

## PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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7:00 am to 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Office Closed on Fridays

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## CHURCH STAFF

Pastor – Rev. William Gipe

Office Administrator – Cheryl Chandler

Music Director – Dixie Forbes-Gorby

Organist – Pat McCall

Parish Nurse – Virginia Stewart, RN

## THE SESSION

### Class of 2021

Dale Burgess

Becky Hart

Vance Moore

Eddie 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\* & Eddie 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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Organized 1824



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
*First Sunday of Christmas*

December 26, 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 *“Three Festive Carols”* arr. Hayes-Gaspard

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM *“Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella”* arr. Hayes

Dixie Forbes-Gorby, soloist

*Bring a torch, Jeannette, Isabella! Bring a torch, to the cradle run!  
 It is Jesus, good folk of the village; Christ is born and Mary's calling:  
 Ah! ah! beautiful is the Mother! Ah! ah! beautiful is her Son!*

*It is wrong when the Child is sleeping, it is wrong to talk so loudly.  
 Silence, all, as you gather around, lest your noise should waken Jesus.  
 Hush! hush! See how fast He slumbers; Hush! hush! See how fast He sleeps!*

*Softly to the little stable, softly for a moment come.  
 Look and see how charming is Jesus, how He is bright, His cheeks are rosy!  
 Hush! hush! See how the Child is sleeping.  
 Hush! hush! See how He smiles in dreams.*

A TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SPECIAL MUSIC *“The Snow Lay On the Ground”* arr. Pethel

SCRIPTURE READING **1 Peter 2: 4-12**

SERMON Rev. Will Gipe

\*PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*“He Is Born”*

arr. Whitworth

**\*Please rise in body or in spirit CCLI#2659202 +Latecomers may be seated.  
 Please place all cell phones and pagers 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.

**Offering Envelopes:** New Offering Envelopes are here. You can pick up your boxes in the Commons Area.

**The church office** will be closed Monday, December 27<sup>th</sup> for Christmas holiday and Thursday, December 30<sup>th</sup> for the New Year's Day holiday.

**Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be served. Please prepare your hearts and minds to receive this sacrament. If a family member is homebound and wishes to have communion brought to the home, please call the church office.

Beginning **Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>**, 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.

**Young Disciples** will meet Sunday, January 9 after church in the FLC. The parents will be preparing lunch. Come join us for lunch and our activities.

**Sunday, January 9, 2022**, the service of ordination and installation will take place during the morning worship service. Persons to be ordained and/or installed are:

**Class of 2022:** Johnny Wilkinson. Class of 2024: Karen Cornett, Van Knox, Terri McKnight, Paul Moore, and Walter Teeter.

**A Congregational meeting** is scheduled for Sunday, January 9th, for the approval of the new terms of call for our pastor.

## Greetings from your Health Ministry!!

- Exercise is cancelled December 27<sup>th</sup> through December 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The nurse will be out of the office December 27<sup>th</sup> through December 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Red Cross Blood Drive is January 13th! Save your blood for us!!!
- Exercise will resume' on Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Looking forward to seeing everyone start back to exercise and start the year 2022 off getting healthy!
- **As we approach** this new year and end 2021, let us stop and consider not just the hard times or bad times or **COVID**, but the good that happened to us. Remember those that supported you, loved you, showed you kindness even the goodness of God to you and yours. Look forward, not back. Look up, not around or down. I want to encourage you for an exciting 2022, God has not changed. God is still active and working in ALL the things around us.
- As **Covid** continues, please remember to wear a mask in crowds, wash your hands- **FREQUENTLY**, keep your hands away from your mouth, eyes, and nose, support your immune system, **AND** if you are sick, think you're sick, running a fever, **PLEASE STAY HOME** & notify Pastor Will or your church nurse. Thank You!



**The 2022 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.

**Your 2021 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. **Your Offering Envelopes are in the Commons Area.** Please pick up your envelopes as soon as possible. Thank you.

**WESTERN KENTUCKY TORNADOES RELIEF:** If you are interested in donating to assist in the tornado relief, we will be collecting donations to send to Kentucky. The Mission's Committee is in the process of searching for churches there to assist and possibly a large entity that is equipped for disasters. (Red Cross, Samaritans Purse, etc....) We've got some personal contacts in the vicinity. Make checks payable to Prospect Presbyterian Church. Once the Mission Committee makes a determination of where the funds are to be distributed, one check will be sent.

**MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM:** Unity United Methodist Church has a Mobile Meal Program that services our area. The Mission Committee has sent a donation in support of this great and much needed program. Along with financial support, they need delivery people. The delivery takes about 1 hour to 1 1/2 hours a day. They deliver Monday thru Friday. If you would like to volunteer and or have questions, please contact Vance Moore at 704-408-4828 or Unity UMC at 704-932-1605.

**Extra pledge cards** are available at the back of the sanctuary from the ushers if you did not bring yours today. They can also be mailed into the church office. Making a regular financial commitment and a commitment of your time and talents will enable the ministry of Jesus Christ to thrive in this place. Please prayerfully consider your commitments to God.

**Hart Scholarship** applications are available in the church office. Completed applications should be put in the box marked "Hart Scholarship Committee" in the commons area. The deadline for applications is February 27, 2022.

**For Prayer:**

**Missionary:**

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

**Local Church:**

Unity United Methodist Church

**Nursing Homes, Rehab & Retirement Facilities:**

Mac Atwell (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)  
Helen Barber (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)  
Anne Cloaninger (Heritage Place, Statesville)  
Helen Lyerly (Cadence Living – Mooresville)  
Meghan McSwain (Brookdale Peachtree, Statesville)  
Margaret Martin (Abernathy Laurels, Newton)  
Tink Wilkinson (Cadence Living – Mooresville)

**Please Remember:**

Thad Linker	Jo Powers
Anita & Wyatt Fesperman	Pam Beaver
Carl & Mary Agnes Wiggins	Kathy Steed
Jackie McKnight	Lib Knox
Carol & Larry Stutts	Martha Brown
Ben & Judy Stacy	Sarah Jackson
Frances Ann Neel	Roy Watkins
Violet LaShomb	Rachel Powers

**Friends & Family of the Congregation:**

Lynda Deaton Keller (*Cancer, Niece of Jean Gibson*)  
Ronnie Stewart (*Small Stroke, husband of Virginia Stewart, FCN*)  
Keaton Kotecki (*Premature baby, friends of Connie & Erskine Smith*)  
Jerry, Jody, & Vickie Ledford (*Friends of Mike Anderson & Family*)  
Michael Weller (*Brain tumor, friend of Will & Stacey Gipe*)  
Teresa Ervin (*Breast Cancer, Vi LaShomb daughter*)  
Eli Freeze (*Army, Stationed in Poland, grandson of Vicki Freeze*)  
Karen Broadway (*Brain Injury, family of the Chandlers*)  
Edgar Moore (*Lung Cancer, friend of Jean Gibson*)  
Lou Ann Compton Isenhour (*Blood Cancer, cousin of Becky Hart*)  
Jamie Hall (*longtime friend of Will & Stacey Gipe*)  
Kim Lambeth (*Cancer, Rachel Marlowe's mother*)  
Beth Segui (*Parkinson, Daughter of Betty Alexander*)  
Whitaker Raymer (*Cancer, Missionary Child*)  
Ellen Goldstein (*Cousin of Becky Hart*)  
Rita Purvis (*Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, friend Brown Family*)

**Elder On Call:** Beth Stacy (704) 746-4648

**Front Before/West After Service:** Beth Stacy

**Open/Close Church:** Dale Burgess

**Newcomer/Visitor:** Carol Linker

**Sound System:** Seth Burgess

**Nursey Volunteer:** Linda Seamon

**Children's Church:** Connie Brown, Emily Moore & Beth Stacy

**Ushers/Offering:** Tommy McLelland, Head Usher, Tommy Blackwelder, Vicki Freeze,  
Carol Linker, Tom McLelland

**This Week at Prospect:**

**1st Sunday of Christmas, December 26, 2021**

9:30 am – Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship Service / 2 Cents a Meal Offering

**Monday, December 27, 2021**

Church Office Closed for the Holiday

8:00 am – FEEDNC

6:30 pm – BSA

**Thursday, December 30, 2021**

Church Office Closed for the Holiday

**2nd Sunday of Christmas, January 2, 2022**

8:30 am – CE & Fellowship

9:30 am – Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship Service

11:30 am – Take Down Decorations

**Sunday, December 19, 2021**

<b><u>Attendance:</u></b>	Worship:	105
<b><u>Offering:</u></b>	General Fund:	\$4,460
	Development Fund:	\$25
	Christmas Joy Offering:	\$212
	Family Life Center:	\$200