

## PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## CHURCH STAFF

Pastor – Rev. William Gipe  
Office Administrator – Cheryl Chandler  
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Organist – Pat McCall  
Parish Nurse – Virginia Stewart, RN

## THE SESSION

### Class of 2022

Connie Brown  
Brian Jackson  
Joy Miller  
Johnny Wilkinson

### Class of 2023

Mike Anderson  
Bob Edmiston  
Shannon Knox  
Rick Lyerly  
Beth Stacy

### Class of 2024

Karen Cornett  
Van Knox  
Terri McKnight  
Paul Moore  
Walter Teeter

Clerk of Session: Rick Lyerly  
Treasurer: Becky Hart

Asst. Treasurer: Bob Edmiston

## SESSION COMMITTEES

**Administration and Personnel** – Bob Edmiston & Walter Teeter\*  
**Building and Grounds** – Mike Anderson, Brian Jackson\*, Paul Moore & Johnny Wilkinson  
**Christian Education and Fellowship** – Shannon Knox\* / Beth Stacy  
**Mission** – Terri McKnight\* / Van Knox  
**Nurture and Care** – Joy Miller\*  
**Outreach** – Beth Stacy\* / Shannon Knox  
**Stewardship & Finance** – Bob Edmiston\* & Van Knox  
**Worship and Music** – Connie Brown\* & Karen Cornett

(\* Chair of Committee)

## TRUSTEES

Brian Jackson (2022)  
Bob Edmiston (2023)  
Walter Teeter (2024)

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Co-Moderators – Connie Brown & Lee Williams  
Secretary – Melody Morrison  
Treasurer – Becky Hart  
Co-Historians – Pam Tulbert  
Bereavement Team – Cheryl Chandler

## USHERS

Chairperson – Tommy McLelland  
January, May, September – Brian Jackson  
February, June, October – Nick Cornett  
March, July, November – Matt Hagerty  
April, August, December – Tommy McLelland

## CIRCLE CHAIRPERSONS

ACTS/Lettie Beatty Circle – Virginia Edmiston & Mary Lowrance  
Ruth Circle - Judy Brumley  
Serendipity Circle – Joy Miller



## Prospect Presbyterian Church

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Organized 1824



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent

December 11, 2022

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" Hayes-Gaspard

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

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN "It Came upon the Midnight Clear" No. 128

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM "And the Stars Sang" Martin  
Amy Weatherman, Soloist

*In the shadow of a stable, in the loneliness of night,  
A mother rocks her baby by a single candle's light.  
And as the world lay sleeping, she prays in whispers low:  
"God grant to us a lullaby, one song to bring us hope."*

*And the stars began to sing, and the heavens rang with praise,  
And the angels filled the night with music sent from the heart of God.*

*By the gentle glow of starlight, Mary wipes a falling tear.  
She stares in silent wonder at the baby she holds near.  
And her soul is filled with glory, and her heart is filled with praise.  
Through her tears of joy, she tries to sing what words can never say.*

*And the stars began to sing, and the heavens rang with praise,  
And the angels filled the night with music sent from the heart of God,  
Music from the heart of God.*

A TIME FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

OFFERTORY "Once in Royal David's City" arr. Callahan

SCRIPTURE READING John 8: 26 - 40

SERMON Rev. William Gipe

\*PROFESSION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

\*HYMN Infant Holy, Infant Lowly No. 143

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Gloria Patria  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen, Amen.*

\*POSTLUDE "Postlude on 'Gloria'" Payne

\*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.

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

**Today is the Third Sunday in Advent;** the **Third Advent** candle will be lit by the Booth family, Meredith, Tripp & Shelby.

**Reminder this afternoon: Happy Birthday Jesus, Congregational Christmas** gathering in the Family Life Center, 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Food, Games, Crafts, & a 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.

## Greetings from your Health Ministry!!

- **EXERCISE** –We meet every Monday and Thursday at 11:00 am in the FLC. Hope to see you.
- **NO EXERCISE** December 12<sup>th</sup>. Exercise group will be going to China Grove Family restaurant for their Christmas get together.
- **No Nurture & Care Meeting during December.**
- **Volunteers Needed:** When? When you are available? Where? Unity United Methodist Church Meals Delivery Program. How much time will it take? Usually 2 hours for a route. How can I talk to someone? Call Joann at 704-932-7607
- **Delivery of bags** to our Homebound Members & Friends is happening throughout this week. We filled 30 bags with all kinds of goodies because of **YOUR GENEROSITY!** Thank you so much!!
- **January 12<sup>th</sup> 2:30 - 7pm BLOOD DRIVE WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.** Contact Carol Linker to sign up or go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) & select Prospect Presbyterian under upcoming drives! Thank you for saving lives & making them better.
- **NO EXERCISE** - Monday, December 26th.
- **Nurture & Care** will be delivering their gifts on December 15<sup>th</sup> to their adopted family from Home of Mooresville.

**During the advent season, we will display poinsettias** in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 18th. Poinsettias will be available for purchase for **\$8** 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 18th.

**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 18th.** Envelopes will be provided.

**SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>,** Golden Prospectors will be meeting in the Family Life Center at **12:00 pm** for their Christmas gathering. This will be a covered dish. Please bring a side dish and your favorite dessert to share. The meat will be provided. **ALSO,** please bring a White Elephant gift to play a Christmas game! Hope everyone will be able to join. **DON'T FORGET WE CHANGED THE TIME!**

**Eat Healthy\* Be Active Community Workshops:** Join me for 6 different and fun sessions. Beginning: Monday January 2, 2023. When: 6-7 pm. Where: Friendship Classroom / Concordia Lutheran Church. 1<sup>st</sup> 4 workshops will be Jan 2, Jan 9, Jan 16 and then Jan 23. (Workshops 5 and 6 will be sometime in February.) The focus of the workshops is to give individuals tips and tools to eat healthy and be physically active to promote good health and reduce the risk of chronic diseases. Mary Anne Miller MSN, RN Faith Community Nurse / Concordia Lutheran Church / 704-857-2163. ext 3

**SECRET SISTERS:** We have truly enjoyed this journey with each of you and look forward to participating again in 2023. Dates to remember as we enter 2023!! Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, Complete and Return your Secret Sister Questionnaire for 2023 by Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> the Secret Sister 2023 names will be available for Pick Up. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me! Drop off the form at the church or email. Judie Sellers, Cell # 704.791.9764 Email: [colesmom0903@gmail.com](mailto:colesmom0903@gmail.com)

**January 8th** we are going to Kick off the New year with Sunday School refreshments from 9:15 to 9:45 in the education building.\*Maybe if you can put something about joining a Sunday school class that would be great too..

**For Prayer:**

**Missionary:**

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

**Local Church:**

Bethel Presbyterian Church

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

Mac Atwell (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)  
Helen Barber (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)  
Dick Bennett (Green @ Maple Leaf - Statesville)  
Helen Lyerly (Cadence Living – Mooresville)  
Meghan McSwain (Brookdale Peachtree, Statesville)  
Margaret Martin (Abernathy Laurels, Newton)  
Judy Stacy (Northlake House, Charlotte)  
Tink Wilkinson (Cadence Living – Mooresville)

**Please Remember:**

Jo Powers	Pam Tulbert
Thad Linker	Ella Mae Stewart
Anita & Wyatt Fesperman	Lynda Fries
Phyllis Carrigan	Eddie Teeter
Jackie McKnight	Roy Watkins
Carol & Larry Stutts	Wade Carrigan

**Friends & Family of the Congregation:**

Amy & Mike Corriher (*Amy Breast Cancer, friends of the Lyerly's*)  
Fiona Ogle (*granddaughter of Mike & Beth Stacy*)  
Mary Yeager (*Hip Surgery, friend of the congregation*)  
Jo Beatty & Mack Robinette (*friends of the congregation*)  
Bruce Ann Steadman (*granddaughter of Betty Alexander*)  
Eric Johnson (*Cancer, friend of Sarah Russell*)  
Nancy Dwyer (*Sickness, friend of Pam Tulbert*)  
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*)  
Gerry Steele (*family of Edie Steele*)  
Scott Wilkinson (*Health Issues – son of Tink Wilkinson*)  
Michael Weller (*Brain tumor, friend of Will & Stacey Gipe*)  
Teresa Ervin (*Breast Cancer, Vi LaShomb daughter*)  
Edgar Moore (*Lung Cancer, friend of Jean Gibson*)

**Elder On Call:** Rick Lyerly 704-663-9083

**Open/Close Church:** Rick Lyerly

**Sound System:** Don Truedson

**Children's Church:** Meredith Booth

**Newcomer/Visitor:** Carol Linker

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

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent, December 11, 2022**

9:30 am - Sunday School  
10:30 am - Worship / Lighting of the Advent Candles  
4:00 pm - Congregational Christmas Party  
6:00 pm - Special Guest

**Monday, December 12, 2022**

11:00 am – Exercise Class Out to Lunch  
6:30 pm – BSA  
7:00 pm – Choir Practice

**Wednesday, December 14, 2022**

6:30 pm – Dinner & Bible Study

**Thursday, December 15, 2022**

10:00 am – Bible Study  
11:00 am – Exercise Class  
7:00 pm – Session Meeting

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent, December 18, 2022**

8:00 am – Christmas Breakfast  
9:30 am - Sunday School  
10:30 am - Worship / Lighting of the Advent Candles

**Want an easier way** to give or donate to the church? Just scan our **QR Code!** On the “To” line Select where or what you would like to give to and or you may select **OTHER** and put in the memo section what you would like to give to. Thank you.

**Sunday, December 4, 2022**

**Attendance:**                      Worship:      115

**Offering:**    General Fund:              \$4,766  
                  Development Fund:            \$45



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