

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CHURCH STAFF

Pastor – Rev. William Gipe

Office Administrator – Cheryl Chandler

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THE SESSION

Class of 2026

Mike Anderson

Kevin Donaldson

John Edmiston

Carla Kennedy

Mike Stacy

Clerk of Session: Kevin Donaldson

Treasurer: Bill Hart

Class of 2027

Connie Brown

Karen Cornett

Mark Reid

Erskine Smith

Roger Stapleton

Asst. Treasurer: Van Knox

Class of 2028

Bill Hart

Nick Johnston

Shannon Knox

Walter Teeter

Lee Williams

SESSION COMMITTEES

Administration and Personnel –Bill Hart, & Erskine Smith*

Building and Grounds– Mike Anderson, & Mike Stacy*

Cemetery – Roger Stapleton*

Christian Education, Fellowship & Outreach –Shannon Knox*

Mission –Carla Kennedy* - Connie Brown

Nurture and Care – Lee Williams*

Stewardship & Finance –Bill Hart*& Carla Kennedy

Worship and Music –John Edmiston & Karen Cornett*

(* Chair of Committee)

TRUSTEES

Mike Stacy (2026)

Connie Brown (2027)

Bill Hart (2028)

USHERS

Chairperson – Tommy McLelland

January, May, September – Brian Jackson

February, June, October – Nick Cornett

March, July, November – Dale Burgess

April, August, December – Jenny Dowdy

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Co-Moderators – Connie Brown & Lee Williams

Secretary – Melody Morrison

Treasurer – Becky Hart

Historians –Pam Tulbert

Bereavement Team – Cheryl Chandler

CIRCLE CHAIRPERSONS

ACTS/Lettie Beatty Circle –Melody Morrison

Serendipity Circle – Joy Miller



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Organized 1824



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
4th Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2026

10:30 am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We would like to welcome everyone to worship this morning. If you notice a new face, please take a moment greet them & welcome them to Prospect Presbyterian Church.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Lisa Stapleton

PRELUDE

"Give Me Jesus"

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN

"This Is My Father's World"

No. 58

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM

"What Grace is Mine"

Arr. Llyod Larson

Amy Ford & Eddie Karriker Duet

*What grace is mine, that He who dwells in endless light
 Called through the night to find my distant soul.
 And from His scars poured mercy that would plead for me
 That I might live and in His Name be known.*

*So I will go wherever He is calling me;
 I lose my life to find my life in Him.
 I give my all to gain the hope that never dies;
 I bow my heart, take up my cross, and follow Him.*

*What grace is mine, to know His breath alive in me;
 beneath His wings my weary soul may soar.
 All fear can flee for death's dark night is overcome;
 My Savior lives and reign forever more.*

*So I will go where ever He is calling me;
 I lose my life to find my life in Him.
 I give my all to gain the hope that never dies;
 I bow my heart, take up my cross, and follow Him*

PENNIES FOR HUNGER OFFERING

Children

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES

(Children 4th grade & younger may meet in the vestibule to attend children's church)

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

No. 624

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 10: 37-39

Luke 14: 27-30

SERMON

Rev. Will Gipe

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

*HYMN

"I Love to Tell the Story"

No. 297

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONALRESPONSE

Gloria Patria

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.*

*POSTLUDE

"Rise Up, O People of God"

arr. Darwin Wolford

***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.

Health News:

- The **exercise group** will begin meeting again on Mondays and Thursdays at 11:00 am to 12 pm. All are welcome.
- **The Nurture & Care Committee will host Grief Share**, a program designed to support those dealing with grief through God's word. There are two meeting times for your convenience. Monday nights, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm OR Tuesday mornings, from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm. All are welcome. Your loss need not be recent. Meetings consist of a brief video, a group discussion, and the use of the personal workbook provided to you.

Dear Congregation, we are excited to begin our year-round collection for Operation Christmas Child. This year, our goal is to prepare 300 shoeboxes, and we are looking for savvy shoppers to help us reach this target. For the month of April, we are specifically collecting items for girls ages 2–9. **Please bring your donations to THE COMMONS AREA!** Gift Suggestions: Clothing: Shirts, pants, underwear, flip flops, shoes, socks, sunglasses, hair bows, and hats/mittens/scarves. Crafts & Activities: Watercolor sets, puzzles, stickers, chalkboards and chalk, jump ropes, binoculars, or make-it-yourself craft kits. For more gift ideas or to purchase in bulk, you can search for "Operation Christmas Child" on Amazon. Thank you for your support of this meaningful mission. Best regards, Lisa Stapleton

SAVE THE DATE: Camp Creation VBS 2026 / June 8th through 11th / Please join us for dinner from 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm and VBS activities from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. If you are interested in joining us, please email prospectpresvbs@gmail.com or call Joy Miller 919-698-7946. More information to come!

***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, inductees to our Hall of Fame will be Margaret Bradshaw, Bill Lefler, and Violet La Shomb. We will once again honor Betty Alexander, Virginia Edmiston and Ella Mae Stewart, since they all were inducted at our last Hall of Fame event. Not all of our inductees and honorees will be able to attend, but you will enjoy learning about them and special things about their life. You can also sign cards that will be sent to them. See the invitation in this newsletter for more details and plan to attend this wonderful time of celebration.

Mother-Daughter Banquet: Our annual Mother-Daughter Banquet will be held on **May 3rd** at 5:00 pm in the Family Life Center. All women are invited as we are all a mother and/or a daughter. Our speaker will be Amy Decaron from HOPE of Mooresville. If you would like to bring a donation for them, they can use Clorox or Lysol wipes, soaps, dish detergents and clothes detergent or any other cleaning supplies. Please bring a salad and/or dessert to share with everyone. We hope to see everyone there!

SHEPHERDS MEETING: Hope everyone is good. Our next meeting will be: **Sunday, May 17th**, after Worship at 11:45 AM, in the FLC. Light Lunch will be provided. Please bring your Shepherd List. Let me know if you cannot attend. Thank you, Barbara Lyerly.

Who are our Graduates! If you are a 2026 graduate of either an area high school or college, we want to know of your accomplishment. Please let the church office now by **May 10**, 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 17, 2026**, for a special time of recognition.

SAVE THE DATE: Our church picnic will be on **Sunday, May 31st**. We have shelter B reserved from 3 to 8 pm and we will plan to have dinner at 5:00 pm. Village Park 700 West C. Street Kannapolis NC 28081

For Prayer:

Missionary:

Dan Davidson (Filter of Hope)
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:

Betty Alexander (Trinity Oaks, Salisbury)
Mac Atwell (Trinity Oaks-Salisbury)
May Dauer (Best of Care Kannapolis)
Frances Ann Neel (The Pines, Davidson)

Please Remember:

Mary Beth Edmiston	Benton Stacy
Ella Mae Stewart	Sharron Clanton
Judy Truedson	Dale Reading
Jackie McKnight	Bob & Jan Spear
Lynda Fries	Dianne Davis
Pat McCall	Dixie Forbes-Gorby
Beverly Bartlett	Pam Tulbert
Chuck Smith	Dave Howie
Michael Steed	

Friends & Family of the Congregation:

Dean Burgess (*Heart blockage, brother of Dale Burgess*)
Pat Hollar (*Heart Issues, Mother of Kelly Huichinson*)
Frank Owens (*Cancer*)
Beatrix Clare Hibbs (*Eye Cancer 7 mths old, Great Neice of the Morrisons*)
Marty Featherstone (*Leukemia, friend of John Edmiston*)
Davis Family (*Friends of Edie Steele*)
Debra Teeter (*Brain Cancer, sister-in-law of Eric & Judy Teeter*)
Cindy Bean (*Cancer, friend of Debi Wilkinson*)
Heather Dobbins (*Cancer, friend of Edie Steele*)
Wrenley McDowell (*infant granddaughter of friends of Dave & Cristal Howie*)
Terry Pardew (*battling cancer, friend of many in the congregation*)
Kristen Guerrero (*Breast Cancer & Brain Lesions friend of Nyra Moore*)
Presley Seagroves (*2 yr old granddaughter of Linda Brooks – Type 1 Diabetic*)
Sandi Smith (*Sister of Cristal Howie*)
Jerry Abel (*Leukemia, brother of Mary Beth Edmiston*)
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)*)

Elder on Call: Kevin Donaldson 704-662-4050

Opening & Closing Church: John Edmiston

Children's Church: Joy Miller

Sound System: Stephen Hart

Ushers/Offering: Jenny Dowdy, Head Usher; Tommy Blackwelder, Gwynn Ford,
Jennings Ford, Carol Linker, Tommy McLelland

Sunday, April 26, 2026

9:30 am - Sunday School
10:30 am – Worship / Pennies for Hunger Offering
11:45 am – Worship Committee Meeting
11:45 am – Hall of Fame event w/lunch FLC

Monday, April 27, 2026

NEWSLETTER FOR MAY DEADLINE

9:00 am - FEEDNC
11:00 am – Exercise Class
6:30 pm – Grief Share FLC

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

10:00 am – Grief Share Class
6:30 pm – Choir Practice

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

6:30 pm – Dinner & Bible Study

Thursday, April 30, 2026

10:00 am – Bible Study
11:00 am – Exercise Class

Sunday, May 3, 2026

8:30 am – CE & Fellowship Committee
9:30 am - Sunday School
10:30 am – Worship / Communion
5:00 pm – Mother Daughter Banquet FLC

Sunday, April 19, 2026

Attendance: Sunday School: 43
Worship: 120

Offering:

General Fund:	\$4,497
Development Fund:	\$120
Hope of Mooresville:	\$144
Filter of Hope:	\$100

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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