

## PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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### Class of 2023

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### Class of 2024

Karen Cornett

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Terri McKnight

Paul Moore

Walter Teeter

Asst. Treasurer: Bob Edmiston

### Class of 2025

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## SESSION COMMITTEES

**Administration and Personnel** –Bob Edmiston, Bill Hart & Walter Teeter\*

**Building and Grounds** – Mike Anderson\*, Paul Moore & Johnny Wilkinson

**Christian Education and Fellowship** –Shannon Knox\* / Beth Stacy

**Mission** – Terri McKnight\* / Van Knox

**Nurture and Care** – Joy Miller\* & Lee Williams

**Outreach** – Beth Stacy\* / Shannon Knox

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**Worship and Music** –Karen Cornett\*

(\* Chair of Committee)

## TRUSTEES

Bob Edmiston (2023)

Walter Teeter (2024)

Bill Hart (2025)

## 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 Tulbert

Bereavement Team – Cheryl Chandler

## CIRCLE CHAIRPERSONS

ACTS/Lettie Beatty Circle –Mary Lowrance

Serendipity Circle – Joy Miller



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# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## *1st Sunday in Advent*

December 3, 2023

10:30 am

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please sign the Friendship Pad located at the center aisle of each pew. If you are a visitor, please give your full name, address, email & telephone number. If you notice a new face, please take a moment greet them & welcome them to Prospect Presbyterian Church.*

PRELUDE **"Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming"** arr. Carolyn Hamlin

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE: The Candle of Hope Marlowe Family

RESPONSIVE LITANY: **The Wonder of the Season**

Advent is a time to remember the wonders of our faith.

**God has done wonderful things, things planned long ago.**

Advent is a time to be amazed at God's wondrous love.

**God has done wonderful things, things planned long ago.**

Advent is a time to retrace our past and reclaim the hope of our future.

**God has done wonderful things, things planned long ago.**

Advent is a time to be awed by God's unfolding plan for creation.

**God has done wonderful things, things planned long ago.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN **"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"** No. 123

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM **"Walk in The Light"** arr. Andre Thomas

We'll walk in the light, beautiful light,  
Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.

Shine all around us by day and by night,

Jesus, the Light of the world. (Repeat)

Hark! the herald angels sing, Jesus, the Light of the world;

"Glory to the newborn King." Jesus, the Light of the world.

Walk in the light, beautiful light,

Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.

Shine all around us by day and by night, Jesus, the Light of the world.

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Jesus, the Light of the world;

Christ, the everlasting Lord!

Jesus, the Light of the world.

Walk in the light, beautiful light,

Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.

Shine all around us by day and by night,

Jesus, the Light of the world. (Repeat)

OFFERTORY ***Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*** arr. C. Tornquist

SCRIPTURE READING **Exodus 33: 17-23 and 40: 34-38**

**Luke 2: 8-20**

**John 1: 14-18**

SERMON Rev. Will Gipe

\*PROFESSION OF FAITH **The Apostles Creed**

\*HYMN **"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"** No. 124

\*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, a world without end.*

*Amen, Amen.*

\*POSTLUDE **"An Advent Postlude"** Charles Callahan

**\*Please rise in body or in spirit CCLI#2659202 +Latecomers may be seated.**

**Please place all cell phones on silent. Thank you.**

**We have listening assist devices available for those who would like to utilize them.**

**You may see an usher to locate one.**

**WE 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.

## Greetings from your Health Ministry!!

- **EXERCISE** –We meet every Monday and Thursday at 11:00 am in the FLC. Hope to see everyone.
- **MEDICARE ENROLLMENT** begins October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 7<sup>th</sup>. If you want to make changes or look at other plans, **NOW** is the time to do so.
- **The Nurture & Care Team will be making Christmas Bags** this year for our homebound. We will be doing this on **Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**. If you would like to help us fill the bags, your donations are greatly appreciated. Sugar free items are always appreciated. Search-A-Word/Crossword Books; pens or pencils; Coloring Books; Pudding; Snack Crackers; Note pads; gloves; socks; etc. We are planning for 30 bags. Thank you for helping us! You can place your items in the nurse's office.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> – **MAMMAGRAM Bus** @ Prospect Church, 8:30 to 11:45 am. Contact Kelly for more information.

**2nd SUNDAY IN ADVENT, DECEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>:** The **Second Advent** candle will be lit by Matt, Judie & Cole Sellers.

**Circle News:** Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, **ACTS/Lettie Beatty Circle** will have their December meeting in the family life center at 10:00 am. **Serendipity Circle** will be meeting at the home of Connie Smith at 6:30 pm for their Christmas party on **Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**.

**CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the FLC.**

**Young Disciples: Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party 4:30 -6:30 pm.** Wear your pjs and join us for the annual Christmas Party. Don't forget that the Christmas Party is for everyone that wants to attend. **Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>** Let's go caroling. Young Disciples and friends will meet after church at Village Inn for lunch and leave from there to visit several members for Christmas Caroling.

**During the advent season, we will display poinsettias** in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. 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 13<sup>th</sup>.** You may reserve your poinsettia in memory or in honor of someone special in your life by signing the chart in the commons area. 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 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**Golden Prospectors** will meet at Mary Beth and Bob Edmiston's house on **December 19<sup>th</sup>** at 12:00 noon. Lunch will be catered so you **MUST sign up!** The signup is in the church basement. Mary Beth's and Bob's address is: 1622 Mt. Ulla Hwy, Mt. Ulla, NC 28125.

**CORRECTION ANNOUNCEMENT:** Names in the December newsletter for lighting of the Advent candles. The correct names are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday is Lane, Rachel & Madison Marlowe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday will be Matt, Judie & Cole Sellers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday will be Ally & Hunter Setzer, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday AM will be Debi & Johnny Wilkinson and the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday PM will be Paul, Emily, Allison & William Moore. **Also, the time of the Christmas Breakfast was changed to 9:00 am.**

**Today is the First Sunday in Advent;** the **First Advent** candle will be lit by Lane, Rachel & Madison Marlowe, during the morning worship service.

**Lunch Today:** The Worship Committee invites the congregation to lunch today after Worship to enjoy soup and sandwiches in the FLC to celebrate the beginning of Advent season.

**We hope to see you tonight at Concordia Lutheran Church at 6:00 p.m.** for our second annual Community Christmas Program. Churches participating include Prospect Presbyterian, Centenary United Methodist, Trinity Lutheran in Landis, Vanderburg United Methodist, Fieldstone Presbyterian and Centre Presbyterian. Please join us as we welcome the Advent Season and anticipate and celebrate the birth of our Savior!

**Thank you to everyone** who has offered to provide Christmas presents for the **Mt. Ulla Elementary children** who are in need. All children are spoken for as far as Christmas gifts, but we need **congregational support** to help provide food (**non-perishable food items and paper products**) for the children's families during the holidays. **All gifts and food need to be dropped off in the library at the church no later than noon on Sunday, December 3.** If you have any questions, please contact **Beth Stephens** ([beth13@windstream.net](mailto:beth13@windstream.net) or 704-664-7185).



**For Prayer:**

**Missionary:**

Justin & Kristen Raymer (African Island Mission in Washington DC)

Brian & Christy Ward (Spokane, Washington)

Rob & Sandy Shaffer (Czech Republic)

**Local Church:**

Coddle Creek ARP

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

Mac Atwell (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)

Helen Barber (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)

Helen Lyerly (Cadence Living – Mooresville)

Margaret Martin (Abernathy Laurels, Newton)

Judy Stacy (Northlake House, Charlotte)

Margie Swiggett (Autumn Care – Statesville)

Tink Wilkinson (Cadence Living – Mooresville)

**Please Remember:**

Jo Powers	Dick Bennett
Thad Linker	Ella Mae Stewart
Anita & Wyatt Fesperman	Lynda Fries
Wade Carrigan	Eddie Teeter
Jackie McKnight	Roy Watkins
Carol & Larry Stutts	Teresa Compton
Allen Jackson	Hal Stutts
Mary Lowrance	May Dauer
Rick Yokeley	Beverly Bartlett
Wayne Chandler	Margaret Bradshaw

**Friends & Family of the Congregation:**

Helen Broadway (*Heart Issues, Mother of Cheryl B. Chandler*)

Delane Davis (*Cancer, cousin of Chuck Miller*)

Phyllis Mayberry (*Brian Bleed, Family of Mark Reid*)

Wayne Vellines (*Sickness, friend of Frances Ann Neel*)

Jan Milos (*Kidney Cancer, friend of Cristal Howie*)

Meredith Powers (*Breast Cancer, daughter in law of Rachel Powers*)

Cash McCall (*Iraq, friend of Edie Steele*)

Beth Segui' (*Parkinson's, daughter of Betty Alexander*)

Amy & Mike Corriher (*Amy Breast Cancer, friends of the Lyerly's*)

Evelyn Griffith (*Cancer, friend of Mike & Robin Anderson*)

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*)

Teresa Ervin (*Breast Cancer, Vi LaShomb daughter*)

Henry Bridges (*Cancer Friend and neighbor of Connie Brown*)

Myra Kelly (*Lung Cancer Mother of Kiki Reid & Sister of Jenny Dowdy*)

**Elder on Call:** Rick Lyerly (704) 663-9083

**Open/Close Church:** Johnny Wilkinson

**Newcomer/Visitor:** Carol Linker

**Children's Church:** Cole & Judie Sellers

**Sound System:** Stephen Hart

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

**Sunday December 3, 2023,**

8:30 am Christian Education and Fellowship Committee

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship

11:45 am – Soup and Sandwich Lunch - FLC

**Monday, December 4, 2023**

11:00 am – Exercise Class

6:30 pm – BSA

6:30 Serendipity Circle, Home of Connie Smith

**Tuesday, December 5, 2023**

6:30 pm – Choir Practice

**Wednesday, December 6, 2023**

10:00 am – ACTS/Lettie Beaty Circle, FLC

6:30 pm – Dinner and Bible Study, FLC

**Thursday, December 7, 2023**

10:00 am – Bible Study

11:00 am – Exercise Class

**Sunday December 10, 2023,**

8:00 am – Christmas Breakfast in FLC

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship

4:30 pm – Children & family Christmas Party

**Sunday, November 26, 2023**

<b><u>Attendance:</u></b>	Sunday School:	50
	Worship:	119

<b><u>Offering:</u></b>	General Fund:	\$6692
	Development Fund:	\$125
	Pennies for Hunger:	\$429

**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.



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