

## PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## CHURCH STAFF

Pastor – Rev. William Gipe

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## THE SESSION

### Class of 2023

Mike Anderson

Bob Edmiston

Shannon Knox

Rick Lyerly

Beth Stacy

Clerk of Session: Rick Lyerly

Treasurer: Bill Hart

### Class of 2024

Karen Cornett

Van Knox

Terri McKnight

Paul Moore

Walter Teeter

Asst. Treasurer: Bob Edmiston

### Class of 2025

Dale Burgess

Bill Hart

Joy Miller

Johnny Wilkinson

Lee Williams

## 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

**Stewardship & Finance** – Bob Edmiston, Bill Hart\* & Van Knox

**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**  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent*

December 10, 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.*

**RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS**

**PRELUDE**

**THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE:** The Candle of Peace      Sellers Family

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

During Advent we recall God's promises spoken through the prophets.

**The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.**

To the hurting, God promises unshakable hope.

**The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.**

To the forsaken, God promises unconditional love.

**The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.**

To the broken, God promises unmerited grace.

**The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.**

To the heavy hearted, God promises unbridled joy.

**The Word of the Lord is steadfast and true.**

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

\*HYMN      *"Angels From the Realms of Glory"*      No. 131

**PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE**

CHILDREN SINGING, SKIT & HANDBELLS      *"What Can I Give Him?"*

**OFFERTORY**

**"Born a Mighty King"**  
*Kristin Donaldson, Soloist*

Mary McDonald

*Born, born a mighty King! Creator, Sustainer,  
 Lord of everything. He would deliver the sinner, redeem from suffering,  
 This little baby was born a mighty King!*

*Born, born a mighty King! Creator, Sustainer, Lord of everything.  
 He would deliver the sinner, redeem from suffering,  
 This little baby, who made the angels sing:*

*Gloria! Gloria! This Child, who brought glory as only God could bring!  
 Gloria! Gloria! This Child was born a mighty King!*

*O, born, born a mighty King! Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
 From the darkness He would free us, eternity He brings.  
 Son of God, who made the angels sing!*

*Gloria! Gloria! This Child, who brought glory as only God could bring!  
 Gloria! Gloria! This Child was born a mighty King!*

*Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!  
 This Child was born a mighty King, a King!*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**John 1: 1-5 & 14-18**

**SERMON**

Rev. Will Gipe

\*PROFESSION OF FAITH

**The Apostles Creed**

\*HYMN

**"O Little Town of Bethlehem"**

No. 141

\*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

**"Postlude on 'Gloria'"**

Jason Payne

\*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.**

### **Greetings from your Health Ministry!!**

- **EXERCISE** –We meet every Monday and Thursday at 11:00 am in the FLC. Hope to see everyone.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> – **MAMMAGRAM Bus @** Prospect Church, 8:30 to 11:45 am. Contact Kelly for more information.

**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.

**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.

**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 24<sup>th</sup>**. Envelopes will be provided.

**Church Office Holiday Schedule:** The Church Office will be closed for the Christmas Holidays December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> and will be closed on Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup> for a New Year's holiday. Please remember that your end of the year contributions should be turned in to the church office by Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you!

***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.*

***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,** we welcome Julie & Kevin Layne as new members of Prospect Presbyterian Church. Julie will be joining by Letter of Transfer from Williamson Chapel and Kevin by Reaffirmation of Faith. Please everyone join together and welcome our new members to our Prospect family.*

**Today is the 2nd SUNDAY IN ADVENT.** The **Second Advent** candle will be lit by Matt, Judie & Cole Sellers.

**Thanks to all the men of our church** who provided the delicious breakfast this morning in the Family Life Center!

**Young Disciples: TODAY, 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.

**Serendipity Circle** will be meeting at the home of Connie Smith at 6:30 pm for their Christmas party on **Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**.

**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>**.

**For Prayer:**

**Missionary:**

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

Brian & Christy Ward (Spokane, Washington)

Rob & Sandy Shaffer (Czech Republic)

**Local Church:**

Concordia Lutheran Church

**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 (Ranson Ridge - Huntersville)

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:**

Missy Bradshaw (*Cancer, Chuck Miller's cousin*)  
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:** Beth Stacy 704-746-4642

**Open/Close Church:** Johnny Wilkinson

**Newcomer/Visitor:** Carol Linker

**Children's Church:** Meredith Booth

**Sound System:** Don Truedson

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

**Sunday December 10, 2023,**

9:00 am – Christmas Breakfast in FLC

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship

4:30 pm – Children & family Christmas Party

**Monday, December 11, 2023**

11:00 am – Exercise Class

6:30 pm – BSA

6:30 pm – Serendipity Circle @ Connie Smith's

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023**

3:30 pm – Nurture & Care Committee

6:30 pm – REFIT Class

6:30 pm – Choir Practice

**Wednesday, December 13, 2023**

**POINSETTIA MONEY DUE!**

6:30 pm – Dinner and Bible Study, FLC

**Thursday, December 14, 2023**

10:00 am – Bible Study

11:00 am – Exercise Class

**Sunday December 17, 2023,**

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship

**Sunday, December 3, 2023**

<b><u>Attendance:</u></b>	Sunday School:	50
	Worship:	120

<b><u>Offering:</u></b>	General Fund:	\$4,958
	Development Fund:	\$20
	Sanctuary Renovations:	\$500

**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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