

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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Organized 1824

BABY IN THE HAY

*There's a Baby crying in the hay, crying for a world that's lost its way.
For every broken soul who feels alone, cast away,
There's a Baby crying in the hay.*

*There's a Star that's bigger than the night. Star of David, heal us with Your light.
And all the wisemen in the world can't turn the wrongs to right,
But there's a Star that's bigger than the night.*

Refrain:

*So come, all ye shepherds, come, all ye lambs,
Bow at the manger, lift up your hands,
And join the song that angels and kings and beggars sing:
"Let earth receive the King."*

*There's a Hope that brings us to our knees,
Hope that flickers from our Christmas trees;
And all the penance in the world could never set us free,
So there's a Hope that brings us to our knees.
Refrain*

*Faith sees the manger as a throne. Hope sees the stable as my home.
Love lets me claim them as my own, my own, as my own.*

*So Come all ye shepherds, come, all ye lambs,
Bow at the manger, lift up your hands;
And join the song that angels and kings and beggared sing:
"Let earth receive the King."*

*There's a Grace that washes stains away.
It falls like snow and brings a better way,
And all the snowflakes in the sky can't cleanse our hearts today,
But there's a Grace that washes stains away through this little Baby in the hay.*

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 Dorothy Alexander and Mary McLelland, our mothers and grandmothers, by Tommy, Renee, Ally, and Tom McLelland.

Today is the 3rd SUNDAY IN ADVENT. The **Third Advent** candle will be lit by Ally & Hunter Setzer.

Today, December 17th 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.

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 20th – **MAMMAGRAM** Bus @ Prospect Church, 8:30 to 11:45 am. Contact Kelly for more information.

Golden Prospectors will meet at Mary Beth and Bob Edmiston's house on **December 19th** at 12:00 noon. 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 24th**. Envelopes will be provided.

Church Office Holiday Schedule: The Church Office will be closed for the Christmas Holidays December 25th and 26th and will be closed on Monday, January 1st 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 2nd. Thank you!

For Prayer:

Missionary:

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

Brian & Christy Ward (Spokane, Washington)

Rob & Sandy Shaffer (Czech Republic)

Local Church:

Eastside Baptist 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
Hal Stutts	Don Truedson
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: Karen Cornett (704) 657-6278

Open/Close Church: Johnny Wilkinson

Newcomer/Visitor: Carol Linker

Children's Church: Connie Brown

Sound System: Stephen Hart

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

Sunday December 17, 2023,

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship

Monday, December 18, 2023

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

11:00 am – Exercise Class

6:30 pm – BSA

Tuesday, December 19, 2023

12:00 pm – Golden Prospectors @ Bob & Mary Beth Edmiston's Home

6:30 pm – REFIT Class

6:30 pm – Choir Practice

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

8:30 to 11:45 am Mammogram Bus

6:30 pm – Dinner and Bible Study, FLC

Thursday, December 21, 2023

10:00 am – Bible Study

11:00 am – Exercise Class

Christmas Eve Sunday December 24, 2023,

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship / Joy Offering

9:00 pm – Candlelight Communion Service

Sunday, December 10, 2023

<u>Attendance:</u>	Sunday School:	50
	Worship:	134

<u>Offering:</u>	General Fund:	\$13,427
	Development Fund:	\$15

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.



SCAN ME

Poinsettia Tributes

- *In memory of William J. Edmiston by Virginia Edmiston*
- *In memory of Bob and Lucille Shinn Neel by Frances Ann Neel*
- *In memory of the Neel & Shinn Families by Frances Ann Neel*
- *In memory of Ellen & Stormy Brown by Connie Brown, Lane, Rachel, & Madison Marlowe*
- *In memory of George & Cheryl Edwards by Connie Brown, Lane, Rachel, & Madison Marlowe*
- *In memory of Dot Marlowe & Martha Brown by Connie Brown, Lane, Rachel, & Madison Marlowe*
- *In memory of Andrew “Andy” Britz by Lynn Britz*
- *In memory of Margaret & Brown Patterson & Larry Patterson by Lynn Britz*
- *In memory of Justin Ogle by Lynn Britz*
- *In memory of Henry Eason Barnes & Judith Eason Barnes by Mitchell Barnes*
- *In memory of Clara Mae Whitley by Mitchell Barnes*
- *In memory of Adam Lang Gordon by Mitchell Barnes*
- *In memory of Aubrey Price by Nancy, Chris & Stan Price*
- *In memory of Eddie Dowdy by Jenny Dowdy*
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- *In memory of Ronnie Towell by Melody Edmiston*
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