

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CHURCH STAFF

Pastor – Rev. William Gipe

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THE SESSION

Class of 2024

Karen Cornett

Van Knox

Terri McKnight

Paul Moore

Walter Teeter

Clerk of Session: Kevin Donaldson

Treasurer: Bill Hart

Class of 2025

Dale Burgess

Bill Hart

Joy Miller

Johnny Wilkinson

Lee Williams

Asst. Treasurer: Van Knox

Class of 2026

Mike Anderson

Kevin Donaldson

John Edmiston

Carla Kennedy

Mike Stacy

SESSION COMMITTEES

Administration and Personnel – Bill Hart & Walter Teeter*

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

Christian Education and Fellowship – Dale Burgess*

Mission – Terri McKnight* / Van Knox

Nurture and Care – Joy Miller* & Lee Williams

Outreach – TBD

Stewardship & Finance – Bill Hart*, Carla Kennedy, & Van Knox

Worship and Music –Karen Cornett*

(* Chair of Committee)

TRUSTEES

Walter Teeter (2024)

Bill Hart (2025)

Mike Stacy (2026)

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



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Baptism of the Lord

January 7, 2024

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 **“Three Kings’ March”** Michael Barker

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN **“As with Gladness Men of Old”** No. 163

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM **“Joy Has Dawned”** Getty-Townend
Melody Morrison, Soloist

*Joy has dawned upon the world, promised from creation:
God’s salvation now unfurled, hope for every nation.
Not with fanfares from above, not with scenes of glory,
But a humble gift of love: Jesus, born of Mary.*

*Sounds of wonder fill the sky with the songs of angels,
As the mighty Prince of life shelters in a stable.
Hands that set each star in place, shaped the earth in darkness,
Cling now to a mother’s breast, vulnerable and helpless.*

*Shepherds bow before the Lamb, gazing at the glory.
Gifts of men from distant lands prophesy the story:
Gold, a King is born today; incense, God is with us; Myrrh,
His death will make a way, and by His blood He’ll win us.*

*Son of Adam, Son of heaven, given as a ransom,
Reconciling God and man, Christ, our mighty Champion.
What a Savior, what a friend, what a glorious mystery:
Once a babe in Bethlehem, now the Lord of history.*

A TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

OFFERTORY **“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”** arr. McDonald

SCRIPTURE READING **Acts 19: 11-20**

SERMON **The Pattern of Transformation** Rev. Michael Sloan

*PROFESSION OF FAITH **The Apostles’ Creed**

*HYMN **“What Child is This?”** No. 137

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE **“Praise Ye, the Lord of Hosts”** arr. Whitworth

***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.

Today, we welcome to the pulpit Rev. Michael Sloan. Michael is married to Allison (Ali) Sloan & they have four children: Collier, Kaira, Ellia, & Ivy. He is an Associate Professor of Classics (Greek & Latin literature) at Wake Forest University & serves as one of the teaching pastors at Lloyd Presbyterian Church in Winston Salem.

Beginning TODAY, a Mitten Tree will be displayed in the narthex for a month, ready for you to decorate with hats, gloves, scarves, and mittens. Please have all items here by **Sunday, January 28, 2024**, so they can be delivered for the children to take advantage of during the coldest months. These gifts will be given to the Nazareth Children’s Home to help keep them warm.

Sunday, January 14th, the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper will be served. Please prepare your heart and mind to receive this sacrament. If a family member is homebound and wishes to have communion brought to the home, please call the church office.

Greetings from your Health Ministry!!

- **EXERCISE** –We meet every Monday and Thursday at 11:00 am in the FLC. Hope to see everyone.
- **Remember** those that have lost loved ones, the sick and the lonely. You - make a difference in people's lives and our community.
- **NO EXERCISE** - Monday, January 1st.
- **Our 1st Lunch N Learn** of 2024 is scheduled for **Sunday, January 14th at 12:00 pm** in the Family Life Center. Our topic and guest will be Community One Blood Drive and members of their staff. **Please sign up** on the board outside the church office by **Thursday, January 11th** so that we may have the proper amount of food for lunch. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Wilson, FCN or Joy Miller, Chairman of the Nurture & Care Committee.
- **Our first Blood Drive** will be held on **Tuesday, January 30** from 2:30 to 7:00 in the FLC. Use this www.oneblood.org/blood/drives. Click on **DONATE** and select by location and put in Prospect Presbyterian Church to schedule an appointment or call the church office at 704-664-1514 to speak with our FCN, Kelly Wilson. Plan Now to Give Blood and Help Save A Life!

Missionary UPDATE: During 2023 there have been some changes in our missionaries. Brian & Christy Ward and David & Karen Lookabill are no longer in the mission field. The Wards have moved back home to Washington State, Brian is teaching college at Washington State, and they are now close to both of their families. The Lookabill have moved back to Kentucky to help take care of Karen's mother. Both the Wards and the Lookabill appreciate all our support and ask that we continue to pray for them and their families as they move through this transition in the lives and continue in Christian service.

The 2024 Flower Calendar is now available in the hallway outside the church office. Please remember to sign up early for specific Sundays that are important to you such as: anniversaries, baptisms, and memorials. Also, be sure to call the office with your dedication for the bulletin at least one week early. You are responsible for purchasing the flowers for that Sunday. Several florists in the area have a key to the church and will deliver the flowers to the sanctuary. Contact the church office if you need the name of a florist. Please be sure to take the flowers with you following the service. Church staff is not responsible for flowers left in the church. Thanks for your cooperation!

SECRET SISTERS: We have truly enjoyed this journey with each of you and look forward to participating again in 2024. Complete and Return your Secret Sister Questionnaire for 2024 by Wednesday, January 10th. The forms are located on the table in the Commons Area. Sunday, January 14th the Secret Sister 2024 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

GOLDEN PROSPECTORS! Tuesday, January 16th, at 12:00 pm, we will meet at the church in the Family Life Center to discuss our plans for 2024. Please bring a covered dish to share. Meat will be provided. We look forward to seeing everyone and start the new year off right. **PLEASE** plan to join us!

Men's Fellowship: Thursday, January 18th, 7:00 pm @ the Stag n Doe in China Grove. If you have any questions or need a ride, please contact Dale Burgess at 704-662-2513.

Congregational Meeting has been set for Sunday, January 21st to approve a change of call for Reverend Gipe. Session recommends a 6% increase in his total package. His salary plus housing allowance will go from \$66,000 in 2023 to \$70,000 in 2024. The total cost to the church, when insurance, pension, FICA, and other required taxes are included, will move from \$103,612 in 2023 to \$109,855 in 2024. Also, we will have an Ordination & Installation of the **Class of 2026** Elders, Mike Anderson, Kevin Donaldson, John Edmiston, Carla Kennedy, and Mie Stacy.

Young Disciples will meet **Sunday, January 21st** after church in the FLC. Lunch will be provided.

Your 2023 Contribution Statements will be available in the Commons Area by **Sunday, January 21st**. Please review your statement and contact the church office if you have questions.

For Prayer:

Missionary:

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

Rob & Sandy Shaffer (Czech Republic)

Local Church:

First Presbyterian Church Mooresville

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:

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| Jo Powers | Dick Bennett |
| Thad Linker | Ella Mae Stewart |
| Anita & Wyatt Fesperman | Lynda Fries |
| Wade Carrigan | Rachel Powers |
| 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

Newcomer/Visitor: Carol Linker

Children's Church: Emily Moore

Ushers/Offering: Brian Jackson, Head Usher, Paul Moore, Kenny Seamon, Cole Sellers, Edie Steele

Open/Close Church: Paul Moore

Sound System: Stephen Hart

Sunday January 7, 2024

NO CE & Fellowship Committee mtg until February

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship / Guest Speaker Rev. Michael Sloan

Monday, January 8, 2024

11:00 am – Exercise Class

6:30 pm – BSA

6:30 pm – Seredipity Circle FLC

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

5:00 pm – Nurture & Care Committee

6:30 pm – Choir

6:30 pm – REFIT Class

6:30 pm – Elevator Committee

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

6:30 pm - Dinner / Bible Study

Thursday, January 11, 2024

10:00 am - Bible Study

11:00 am – Exercise Class

Sunday January 14, 2024

8:30 am – Building & Grounds Committee

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship / Communion

11:45 am – Lunch & Learn FLC

Sunday, December 31, 2023

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| <u>Attendance:</u> | Sunday School: | 50 |
| | Worship: | 113 |

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| <u>Offering:</u> | General Fund: | \$4,015 |
| | Pennies for Hunger: | \$269 |
| | Elevator Fund: | \$2,000 |

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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