

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

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**THE GOOD PROSPECTS**  
Prospect Presbyterian Church  
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**Church Office Hours:**  
Monday – Thursday: 8:00am - 5:00pm  
Closed for lunch: 1:30pm - 2:30pm  
Closed on Friday

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Sunday School  
9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service:  
10:30 a.m.

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## FROM YOUR PASTOR'S KEYBOARD:

These words from **Psalm 32** are part of a great passage from the Bible that I think about every summer:

*Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. **For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you. Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord. Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!***

We do not like to admit we are wrong. We do not like to confess. We are stubborn. We make excuses. When it is time to say we are sorry or that we messed up, we want to stay silent. Staying silent causes us to “waste away”. Refusing to confess to God (and to other people) weighs on us. It weighs down our consciences and puts a burden on our relationships. The hand of the conviction of God is heavy on David, like the oppressive heat of the summer. We know that feeling. We know the feeling of being worn out by the heat and the humidity of the summer day after day. God says refusing to admit our sins to HIM and to other people wears out our souls in the same way. We carry the burden of guilt. We carry the weight of the people in our lives knowing what was said or done but we will not talk about it and deal with it. If you and I are feeling something weighing down our spirits or our relationships, it will do us well to ask “what do I need to confess, to apologize for, or to make right”. Jesus Christ bore the heavy burden of our sins on the Cross so that we could be free of guilt and fear. Jesus Christ died so that we could have the assurance to admit our sin and know that we are still loved and still HIS child even in our mistakes. Real followers of Jesus have the honesty and courage to confess to God, and to the people in their lives. The promise of the Gospel is that HE wants to forgive and refresh us and strengthen us. Let us continue to embrace that gift.

I hope everyone has a good August. Know that, in Christ, you are forgiven and know that you are loved.

*Will*

## RALLY DAY!

Our new education year begins on **Sunday, August 24th** with all Sunday School classes meeting together in the Family Life Center. Bibles will be presented to 1<sup>st</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders. If you have a rising 1st, & 6th grader, please give their name and the name of their school to the church office or Shannon Knox by **August 18th** so that we can get the bibles ordered on time. We don't want to leave anyone out! Teachers and leaders from this past year will be thanked and teachers and leaders for the coming year will be commissioned. You will not want to miss it!





Brice Knox August 1  
 Michael Moore August 2  
 Linda Brooks August 3  
 Caroline Wilson August 3  
 Rev. Will Gipe August 4  
 Palmer Wilkinson August 4  
 Dianne Davis August 6  
 Robert Fallowes August 8  
 Edie Steele August 8  
 Joey Lantrip August 9  
 Beth Stephens August 10  
 Terri McKnight August 13  
 Lou Ann Robinson August 13  
 Anne Collier August 14  
 Bill Hart August 14  
 Amy Ford August 14  
 Judy Teeter August 16  
 Krystal Kipka August 17  
 Vaughn Petford August 17  
 Ryan Donaldson August 18  
 Shannon Knox August 18  
 Pam Seamon August 21  
 Sarah Bartlett August 22  
 Tommy McLelland August 22  
 Chip Atwell Jr. August 23  
 Blakely Cook August 24  
 Vicki Freeze August 24  
 Madison Marlowe August 24  
 Kristi Fallowes August 26  
 Debi Wilkinson August 26  
 Hal Stutts August 27  
 Kyndal Howie August 28  
 Pat McCall August 29



Stephen & Karen Hart August 3  
 Walter & Ruth Lee Teeter August 3  
 Heather & Drew Cook August 13  
 Tim & Kathy Bradshaw August 14  
 Nicholas & Karen Cornett August 14  
 Jamie & Amzie Hovis August 22  
 Robert & Kristi Fallowes August 30  
 Lannie & Carolyn Sigmon August 30  
 Michael & Robin Hilton August 31

**Blood Drive !**

Prospect Presbyterian Church  
 Mooresville - Fellowship Hall  
 9425 West NC 152 Hwy  
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Thursday, August 21, 2025  
 2:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, please call  
 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit Red-  
 CrossBlood.org and enter Sponsor Code:  
 "ProspectPresbyterianChurch".



*For Prayer*

**Nursing Homes, Rehab & Retirement Facilities:**

Betty Alexander (Trinity Oaks, Salisbury)  
 Mac Atwell (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)  
 Helen Barber (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)  
 Ann Collier (Summit Place, Mooresville)  
 May Dauer (Best of Care Kannapolis)  
 Helen Lyerly (Cadence Living – Mooresville)  
 Margaret Martin (Abernathy Laurels, Newton)  
 Judy Stacy (Northlake House, Charlotte)  
 Larry Stutts (Glennwood Rehab)  
 Tink Wilkinson (Cadence Living – Mooresville)

**Please Remember:**

|                     |                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Ella Mae Stewart    | Carolyn & Lannie Sigmon |
| Don & Judy Truedson | Terri McKnight          |
| Jackie McKnight     | Bob & Jan Spear         |
| Lynda Fries         | Dianne Davis            |
| Pat McCall          | Dixie Forbes-Gorby      |
| Chuck & Donna Smith | Wayne Chandler          |
| Kathy Bradshaw      | Johnny Wilkinson        |
| Candace Jackson     | Beverly Bartlett        |

**Friends & Family of the Congregation:**

Stone Buffaloe (*grandson of Nancy k. Buffaloe & great nephew of Vance & Nyra Moore*)  
 Delane Davis (*battle cancer, cousin of Chuck Miller*)  
 Trent & Gina Smith (*Cancer, friend of the Moore Family*)  
 Presley Seagroves (*2 yr old granddaughter of Linda Brooks – Type 1 Diabetic*)  
 Sandi Smith (*Sister of Cristal Howie*)  
 Dan Abel (*Kidney transplant, brother of Mary Beth Edmiston*)  
 Joe Abel (*Kidney Donor, brother of Mary Beth Edmiston*)  
 Jerry Abel (*Leukemia, brother of Mary Beth Edmiston*)  
 Jimmy Howard (*Thyroid Cancer, friend of the congregation*)  
 John Christenberry (*Stage 4 Prostate Cancer, BNL of Johnny Wilkinson*)  
 Candall Hilton (*Cancer, daughter-in-law of Phyllis Hilton*)  
 Stephanie Christenberry Smith (*Cancer, niece of Johnny Wilkinson*)  
 Todd Harkey (*Heart & Lungs, friend of Jodie & Randy Oliphant*)  
 Deborah Stenstram (*Cancer, friend of John Edmiston*)  
 Jan Milos (*Kidney Cancer, friend of Cristal Howie*)  
 Beth Segui' (*Parkinson's, daughter of Betty Alexander*)  
 Janet Baker (*Cancer, friend of John Edmiston*)  
 Rachel Shinn Stone (*Breast Cancer, cousin of Frances Ann Neel*)  
 Kaye Bridges (*Cancer Friend and neighbor of Connie Brown*)  
 Myra Kelly (*Lung Cancer (Mother of Kiki Reid & Sister-in-Law of Jenny Dowdy)*)  
 Ruth Ann & Bill Swart (*Grandparents of Liam & Luke Tulbert*)  
 Lois William (*Mother of Ann Jackson*)

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

**JOSEPHINE "JO" POWERS**

By:  
 Statesville #214 Order of the Eastern Star

**JOHN HART**

By:  
 Laban & Mary Sloop



**ROWAN  
 HELPING  
 MINISTRIES**

Suggested Donation  
 for August:

**Canned/Dried  
 Rice & Beans**



Just a reminder that the regular committee meetings begin again starting August 3rd. If you are on a specific committee please remember to look at the August calendar in your newsletter for your next scheduled meeting.



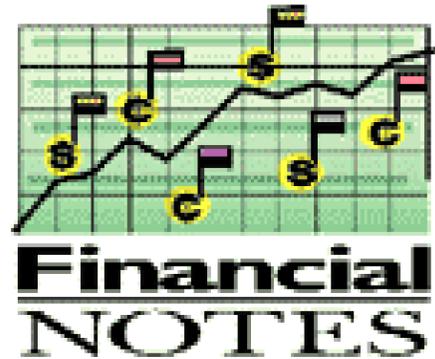
**SUMMERTIME STEWARDSHIP**

As we travel and get involved in the activities over the summer, please take time to remember your stewardship pledge. Our gifts are needed throughout the year and that includes the summer months.



**June Financial Report**

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>General Fund:</b>                 |          |
| Monthly Income through 06-30-25:     | \$71,660 |
| Monthly Expenses through 06-30-25:   | \$49,832 |
| Expenses Less than Income for month: | \$21,828 |
| <b>Development Fund:</b>             |          |
| Ending Balance through 06-30-25:     | \$35,764 |



**SESSION NEWS:**

- Account balances as of July 30, 2025 were reported as follows:
  - General Fund Balance - \$184,116.20
  - Development Fund Balance – \$36,014.38
  - Elevator Money Market - \$10673.17
  - General Fund Reserve Balance - \$69,598.76
- No Session Meeting held in July, Session News will return in September.
- As your Session we always welcome comments.
- Grace and Peace,
- Kevin Donaldson - Clerk of Session



**Getting Ready For Homecoming!**

September 21st the Heritage Committee is in need of ferns for Homecoming. If you would let them use your ferns, please contact Karen Cornett, or Rick & Adam Lyerly. Rick and Adam Lyerly have offered to come to houses to pick the ferns up on the Friday or Saturday before Homecoming.



*From the Heritage Committee*

Mark your calendars, Homecoming is September 21st. The Heritage Committee needs names and addresses of people whom you would like to receive a letter inviting them to our Homecoming. Please call or email the church office with their name and address so we can get them on the list.



**Golden Prospectors** meetings on **Tuesday, August 19th**. We will be meeting at **China Grove Family Restaurant** at 12:00 noon. We would like everyone to meet at the restaurant. **PLEASE sign up outside the church office or call the church office**, so we can call them to let them know we are coming and how many. **ALSO**, if you need a ride, **PLEASE** call the church office .

Before it's time to head back to school, follow these tips to help ensure your kids have a safe, happy and productive year.

**Make the first day easier:**

- Remember that you don't need to wait until the first day of class to ask for help. Schools are open to address any concerns a parent or child might have, including the specific needs of a child, over the summer. The best time to get help might be one to two weeks before school opens.
- Many children get nervous about new situations, including changing to a new school, classroom or teacher. This may happen at any age. If your child seems nervous, it can be helpful to rehearse heading into the new situation. Take them to visit the new school or classroom before the [first day of school](#). Remind them that there are probably a lot of students who are uneasy about the first day of school. Teachers know that students are nervous and will make an extra effort to make sure everyone feels as comfortable as possible. If your child seems nervous, ask them what they are worried about and help them problem-solve ways to master the new situation.
- Point out the positive aspects of starting school to help your kids look forward to the first day of class. Talk about how they will see old friends and meet new ones, for example.
- Find another child in the neighborhood you child can [walk to school](#) or ride with on the bus.
- If it is a new school for your child, attend any available orientations and take an opportunity to tour the school before the first day. Bring your child to school a few days prior to class to play on the [playground](#) and get comfortable in the new environment.
- If you feel it is needed, drive your child (or walk with them) to school and pick them up on the first day. Get there early on the first day to cut down on unnecessary stress.
- Consider starting your child on their school [sleep](#)/wake schedule a week or so ahead of time so that time change is not a factor on their first couple of days at school.



*Women's Expo - Secret Sister Social  
August 30<sup>th</sup> @ 11am*

Mixing it up with food, fun and crafts!  
Join us at 11am on Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup> in the FLC.

We will be making Bible Tassel's!!

Please bring an appetizer to share!

Materials for the Bible Tassel's will be provided!!

All are WELCOME!!!

Please RSVP by 8/25/2025 to Judie Sellers @ 704.605.1818.

This will allow us to have enough crafting supplies!

Thank you all!



**We will be collecting school supplies for Rowan County Schools for the month of August. Here is a list:**

- ⇒ Block Erasers
- ⇒ Dry Erase Markers (All Colors)
- ⇒ Sharpies- Black & other colors
- ⇒ Ear Buds & Headphones
- ⇒ Colored Copy Paper & Cardstock Paper
- ⇒ Regular Pencils & Colored Pencils
- ⇒ Pocket Folders
- ⇒ Crayons- prefers Crayola but any will do
- ⇒ Glue Sticks
- ⇒ Ziploc Bags - any size
- ⇒ Pencil Boxes or Pouches
- ⇒ Wide Ruled, Marbled Composition Books.
- ⇒ Lysol Wipes & Hand Sanitizer
- ⇒ 3 Ring Binders
- ⇒ Book Bags
- ⇒ Scissors (Blunt)
- ⇒ NO SPIRAL/WIRE BOUND COMPOSITION BOOKS
- ⇒ Loose Leaf Notebook Paper



**You may drop your donations off in the Commons Area.**

**Camp Grier**

Our annual trip is fast approaching. If you signed up you should be getting a group text. Our trip is **Saturday, August 16**. Lunch will be provided and we will cookout for dinner. Bring your drinks and any snacks you want. We will be doing the climbing wall, zip line, and canoeing. I'm looking forward to a fun day.

Connie



**Walk for Life**



The annual walk for the Community Pregnancy Center of Lake Norman will be **Saturday, October 4th** at Langtree. Registration will begin at 8:30 and the walk will be at 9:30. Please consider walking with us this year and raising money for the center. If you can't walk you can still support us with a donation or fund raising. Registration and fundraising forms will be coming sometime in September. Thanks for always supporting us. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Thanks.

Connie Brown 704-437-1860

Watch for exciting Sunday School news for **ALL AGES** in upcoming bulletins!



***Please call the church office if you have not received your new directory yet so we will know how many more directories to print. Thank you!***





# August 2025



| Sun   | Mon  | Tue | Wed   | Thu   | Fri | Sat   |
|---|--|-----|---|---|-----|---|
|  <h2>August</h2>   |  |     |   |   | 1   | 2   |
| <b>3 8th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>8:30 am CE & Fellowship<br>9:30 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Worship / Communion / Guest<br>Justin Raymer & Family | 4<br>11:00 am Exercise Class   | 5   | 6<br>10:00 am ACTS/Leaty<br>Beauty Circle FLC | 7<br>11:00 am Exercise Class<br> | 8   | 9<br>Family Life Center Rented<br>for ALL Day.  |
| <b>10 9th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>8:30 am Building & Grounds<br>9:30 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Worship   | 11<br>11:00 am Exercise Class<br> | 12  | 13<br>5:00 pm Nurture & Care                  | 14<br>11:00 am Exercise Class   | 15  | 16<br>Young Disciples to Camp<br>Grier ALL Day!<br> |
| <b>17 10th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>8:30 am Missions Committee<br>9:30 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Worship  | 18<br>11:00 am Exercise Class  | 19  | 20<br>6:30 pm Dinner & Bible<br>Study         | 21<br>10:00 am Bible Study<br>11:00 am Exercise Class<br>2:30 to 7 pm Blood Drive<br>7:00 pm Session Meeting        | 22  | 23  |
| <b>24 11th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br><b>RALLY DAY CELEBRATION!</b><br>10:30 am Worship<br>11:45 am Worship Committee                                  | 25<br>9:00 am FEEDNC<br>11:00 am Exercise Class  | 26  | 27<br>6:30 pm Dinner & Bible<br>Study         | 28<br>10:00 am Bible Study<br>11:00 am Exercise Class   | 29  | 30<br>11:00 am Secret Sisters<br>Event FLC  |
| <b>31 12th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>9:30 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Worship / Pennies for<br>Hunger Offering                                       |  |     |   |   |     |   |



**“THOSE WHO SERVE”**

**MONTH LONG DUTIES:**

**Church Opening & Closing:** Dale Burgess

**Ushers:** Virginia Dowdy, Head Usher; Tommy Blackwelder,  
Carol Linker, Tommy McLelland, Jennings Ford

**AUGUST 3, 2025**

**Officers on Call:** Elder: Dale Burgess (704) 662-2513

**Front Door Before & After Service:** Dale Burgess

**Offering:** Ushers Team 4

**Sound System Operator:** Stephen Hart

**Children’s Church:** Emily Moore

**Nursery:** Linda Seamon

**AUGUST 10, 2025**

**Officers on Call:** Elder: Bill Hart (704) 677-3503

**Front Door Before & After Service:** Bill Hart

**Offering:** Ushers Team 4

**Sound System Operator:** TBD

**Children’s Church:** Emily Moore

**Nursery:** Joy Miller

**AUGUST 17, 2025**

**Officers on Call:** Elder: Joy Miller (919) 698-7946

**Front Door Before & After Service:** Joy Miller

**Offering:** Ushers Team 4

**Sound System Operator:** Stephen Hart

**Children’s Church:** Emily Moore

**Nursery:** Connie Brown

**AUGUST 24, 2025**

**Officers on Call:** Elder: Johnny Wilkinson (704) 883-4560

**Front Door Before & After Service:** Johnny Wilkinson

**Offering:** Ushers Team 4

**Sound System Operator:** Seth Burgess

**Children’s Church:** Emily Moore

**Nursery:** Joy Miller

**AUGUST 31, 2025**

**Officers on Call:** Elder: Lee Williams (704) 724-4375

**Front Door Before & After Service:** Lee Williams

**Offering:** Ushers Team 4

**Sound System Operator:** TBD

**Children’s Church:** Emily Moore

**Nursery:** Connie Brown

**SCCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO AVAILABILITY!**