

Our Parishes: The Northern Piedmont Region comprises all of the Episcopal Churches in the exurban and suburban area to the west of the DC Metro area including Loudoun County, northern Fauquier County, and western Prince William County. In 2022, all of our parishes remained open to in-person worship and most have maintained recorded or live-streamed Sunday worship. Many have also resumed mid-week in-person services and initiated new programs in addition to on-line worship and meetings.

Region Council Meetings: This year we kept to our regular meeting schedule of 2nd Tuesdays in January, March, May, on zoom. Additional zoom meetings were well-attended in May/June to discuss Resourcing God's Mission and the Election Convention. Our September meeting was postponed due to internet problems and our first in-person since early in 2020 was held in October. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday November 29th to plan for 2023 and to reflect on this year's Annual Convention.

The Region Council combined its operating and mission accounts in 2022 continues to collect parish "dues" and mission contributions, generally maintaining a treasury of over \$20,000. In 2022 we will have approximately \$1,000 in operating expenses and have granted \$6,125 to two regional parish's Shrine Mont retreat scholarships. Several parishes continue to make regular contributions to the Region treasury, several contribute sporadically, and a few are completely non-participatory.

Our parishes all struggle with multiple communication platforms and would like to work with an IT/social media consultant familiar with our issues to help streamline our various streaming and communication processes. In 2023 we plan to work with diocesan staff to identify possibilities and resources. Following is a summary of some of the other issues that the Region Council is working on:

- How will a parish tithes to the Diocese for Resourcing God's Mission work with Region funding?
- Should our region keep all Region grant funds for Mission projects within the region?
- How can we support and connect with the several parishes in the region who have not been active or that have "gone missing"?

Transitions: Five of our fourteen congregations are currently without settled clergy. St. James Leesburg has welcomed a new Rector. St. David's Ashburn and Leeds, Markham both look forward to welcoming Interim Rectors. The Church of Our Redeemer Aldie, St. Andrew's Ada and Christ Church Lucketts now have long-term supply clergy supplemented by lay leadership.

Parish Listings: Parish websites provide links to recorded or live-streamed Sunday services as indicated in **bold** below.

Christ Church Lucketts - <https://aldiechurch.org/>

Church of Our Redeemer Aldie – <https://aldiechurch.org/>

Emmanuel Delaplane - <http://www.emmanuel-delaplane.org/>

Emmanuel Middleburg - <http://www.emmanuelmiddleburg.org/>

Grace The Plains - <https://www.gracetheplains.org/>

Leeds Markham - <http://www.leedschurch.org/>

St. Andrew's Ada

St. Gabriel's Leesburg - <http://saintgabriels.net/>

St. David's Ashburn - <http://www.sdlife.org/>

St. James Leesburg - <http://stjamesleesburg.org/>

St. Matthew's Sterling - <http://www.stmatthewssterling.org/>

St. Paul's Haymarket - http://www.stpaulsepiscopalhaymarket.org

St. Peter's Purcellville - <https://stpetes.net/>

Trinity Upperville - <https://trinityupperville.org/>

Respectfully submitted,

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