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PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
9425 West NC 152 Hwy, Mooresville, NC 28115

Church Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday: 7:00am - 5:00pm
Closed for lunch: 1:30pm - 2:30pm
Closed on Friday
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Fax: (704) 664-9612
Website: www.prospectpres.org

2021

Worship Service:
9:30 am
&
11:00 am

Email:
Pastor: willgipe@hotmail.com
Nurse: Virginia.Stewart@atriumhealth.org
Office office@prospectpres.org

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.

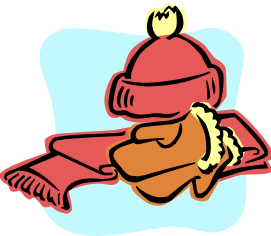
A New Year is a gift. I think we are looking forward to 2021 after the challenges of 2020. First, I want to thank all of you in our church. Thanks to the Lord’s guidance and care, I am pleased with how our church did in 2020. We did our best to be faithful. We made our decisions the best we could. We trusted God, hung together, and a lot of good things happened for our church in 2020. Well done.

A New Year is indeed a gift. A New Year is also a responsibility. most part, we all like new things. My father appreciated new things. My father spent his entire childhood in the last years of 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 and, where we could, to share our new things with other people.

Every day, every year is a gift of a new thing we receive from God. What do we need to do in this New Year in order to be faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ? 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 the responsibility of a New Year. The Scripture tells us that Jesus Christ gives us New Life. Christ set us free from guilt and shame. Christ forgives us and makes us new. 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 follow. Happy New Year my friends. Know that you are loved.

Peace & Grace,
Will

Beginning **Sunday, January 3rd**, 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.



ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES



Suggested Donation for
January

POWDERED MILK



Your 2020 Contribution Statements will be available in the Commons Area by January 17th. Please review your statement and contact the church office if you have questions.



It has been a privilege to serve as an Elder, & Chair of the Nurture & Care Committee since May, 2016. In addition to calls, cards, & visits to our “shut-ins”, Vicki Freeze monthly hand-created cards related to the seasons of the year. Carol Linker prepared the Agenda & Minutes for our monthly meetings. Sharron Clanton coordinated our 3 Bereavement Teams & delivered the bag of supplies for the families. By additional funds from the Cannon Foundation, we were able to increase our Faith Nurse, Virginia Stewart, from 2 days to 4 days. Through Virginia’s faithful service, we have been able to participate in more programs & projects for our Prospect Family, for the local community, & globally. A big thanks to ALL the N&C members for your participation in our many programs & projects. The Lord has truly blessed our Prospect Family!

Love in Christ, Frances Ann Neel



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.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who donated items for the Nurture and Care Gift Bags! You helped to share joy and love to many of our members. Thanks to those who prepared the bags and also to Virginia and Will for delivering the majority of the 33 gift bags to front porches and back doors. Serving others is a great blessing, it is how we sow and reap at the same time!

Your Nurture and Care Committee

We just wanted to say thanks again for the diapers, wipes, and gifts we received at the drive thru baby shower! We so appreciate you all thinking of us! We can’t wait for everyone to meet Caroline! Thank you again!
With love, Stephanie, Justin, and Caroline Wilson



Session News

Your Session had its regular stated meeting on December 17th at 7pm, moderated by Rev. Will Gipe. New Elders Elect Rick Lyerly and Shannon Knox were in attendance.

1. Session passed a motion to not renew an annual lease on the manse property as of Jan 1, 2021. Instead go on a month to month renewal due to tenant not complying with rental agreement on keeping property clean. Session agreed to give current tenant until April 30, 2021 to get the manse property cleaned up. If not in compliance, then the eviction process will be started.
2. Building and Grounds working draft guidelines for the use of the Family Life Center.
3. Worship Committee obtained Communion Kits to be used because of COVID.
4. Missions Committee reported that Prospect Families are working with Mount Ulla school to provide Christmas for Several Families.
5. Nurture & Care gave out 33 gift bags for Homebound Members.
6. Christian Education had a great turn out for Drive Thru Santa Claus on December 13th. Approximately 17 kids attended and treat bags were given out.
7. Great appreciation extended to Nick Cornett, Frances Ann Neal, Mike Stacy and Walter Tee-ter for their outstanding service to the session class of 2020.
8. If you have any comments, concerns, or questions please contact any session member or myself.

Hope everyone has a healthy and prosperous new year.

As your Session we always welcome comments.

Grace and Peace,
Dale Burgess - Clerk of Session



To all my Church Family,
My Family and I would like to Thank Everyone for all the calls, cards and prayers. Many thanks to Will for his support, coming to the hospital and being with us at Don's passing. Also for calls to check on me, I appreciate this very much!
Thanks , Virginia for your calls and Prayers, please keep them coming.

Blessings, I love you all !
Vi LaShomb



November Financial Report

<u>General Fund:</u>	
Monthly Income through 11-30-20:	\$32,658
Monthly Expenses through 11-30-20:	\$19,553
Expenses less than Income for month:	\$13,105
<u>Development Fund:</u>	
Ending Balance through 11-30-20:	\$47,725



AVAILABLE TO COLLEGE STUDENTS

**Applications shall be made to the
Scholarship Committee by
February 25, 2021**

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. 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."

To Prospect Congregation:

I had the privilege of delivering Christmas presents to the Hope of Mooresville house for a family. I didn't meet the family, but talked with a staff member. She wanted me to convey a "BIG THANK YOU" to our congregation for the support Prospect has shown and donated to the HOME. They are very appreciative of the support they get from the congregation, Virginia Stewart and Rev. Will Gipe. Just wanted to convey their comments as it was to me.

Thank you, Vance Moore & Mission Committee



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.

To All of You at Prospect,

Hopefully all of you read the Thank You letter from Rev. Stephanie Hankins from Presbyterian Episcopal Campus Ministry at Appalachian State University. We would like to share some more information about Bill Tulbert memorial gifts that was entrusted by your Mission Committee. Knowing the Tulbert families many experiences at Appalachian University we collaborated with various thought processes on where to send Bill Tulbert memorial gifts. We all agreed that helping the Campus Ministry at Appalachian would be a great benefactor for them.

We also are hoping with as many graduates of Appalachian as we have at Prospect, if they want to, can send charitable donations to the Bill Tulbert Fund at Appalachian Presbyterian Episcopal Campus Ministry. These funds are going to be used to help fund their fall break mission trips and other campus ministry services. In closing, we wanted our congregation to know of another avenue of charitable giving to assist campus ministry at a university that has educated many in our church and community.

Sharing good news with you,
Vance, Edie, Jamie, Terri McKnight, Terry Stephens, Beth, Candace, Dave, Cristal and Rev. Will Gipe



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HEALTH SOLUTIONS

Living Healthy Program

At-Home Learning Kit with Weekly Support Calls

This **at-home** program will help **YOU** learn ways to improve your health from the comfort and safety of your own home.

Join this **6-week program** and **talk weekly** with people just like you who deal with a chronic condition, such as diabetes, arthritis, high blood pressure and more.

Learn how to:

- **Relax**
- Cope with pain, fatigue, stress & depression
- **Eat healthy**
- Set weekly goals **YOU** can achieve
- **Fit in** Jennifer.West@rowancountync.gov
- physical activity**
- Understand medications
- **Sleep better**

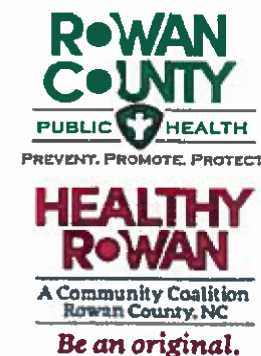


Your At-Home Learning Kit includes:

Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions book

Relaxation CD

Exercise CD



Class Details

Dates: Jan 5th - Feb 9th

Day/time: Tuesdays from 11am-12pm

RSVP by December 29th to Jenn West: 704-787-1988 or

Jennifer.west@rowancountync.gov



Missionary:

Justin & Kristen Raymer (African Island Mission in Washington DC)
Brian & Christy Ward (Spokane, Washington)
Rob & Sandy Shaffer (Czech Republic)

Nursing Homes, Rehab & Retirement Facilities:

Mac Atwell (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)
Helen Barber (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)
Tom George (Elderwood Assisted Living, Hamburg, NY)
Harriet Lipe (Citadel-Mooresville)

Please Remember:

Vi LaShomb	Perry Teeter
Anita & Wyatt Fesperman	Pam Beaver
Carl & Mary Agnes Wiggins	Helen Lyerly
Jackie McKnight	Pearl Bell
Dick & Ginny Bennett	Rachel Powers
Debbie Craven	Carol & Larry Stutts
Jo Powers	Kay Edmiston
Barbara Ussery	Martha Brown
Allen Lowrance	Linda Brooks
Sonny Freeze	

Friends & Family of the Congregation:

Bruce & Justin Simmons (*friends of Candace Simmons Jackson*)
Frankie Thompson (*Cancer, Cousin of Jean Gibson*)
Judy Palmquisk (*friend of the Howie family*)
Lee Ann Clay (*Breast Cancer, sister to Wayne Chandler*)
Joyce Ervin Caldwell (*Melanoma of the eye, niece of Phyllis Carrigan*)
Kim Lambeth (*Cancer, Rachel Marlowe's mother*)
Judy Overcash (*Cancer, home bound in our community*)
Jeff Reid (*Leukemia, cousin of Pam Seamon*)
Julia Hallum (*Breast Cancer, granddaughter of Betty Alexander*)
Scott Brady (*Male Breast Cancer, friends of the Chandlers*)
John Clarke (*CL Cancer, uncle of Frances Ann Neel & Lee Williams*)
Emory McLaurin (*Cancer, friend of Jean Gibson*)
Beth Segui (*Parkinson, Daughter of Betty Alexander*)
Elaine Holt Brown (*Breast Cancer, 1st Cousin of Mary & Allen Lowrance*)
Pressley Cashion (*Bladder Cancer, brother of Becky Hart*)
Whitaker Raymer (*Cancer, Missionary Child*)
Ellen Goldstein (*Cousin of Becky Hart*)
Tina Davis (*Cancer, friend of Edie Steele*)
Rita Purvis (*Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, friend Brown Family*)



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
Susan Moore	01/14
William Moore	01/16
Thad Linker	01/18
Paul Moore	01/19
Marilyn Hinds	01/21
Noble Randall	01/22
Casey Wilkinson	01/22
Alice Clingenpeel	01/23
Brandon Ervin	01/24
Brian Jackson	01/26
Marie Hart	01/28
Nicholas Moore	01/29
Kelly Carrigan	01/30
Eddie Clingenpeel	01/30



**GIVEN IN LOVING
MEMORY
OF ...**

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ANNIE LOUISE BEEKER

By:

Kathryn Schilling
Judy McConnell
Margie Swiggett
Virginia Edmiston
Reba Connolly
Paula Poorman

DONALD LASHOMB

By:

Reba Connolly

RALPH RUTHERFORD

By:

Doris Rutherford

MAMIE & OTHA STUTTS

By:

Doris Rutherford

JEFFREY STEWART

(*Son of Virginia Stewart*)

By:

Betty Alexander
Pearl Bell



Will & Church Family,

I want to thank everyone who was a part in making our Mom's funeral (Louise Beeker) a special one. Will thank you for a wonderful service. Thank you to the soloist & pianist it was beautiful. I really do appreciate you're talent.

Thank you Judy Brumley & her ladies for the box dinner. It gave us a time to visit with our family & friends in the new fellowship hall. It's a beautiful building, Mom would have been proud of it.

Mom loved her church family, although she wasn't able to attend as her health wouldn't allow her. She was so excited to receive the beautiful cards from the church. It was a way she felt like she was still connected to the church she grew up in. Mom was always happy to catch up with phone calls from her church friends. Thank you also for the bags that were delivered for the shut ins.

Thank you Virginia the nurse for checking in on us. I was blessed to have had such a amazing, compassionate & sweet Mom who always put others first. I will miss her dearly as some of ya'll will, who are long time members.

A Special Thank you to Reba Connelly for always helping & checking on Mom & Buster. Even when I was there she would call & check in with us. She's truly a special lady & was a blessing to us.

Thank you again for Mom's celebration of life.
Sincerely,
Debbie Craven & Beeker Family



Murdoch & Melody Morrison January 1

2021 FLOWER CALENDAR

The 2021 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!



Circle

Lettie Beatty/Acts
Ruth
Serendipity

Date/Time

Jan 6 @ 10:00 am
Jan 5 @ 7:00 pm
Jan 4 @ 6:30 pm

Location

Session Room
Session Room
FLC