13, 2005: Eloise H. Trainum (nonmember, d. 3/8/05), Mosers Funeral Home, interment Warrenton Town Cemetery, pastor Schmahl officiating.

April 4, 2005: Harold Lewis Dana (nonmember, d. 4/1/05). Culpeper National Cemetery, pastor Schmahl officiating.

August 29, 2005: Mildred Westcott Haworth (member, d. 8/26/05), Warrenton Presbyterian Church, *pastor emeritus* J. Richard Winter, and pastors Schmahl and Evans officiating.

December, 6, 2005: Richard Martin Babb (member, elder, d. 11/30/05), Warrenton Presbyterian Church, *pastor emeritus* J. Richard Winter, and pastors Schmahl and Evans officiating.

Pastors' Discretionary Fund

Balance (12/22/03)	4623.41
Check # 1215 (1/3/05), to Town of Warrenton	20.00
Check # 1216 (1/7/05), to VA. State Police (background check)	16.00
Deposit (1/12/05)	300.00
Check # 1217 (1/19/05), to Carrie Evans, meal reimbursement	29.44
Check # 1218 (1/31/05), to Casey Childs (baby-sitting)	25.00
Check # 1219 (1/31/05), to Sarah Damone (baby-sitting)	25.00
Check # 1220 (2/8/05), to Publish America	14.95
Deposit (2/11/05)	150.00
Check # 1221 (2/11/05), to Douglas Burger (time/material – church work)	175.00
Check # 1222 (2/14/05), to Fauquier Times Democrat (Lent Ad)	95.04
Check # 1223 (2/24/05), to Casey Childs (babysitting)	25.00
Check # 1224 (2/24/05), to Sarah Damone (babysitting)	25.00
Deposit (3/8/05)	200.00
Check # 1225 (3/8/05), to Fauquier Times Democrat (Lent Ad)	190.08
Check # 1226 (3/5/05), to WPC (Flowers)	45.00
* Check # 1231 (3/22/05, Carrie), to Giant Food (Seder lamb)	\$170.99
Check # 1227 (3/28/05), to Casey Childs (babysitting)	25.00
Check # 1228 (3/28/05), to Sarah Damone (babysitting)	25.00
Check # 1229 (3/28/05), to Suzanne Giunta (babysitting)	25.00
Check # 1230 (4/14/05), to Village Flowers (Lenten Flowers)	75.00
* Check # 1232 (4/20/05, Carrie), to Giant (Mission Committee luncheon)	163.00
Check # 1261 (5/2/05), to Casey Childs, baby-sitting	25.00
Check # 1262 (5/2/05), to Sarah Damone, baby-sitting	25.00

Deposit (5/11/05)	200.00
* Check # 1233 (4/29/05, Carrie), to Village Flowers (Secretary Week)	45.14
Check # 1263 (6/9/05), to VA State Police (background check)	20.00
Deposit (6/14/05)	220.00
Check # 1264 (6/20/05), to Casey Childs (baby-sitting)	25.00
Check # 1265 (6/20/05), to Sarah Damone (baby-sitting)	25.00
Deposit (7/4/05)	190.00
* Check # 1234 (8/1/05, Carrie), to Enterprise (Van for Montreat)	910.98
* Check # 1235 (8/24/05, Carrie), Domino's Pizza (Mary/Martha luncheon)	27.16
* Check # 1236 (8/24/05, Carrie), to Legends, Mary/Martha Luncheon	23.42
* Check # 1237 (8/24/05, Carrie), to Sarah Damone (baby-sitting)	20.00
* Check # 1238 (8/24/05, Carrie), to Julie Schupp (baby-sitting)	20.00
* Check # 1239 (8/29/05, Carrie), to Columbia Gas (asst. for church member)	27.10
* Check # 1240 (8/29/05, Carrie), to Dominion Power (asst. for church member)	101.64
Check # 1266 ((8/1/05), to Village Flowers	65.00
Deposit (8/4/05)	250.00
Check # 1267 (8/9/05), to Connie Lyons (reimburse sexton's shirts)	95.95
Deposit (8/13/05)	1000.00
Check # 1268 (9/8/05), to the Bistro (clergy luncheon)	40.00
Check # 1269 (9/13/05), to Village Flowers	31.99
Deposit (9/14/05)	205.00
Check # 1270 (9/14/05), to WPC (Reimburse for class books)	81.45
Deposit (10/11/05)	150.00
Deposit (11/1/04), Reimbursement from Enterprise Rent-A-Car	243.93
Check # 1272 (11/1/05), to Dorothy Gleason (cleaning)	100.00
Check # 1273 (11/1/05), to Sarah Damone (baby-sitting)	20.00
Check # 1274 (11/1/05), to Emily Smedley (baby-sitting)	20.00
Deposit (11/8/05)	100.00
Deposit (11/11/05)	2500.00
Check # 1275 (11/14/05), to Anson Bossard (reimbursement)	20.00
Check # 1241 (Carrie: dinner for Yonas Dibisa)	99.66
Check # 1276 (11/21/05), to Print Smart (Annual Report)	1062.50
Deposit (11/27/05)	1000.00
Balance (11/27/05)	6709.00

MEMBERSHIP GAINS

The following confirmands were received as indicated during the 11 AM service on Sunday, May 15, 2005:

By Reaffirmation of Faith:

Kristin Bernadette O'Hara
Courtney Rose O'Hara
Eric Douglas Gleason
Patrick Krauss King
Rebecca Ashlen Edwards
Kelsey Renee Montgomery
Abby Katherine Wiedenhaefer
Daniel Curan Morgan
Annicole Caroline Buranych

By Baptism on Profession of Faith:

Kelly Dawn Austin

New members were welcomed at the 11 AM service on Sunday, June 19, 2005:

Alan Shutt
Jeanne Shutt
Montford Bodington
Dorothy Bodington
Edward Caine
Jennifer Caine
Edward Gordon
Paula Gordon
Beth Caldwell
David Timberlake
Kim Timberlake

New members were welcomed at the 11 AM service on Sunday, December 11, 2005:

Frances Borgmann
Bill Cox
Ann Cox
Jeff Cumins
Becky Cumins
Scott Primrose
Marjorie Primrose
Doris Stapel
Jim Wilcox
Maureen Wilcox
Gary Buchanan
Jan Buchanan