



***A Gospel-Centered Church in Northern Anne Arundel County,
Discovering in Christ the greatness of God
and following Him in His mission to make disciples...***

In 1964, the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Annapolis, Maryland began holding worship services in West Annapolis Elementary School. Since that time, God has grown that initial group of believers into a congregation of over 1,000 people. But that statistic is not pertinent to this story. Beyond growing that church as a congregation, God has also used the ministry in Annapolis to “plant” other congregations—the first of which is Severna Park Evangelical Presbyterian Church (SPEP).

SPEP began as a church plant of EPAnnapolis in 1977 and became a particular church in April 1978. We have had three senior pastors in the history of the church. Mike Conord was the founding pastor. Glenn Parkinson came to SPEP in 1981 as our first Associate Pastor, and he was asked to become the Senior Pastor when Mike left for New Jersey in the late 1980’s. Over the years, there have been many associate and assistant pastors that have supported the church. Many of these men moved on to shepherd their own congregations.

After meeting in various schools for the first 6½ years, we moved into a new facility in Pasadena, MD in 1984. We added a 680 seat sanctuary (Worship Center) in 1994. In 1995 the church purchased an office building (now known as the Ministry Center), located on the property adjacent to the church.

SPEP has also been involved in planting new churches in the area. Glen Burnie EP (now Grace Point Presbyterian), Pasadena EP, Broadneck EP, Severn Run EP, and DaySpring Presbyterian Church—all had some support from SPEP in their beginnings. About 9 years ago we sent off one of our Associate Pastors to plant a church in Westminster, MD (Deep Run PCA).

Just over four (4) years ago, our long-time and beloved Senior Pastor, Glenn Parkinson, retired from his role. In response to that announcement, the church undertook a thorough assessment of where we stood, and put together a strategy for moving forward and seeking a new Senior Pastor. After a season of praying and seeking the Lord’s provision, in December of 2020 the Congregation called Dan Smith as our third Senior Pastor.

In the time since Covid (2021), God has blessed SPEP with spiritual and numerical growth. We have 150+ adults gathering each week in our more than 15 Growth Groups... We average 350-375 people gathering with us each week for Worship, in addition to over 150 people joining us via Livestream. And our Youth Ministry reaches about 50-60 Middle & High School students. We also have some of our Leaders partnering with Youth for Christ at Severna Park High School to extend our reach into our community.

As we look ahead, we are seeking God’s provision for the right person to help guide our Staff and Operations to maximize our efforts and stewardship as we seek to follow our Lord Jesus in His mission to make disciples of all nations. If you would like to explore this role with us, please submit a Resume/CV to Dan Smith (dsmith@spepchurch.org).