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Sunday School 9:30 am
Worship Service: 10:30 am

THE GOOD PROSPECTS

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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FROM YOUR PASTOR’S KEYBOARD:

One of the toughest things Jesus tells us to do is “love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you” (Matthew 5:44). That is hard for me to do. My guess is that it is hard for you to do. This month, March, when the world celebrates Saint Patrick’s Day (March 17), let us consider the true story of Saint Patrick.

The man we know as Saint Patrick was born in Britain in the 400’s AD. He was a devout Christian. His father was a deacon in his local church. When Patrick was 16, he was captured by some invading Irishmen, taken back to Ireland and made a slave. Patrick spent six years in slavery in Ireland, mainly as a herdsman. At the age of 22, Patrick escaped slavery and returned to Britain. While home, he professed to have a vision that God told him to return to Ireland and become a missionary to the pagans in Ireland. Patrick was convinced God had spoken to him and so he returned to Ireland with great commitment. He spent the rest of his life in Christian service to the people who had once enslaved him. God used Patrick to teach and baptize thousands of people and turn the country of Ireland to Christianity. In time, Patrick became, perhaps, the most famous and beloved Irishman in history.

Loving your enemies doesn’t mean we do not acknowledge where they are wrong or that they do not need to change. Patrick knew the Irish were wrong and needed to change. Patrick, as a follower of Jesus Christ, chose to love them and work to make them better instead of hating them. Paul tells us that Jesus died for us when our sin had made us His enemies (Romans 5:10). Loving your enemies is hard, but it is something Jesus wants us to do. As we try to be faithful to Christ, let us remember that Jesus died for us to convert us from His enemies to His friends. So, on St. Patrick’s Day (and every day), let us remember the great things we can do when we rely on Christ’s power and follow His example of loving enemies, just as St. Patrick did. I hope all of you have a great March. You are loved.

Will





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)

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	Toni Wheeler
Jackie McKnight	Lib Knox
Carol & Larry Stutts	Martha Brown
Ben & Judy Stacy	Sarah Jackson
Jaime Hovis	Roy Watkins
Mary Lib Kipka	Wayne Chandler
Pearl Bell	

Friends & Family of the Congregation:

Tillie Coyne (Cancer w/hospice, neighbor of Betty Alexander)
Mike Pebbles (Hospital, friend of Jean Gibson)
Doug B. (Pneumonia / Vent – Friend of the Congregation)
Scott Wilkinson (Health Issues – son of Tink Wilkinson)
Ronnie Stewart (Small Stroke, husband of Virginia Stewart, FCN)
Michael Weller (Brain tumor, friend of Will & Stacey Gipe)
Teresa Ervin (Breast Cancer, Vi LaShomb daughter)
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)



GIVEN IN
LOVING MEMORY
OF...

MIKE DEATON
By:
Pam Tulbert

MARY HELEN SMITH
By:
Martha K. Dayvault
Corriher Grange

ROBERT “BOB” ATWELL
By:
Mac Atwell



First: My Girl's and I would like to thank everyone for your Prayers and concerns for my daughter "Teresa" {Breast Cancer}. Her surgery was successful and is doing well.

Secondly: Many Thanks for all the Prayers as I was going through the procedure for my New Heart Valve surgery! WOW! Prayers for Modern Medicine, in at 10am, surgery, home the next day at 2pm. I am doing well.

Thank you, Will and Virginia for all your calls, support and Prayers. Praise God for my great team of doctors!

Love you all,
Vi LaShomb, Alan, Debbie Teresa & Dawn



Beverley & Dave Bartlett	March 09
Tony & Lou Ann Robinson	March 27
James & Marie Parker	March 30

ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES

Suggested Donation for March

INSTANT POTATOES



MAY YOUR TROUBLES
BE LESS
and your
Blessings
be MORE
AND NOTHING BUT
HAPPINESS
come through your
door
IRISH BLESSING

FIVEheartHOME



Dave Howie	03/02
Leah Robinson	03/04
Glenda Alexander	03/06
Wayne Chandler	03/06
Mark Reid	03/10
Becky Catanese	03/11
Clayton Ervin	03/13
Mason Knox	03/14
Kevin Jackson	03/15
Elizabeth Carrigan	03/16
Matthew Hagerty	03/16
Alice Fleming	03/17
Frances Ann Neel	03/17
Lee Ann Williams	03/18
Kensley Ford	03/19
Judy Brumley	03/22
John Edmiston Jr	03/23
Anita M. Fesperman	03/26

Mark your calendars and
remember to
**SPRING
FORWARD!**

Time Change on
Sunday, March 13th!



Wash your hands
and say your
prayers
cause
Jesus
and germs are
EVERYWHERE



GOLDEN PROSPECTORS
SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, March 15, 2022. We will be having a BBQ lunch with all the fixing's. ALL are welcome. Please sign up outside the church office by Sunday, March 13th, or just let Cheryl know you are coming!



Just a reminder to bring your BJ's books to our organist, Pat McCall. They will be used by St. Mark's Lutheran Church in their Food for Days program.



Get Ready! Get Set! Go!!
Present Age Ministry Presents....
LIGHT UP THE NIGHT 5K RUN/WALK

Date: Saturday, March 26, 2021

Pre-Race Festivities: 4:30pm

Packet Pickup: 6 pm;

Race Begins: 8:00 pm

Location: LOWE'S YMCA MOORESVILLE

This is PPC's Chance to show our support for setting girls/women free from Trafficking

To sign up, go to: www.presentageministry.org



Circle
Lettie Beatty/Acts
Ruth
Serendipity

Date/Time
Mar. 2 @ 10:00 am
Mar. 1 @ 7:00 pm
Mar. 7 @ 6:30 pm

Location
FLC
FLC
FLC



EXERCISE- Mondays & Thursdays at 11am in the FLC. Join us!



St. Patrick's Day is March 17th. Celebration of this missionary to Ireland, began in the fifth century, in Ireland. St. Patrick is credited with bringing Christianity to Ireland.



As we have entered the Lenten Season, "the act of giving up something for Lent is to practice self-discipline and remember the sacrifices Jesus made."

PCRC - Post Covid Recovery Care is for anyone experiencing symptoms continuing past 4 weeks. The most common symptoms reported are vertigo, malaise (fatigue), shortness of breath, anxiety, mental fatigue or brain fog.. If you or someone you know is experiencing this, it is Real. And there is help & support. For more information visit, [AtriumHealth.org/ COVID Recovery](http://AtriumHealth.org/COVIDRecovery).

Just a little extras for your March calendar. Thanks!

March 4 - Employee Appreciation Day (Say "thank you" to a fellow employee.)

March 6 - Oreo Cookie Day (Enjoy the sweet treat!)

March 13- National Good Samaritan Day (Do a good deed for 1 person.)

March 20- National Day of Happiness (SMILE! Choose JOY!)

March 26 - Light Up the Night 5 K (at Lowes YMCA)

March 27 - National "Joe" Day

March 28 - Respect Your Cat Day

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, March 27th, Lunch & Learn in the Family Life Center at 11:45 am. Our special guest Durden Dean, from the Mooresville Lion's Club and will be talking about Camp Dogwood and all the resources that they offer. We will also be collecting your old eyeglasses for the Lion's Club.

The Nurture & Care Committee mailed out a Green Need Assessment card. If you received one, please be sure to mail it back in the envelope that was provided.

Nurture & Care will be changing it's meeting time to 6:00 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.



JANUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund:

Monthly Income through 01-31-22:	\$41,158
Monthly Expenses through 01-31-22:	\$39,757
Expenses Less than Income for month:	\$1,401

Development Fund:

Ending Balance through 01-31-22:	\$61,180
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SESSION NEWS

Your Session had its regular stated meeting on February 17th at 7pm, moderated by Rev. Will Gipe.

- ◆ Treasurer reported the General fund balance on 1/31 of \$125,057.
- ◆ Approved a return to normal worship which includes congregational hymn singing, full choir singing, and children collecting 2 cents a meal. An exception will be the serving communion and taking up of offering. We will continue using pre-packaged communion and the offering plates will remain in vestibule until the offertory at which time the ushers will bring them forward.
- ◆ Approved spending up to \$65,000 to remove and replace the flat roof portion on the Education Building and to authorize a fund-raising campaign to assist with cost. Our contractor is JMS Roofing and Sheet Metal, Inc from Statesville.
- ◆ Approved reducing cost to rent the Family Life Center for non-church functions from \$200 to \$100 for church members.
- ◆ Based on Facilities Review Team report, approved additional security measures to the nursery wing of the Education Building in support of Children's Church to include:
 - Modify entrance to nursery wing to make more secure and add a doorbell.
 - Adding panic bars to both exterior doors at Children's Music Room and remove exterior handles to prevent unauthorized access.
- ◆ The new fuel oil tank for the Education Building is complete and functional. The old large fuel oil tank has been drained and will be removed and sold.

Next Stated Session Meeting scheduled for Thursday March 17th at 7pm.

As your Session we always welcome comments.

Grace and Peace,
Rick Lyerly- Clerk of Session for 2022



Looking for volunteers to sew!

There is an organization called Dress a Girl Around the World (website: dres-sagirlaroundtheworld.com). We sew dresses to send with mission teams to little girls around the globe. We believe that all little girls deserve at least one new dress and to know they are loved by God and worthy of dignity. The dresses are very simple. Patterns and guidelines are on the website. If you have questions or might be interested in sewing for a worthwhile cause, please contact me.

Blessings,
Connie Smith
smithconniec@gmail.com and or 704-677-4277



General Prayer Requests

- **Health of team members:** Sickness is going around, and we are praying for God's protection as well as healing for those that have been affected.
- **Hiring for Case Manager:** We are hiring again! God has always brought the right person at the right time, and we have faith He will do it again.
- **Counselors:** Many people are struggling since the pandemic and counselors are booked up. We are praying that each client gets the therapeutic support they need.
- **Mentors:** Volunteer Mentors are a special relationship and support for clients. It is an extra person on their team that they can lean on, and we have girls that do not currently have mentors.
- **Strategy and wisdom:** Program elements are regularly evaluated and implemented. We are praying for kingdom strategies to provide the best care for our clients that we can.

Present Age Praises

- **Group Coordinator:** Last month we asked you to pray for the right person to step into our group coordinator role, and this month it is a praise. Previous volunteer Abby Cashion has joined us in this new staff role!
- We are starting several new **DYV Small Groups** in the near future. We have a new partnership with Cabarrus Schools that is already fruitful!
- A new **church partner** hosted us for a parent night, an awareness event, a volunteer training, and sent volunteers to organize our warehouse in the last month!

YOUNG DISCIPLES! COMING EVENTS:

Young Disciples

Young disciples will meet March 13th! More information to come. Watch the Sunday bulletins!

Egg Hunt

The church egg hunt will be Saturday, April 9th. We need your help! Please turn in all donations of eggs, candy, and small toys by March 27th, so we will have time to stuff the eggs. Thank you for your help! Outreach Committee



Keep an eye out! We are planning a church Family Game Night! The CE & Fellowship committee are planning a Friday night Family Game Night. There will be more information coming soon! Watch the bulletins for more information, date and time! Will be a great time of fellowship, games and fun!