

Prospect Presbyterian Church
9425 West NC 152 Hwy
Mooresville, NC 28115

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2024

Sunday School 9:30 am
Worship Service: 10:30 am

THE GOOD PROSPECTS

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
9425 West NC 152 Hwy, Mooresville, NC 28115

Church Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday: 7:00am - 5:00pm
Closed for lunch: 1:30pm - 2:30pm
Closed on Fridays

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FROM YOUR PASTOR’S KEYBOARD:

Easter is the most important day in the Christian year. Easter is a reminder of God’s great victory. Sin and death cannot defeat HIM. Nor can sin and death defeat us when we trust in HIM. Easter is more than a date on a calendar. It is a way of living. The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is not only the most important event in history, it is the most important thing that happened in each of our lives. No matter what life throws at us, if we stay strong in our faith by the grace and power of the Holy Spirit, the real hope and promise of Easter can never be taken away from us.

The challenge, and the invitation, of Easter is to make the reality of the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ the event that controls how we see our lives. It also controls how we treat those around us. The Crucifixion of Jesus shows us how much God loves us. The Father loves us enough to send His only Son to die for us. The Son loves us enough to endure the punishment our sins deserved, even going to Hell itself so HE could have us in His Kingdom forever. Knowing we are loved that much gives us a great power.

When we let the reality of the love and power of God take control of us, we will have a new power ourselves: We are more confident and optimistic. We are less afraid both of death, and the dangers and risks in life. We grieve when losses and disappointments come but we do not despair. We are not so easily hurt by the slights of people around us because we know God loves us enough to die for us. We love other people and at the same time we are not so dependent upon their approval because we know we have God’s approval. We enjoy our blessings but we are not so tied to the things of the world. We become more generous because we know the good things will not run out or be taken away from us in the Kingdom. We can enjoy our love for God and others, knowing that they can last forever. We have a new assurance that God has it and God has us. We have a fountain of joy that feeds us and overflows to others in our lives

My friends, enjoy how much you are loved and use the power you have to do God’s good work in your life.



SATURDAY MARCH 23rd
3:30 PM
Prospect Presbyterian Church
Family Life Center
9425 W NC Hwy 152,
Mooresville, NC
Easter Bunny, Crafts,
Snacks & Games!

PLEASE DON’T LITTER!

What you can do:



- Set the example for others: **DON’T LITTER**
- Pick up trash/litter in front of your home, in your neighborhood, on your road, in the parking lot; anywhere you can do it safely.
- Talk to your kids, grandkids, neighbors—no one wants to look at all that trash. Keep America clean.
- Post a Don’t Litter request on your Facebook page (personal & business)
- Ask your HOA or Church to put something in the newsletter and on their Facebook page.
- If you know a teacher (school or church) to go to the NCDOT website & look at the resource for lesson plans & handouts for litter awareness.
- Ask a business to add a Please Don’t Litter to their store window or sign.
- If you know a business owner who has employees who drive a lot, to watch for litterbugs & report them through the Swat-A-Litterbug program.





For Prayer:
Missionary:

Justin & Kristen Raymer (African Island Mission in Washington DC)
Rob & Sandy Shaffer (Czech Republic)

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)
Ella Mae Stewart (Autumn House, Statesville)
Margie Swiggett (Ranson Ridge - Huntersville)
Tink Wilkinson (Cadence Living – Mooresville)

Please Remember:

Van Knox	Nancy Robinson
Jo Powers	Dick Bennett
Thad Linker	Margaret Bradshaw
Anita & Wyatt Fesperman	Lynda Fries
Wade Carrigan	Wayne Chandler
Jackie McKnight	Roy Watkins
Carol & Larry Stutts	Teresa Compton
Hal Stutts	Don Truedson
Mary Lowrance	May Dauer
Rick Yokeley	Beverly Bartlett
Jan Spear	

Friends & Family of the Congregation:

Helen Broadway (*Heart Issues, mother of Cheryl Chandler*)
Laura Scogs (*Breast Cancer, child of Murdoch & Melody Morrison*)
Tony (*Cancer, friend and neighbor of Murdoch & Melody Morrison*)
Deborah Stenstrom (*Cancer, friend of John Edmiston*)
Vicki Brawley (*Health Issus, friend of Jody Oliphant*)
Missy Bradshaw (*Cancer, Chuck Miller's cousin*)
Phyllis Mayberry (*Brian Bleed, Family of Mark Reid*)
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*)

**GIVEN IN
LOVING MEMORY
OF . . .**

ROBERT “BOB” ATWELL
By:
Mark & Patti Bell

RACHEL POWERS
By:
Frances Ann Neel
Pam Tulbert
Elizabeth Carrigan
Linda Eller
Allen & Ann Jackson
Ann & John McElhany
Wade Carrigan
Jan Payne
The Witherspoon Family
Jenny Dowdy

JOAN “JO” BEATTY
By:
Mac Robinette
Frances Ann Neel
Michael & McCoy Martin
Families
Donald & Renda Lowe



Beverley & Dave Bartlett	March 09
Kevin & Julie Layne	March 10
Hunter & Ally Setzer	March 26
Tony & Lou Ann Robinson	March 27
James & Marie Parker	March 30

Aspire, a women's event sponsored by Ex-treme Faith Productions is offering a conference on **Saturday, March 16, 2024, at Fair View United Methodist Church in Mooresville**. This event looks like an awesome way to spend an evening! The event is from 5:00-9:00. The event features a keynote speaker, a comedian and music. Please learn about this event at <https://aspirewomensevents.com/mooresville-nc-2024/#schedule>. If you are interested in attending, Call Kelly Wilson at 980-521-6028 and come with our church group. Tickets are \$30.00 **We have 1 ONE ticket left. If we need to order more tickets, we need to order by March 5th.** We do plan to carpool so transportation should not be an issue!



Grief Support Group
GRIEF SHARE program has begun on Mondays, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. NOW, we are also meeting on Tuesday morning 10 am to 12 pm for those who don't like to drive at night. March 4th - May 14th. Any questions, please contact Kelly Wilson, FCN at 980-521-6028 and or email at Kelly.Wilson@atriumhealth.org

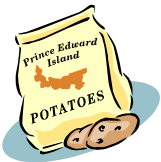


Eric Teeter	03/01
Dave Howie	03/02
Leah Robinson	03/04
Glenda Alexander	03/06
Wayne Chandler	03/06
Mark Reid	03/10
Becky Catanese	03/11
Clayton Ervin	03/13
Mason Knox	03/14
Nancy Teeter	03/14
Kevin Jackson	03/15
Elizabeth Carrigan	03/16
Matthew Hagerty	03/16
Alice Fleming	03/17
Frances Ann Neel	03/17
Lee Ann Williams	03/18
Kensley Ford	03/19
Judy Brumley	03/22
John Edmiston Jr	03/23
Anita M. Fesperman	03/26

Thanks to everyone who contributed to Undie Sundays! We have lots of undies to take to the Christian Mission, and I'm sure they will be greatly appreciated!



ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES
Suggested Donation for March
INSTANT POTATOES



GOLDEN PROSPECTORS

SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, March 19, 2024, Golden Prospectors will have a **Covered Dish lunch** in the Family Life Center at 12:00 pm. We will have music provided by our own Pat McCall. Please bring your favorite covered dish and dessert to share. Hope to see everyone there. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Beth Edmiston.



Easter Lilies will decorate our church sanctuary again this year on **March 31st, Easter Sunday**. If you would like to reserve your lily in honor of, in appreciation of, or in memory of someone special, please sign the list on the clipboard in the Commons Area. These names will be listed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. **Only the lilies that are paid for in advance will be purchased and the cost is \$8.00 each. Please have your reservation and payment made by Thursday, March 28th.** You may take your lily home after worship on Easter Sunday.

Secret Sister NEWS!

We have kicked off our Secret Sister Socials! Below are the Save the Dates for this years Socials!! We will meet in the **Family Life Center at 10:30am** for fellowship, food and fun!!! Bring your favorite treats to share. Reminder these Socials are open to any and everyone who wishes to strengthen their Faith with their Sisters!!

- Saturday, April 27th
- Saturday, June 22nd
- Saturday, August 24th
- Saturday, November 2nd
- Our **BIG** reveal is planned for Friday, December 6st @ 6pm at the Sellers Residence.



Lastly, should anyone who hasn't turned in their Secret Sister form and has decided to join throughout the year we would love to have you. Please turn your form into the church office or via email to Judie Sellers (colesmom0903@gmail.com). I will contact you for more details once your form is turned in. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me! Thank you!

All my Love,
Judie Sellers
Colesmom0903@gmail.com
704.605.1818



NEWSLETTER CHANGE:

In an effort to get the newsletter produced and out to the congregation in a more timely manner, the due date of the newsletter will Friday, March 22nd for all items & information for the month of April and Monday, March 25th for items and information from the Session. Production & mailing of the newsletter will be Tuesday, March 26st. If items or information is not received by the listed dates, they will be in the next newsletter. Thank you in advance for your attention to helping get the newsletter out on or before the 1st of the month it is due for. That way, the congregation will have the most current and up to date information.

EXERCISE- Mondays & Thursdays at 11am in the FLC. Join us!



St. Patrick's Day is March 17th. Celebration of this missionary to Ireland, began in the fifth century, in Ireland. St. Patrick is credited with bringing Christianity to Ireland.



As we have entered the Lenten Season, "the act of giving up something for Lent is to practice self-discipline and remember the sacrifices Jesus made."

GOOD FRIDAY EVENT: March 29th at 12:00 pm there will be a Good Friday Service with lunch served right after. Any questions, please contact Rev. Will Gipe.

EASTER SUNDAY: 7:30 am - Sunrise Service / 8:00 am - Easter Breakfast / 9:30 am Regular Schedule

Health Observances for March 2024:

- MARCH 1-31, 2024 / Traumatic Brain Injury Awareness Month Brain Injury Association of America www.biausa.org/public-affairs/public-awareness/brain-injury-awareness
- MARCH 1-31, 2024 National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month Colorectal Cancer Alliance www.ccalliance.org/about/awareness-month
- MARCH 1-31, 2024 National Kidney Month National Kidney Foundation www.kidney.org/content/national-kidney-month
- MARCH 1-31, 2024 National MS Education and Awareness Month® National Multiple Sclerosis Society msfocus.org/Get-Involved/MS-Awareness-Month
- MARCH 1-31, 2024 National Nutrition Month U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/ph/nnw/Nutrition
- MARCH 1-31, 2024 Workplace Eye Wellness Month American Academy of Ophthalmology www.aao.org/newsroom/observances
- MARCH 3, 2024 World Birth Defects Day Brain Injury Association of America www.worldbirthdefectsday.org/
- MARCH 9, 2024 World Kidney Day www.worldkidneyday.org/2023-campaign
- MARCH 10-16, 2024 National Sleep Awareness Week National Sleep Foundation www.thensf.org/sleep-awareness-week
- MARCH 11-17, 2024 Brain Awareness Week www.brainawareness.org/
- MARCH 15, 2024 World Sleep Day worldsleepday.org
- MARCH 18-24, 2024 National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week National Institute on Drug Abuse nida.nih.gov/research-topics/national-drug-alcohol-facts-week

Important Dates:

- Grief Share will continue to meet every Monday from 6:30pm to 8:00pm and every Tuesday from 10:00am to Noon in the Family Life Center.
- Aspire Women's Conference is Saturday, March 16th from 5:00pm to 9:00pm at Fairview United Methodist Church in Mooresville
- Lunch and learn is scheduled for Sunday, March 10th from 12:00 to 1:00. Topic Mental Health

Nurse Hours for March: Monday 11:00am to 9:00pm Tuesday 10:00am –2:00pm Wednesday 11:00am to 8:00pm Thursday 10:00am to Noon Friday 8:00am to 1:00pm (Required course for all FCN's)

Circle

Lettie Beatty/Acts
Serendipity

Date/Time

Mar. 6 @ 10:00 am
Mar. 4 @ 6:30 pm

Location

FLC
FLC



SESSION NEWS

Your Session had its regular stated meeting on February 15, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., moderated by Reverend Will Gipe.

Treasurer reported balances as of February 14, 2024, as follows:

- ♦ General Fund Balance - \$135,687
 - ♦ Development Fund Balance – \$72,878 (January)
 - ♦ Income for January 2024: \$53,850
 - ♦ Expenses for January 2024: \$52,807
 - ♦ Difference: Income/Expenses - \$1,043.00
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- Received a report regarding the renovation of the Church Sanctuary.
 - Received a report and quotes regarding the renovation of the stairwell and hallway at the rear of the church.
 - Received a report regarding the purchase of new chairs for the choir loft and approved the purchase of 20 chairs using funds from the Toni Wheeler memorial fund and CP Lowrance music fund.
 - Easter Egg Hunt and gathering will be March 23, 2024
 - Bible School will be June 11, 2024, through June 14, 2024
 - Received a report regarding the January blood drive. 25 units were collected.
 - Approved continuing education expense of \$300 for nurse Kelly Wilson.

As your Session, we always welcome comments.

Kevin Donaldson, Clerk of the Session

Annual Congregational Meeting:

The annual corporate congregational meeting was held on day, February 18, 2024. Reverend Will Gipe opened the meeting with prayer. Walter Teeter, Trustee, presented the annual report to the congregation. The annual report was approved by a unanimous vote. Reverend Will Gipe closed the meeting with prayer.



Men's Fellowship

Men's Fellowship scheduled for **Thursday, March 14th at China Grove Family Restaurant in China Grove at 7:00 pm.** Any questions, please contact Dale Burgess at 704-662-2513.

JANUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund:

Monthly Income through 01-31-24:	\$53,850
Monthly Expenses through 01-31-24:	\$52,807
Expenses Less than Income for month:	\$1,043

Development Fund:

Ending Balance through 01-31-24:	\$72,878
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Sun-

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, March 17th after church until 2:00pm, we will have Lunch and BINGO with prizes! We will have grilled cheese sandwiches and we ask for you to bring a crock pot of soup to share. Wear your **green** for good Luck! It will be **St Patrick's** Themed Bingo.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: For anyone interested in helping with **Nursery duty** for the year 2024, please sign up on the calendar for one or as many Sundays as you would like. The calendar is on the board in the Narthex. Your help will and would be greatly appreciated. For any questions or concerns, please contact Linda Seamon at 704-677-2962.



The **Mission Committee** and **Young Disciples** will host a **Rise Against Hunger** meal-packing event on **Sunday, April 21st**, right after church. We will have pizza for lunch and then the event will last until about 3pm. Our goal is to pack 20,000 meals. This is easy work and a lot of fun! There's something that anyone of any age can do. You don't have to commit to the entire time; any time you can give will be greatly appreciated. You can register for the event using this link: <http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/ProspectPres2023>. Registration prior to the event isn't required but will greatly help in our planning process, and it will save time the day of the event. Also, the cost of the 20,000 meals is \$8000, so donations towards the cost of the event are welcome. You can give donations through the church or through the event link. If you have any questions, please contact Terri McKnight or Connie Brown.



YOUNG DISCIPLES! COMING EVENTS:

Young Disciples:

March meeting will be the Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Party on Saturday, March 23rd. We will have our regular meeting on Sunday, April 14th after church in the FLC with lunch provided. .

SAVE THE DATE! Annual Easter Egg Hunt! The church egg hunt will be **Saturday, March 23rd at 3:30 pm. We need your help!** Please turn in all donations of eggs, candy, and small toys by **Sunday, March 17th**, so we will have time to stuff the eggs. There is a drop off box in the Commons Area. Thank you for your help! Outreach Committee



Easter Egg Hunt

April 21st - Rise Against Hunger





March 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>World Day of Prayer</i>	2
3 3rd Sunday in Lent 8:30 am CE & Fellowship 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service/ Communion.	4 11:00 am Exercise Class 6:30 pm BSA 6:30 pm Serendipity Circle in FLC 6:30 8pm Grief Share	5 10:00 –12:00 Grief Share 6:30 pm REFIT Class 6:30 pm Choir Practice	6 10:00 am ACTS/Lettie Beaty Circle 6:00 pm Prospect Puppets 6:30 pm Dinner & Bible Study	7 10:00 am Bible Study 11:00 am Exercise Class	8	9 DON'T Forget to change your clocks! Spring FORWARD!
10 4th Sunday in Lent 8:30 am Building & Grounds 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service/ 12:00 pm Lunch - Learn Mental Health	 11 11:00 am Exercise Class 6:30 pm BSA 6:30 8pm Grief Share	12 10:00 –12:00 Grief Share 6:30 pm REFIT Class 6:30 pm Choir Practice	13 5:00 pm Nurture & Care 6:00 pm Prospect Puppets 6:30 pm Dinner & Bible Study	14 10:00 am Bible Study 11:00 am Exercise Class 7:00 pm Men's Fellowship @ China Grove Family	15	16 1:30 pm Prospect Puppets @ Accordius 5 to 9 pm - Aspire Women's Event
17 5th Sunday in Lent 8:30 am Mission Committee 9:30 am Heritage Committee 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service 11:45 am CE Event FLC Lunch & BINGO St. Patrick's Theme	18 11:00 am Exercise Class 6:30 pm BSA 6:30 8pm Grief Share	19 1st Day of Spring 10:00 –12:00 Grief Share 12:00 pm Golden Prospectors FLC / Lunch & Music 6:30 pm REFIT Class 6:30 pm Choir Practice	20 6:30 pm Dinner & Bible Study	21 10:00 am Bible Study 11:00 am Exercise Class 7:00 pm Session Meeting	22 Newsletter DEADLINE!	23 3:30 pm Easter Egg Hunt & Party 
24 Palm/Passion Sunday 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service 11:45 am Worship Committee	25 9 am FeedNC 11:00 am Exercise Class 6:30 pm BSA 6:30 8pm Grief Share	26 10:00 –12:00 Grief Share 6:30 pm REFIT Class 6:30 pm Choir Practice	27 6:30 pm Dinner & Bible Study	28 Maundy Thursday 10:00 am Bible Study 11:00 am Exercise Class Easter Lilly Money DUE!	29 Good Friday 12:00 pm Good Friday Service w/ Lunch	30 
31 Easter Sunday 7:30 am Sonrise Service 8:00 am Easter Breakfast FLC 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service / Pennies for Hunger Offering / 1 Great Hour of Sharing Offering						



“Those Who Serve”

MONTH LONG DUTIES:

Church Opening & Closing: Seth Burgess

Ushers: Matt Hagerty, Head Usher; Dale Burgess,
Seth Burgess, Mike Stacy, Don Truedson

MARCH 3, 2024

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Johnny Wilkinson (704) 883-4560
Front Door Before & After Service: Johnny Wilkinson
Offering: Ushers Team 3
Sound System Operator: Stephen Hart
Newcomer Visitor: Phyllis Hilton
Children’s Church: Meredith Booth

MARCH 10, 2024

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Lee Williams (704) 724-4375
Front Door Before & After Service: Lee Williams
Offering: Ushers Team 3
Sound System Operator: Don Truedson
Newcomer Visitor: Phyllis Hilton
Children’s Church: Emily Moore

MARCH 17, 2024

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Mike Anderson (704) 622-0396
Front Door Before & After Service: Mike Anderson
Sound System Operator: Stephen Hart
Newcomer Visitor: Phyllis Hilton
Children’s Church: Melody Morrison & Connie Brown

MARCH 24, 2024

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Kevin Donaldson (704) 662-4050
Front Door Before & After Service: Kevin Donaldson
Offering: Ushers Team 3
Sound System Operator: Seth Burgess
Newcomer Visitor: Phyllis Hilton
Children’s Church: Cole & Judy Sellers

MARCH 31, 2024

Officers on Call: **Elder:** John Edmiston (704) 763-1330
Front Door Before & After Service: John Edmiston
Offering: Ushers Team 3
Sound System Operator: Stephen Hart
Newcomer Visitor: Phyllis Hilton
Children’s Church: Connie Brown

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO AVAILABILITY!