

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Pastor – Rev. William Gipe

Office Administrator – Cheryl Chandler

Music Director – Dixie Forbes-Gorby

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THE SESSION

Class of 2021

Dale Burgess

Becky Hart

Vance Moore

Edie Steele

Clerk of Session: Dale Burges

Treasurer: Becky Hart

Class of 2022

Connie Brown

Reid Goodman

Brian Jackson

Joy Miller

Asst. Treasurer: Bob Edmiston

Class of 2023

Mike Anderson

Bob Edmiston

Shannon Knox

Rick Lyerly

Beth Stacy

SESSION COMMITTEES

Administration and Personnel – Bob Edmiston* & Rick Lyerly

Building and Grounds – Mike Anderson & Brian Jackson*

Christian Education and Fellowship – Dale Burgess* - Shannon Knox

Mission – Vance Moore* & Edie Steele

Nurture and Care – Joy Miller*

Outreach – Beth Stacy*

Stewardship & Finance – Becky Hart*

Worship and Music – Connie Brown* (* Chairman of Committee)

TRUSTEES

Becky Hart (2021)

Brian Jackson (2022)

Bob Edmiston (2023)

USHERS

Chairperson – Tommy McLelland

January, May, September – Brian Jackson

February, June, October – Nick Cornett

March, July, November – Matt Hagerty

April, August, December – Tommy McLelland

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Co-Moderators – Connie Brown & Lee Williams

Secretary – Melody Morrison

Treasurer – Becky Hart

Co-Historians – Pam Beaver & Pam Tulbert

Bereavement Team – Cheryl Chandler

CIRCLE CHAIRPERSONS

ACTS/Lettie Beatty Circle – Virginia Edmiston & Mary Lowrance

Ruth Circle – Lynn Britz & Judy Brumley

Serendipity Circle – Joy Miller



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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Third Sunday in Advent

December 12, 2021

10:30 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you notice a new face, please take a moment greet them & welcome them to Prospect Presbyterian Church.

PRELUDE *"Joy to the World"* arr. Raney

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE: The Candle of Joy Cornett Family

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Shepherds on a Hill

Two young shepherds: Liam Tulbert and Cole Sellers

Mary and Joseph: Nora Wolfe and Colton Hovis

Sheep Choir: PPC Young Disciples

Adult Ensemble: Dixie Forbes-Gorby, Stacey Gipe, Melody & Murdoch Morrison

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE READING **Luke 7: 18-23, 27-28, 31-35**

SERMON Rev. William Gipe

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *"Joyous Dialogue"* Jordan

*Please rise in body or in spirit CCLI#2659202 +Latecomers may be seated.
 Please place all cell phones on silent. Thank you.

GREET YOU IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST AND WELCOME all who worship here today. We trust that our service of worship will enable you to sense the presence of God & the fellowship of God's people. A nursery is available for our youngest friends in the educational building. We would love to have you become part of our church family. Please speak to any of the elders at the doors as you exit to receive more information about our congregation. We invite you to worship with us again soon.

The sympathy of the congregation is expressed to the family of Mary Helen Smith, who died on Friday, December 3, 2021. The funeral service was held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 here at Prospect Presbyterian Church with burial held at Willow Valley Cemetery.

The lovely flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in memory of William "Bill" Tulbert by his family.

Thanks to all the men of our church who provided the delicious breakfast this morning in the Family Life Center!

Today, the Third Advent candle will be lit by the Cornett family, Nick, Karen, Sam & Charleston, during the morning worship service. Come worship God, as we sing familiar Christmas carols and celebrate Christ's coming.

Reminder this afternoon: Happy Birthday Jesus, Congregational Christmas gathering in the Family Life Center, 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Food, Games, Crafts & Movie. Special Guest at 6:00 pm. You are asked to bring some finger foods to share for the party. We will be celebrating **Jesus' birthday** so every child is also invited to bring a present for a baby which will be given to a local helping agency.

We STILL have cookbooks, and they make great gifts for Christmas. You may purchase a copy of this keepsake book for \$10 from the church office.

Tuesday, December 14th, Golden Prospectors will be meeting at the home of Bob & Mary Beth Edmiston for their Christmas gathering. Lunch and everything will be provided. Hope everyone will be able to join.

Greetings from your Health Ministry!!

- Monday, December 20th- Christmas Celebration after Exercise in the FLC. Bring a finger food & join us!
- Exercise is cancelled December 23rd through December 30th.
- The nurse will be out of the office December 23rd through December 30th.
- Advent is defined in the Oxford Dictionary as "the arrival of a notable person, thing or event." That first advent was defined by the arrival of Immanuel, God with us. Jesus came to reconcile people to Himself. The barriers caused by sin between people and God was forever broken down & destroyed by Jesus' arrival. This is Good News!! Let's Celebrate our Savior!
- The Exercise Group had a great time last Thursday celebrating Advent with a time of fellowship and a game. Join us.
- Gift bags for our homebound & nursing home members are 90% distributed. I will be finishing up this week. Thank you to all that donated items, prepared bags & cards, and made deliveries. YOU have made a difference in our people's lives! THANK YOU!!!
- Red Cross Blood Drive is January 13th! Save your blood for us!!!
- Thank you to our Nurture & Care Team Members & leaders for making a difference this year in our church as well as our community. Thank you to our church family for supporting us & our outreaches.

Blessings!



During the advent season, we will display poinsettias in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 19th. Poinsettias will be available for purchase for \$7 each. We will **ONLY** order what is paid for in advance. **Orders and payment must be received in the church office by Wednesday, December 15th.** You may reserve your poinsettia in memory or in honor of someone special in your life by signing the chart in the Commons area downstairs. Please make your check to Prospect Presbyterian Church and indicate it is for the poinsettias. A list of those remembered will be in the bulletin on Sunday, December 19th.

4th SUNDAY IN ADVENT, DECEMBER 19: The **Fourth Advent** Candle **Peace**, will be lit by the Donaldson family, Kevin, Kristin, Emily & Ryan during the morning worship service.

Joy Gift Offering. In December, you will have the opportunity to participate in the Christmas Joy Offering. This offering dates to the 1930's when the Southern Presbyterian Church began to supplement the inadequate retirement income of former missionaries, ministers and church workers. 50% of this year's offering goes to aid needy retirees with the Board of Pensions and 50% goes to help Presbyterian racial and ethnic schools and colleges to continue their operations in these tough economic times. The Joy Gift offering will be received on **Sunday, December 19th**. Envelopes will be provided.

Stewardship Reminder! We hope you will remember that God gives us more than enough to be generous in the support of the ministry of Jesus Christ through Prospect Church. If you have not turned in your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible so that we may begin our budget planning for next year. They can also be mailed into the church office or dropped in the offering plate today. Thank you for your continuing and generous support of God's work in this place. Extra pledge cards are available in the Narthex.



