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Golden Prospectors

The Golden Prospectors event for January is to be determined. Please keep a look out in your bulletin for an update.

Rowan Helping Ministries

Suggested Donation for January

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THE GOOD PROSPECTS

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Church Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday: 7:00am - 5:00pm
Closed for lunch: 1:30pm - 2:30pm

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2020

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

FROM YOUR PASTOR'S KEYBOARD:

"*If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.*" – 2 Corinthians 5:17.

A New Year is a gift. A New Year is also a responsibility. For the most part, we all like new things. My father appreciated new things. My father spent his entire childhood in the Depression and then in the Second World War. He was not poor, but he did not get a lot of new things growing up. My father enjoyed making sure my brother and I got a few more new things than he did. But my father always made sure we did not take the new things we received for granted. He often talked about how we had a responsibility to take care of the new toy or the new shoes or the new piece of sports equipment. He told us we had the responsibility to use them well, to "do right" with our new things.

As followers of Jesus Christ, we ask: what do we need to do in this New Year in order to "do right" with the New Year He has given us? We may need to change some things. We may need to bring some old things back. We may need to persevere in what we are currently doing. We may need to do some new things. We have the responsibility to use our New Year well. Let us embrace that responsibility. 2 Corinthians tells us that Jesus Christ gives us New Life. Christ set us free from guilt and shame. Christ forgives us and makes us new. The great Good News of the Gospel is that Christ will empower us to spend our lives well. Christ will teach what really matters. He will teach us how to be a blessing to others and share His joy with others. He will enable us to live our lives well if we will listen to Him and then trust and follow Him. Let us do that. Happy New Year my friends!

Will

Your 2019 Contribution Statements will be available in the Commons Area by January 16th. Please review your statement and contact the church office if you have questions.

PPC Health Ministry is looking forward to this New Year! Many irons are in the fire regarding what we are doing and where we are going. We will continue blood drives, Exercise as well as general care of our members and friends along with some new areas to venture out into the community. Watch for more news as it develops. Pray for the Nurture & Care Committee as we discern God's plan for us in 2020.

New Year's Poem
by John P. Read

Brush away old heartaches.
Learn from our mistakes.
Another year is finally over.
A new dawn awakes.

Let the old year out.
Welcome the new one in.
Bury the bad things of the past
As a new year now begins.

Make your New Year wishes
As simple as you can.
Pray for peace and love,
Not for wealth or fame.

Pray for health and happiness.
Pray for your fellow man.
Pray for all the ones you love.
Pray for those who've lost their way.

As the midnight hour chimes,
We leave the old and embrace the new.
I wish the things you wish for yourself,
And may Gods love stay with you.

Update Bahamas Relief Mission :

In total we have raised (and spent) $6240 USD for our Abaco Relief Mission and also received over $10,000+ in product donations that will all be distributed over the next month in the Bahamas.

As always we have school supplies for the kids and the schools. In addition we have lots of tools and construction items that are needed to be able to rebuild the homes, cars and boats. To everyone who donated money and goods we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your kindness.

Baby Bottles!

Baby bottles will be arriving soon from the Lake Norman Community Pregnancy Center. Please plan to take one and collect your change in it.

Items needed by the center: boy's clothing (newborn to 18 months), Johnson and Johnson baby wash, shampoo and lotion, crib sheets, unscented baby wipes (Huggies Naturals, Parents choice at Wal-Mart, and Up and Up at Target. You can drop items off at the center or bring to the church and I will deliver them.

Thanks for your support!
Connie

Session News

Your Session had its regular stated meeting on December 19th at 7pm, moderated by Rev. Will Gipe. Elders Elect Reid Goodman and Joy Miller were in attendance.

General fund balance on 11/30 of $22,636.

Elders Elect Reid Goodman and Joy Miller were examined and approved by the Session. Ordination and installation for Elders to the Class of 2022 is set for January 12th during the Worship Service.

Approved Christmas Gifts for all employees to be given out during Children's Christmas Party.

Approved Congregational Meeting on January 26th to approve a change of call for Rev. Gipe. Session recommends a 5% increase in base salary but added to the housing allowance for tax purposes. Total increase is $2,000.

Approved to spend up to $6,000 to buy and install new LED lights for inside and outside the Education Building.

As your Session we always welcome comments.

Grace and Peace,
Rick Lyerly- Clerk of Session

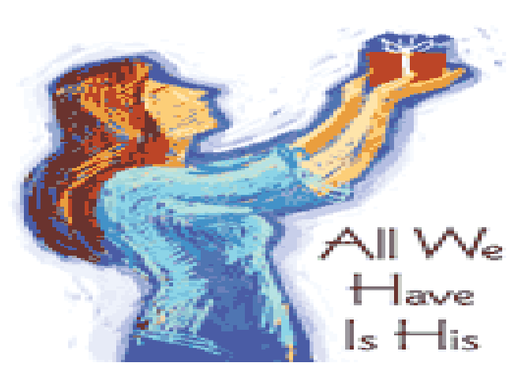
A Thought for the New Year:
SLOW ME DOWN

Slow me down, Lord, I'm going too fast; I can't see my brother when he's walking fast. I miss a lot of good things day by day. I don't know a blessing, when it comes my way.

Slow me down, Lord; I want to see more of the things that are good for me - a little less of me and a little more of you. I want the heavenly atmosphere to trickle through. Let me help a brother when the going's rough; when folks work together, it isn't so tough.

Slow me down, Lord, so I can talk with some of Your Angels. Slow me down – so I may walk with you.

"Anonymous"



November Financial Report

General Fund:

Monthly Income through 11-30-19:	$56,484
Monthly Expenses through 11-30-19:	$42,780
Expenses less than Income for month:	$13,704

Development Fund:

Ending Balance through 11-30-19:	$42,281
Family Life Center: Fund Balance:	$623,174

Young Disciples NEWS!

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- Our first meeting for 2020 is scheduled for **January 12th** at 11:45 am. We will be meeting after church and have lunch before our meeting. Lunch will be **provided.** Hope all can be here!
- Parent's, grandparent's, anybody: It's time to sign up for **volunteers** to help during Children's worship. Please see Connie Brown to we can get everything planned for 2020.

AVAILABLE TO COLLEGE STUDENTS

Applications shall be made to the Scholarship Committee by February 27, 2020

Fannie Turner Hart and Henry Howard Hart were great advocates of education. Their children established this scholarship in their memory, to be referred to hereafter as the Hart Scholarship Fund. This fund has been established at Prospect Presbyterian Church which they loved and where they served God faithfully for many years.

The Scholarship Committee of Prospect Presbyterian Church is elected by the Session to receive and review all applications for the Hart Scholarship. Committee members are: Pam Beaver, Terri McKnight and Lee Williams. Please contact the committee members or the church office at 704-664-1514 with any questions.

Applications can be picked up at the church office. Completed applications need to be returned to the church office or the mailbox in the commons area marked "Hart Scholarship."

The Mission Committee would like to thank everyone who donated food and gifts for the families in need at Mt. Ulla Elementary School.

It's back, UNDIE SUNDAY! MARK Your Calendar! As part of our **February** Mission projects, we would like for you to bring a brand new package of underwear to be sent to the Mooresville Christian Mission. We will be collecting any & all **NEW** under garments the **entire month of February**. If you have any questions, please contact Vance Moore.

Lunch & Learn!

If you are between the ages of 10 and 25, or if you are a relative (parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, etc) or friend of someone between the ages of 10 and 25, please plan now to attend our next **Lunch n' Learn on Sunday, January 26**. We will learn about the signs, consequences and dangers of "vaping". This important discussion will be presented by Carleen Crawford and Megan Redford from the Iredell County Department of Health.

A light lunch will be served in the Education Building immediately after morning worship and the seminar will follow lunch in the sanctuary. This event will be open to the public and several other neighboring churches will be invited to attend. **Please RSVP by Monday, January 20 so we will be able to prepare accordingly.**

Your Nurture and Care Committee

Take the 52-Week Challenge

Saving money can be easy and even fun with the 52-Week Challenge. There are no complicated rules to remember. Week 1, you save $1. Week 2 you save $2, and it continues through the year, adding one more dollar to each week's savings. So the biggest amount of money you ever put into your savings account at one time is $52, and at the end of the year you've saved $1,378! Save this page, make copies and share with family and friends.

Week	Deposit	Balance	Week	Deposit	Balance	Week	Deposit	Balance
☐ 1	$1	$1	☐ 18	$18	$171	☐ 35	$35	$630
☐ 2	$2	$3	☐ 19	$19	$190	☐ 36	$36	$666
☐ 3	$3	$6	☐ 20	$20	$210	☐ 37	$37	$703
☐ 4	$4	$10	☐ 21	$21	$231	☐ 38	$38	$741
☐ 5	$5	$15	☐ 22	$22	$253	☐ 39	$39	$780
☐ 6	$6	$21	☐ 23	$23	$276	☐ 40	$40	$820
☐ 7	$7	$28	☐ 24	$24	$300	☐ 41	$41	$861
☐ 8	$8	$36	☐ 25	$25	$325	☐ 42	$42	$903
☐ 9	$9	$45	☐ 26	$26	$351	☐ 43	$43	$946
☐ 10	$10	$55	☐ 27	$27	$378	☐ 44	$44	$990
☐ 11	$11	$66	☐ 28	$28	$406	☐ 45	$45	$1,035
☐ 12	$12	$78	☐ 29	$29	$435	☐ 46	$46	$1,081
☐ 13	$13	$91	☐ 30	$30	$465	☐ 47	$47	$1,128
☐ 14	$14	$105	☐ 31	$31	$496	☐ 48	$48	$1,176
☐ 15	$15	$120	☐ 32	$32	$528	☐ 49	$49	$1,225
☐ 16	$16	$136	☐ 33	$33	$561	☐ 50	$50	$1,275
☐ 17	$17	$153	☐ 34	$34	$595	☐ 51	$51	$1,326
						Success! ☐ 52	$52	$1,378

Ready to get your children involved? Want to try the Challenge in reverse?
Find more ways to own your 52-Week Challenge at **lgfcu.org/52weeks**.

Missionary:
Justin & Kristen Raymer (Tanzania, Africa)
Brian & Christy Ward (Papua, New Guinea)
Rob & Sandy Shaffer (Czech Republic)

Nursing Homes, Rehab & Retirement Facilities:
Mac Atwell (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)
Helen Barber (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)
Tom George (Atria-Lake Norman)
Harriet Lipe (Genesis-Mooresville)

Please Remember:
Pam Tulbert
Anita & Wyatt Fesperman
Mary Agnes Wiggins
Jackie McKnight
Edith Lewis
Louise Beeker
Jo Powers
Barbara Ussery
Martha Brown
Helen Lyerly
Ella Mae Stewart
Toni Wheeler
Pat McCall
Martha Meredith
Dick & Ginny Bennett
Larry & Carol Stutts
Dale McKnight
Roy Watkins
Johnny Wilkinson

Friends & Family of the Congregation:
Sandy Torrance *(Stroke, sister of Toni Wheeler)*
Ralph & Tommiann Hill *(Friends of Joy & Chuck Miller)*
Michelle Elliott (*TX friend of Frances Ann Neel)*
Larry Pruette *(Cancer, friend of Candace Jackson)*
Pressley Cashion *(Bladder Cancer, brother of Becky Hart)*
Anne Clarke *(Medical Issues, friend of Toni Wheeler)*
Don Smith *(Cancer, Cousin of Kathy Bradshaw)*
Lisa Nelson *(Breast Cancer, friend of congregation)*
Whitaker Raymer *(Cancer, Missionary Child)*
Ellen Goldstein *(Cousin of Becky Hart)*
Jacob Victors *(Cousin of Phyllis Hilton)*
Danny & Stephen Tulbert *(Brother of Bill Tulbert)*
Tina Davis *(Cancer, friend of Edie Steele)*
Lauria Ann Slifko *(Cancer, cousin of Mike Stacy)*
Rita Purvis *(Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, friend Brown Family)*
Larry & Jan Hendley *(Cancer, friend of Frances Ann Neel)*

Bob Edmiston III	01/03
Wade Carrigan	01/05
Teresa Compton	01/05
Philip Moore	01/05
Tammy Vandall	01/05
Harriet Beaver	01/06
Dawn Stutts	01/07
Kenny Seamon	01/09
Melody Morrison	01/10
Jamie Purvis	01/10
Kathy Bradshaw	01/11
Beth Stacy	01/11
Lynn Atwell	01/12
Betty Alexander	01/13
Allison Moore	01/13
William Moore	01/16
Thad Linker	01/18
Martha Meredith	01/18
Paul Moore	01/19
Marilyn Hinds	01/21
Casey Melton	01/22
Brandon Ervin	01/24
Brian Jackson	01/26

Lettie Beatty Circle will NOT meet on January 1. Instead, we will meet on January 8 at our regular time, 10:00. Gladly welcoming new members at any time.

Circle	Date/Time	Location
Lettie Beatty/Acts	Jan 8 @ 10:00 am	Session Room
Ruth	Jan 7 @ 7:00 pm	Session Room
Serendipity	Jan 6 @ 6:30 pm	Barbara Lyerly

GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF . . .

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William "Bill" Tulbert
By:
Roy & Janielle Watkins
Ann & Allen Jackson
June Goodman
Reid Goodman
Ruth Staton
Prospectors Sunday School Class
Noel & Anne Weisner
Virginia Edmiston
Frances Ann Neel
Johnny & Joan Hampton
Boone Dermatology Clinic, P.A.
Terry & Elva Brown
Wayne & Carolyn Whitlow
John & Roxanna Wiggins
Dorothy Walker
Byrd Construction
C&I Department of CCS
Brittain Tulbert & Michelle Phillippy
Pam, Bart, Liam & Luke Tulbert

Jacob Vickers
(Family Member of Phyllis Hilton)
By:
Hilton Family

Betty Powers
By:
Frances Ann Neel

Charles M. "Mickey" Benfield
(Brother of Sissy Fries)
By:
Frances Ann Neel

GIFTS FOR THE NEW FAMILY LIFE CENTER GIVEN I N LOVING HONOR OF . . .

Rev. Will & Stacey Gipe
By:
Frances Howie

Wade & Phyllis Carrigan
By:
Frankie Carrigan

Murdoch & Melody Morrison January 1

2020 Flower Calendar

The 2020 Flower Calendar is now available in the hallway outside the church office. Please remember to sign up early for specific Sundays that are important to you such as: anniversaries, baptisms, and memorials. Also, be sure to call the office with your dedication for the bulletin at least one week early.

You are responsible for purchasing the flowers for that Sunday. Several florists in the area have a key to the church and will deliver the flowers to the sanctuary. Contact the church office if you need the name of a florist. Please be sure to take the flowers with you following the service. Church staff is not responsible for flowers left in the church. Thanks for your cooperation!

Beginning **Sunday, January 5th,** a Mitten Tree will be displayed in the narthex for a month, ready for you to decorate with hats, gloves, scarves and mittens. These gifts will be given to the Barium Springs Home for Children to help keep them warm.