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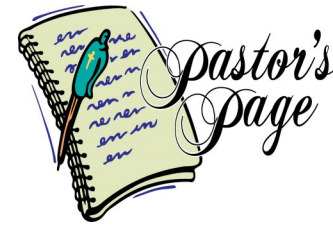
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

**Church Office Hours:**

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

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Nurse: Virginia.Stewart@carolinashealthcare.org  
Office: office@prospectpres.org



We celebrated Easter last month. As Christians, we never really leave Easter behind. Easter shapes and controls every day for us. Easter is a reminder of God's great victory. Sin and death cannot defeat HIM. Nor can sin and death defeat us when we trust in HIM. Easter is more than a date on a calendar. It is a way of living. No matter what life throws at us, if we stay strong in our faith by the grace and power of the Holy Spirit, the real hope and promise of Easter can never be taken away from us. The Resurrection shows God's power over the frustrations and sorrows of life. Even more, the Resurrection gets us rightly focused on the joy and purpose of this life and the promise of eternal life in the Kingdom.

This month we are talking in the sermons about what Paul refers to as "the power of the Resurrection". How do we understand that power and how do we live in that power? We will be working on understanding this power and how it changes our lives. We will be talking about how to use this power to honor our great God with the way we live, to be a greater blessing to those around us and to enjoy our lives more and more.

As the resurrection of Jesus Christ becomes more and more real to us, we will have this great power: We will be more confident and optimistic. We have an assurance that God has it and God has us. We will be able to face and address the troubles of life while also being less worried and less afraid of those troubles. We will grieve when losses and disappointments come but we do not despair. We will not be so easily hurt by the slights and the mistakes of people around us. We can forgive people more easily. We can love people but we will not be so dependent on their approval. We can have a joy that feeds us and overflows to others in our lives. We will enjoy life but will not be so tied to the things of the world. We can enjoy our blessings and enjoy sharing them with those in need. We can enjoy our love for God and others, knowing that they can last forever. My friends, I am convinced these are just a few of the great things that come with knowing Christ and the power of His resurrection. This month, please know and enjoy how much you are loved and use the power you have to do God's good work in your life.

*Will*



**SAVE THE DATE!** VBS will be June 28th - 30th from 5:30 to 8:00 pm  
dinner will be from 5:30 to 6:30 pm and then VBS will be from 6:30 to 8:00  
pm. If you would like to volunteer please text Emily Moore 704-816-9920  
and / or Amanda Wolfe @ 704-918-0442.

To register your child please email  
[prospectpresvbs@gmail.com](mailto:prospectpresvbs@gmail.com) their name, age, allergies,  
parent contact information and shirt size.





### The Hart Scholarship Awards

The Hart Scholarship Awards will be presented on **Sunday, May 22nd**, during worship. Please be present for worship and this celebration of achievement and education. Any questions, contact Lee Williams.

**Help needed!** On Sunday, June 5th the Heritage and Worship committees are hosting a lunch after church. We want help identifying old pictures from years past. We especially need help from our older generation members. There a lot of really neat pictures - come out to help us and relive the past! To learn more contact Karen Cornett.



**Nurture and Care** is forming a *Shepherd Group* that will meet quarterly and Shepherds will maintain connections with Prospect members. If you would like to serve as a Shepherd, and or have any questions, please contact Joy Miller at 919-698-7946 and leave a message if you call during the day.

### Youth Puppet Ministry!

Do you like the “Muppet” style puppets? If so, keep reading. Puppets bring a lot of laughter and joy to all ages and they can share the Gospel too! Youth and adults, contact Joy Miller at 919-698-7946 or [clm101@msn.com](mailto:clm101@msn.com) to become a puppeteer or help with our puppet ministry and let’s have lots of fun together!



### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

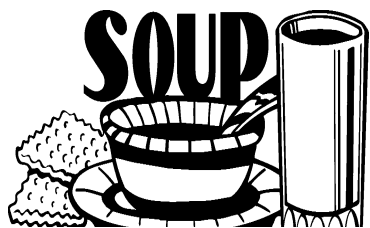
Bill & Becky Hart	May 1
Van & Violet Knox	May 5
JR & Debi Wilkinson	May 8
Dicky & Alice Fleming	May 12
Bob & Jan Spear	May 14
Kevin & Kristin Donaldson	May 24
Chip & Lynn Atwell	May 27

Marie Parker	05/01
Cathy Steed	05/01
Linda Seamon	05/02
Stephen Hart	05/03
Tripp Booth	05/04
Tink Wilkinson	05/04
Robin Anderson	05/06
Phyllis Hilton	05/07
Virginia Edmiston	05/10
Zoie Randall	05/13
Walter Teeter	05/13
William Carrigan	05/15
Dicky Fleming	05/15
Ella Mae Stewart	05/16
Clint Carpenter	05/19
Millette Mills	05/19
Dennis Brumley	05/25
Nyra Moore	05/25
Reece Stapleton	05/25
Emily Donaldson	05/30
Pearl Bell	05/31

### ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES

Suggested Donation for May:

### CANNED SOUP



We are looking for volunteers to help with our Preschool class and Godly play class for Sunday school in the fall. If you are interested in serving please call/text Shannon Knox 704-662-4191



<u>Circle</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Lettie Beatty/Acts	May 4 @ 10:00 am	FLC
Ruth	May 3 @ 7:00 pm	FLC
Serendipity	May 2 @ 6:30 pm	FLC



### CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

**Village Park Kannapolis on June 5th,  
Shelter B at 3:00 to 8:30pm**

Bring your whole family for our congregational picnic at Village Park in Kannapolis off of West C Street. We have reserved shelter B. Come enjoy the park anytime during the afternoon. Your CE & Fellowship Committee will handle the cooking. Dinner will be 6 pm at shelter B. Bring lawn chairs! Church will provide the food and drinks. Hamburgers and Hot dogs! Activities to do: Carousel / Train rides / Splash pad etc. Any questions, please contact Dale Burgess or Shannon Knox







**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)  
People in Eastern Europe

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

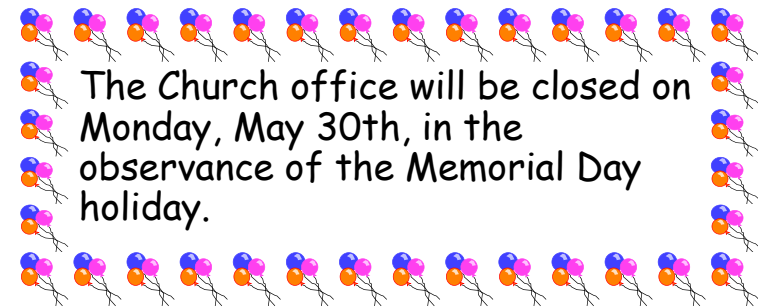
Mac Atwell (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)  
Helen Barber (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)  
Anne Cloaninger (Heritage Place, Statesville)  
Helen Lyerly (Cadence Living – Mooresville)  
Meghan McSwain (Brookdale Peachtree, Statesville)  
Margaret Martin (Abernathy Laurels, Newton)  
Tink Wilkinson (Cadence Living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

**Please Remember:**

Thad Linker	Jo Powers
Anita & Wyatt Fesperman	Pam Beaver
Carl & Mary Agnes Wiggins	Toni Wheeler
Jackie McKnight	Lynda Fries
Carol & Larry Stutts	Martha Brown
Ben & Judy Stacy	Sarah Jackson
Jaime Hovis	Roy Watkins
Mary Lib Kipka	Pearl Bell

**Friends & Family of the Congregation:**

Troy Horton ‘s family (*friend of Dale Burgess*)  
Janet Baker (*Cancer, friend of John Edmiston*)  
Nancy Shinn (*Health Issues, cousin of Frances Ann Neel*)  
Rachel Shinn Stone (*Breast Cancer, cousin of Frances Ann Neel*)  
Tillie Coyne (*Cancer w/hospice, neighbor of Betty Alexander*)  
Mike Pebbles, (*Friend of Jean Gibson*)  
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*)  
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 ...**

**SUE JACKSON CARRIKER**  
*By:*  
Betty Alexander

**WILLIAM “BILL” F. TULBERT**  
**CRAIG C. BROWN**  
**LUCILLE H. BROWN**  
**ZELLA H. CAUBLE**  
**J. FRANK CAUBLE**  
*By:*  
Pamela B. Tulbert

**BOB ATWELL**  
*By:*  
Mark & Patti Bell

**RALPH & RYAN RUTHERFORD**  
*By:*  
Doris Rutherford



***She’s Our Mother***

*She's a gift to her children  
Our strong devotion each day  
A hand in our hand  
A breath of fresh air along the way  
She's our good fairy godmother  
A mighty mom everywhere  
The sun in the morning  
She's our daily prayer  
She's our encouraging voice  
As we grow day by day  
The rose in the vase  
The shine on a cloudy day  
She's God's angel sent from heaven  
Our bright star in the night  
The queen of our souls  
She's our shadow in the light  
A comfort when she holds you  
A memory when she's gone  
A million tiny heart beats  
The music in a song  
She's a love that's everlasting  
Worth more than diamonds and gold.  
We thank God for our mothers  
A sacred treasure to behold*



**Session News**

Your Session had its regular stated meeting on April 21st at 7pm, moderated by Rev. Will Gipe.

Treasurer reported balances on 4/19:

General Fund balance - \$98,855  
Family Life Center balance - \$16,936  
Elevator Fund balance - \$531,016

- \* Denied a request from the owners of McCann’s Place to use our parking lot for their food truck and use of our kitchen facilities until they can find a new permanent location as this would be too much of a liability for us.
- \* Approved spending \$3,241.69 to install a new removeable “mullion” on the 8ft tall exit doors on the Family Life Center. Due to their size these doors do not lock consistently even after they have been repeatedly adjusted. This “mullion” will ensure the doors lock each time and it can be easily removed if both doors need to open to move a large item through. True Craft Builders (FLC contractor) will perform installation.
- \* Approved inquiry with Christian Tours about purchasing one of their used small buses that does not require a CDL.

Continued with Facilities Review Committee Recommendations:

- \* Approved spending up to \$10,000 from the General Fund for security measures to the nursery wing of the Education Building in support of Children’s Church. True Craft Builders provided quote of \$7,470.46 which includes:
- \* Remove left hand door and install right hand door /jamb with tempered glass sidelight and exit device to prevent unauthorized access.
- \* Replace current locks with new exit devices on both exterior doors at Children’s Music Room prevent unauthorized access.
- \* Paint jamb and door panel
- \* Approved to begin “spring cleaning” of all buildings. In the next month or so the committee chairs will be organizing a review of room by room, keeping what is useful and important, offering remaining items to members or donating to others. Any remaining items will be discarded as trash.

Next Stated Session Meeting scheduled for Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

As your Session we always welcome comments.

Grace and Peace,  
Rick Lyerly- Clerk



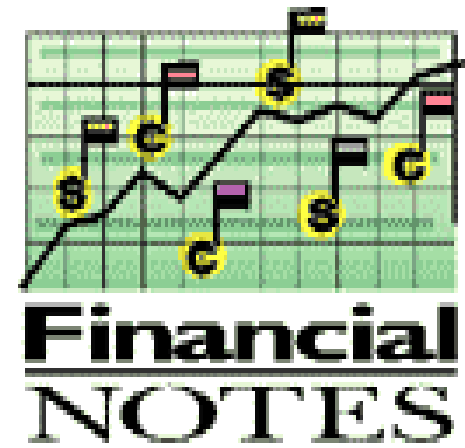
**MARCH FINANCIAL REPORT**

**General Fund:**

Monthly Income through 03-31-22:	\$29,476
Monthly Expenses through 03-31-22:	\$36,591
Expenses Greater than Income for month:	\$7,115

**Development Fund:**

Ending Balance through 03-31-22:	\$59,347
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Bluegrass Sing-a-Long

The Worship/Music Committee invites you to a Bluegrass sing-a-long featuring our own Matt Sellars Please join us on **Sunday, May 1st** in the Family Life Center for lunch, music, and some good times. Hope to see everyone there. Worship Committee



Camp Grier

The Young Disciples annual trip to Camp Grier will be **May 21 and 22**. We will be doing the climbing wall and zip line Saturday afternoon. Please let me know if you are planning to go. I need to know how many are just going for Saturday and how many will be spending the night so I can get a number for breakfast. Please text me with your information . Thanks!  
Connie Brown 704-427-1860



Who are our Graduates!

If you are a 2022 graduate of either an area high school or college, we want to know of your accomplishment. Please let the church office now by May 12, your name and the school you are graduating from as soon as possible. We plan to recognize your achievement and we don't want to miss anyone! Please be present in worship on May 22, 2022, for a special time of recognition.

MOTHER DAUGHTER BANQUET

Sunday, May 15th at 5:00 p.m.

Mothers and Daughters,  
Our annual Mother-Daughter Banquet will be on Sunday, May 15th, at 5:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Invite your family and friends for an evening of fun and fellowship. Bring your favorite salads, finger foods, or dessert. We will be collecting items for the Community Pregnancy Center of Lake Norman. They are in need of diapers (no new born), boy clothing (newborn to 18 month), sleepers, onesies up to 24 months, boys shoes, socks, and bibs, Johnson and Johnson baby wash, shampoo and lotions, crib sheets, unscented baby wipes (Parents choice at Wal-Mart and Up and Up at Target), and any summer maternity clothes. We hope to see you there! Women of the Church



Mothers & Daughters

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Names:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

"Seeking Sisters in Faith" to join a Special Group of Women who encourage one another throughout the year. This group will secretly ensure their Sister in Faith knows she is loved, prayed for encouraged, and Enough! If this is something, you would like to participate in or have questions about please contact Becky Catanese @ 704-239-0108 or Judie Sellers @ 704-791-9764, for more information. Details on start date will be shared soon!"



Baby Bottles

Due to your support our church collected \$2067.70 for the Lake Norman Community Pregnancy Center. Thank you so much. Connie Brown



Thank you to all who donated to the Kentucky Tornado relief. We sent \$2000 in donations to Western Kentucky Presbytery. Donations will be used to help Mayfield Presbyterian Church, which was completely destroyed. Your donations will be helping another church continue their ministry.



Children's Choir

A couple of kids asked me after their morning what we would be singing next? **WOW...** I was thrilled. I do have an easy idea for May and it attaches to their learning for the last presentation. It would be done in the May 22nd Service.

**PLEASE** let me know if that is a Sunday your children will be present.

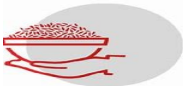
**We will only have ONE chance to practice. MAY 15!!!**

So **May 15 during Children's Church**. If you **CAN'T** be there for this practice, you will have a YouTube option. And May 22 to sing. If I don't hear back from you, I will assume you are not able to participate.

Thanks so much... this group is making me think about a Music Day Camp Saturday in September!!

Love to you all and may God's Peace reign in your homes,

**Work Day at Camp Grier:** Members of the Mission Committee are going to Camp Grier on **Saturday, May 21**, to help with painting projects. (Yes, we're piggybacking on the Young Disciples' trip.) We don't have a lot of details at this point except for: we'll leave early that day, go up and work, and then return that night. We welcome all the help we can get! If interested, please contact Terri McKnight or Van Knox.



Save the Date:

The Mission Committee will host a Rise Against Hunger meal-packing event on **Saturday, June 4**, from **9am-12pm**. Anyone of any age can help with this, so all are welcome. Plan to come join us for service and fun. More details will be in the May newsletter.

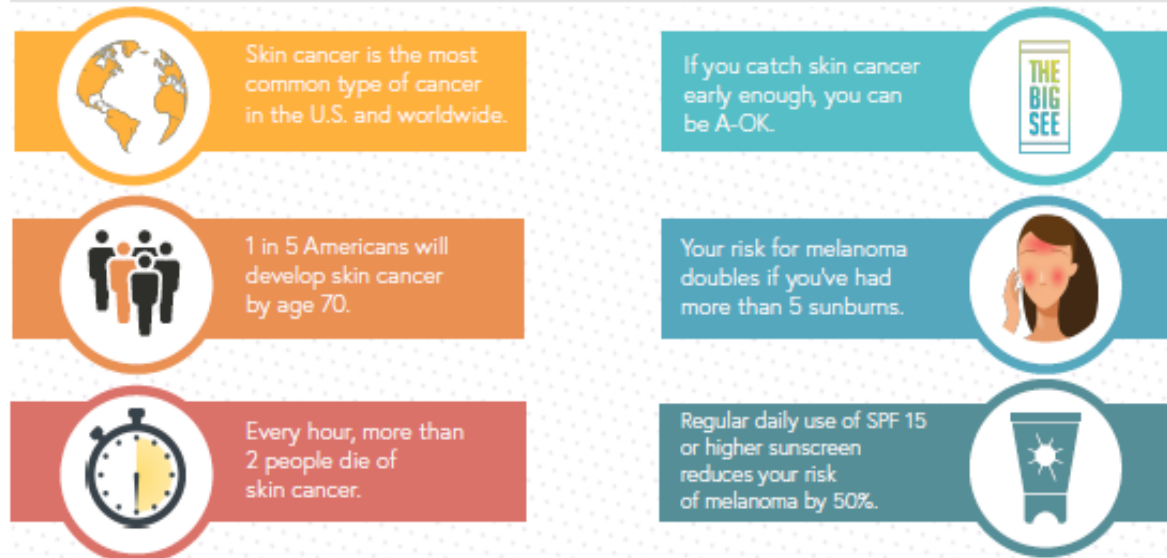






## Skin Cancer Prevention Starts with You!

### Get the Facts About Skin Cancer



### 9 Ways You Can Protect Your Skin



### Greetings from your Health Ministry!!



- ♦ **Exercise** - Mondays & Thursdays at 11am in the FLC. Join us!! We have room for you & are practicing social distancing, mask wearing & Hand Hygiene.
- ♦ **JOIN US! Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 6pm for a NEW class entitled: "Take Back Your Temple", OVERCOMING EMOTIONAL EATING GOD'S WAY!** A 6-week class to help you Escape Emotional Eating. **ALL** are invited. Class is limited to 20 participants and will last 1 hour. **You Are Worth It.** Let me or Cheryl know if you plan to attend. Books will be given out at the first gathering. Any questions, please give us a call or email. May 2 - June 13; Mondays @ 6pm-6:45pm in the FLC "Overcoming Emotional Eating God's Way", by Kimberly Taylor **JOIN US!! Invite a FRIEND! (No Class Monday, May 30)**
- ♦ **'Happy Mother's Day'** from your Nurture & Care Team
- ♦ **June 12** - Refresher **AED Class** after church, in the FLC, lasting approximately 30 minutes. All are Welcome.
- ♦ I have forms available for **Advance Directives & Healthcare POA.**
- ♦ **Hospice & Palliative Care of Iredell County** is pleased to offer both in-person and virtual grief & loss support groups for adults. In-person groups will begin in May 2022 and will be limited to 10 people. We respectfully ask that if you are experiencing any symptoms of illness or have had a known COVID exposure that you do not attend. Masks not required, but strongly encouraged. To attend an in-person group please call (704) 924-4335. To participate in virtual grief group please email [randyb@hoic.org](mailto:randyb@hoic.org)
- ♦ **Thank you for your "labor of LOVE"** regarding the Prayer Shawls & Lap Robes/Quilts. Hospice of Iredell picked up their shawls & quilts. They were overwhelmed with your love & kindness.
- ♦ **MAY is Skin Cancer Awareness Month.** Skin Cancer is on the rise and is the most often type of "Cancer" diagnosed. Together, let us do our part to prevent & decrease Skin Cancer Occurrences. **Remember, S.P.I.E.**
  - \* "S" Sunscreen on BEFORE going out.
  - \* "P" Hats, Sunglasses( Shades), Long sleeves, Shade for Protection
  - \* "I" INSPECTION of your skin monthly, looking for changes in color, size or shape of spots, new areas or sores that will not heal.
  - \* "E" Early Detection & Treatment is the key to decreasing Skin Cancer.
- ♦ **Save the DATE for :** JULY 28 - **Red** Cross Blood Drive
- ♦ **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS**....sponsored by Hospice of Iredell . There are 2 in - person groups and 1 Zoom Group. The groups meet monthly. For more information or to register contact Randy Berryhill @ 704-924-4335.

## **GOLDEN PROSPECTORS ARE ON THE MOVE!**

### **Save the Date & SIGN UP EARLY:**

**DATE:** Thursday, May 26, 2022

**TIME:** 10:15 am / Meet at the Church

**PLACE:** The Classic Restaurant in Denton, NC



Hope everyone will sign up and plan to go on the lunch outing to the Classic Restaurant in Denton, NC. We will meet at the church at 10:15 am and load up the van so that we will arrive at the restaurant when they open at 11:00 am.

The Classic Restaurant has a buffet and or you can order off the menu. The cost of the buffet is \$11.99 per person for adults plus your drink.

If you have any questions, please call the church office. This trip will be the Golden Prospectors get together for the month of May.

**PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE OR SIGN UP OUT SIDE THE CHURCH OFFICE!**



## **GOLDEN PROSPECTORS PLANNING AHEAD!**

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

**DATE:** Thursday, June 16, 2022

**TIME:** 10:15 am / Meet at the Church

**PLACE:** Catawba Queen / Queens Landing

**RATES:** (Includes cruise & boxed lunch)

- Adults - \$26.99
- Seniors (ages 65+) - \$24.99

**DURATION:** 2 hours (The first 30 minutes is for boarding)

### **About the trip:**

View Lake Norman's unique beauty from the Mississippi River boat "Catawba Queen". Equipped with a fully functional bar and kitchen box lunches from Jack's Lakeside Grill are served while on your 1 1/2 hour sightseeing tour. Enjoy our open air deck as the captain tells you the history of Lake Norman and gives you a narrative on some of the celebrity homes.

