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Jill Hopkins has been a member of FPC most recently the past three years but previously another 12 years before she moved from Athens. 1976 – 1988 and then 2019 – 2022. She has served as an elder in two other PCUSA Churches. She is a member of the handbell choir, Chancel choir, prepared meals for the Presbyterian Student Center, and delivered Meals on Wheels.



Don DeMaria has been a member of FPC for 10 years. He has served as an elder, usher, and Sunday School teacher for children and youth. Don has been active with Missions and Outreach, co-chairing the last Habitat project, and participating in missions in Philadelphia and Honduras.



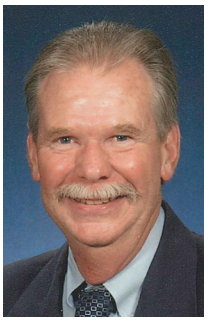
Dick Ferguson has been a member of FPC for 46 years. He has served on the session, chaired the large construction capital campaign, served on the endowment committee, taught Sunday school, and served as usher and greeter.



Mike Morris has been a member of FPC for 24 years. He has twice served on Session where he was the finance chair. He has also chaired and served on stewardship drives on multiple occasions as well as serving on the Capital Campaigns. He is a member of the Del Dunn Sunday School class, where he teaches together with other class members. He has served the Church as an usher, greeter, and lay reader. He is presently serving on the Permanent Judicial Commission of the Presbytery.

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Jerry Rogers has been a member of FPC for 46 years. He has been a deacon and an elder, serving as the chair of the Christian Education Commission and of the Week Day School. He has served on several other committees or commissions and is currently a member of Mission/Outreach and a laycaller.



Margaret Sapp has been a member of FPC since 2017. She is a Children's Ministry Volunteer and currently serves on the Education and Discipleship Commission.



Laura Toney has been a member of FPC for 20 years. She has served as an elder, usher, lay reader, and greeter. She is a commissioned Stephen Minister and has been a member of the Personnel Committee, as well as a Confirmation mentor and Weekday School Live Nativity wiseman.



Madeline Van Dyck has been a member of FPC for 36 years. She has been a Lay Caller and served on Congregational Care Committees for a number of years, is a Godly Play leader, participates in our Family Promise ministry, helps coordinate the Dot's Closet and Ride Share programs, and has been the parish nurse for 10 years.