



## **First Presbyterian Church of Waynesboro**

810 Myrick Street  
Waynesboro, GA 30830

*Testifying to the Gospel of God's Grace*

*Acts 20:24*

### **Mission Statement**

First Presbyterian exists to glorify God by proclaiming and sharing the truth, love and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Church History**

The First Presbyterian Church of Waynesboro was founded in 1760 with the establishment of a church on Briar Creek and another on Walnut Branch. The present church grew out of the union of these two churches in 1812. In 1974, First Presbyterian affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America to remain true to the Scriptures as God's inerrant Word, to the Reformed doctrines of grace, and to the Proclamation of God's grace to all nations.

## Congregational Profile

	Members	Attending Non-Members
Total	39	7
Adults (over 65)	16	
Adults (under 65)	20	7
Youth	2	
Children	1	

	Avg Attendance
Sunday Morning Worship	20
Sunday Evening Worship	13
Sunday School	11
Wednesday Evening Prayer Mtg	13

## Church Programs

- Men of the Covenant
- Women In The Church (has not restarted since pandemic)
- ESOL Ministry (has not restarted since pandemic)

## Session Members

- Billy Hopper
- Les Peel (emeritus)
- Jim Petro (emeritus)
- Tyler Torek (clerk)
- Clarke Holtsberry

## Deacons:

- Lon Hankinson (emeritus)
- Charlie Story

## **Pulpit Search Committee Members**

- Tyler Torek
- Melissa Story
- Nathan Ford
- Ed Byne
- Rita Holtsberry

## **Church Financial Statement**

	Yr 2020
Church Income	\$211,401
Benevolent Disbursements	\$41,207
Operational Disbursements	\$115,413
End of Year Cash Balance	\$426,044

## **Explanation of Pulpit Vacancy**

Pastor Logan Almy served FPC as solo pastor for 7 years. He recently received and accepted a call to pastor a larger church in Olive Branch, Mississippi.

## **Music In Worship**

It has been our practice to use the Trinity Psalter Hymnal in morning worship. On Sunday evenings, we use a combination of the hymnal and printed sheets of songs from other sources.

Piano is used on Sunday mornings, typically played by elder Holtsberry, Lauren Ford, or Linda Byne. Acoustic guitar, played by elder Torek, is used on Sunday evening worship and Wednesday evening prayer meetings.

## Community Profile

Waynesboro is a city in Burke County, Georgia located 30-miles south of Augusta and 100-miles north of Savannah. The 2019 census reported that the population of Waynesboro was 5,363, and Burke County was 22,383. The racial makeup of the county was 48% White, 47% African-American, and 3.5% Hispanic or Latino. 24% of persons living in Burke County were reported to be living in poverty, and the median household income was \$44,151.

Burke County has seen an influx of transient workers employed in the construction of two additional reactors at Plant Vogtle Nuclear Power Plant. A drive through the east side of the county will reveal hundreds of campers and travel-trailers owned by construction workers.

Thanks to a healthy tax base boosted by the power plant, Burke County is able to invest millions of local dollars into education that other school systems cannot without burdening residents with higher taxes. The public schools are:

- Waynesboro Primary School
- SGA Elementary School
- Blakeney Elementary School
- Burke County Middle School
- Burke County High School
- Burke County Life Center (Alternative School)

## Private Schools

- Edmund Burke Academy
- Faith Christian Academy
- Waynesboro Mennonite School

