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 Mooresville, NC 28115

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

THE GOOD PROSPECTS
Prospect Presbyterian Church
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Monday – Thursday: 8:00am - 5:00pm
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Closed on Fridays

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FROM YOUR PASTOR'S KEYBOARD:

Galatians 5:13-14 says; “You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”

Every Fourth of July we celebrate the freedom we have in this country. We thank God for this great gift. We are also reminded by the Word in Galatians that freedom is a gift to be used for good. Having freedom is good. How you spend your freedom is way more important. How we spend our freedom shows who our Lord is and whether we understand the reason why God gave us freedom. The follower of Christ is told to use his or her freedom to serve other people. The world does not teach you this is the best use of your freedom. The world tells you that doing whatever you want or “indulging your flesh” is the reason why you have freedom. Paul, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, says that serving God by serving your neighbor (your family or your work or your work or the people around you) is the reason why God gave you freedom.

So, this Fourth of July, let us remember two things: (1) As much as we like living in this country with its freedoms, the most important freedom God has given us is the victory over the enslaving power of sin and death that Christ won on the Cross. Celebrate and thank Him for that freedom above all. (2) We show God our appreciation for all the freedoms HE gives us by remembering why HE gave them to us – that we may be a people committed to serving HIM and the people around us. The serving life is the great life. The serving life is the life that shows you know you are free. The serving life is the life most faithful to the ONE who set us free.

Have a great July my friends. Know that you are loved.

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JULY Collection – School Supplies

Pencils, Small manual pencil sharpener, Erasers, Color pencils, Pencil case, Pens, Crayons, Markers, Notebooks, Blank index cards, Solar-powered calculators, Scissors (blunt tip), Ruler, Protractor, Glue stick, small adhesive tape

Amazon -Search “Operation Christmas Child” on Amazon to buy in Bulk. Also check out Lion Wholesale at lionwholesale.com and Western Star Wholesale at westernstarwholesale.com for great prices on these and other items to put in these gift boxes.

Drop off donations in **THE COMMONS AREA**.

Thank you so much for supporting OCC.

Mission Committee

****We will shop for you. Please give your donation to Lisa Stapleton or Terri McKnight.****



ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES

Suggested Donation for July:

PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY



Attention Committees: The Session as approved “**July Jubilee**”. There will not be any committee or Session meetings for the month of July. Meetings will resume as scheduled in August.



FOURTH OF JULY

The church office will be closed on Monday, July 6th in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.



July features numerous health awareness campaigns, including UV Safety, Healthy Vision, Juvenile Arthritis, Sarcoma, Minority Mental Health, and key global health days like World Hepatitis Day.



Month-Long Health Observances:

- **UV Safety Month:** Focuses on protecting skin from harmful ultraviolet rays, emphasizing sunscreen use, protective clothing, and shade during peak sun hours wellyhub.com.
- **Healthy Vision Month:** Encourages routine eye exams and awareness of conditions like glaucoma and macular degeneration wellyhub.com.
- **Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month:** Raises awareness about arthritis in children and promotes early diagnosis and treatment wellyhub.com.
- **Sarcoma Awareness Month:** Highlights rare cancers affecting connective tissues, supporting research and patient advocacy wellyhub.com.
- **National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month:** Addresses mental health disparities in minority communities and promotes equitable access to care wellyhub.com.
- **National Fragile X Awareness Month:** Focuses on Fragile X syndrome, a genetic condition causing intellectual disabilities alwaystheholidays.com.

The Exercise Group will continue to meet every Monday and Thursday in July at 11:00.

A Faith Community Nurse (FCN) is a licensed Registered Nurse (RN) who integrates faith and spiritual practices with holistic healthcare. They focus on health promotion, illness prevention, and wellness within a specific religious congregation or community, tending to the mind, body, and spirit.

Questions & Answers About Faith Community Nursing:

Q: Do Faith Community Nurses provide hands-on medical care like giving injections or starting IVs?

A: No. By definition, FCNs do not provide direct, hands-on invasive care, diagnose illnesses, or prescribe medications. Instead, their practice centers on health advocacy, education, and bridging the gap between medical care and spiritual support.

Q: What exactly does an FCN do on a daily basis?

A: Their roles are highly versatile and typically include serving as a:

- Health Educator: Presenting wellness programs, seminars, and classes on disease prevention.
- Health Counselor: Offering one-on-one guidance and emotional support during health challenges.
- Referral Agent: Connecting congregants to local medical and community resources.
- Advocate: Ensuring patients understand their diagnoses, helping them formulate questions for doctors, and acting as a bridge to the broader healthcare system.
- Support Group Facilitator: Organizing groups for caregivers, grief recovery, or specific health conditions.

Q: Where do Faith Community Nurses work?

A: While some may work in hospitals or health systems collaborating on holistic care delivery, the vast majority work directly within local faith-based organizations, such as churches, mosques, synagogues, and parishes.

Q: Are they the same as school or hospital nurses?

A: No. Unlike clinical or school nurses, FCNs operate primarily in community settings with an intentional focus on "intentional care of the spirit". They look at a person's faith background as an active tool in the healing and coping process.

Q: What are the qualifications for becoming an FCN?

A: To practice, an FCN must:

- Hold an active, unencumbered RN license.
- Typically possess a Baccalaureate degree in nursing (BSN) and have several years of clinical experience.
- Complete a specialized Faith Community Nurse preparation course



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Randy & Jody Oliphant July 14
 Michael & Beth Stacy July 14
 Will & Stacey Gipe July 16
 William & Teresa Compton July 17
 Eric & Judy Teeter July 17
 Dave & Cristal Howie July 21
 Alice & Eddie Clingenpeel July 25
 Jennings & Gwynn Ford July 27



For Prayer:

Missionary:

Dan Davidson (Filter of Hope)
 Justin & Kristen Raymer (African Island Mission in Washington DC)
 Rob & Sandy Shaffer (Czech Republic)

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
Kelly Wilson	



GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF ...

EVAN BRANNON
 Son of Cathy & Michael Steed
 By:
 Lynn Britz

Cheryl Chandler 07/01
 Kaitlyn Howie Mundy 07/01
 Carolyn Sigmon 07/02
 Austin Teeter 07/02
 Jennings Ford 07/03
 Gwynn Ford 07/06
 Eli Russell 07/09
 Kolton Hovis 07/10
 Liam Tulbert 07/13
 Robin Hilton 07/14
 Bob Spear 07/14
 Julius Bivens III 07/15
 Zac Randall 07/15
 Drew Knox 07/18
 Bill Lefler 07/18
 Jackie McKnight 07/18
 Kelly Wilson 07/19
 Marty Stutts 07/20
 May Dauer 07/21
 Sharron Clanton 07/22
 April Jackson 07/25
 Nancy Robinson 07/25
 Kay Cornelison 07/27
 Nicholas Cornett 07/27
 Victoria Teeter 07/27
 Dan Cornelison 07/30
 Roy Watkins 07/30



SHEPHERDS MEETING: MEETING
 Rescheduled: Sunday, **July 19th**, 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.



Friends & Family of the Congregation:

Daniel Wilhelm (*Brother of Judy Brumley*)
 Jimmy Blackwelder (*Eye issues, brother of Tommy Blackwelder & Marilyn Hinds*)
 Frank McCall (*Friend of Edie Steele*)
 Pat Hollar (*Heart Issues, Mother of Kelly Hutchinson*)
 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*)
 Cindy Bean (*Cancer, friend of Debi Wilkinson*)
 Wrenley McDowell (*infant granddaughter of friends of Dave & Cristal Howie*)
 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)*)



Session News

Your Session had its regular stated meeting on June 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m., moderated by Reverend Will Gipe.

Account balances as of June 17, 2026 were reported as follows:

General Fund Balance - \$177,812
Development Fund Balance – \$47,640
Rental Money Market - \$8,083
Rental Treasuries - \$50,398
General Fund Reserve Balance - \$10,345
General Fund Treasuries - \$50,000



- Received a report that \$50,000 had been moved from the General Fund to General Fund Treasuries to allow for a greater rate of return on those funds.
- Received a report that the Church's first tenant had moved into the Wade 2 house.
- Approved allowing flat granite markers in the new portion of the cemetery which are commensurate in size of the current bronze markers.
- Discussed quotes for remodeling of the choir room and handbell room.
- Received a report on Vacation Bible School.
- Received a report that another quilt had been donated and approved allowing a raffle for the quilt as a fund raiser for the Missions Committee.
- Received a report that the Heritage Committee intends to invite Steve Hundley to be the homecoming speaker.

As your Session, we always welcome questions and comments.

May Financial Report

General Fund:

Monthly Income through 05-31-26:	\$90,507
Monthly Expenses through 05-31-26:	\$85,872
Expenses less than Income for month:	\$4,635

Development Fund:

Ending Balance through 05-31-26:	\$47,621
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SUMMERTIME STEWARDSHIP

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



Golden Prospectors will be taking the summer off. We will resume' our Golden Prospectors meetings on Tuesday, August 18th. Keep your eye out and watch your bulletins and newsletters for more information! **Have a GREAT & BLESSED summer.**

NO Circle meetings in the month of July!

Sunday School: We all know that we should never stop learning - at any age. There are nice breaks in our "formal" learning that God endorses, so we will take a summer break from Sunday School the month of July. This will give our teachers time to relax, but also time to reflect on and study lessons that will begin in August. This time will give our class members time to study their Bible and come back fresh; with discussion topics, questions, and things that they discovered to share. If you are not currently in a class, please consider joining! I believe you will enjoy it, and it truly is an opportunity to sow and reap at the same time! Joy Miller - Sunday School Superintendent

Weekly Bible Study: Weekly Bible study will be taking a summer break. Weekly Bible study will resume on Wednesday, August 19th at 6:30 pm and Thursday, August 20th at 10:00 am in the family life center. So mark your calendar, enjoy your summer and see you in August.

ALLEN LOWRANCE SCHOLARSHIP: The committee will choose 1 recipient, and it will be presented on Sunday, July 26th at the Worship Service.

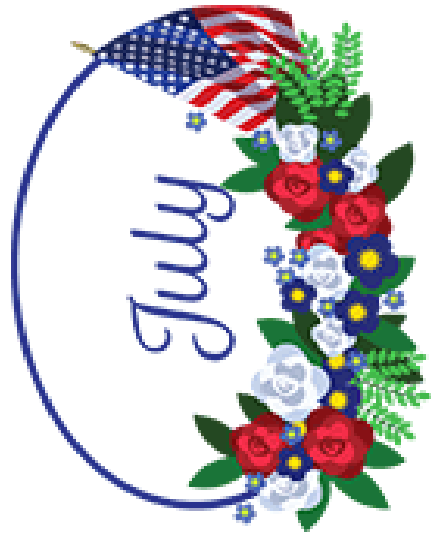
Hart Scholarship awards will be presented in worship on **Sunday, July 26th**. Please make sure you change your calendar. All recipients or their designees are desired to be in worship for the presentation.



Happy Birthday America!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 11:00 am Exercise Class	3	4 <i>Independence Day!</i> 
5 <i>6th Sunday after Pentecost</i> 10:30 am Worship Service / Communion	6 <i>Church Office Closed For July 4th Holiday</i>	7	8	9 11:00 am Exercise Class	10	11
12 <i>7th Sunday after Pentecost</i> 10:30 am Worship Service	13 11:00 am Exercise Class	14	15	16 11:00 am Exercise Class	17	18
19 <i>8th Sunday after Pentecost</i> 10:30 am Worship Service 11:45 am Shepherds Meeting FLC	20 11:00 am Exercise Class	21	22	23 11:00 am Exercise Class	24	25 8:00 am—1:00 pm Choir Christmas in July FLC
26 <i>9th Sunday after Pentecost</i> 10:30 am Worship Service / Hart & Lowrance Scholarship Awarded <i>Pennies for Hunger Offering</i>	27 9:00 am FEEDNC 11:00 am Exercise Class	28	29	30 11:00 am Exercise Class	31	



“Those Who Serve”

MONTH LONG DUTIES:

Church Opening & Closing: Johnny Wilkinson

Ushers: Dale Burgess, Head Usher. Seth Burgess, Mike Stacy,
Randy Oliphant, Chuck Miller

JULY 5, 2026

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Nick Johnston 704-798-8289

Front Door Before & After Service: Nick Johnston

Offering: Ushers Team 3

Sound System Operator: Stephen Hart

Children’s Church: Joy Miller

JULY 12, 2026

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Shannon Knox 704-662-4191

Front Door Before & After Service: Shannon Knox

Offering: Ushers Team 3

Sound System Operator: TBD

Children’s Church: Joy Miller

JULY 19, 2026

Officers on Call: **Elder:** Walter Teeter 704-236-7980

Front Door Before & After Service: Walter Teeter

Offering: Ushers Team 3

Sound System Operator: Stephen Hart

Children’s Church: Joy Miller

JULY 26, 2026

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

Front Door Before & After Service: Lee Williams

Offering: Ushers Team 3

Sound System Operator: Seth Burgess

Children’s Church: Joy Miller

[SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO AVAILABILITY!](#)