

Prospect Presbyterian Church
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 Mooresville, NC 28115

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2024

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

Church Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 7:00am - 5:00pm
Closed for Lunch: 1:30pm - 2:30pm
Closed on Fridays

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THE GOOD PROSPECTS

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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We celebrated Easter last month. As Christians, we never really leave Easter behind. 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 Resurrection shows God's power over the frustrations and sorrows of life. Even more, the Resurrection gets us rightly focused on the joy and purpose of this life and the promise of eternal life in the Kingdom.

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 and interact with 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.

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 of both life and of death
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.
We are not so dependent upon the approval of other people, and thus we are able to love them better

We can enjoy our blessings and can enjoy sharing them with those in need
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.

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**200TH HOMECOMING
OF
PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Make your plans to attend our **200th** Homecoming celebration on **Sunday, September 8, 2024**. Invite your friends and family to 'come home' to Prospect for this **BIG** day. Bring a generous helping of your favorite dishes to the Fellowship Hall. Our traditional "dinner on the grounds" will follow the 10:30am worship service. We hope you will be nourished with joyful worship, warm hugs, good memories and delicious food.

Health Observances for April:

- ◆ Counseling Awareness Month.
- ◆ National Occupational Therapy Month.
- ◆ National Stress Awareness Month.
- ◆ Parkinson's Awareness Month.
- ◆ April 1-7: National Public Health Week.
- ◆ April 7: World Health Day.
- ◆ April 14-20: Medical Laboratory Professionals Week.
- ◆ April 18-24: Health Information Professionals Week



April Events:

- ◆ April 14th Lunch and Learn immediately following worship. The topic is mental health and suicide prevention. Please sign up outside the church office as soon as possible to ensure we have enough food for lunch.
- ◆ April 18th Blood Drive 2:30pm-7:00pm in the Family Life Center by ONE Blood.
- ◆ The Exercise Group meets Monday and Thursday at 11:00 in the Family Life Center. Please consider joining us as we utilize low impact, chair exercises to increase our overall mobility and state of mind.
- ◆ The Grief Share groups meet every Monday from 6:30pm-8:00pm & every Tuesday from 10:00am -12:00 in the Family Life Center. Please consider joining us. Everyone is welcome and participation can occur at any time during the 13-week series.
- ◆ I want to make you all aware of a collaboration pilot with Centerline Area Agency and Faith Community Health Ministry for a social isolation intervention. Our faith-based nurses and health promoters in the Charlotte Market will collaborate with Centralina Area Agency on Aging to identify and then give referrals for the CAAA staff to do PEARLS with their clients. PEARLS (Program to Encourage Active, Rewarding Lives) is an evidence-based intervention designed to reduce depression among homebound older adults who receive social services and are often underserved by healthcare systems. Many PEARLS participants state the cause of their social disconnect includes poor health and well-being, life transitions, loss, role changes and social determinants of health such as ageism, racism and poor access to resources. PEARLS is a home-based and virtual program that includes 6-8 sessions over 4 to 5 months. How does this work for Prospect Presbyterian? The Faith Community Nurse will conduct an initial screening with the client to see if they are eligible for the program and obtain consent from the client. The nurse will send a referral to CAAA. The PEARLS program will then contact the client to confirm eligibility and set up sessions with the client.

Eligibility for the PEARLS program: Adults 60 years and up. Adults experiencing depression or isolation symptoms. Adults who have major depression. Adults who have minor depression or persistent depressive disorder (an on-going, low-grade depression of 2 or more years. If you want me to come to your home and conduct an initial screening, contact me at 980- 521-6028. Kelly Wilson, FCN, BSN, RN.

<u>Circle</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Lettie Beatty/Acts	Apr. 3 @ 10:00 am	FLC
Serendipity	Apr.. 1 @ 6:30 pm	FLC



Don & Judy Truedson	04/08
Dwayne & Annie Heglar	04/15
Eddie & Nancy Teeter	04/26
Clayton & Lori Fleming	04/27

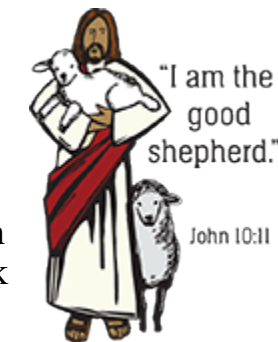


Ava Bartlett	04/01
June Goodman	04/01
Lisa Jackson	04/02
Cale Wolfe	04/04
Kristine Peebles	04/05
Lisa Burgess	04/06
Joe Cantonese	04/08
Shear Linker	04/10
Judie Sellers	04/12
Justin Teeter	04/13
Johnny Wilkinson	04/13
Tom McLelland	04/14
Meghan Beaver	04/15
Kameron Hilton	04/15
Adam Lyerly	04/15
Mary Beth Edmiston	04/17
Becky Hart	04/17
Violet La Shomb	04/17
Kaleb Ford	04/19
Jeb Pemberton	04/19
Pamela Tulbert	04/20
Boone Wilkinson	04/20
Heather Cook	04/23
Rena Anderson	04/26



SAVE THE DATE:

Shepherds' Meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, April 7th**, after worship in the FLC and lunch will be provided. Spouses are welcome. There will be an updated Shepherd list given out. Thank you to all who agreed to Shepherd our congregation.



If you have any questions, and or cannot attend, please contact Barbara Lyerly @ 704-663-9595 and or Barbara.Lyerly@gmail.com

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
Wayne Chandler	Ed Stillman
Jackie McKnight	Roy Watkins
Carol & Larry Stutts	Teresa Compton
Hal Stutts	Don Truedson
Mary Lowrance	May Dauer
Rick Yokeley	Beverly Bartlett

Friends & Family of the Congregation:

Frankie Carrigan (*Serious Health Issues, friend of the congregation*)
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 Issues, 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*)
Cash McCall (*Iraq, friend of Edie Steele*)
Beth Segui' (*Parkinson's, daughter of Betty Alexander*)
Amy 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*)



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.

GOLDEN PROSPECTORS

SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, April 16, 2024. We will be going to the Cracker Barrel in Mooresville. We will meet at 12:00 pm. **PLEASE** sign up on the board as soon as possible. Need to make reservations.



Exercise will continue Mondays and Thursdays, at 11:00 am in the Family Life Center. We will have volunteers until we have our new Faith Community Nurse in place. Look forward to see you there!



GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF . . .

WADE PHARR CSARRIGAN
By:
John & Cheryl Yutzy
Ann & Allen Jackson
June Goodman
Disciple SS Class
Johnny & Roxanna Wiggins
Frances Howie

BOB ATWELL

By:
Mark & Patti Bell

JOAN "JO" BEATTY

By:
Betty Alexander

Secret Sister Social Saturday, April 27th @ 10:30am

Women of the Church: Whether you are a Secret Sister or not, you are invited to a gathering of ALL our church sisters. Bring a friend and enjoy fellowship, food to share and sometimes hysterical fun with a splash of teaching about the difference we can make as women in a world of chaos!!

I will be sending out a "SS Weekly Devotion" each week. Let me know if you want to be included -- anyone who would like to be on that mailing list, let me know at mpact2@copper.net or text me at 704-488-0777.

Be empowered!! Romans 8:16-19 In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

From your not so secret Sister,
Melody



THE JELLY BEAN PRAYER

RED is for the blood He gave.
GREEN is for the grass He made.
YELLOW is for the sun so bright.
ORANGE is for the edge of night.
BLACK is for the sins we made
WHITE is for the grace He gave
PURPLE is for the hour of sorrow
PINK is for the new tomorrow

A basket full of jelly beans,
colorful and sweet,
is a prayer, a promise,
& a wonderful treat!

HAPPY RESURRECTION DAY!



Camp Grier

Young Disciples annual trip to Camp Grier will be September 7th and 8th. We will arrive Saturday morning and return home Sunday afternoon.

Young Disciples

We will not meet April 14th, instead we will meet April 21st and help with the Feed Hunger event. Pizza for lunch and fun helping pack meals. Hope everyone can attend and help.
Connie Brown



SAVE THE DATE:
ONE Blood, Blood Drive is **April 18th** in the Family Life Center.

Session News

Your Session had its regular stated meeting on March 21, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., moderated by Reverend Will Gipe.

Treasurer reported balances as of March 18, 2024, as follows:

- ◆ General Fund Balance - \$141,101
- ◆ Development Fund Balance – \$73,383
- ◆ Elevator Money Market - \$117,519
- ◆ General Fund Reserve Balance - \$50,509
- ◆ Sanctuary Renovation Costs to Date - \$86,051.99



Session Received & Approved the following:

- ◆ Received a report regarding the final items for completion of the renovation of the Church Sanctuary.
- ◆ Approved an award of \$1,000 from the Helen Dean Scholarship Fund to Evan Magen, student at Union Presbyterian Seminary.
- ◆ Good Friday service and lunch will be held at 12:00 on March 29, 2024, with lunch to follow service.
- ◆ Approved the use of the Church parking lot for a car show fundraiser on April 13, 2024, from 9:00-1:00, at the request of Mike Stacy, to benefit Leanne Moore.
- ◆ Blood Drive will be April 18, 2024, from 2:30-7:00
- ◆ Mother/Daughter Banquet will be May 5, 2024, at 5:00p.m.

As your Session, we always welcome comments.

Kevin Donaldson

Clerk of Session

FEBRUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

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General Fund:

Monthly Offering through 02-28-24:	\$76,659
Monthly Expenses through 02-28-24:	\$32,452
Expenses Less than Offering for month:	\$44,207

Development Fund:

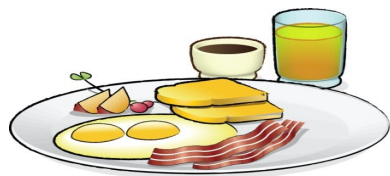
Ending Balance through 02-28-24:	\$73,248
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ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES

Suggested Donation for April

BREAKFAST ITEMS



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The church office will be closed on Monday, April 1st, in the observance of the Easter holiday.



Who are our Graduates!

If you are a 2024 graduate of either an area high school or college, we want to know of your accomplishment. Please let the church office now by **May 12**, your name and the school you are graduating from as soon as possible. We plan to recognize your achievement and we don't want to miss anyone! Please be present in worship on May 19, 2024, for a special time of recognition.

The **Mission Committee** and **Young Disciples** are hosting a meal-packing event (20,000 meals) on **Sunday, April 21**, right after church. There will be pizza for lunch, and then the event will last until about 3pm. **Please join us!!!** There's a job for anyone of any age, and if you can't commit to the entire time, any time you can give will be greatly appreciated. Note that we will be using a different organization this time, Feed the Hunger, but it works very similar to the other company we have been using. Please contact **Terri McKnight** if you have questions.



Mission Committee Quarterly Report

You tithe and donate to the church, and then in turn, the church "tithes" by giving support to individuals and organizations, both locally and globally. The Missions Committee prayerfully attempts to support individuals and organizations in two categories: those in need, and those who are ministering to others. We want you to know who or what you are supporting and how funds are being dispersed. Note that this is only a summary and not meant to be an all-inclusive list.

- ◆ Helen Deans Fund: \$2000 to support Bible teachers at local high schools, support of missionaries (\$4500 to Raymer's and \$3500 to Shaffer's)
- ◆ CP Lowrance Funds: \$700 to two members of the community with specific needs
- ◆ General Fund: \$2500 each to Unity Meals Program, Mooresville Christian Mission, and Rowan Helping Ministries; \$1000 to Present Age Ministries (<https://presentageministries.org/>)
- ◆ Mission Fund: \$1500 to Sister2Sister (<https://sistersinternationalwomen.org/>) and \$1500 to World Relief Triad (<https://worldrelief.org/triad/>), \$2000 to the Wade P. and Phyllis T. Carrigan endowment.
- ◆ Designated Gifts: \$1070 to Two Cents per Meal (Pennies for Hunger), \$1240 for Blanket Sunday, \$1500 to Brookwood Inn.

Of course, the financial report doesn't tell all. Many members throughout the congregation, both publicly and privately, freely give of their time and talent in "mission" related activities. Thanks for everyone's generous and ongoing support! If you have comments or concerns, please contact Terri McKnight or a member of the Missions Committee.

Thanks!!

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Prospect's Mother Daughter Banquet will be held on **Sunday, May 5, 2024** at 5:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Our program this year will be a puppet show by Joy Miller and her puppeteers. All women are welcome as all of us are mothers or daughters. Please bring a salad dish and/or dessert to share with everyone. We will also have a silent auction to benefit the Lake Norman Pregnancy Center so please bring an item for the auction or your purse in order to bid! Hope to see you there!





“Those Who Serve”

MONTH LONG DUTIES:

Church Opening & Closing: Kevin Layne

Ushers: Tom McLelland, Head Usher; Tommy Blackwelder,
Vicki Freeze, Carol Linker, Tommy McLelland

APRIL 7, 2024

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Carla Kennedy (704) 807-2593

Front Door Before & After Service: Mike Stacy

Offering: Ushers Team 4

Sound System Operator: Don Truedson

Newcomer Visitor: Kiki Reid

Children’s Church: Cole & Judie Sellers

APRIL 14, 2024

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Mike Stacy (704) 746-4643

Front Door Before & West Side After Service: Carla Kennedy

Offering: Ushers Team 4

Sound System Operator: Stephen Hart

Newcomer Visitor: Kiki Reid

Children’s Church: Meredith Booth

APRIL 21, 2024

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Karen Cornett (704) 657-6278

Front Door Before & After Service: Karen Cornett

Offering: Ushers Team 4

Sound System Operator: Seth Burgess

Newcomer Visitor: Kiki Reid

Children’s Church: Connie Brown & Melody Morrison

APRIL 28, 2024

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Van Knox (704) 575-8766

Front Door Before & After Service: Van Knox

Offering: Ushers Team 4





Sound System Operator: Stephen Hart

Newcomer Visitor: Kiki Reid

Children’s Church: Emily Moore

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO AVAILABILITY!

APRIL 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 <i>Easter Monday</i> April Fool's Day! Church Office Closed 6:30 pm BSA 6:30 - 8 pm Grief Share FLC	2 10:00 - 12 pm Grief Share FLC 6:30 pm REFIT Class 6:30 pm Choir Practice	3 10:00am ACTS/Lettie Beatty Circle - FLC 5:00 pm Puppet Practice Ed Bldg 6:30 pm Dinner & Bible Study	4 10:00 am Bible Study 11:00 am Exercise Class	5	6
7 <i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i> 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship / Communion 11:45 am Shepherd's Lunch FLC	8 11:00 am Exercise Class 6:30 pm BSA 6:30 pm Serendipity Circle in FLC 6:30 - 8 pm Grief Share FLC	9 10:00 - 12 pm Grief Share FLC 6:30 pm REFIT Class 6:30 pm Choir Practice	10 5:00 pm Nurture & Care FLC 5:00 pm Puppet Practice Ed Bldg 6:30 pm Dinner & Bible Study	11 10:00 am Bible Study 11:00 am Exercise Class	12	13 Charity Car Show Mike Stacy - FLC 
14 <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i> 8:30am Building & Grounds Committee 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Lunch n Learn FLC - Mental Health & Suicide Prevention	15 11:00 am Exercise Class 6:30 pm BSA 6:30 - 8 pm Grief Share FLC	16 10:00 - 12 pm Grief Share FLC 12:00 pm Golden Prospectors @ Cracker Barrel in Mooresville 6:30 pm REFIT Class 6:30 pm Choir Practice	17 5:00 pm Puppet Practice Ed Bldg 6:30 pm Dinner & Bible Study	18 10:00 am Bible Study 11:00 am Exercise Class 2:30 - 7 pm ONE Blood Blood Drive - FLC 7:00 pm Session Meeting	19	20
21 <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i> 8:30 am Missions Committee 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Feed the Hunger Meal Packing w/Lunch	22 <i>Earth Day</i> 9:00 am FEEDNC 11:00 am Exercise Class 6:30 pm BSA 6:30 - 8 pm Grief Share FLC	23 10:00 - 12 pm Grief Share FLC 6:30 pm REFIT Class 6:30 pm Choir Practice	24 <i>Administrative Day!</i> 5:00 pm Puppet Practice Ed Bldg 6:30 pm Dinner & Bible Study 	25 10:00 am Bible Study 11:00 am Exercise Class 7:00 pm Men's Fellowship @ Lancaster's BBQ	26	27 10:30 am Secret Sister Event - FLC 
28 <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i> 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship / 2 Cents A Meal Offering / Hart Scholarship 11:45 am Worship Committee	29 11:00 am Exercise Class 6:30 pm BSA 6:30 - 8 pm Grief Share FLC	30 10:00 - 12 pm Grief Share FLC 6:30 pm REFIT Class 6:30 pm Choir Practice				