

Prospect Presbyterian Church
September 24, 2017
Maplewood, New Jersey



OUR MISSION:

To be a family in Christ, reaching out to all with love, prayer and service... through worship, education, mission and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace and call.

Today's flowers are in loving memory of her parents, Joyce Taylor and Herbert Peart, from Merica McCalla and family.

Liturgist: Matthew Coyle

Ushers: Kathie Osborne with help from Finance Ministry volunteers, Tamara Connolly

Fellowship Time Host:

Multi Media Ministry: Ed Bolden, Elizabeth Matli and Elijah Teasley

Greeters: Jasmine Allen

Readings:

Exodus 16:2-15	pg. 59
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45	pg. 523
Philippians 1:21-30	pg. 1022
Matthew 20:1-16	pg. 854

Hymns:

#48 Rain Down
#471 O Lord, Hear My Prayer
#716 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

The Deacon of the month for September is Teal Paynter (202-744-7540). If you know of any church member in need, please call the DOM.

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer will give today's sermon entitled "A New Provider"

Please remember in your prayers...

*In an effort to keep the prayer list current, names are removed each month unless specifically requested to remain.

Announcements

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP: Please take this time to fill in the yellow form included in the announcement sheet. All information you will need for the service is projected on the screens at the front of the sanctuary. For this week, congregational responses are printed in **bold white**. If you do not wish to keep today's bulletin, kindly dispose of it in the recycling baskets located at each of the sanctuary doors. Thank you!

YOUNG ADULTS (post-college 20's-early 30's) will gather for dinner at the Boyer's home on Friday, September 29 at 6:00 PM. RSVP to Rita (862-485-0519 or rita@prospectchurch.org) by September 27.

ConnectEd CLASSES meet every Sunday morning from 9:15-10:15 AM. Age two through and including adults explore the Bible reading that is the focus of worship that morning. Childcare is provided for those under age two. Please join our community of learners! Children may be registered when attending class for the first time.

THE PROTESTANT REFORMATIONS is a 3-week adult elective that will be taught by Rita Boyer from 9:15-10:15 AM October 8, 15, and 22. Together we will reflect on what it means to be Presbyterian Christians in today's world. How does our history inform our faith and practice? How can we celebrate the blessing of who we are and grow into who we are being called to be? In other words, what does it mean to be "Reformed and Always Reforming?" Please plan to join us in the Burnett Room. Pre-registration by October 1 is helpful but not required. If you are unable to attend on Sunday morning but would be interested in an evening session, please contact Rita.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY is October 1, and the Christian Education Ministry Team invites you to celebrate the diversity of the church at a special Fellowship Time after worship. We will be sharing finger-foods from different lands and would appreciate food donations from the congregation. If you are able to share finger-food that represents your native culture, please contact Megan Young, meyo5285@gmail.com.

IHN Hosting: We will be hosting Interfaith Hospitality Network families this week (September 24th to October 1st). Signups to help will be held today during fellowship hour. Volunteers may also contact any of the Prospect IHN coordinators, or the church office.

MIDDLE/SENIOR HIGH BIKE RIDE through Loantaka Brook Reservation Trail will take place Saturday, October 14. Cars carrying passengers and bikes will depart Prospect at 10:30 AM and return around 1 PM. Lunch will be provided. All students in grades 6-12 are welcome. Invite a friend! RSVP to Winston Watson (winstonwatson72@gmail.com) or Rita Boyer (rita@prospectchurch.org) by Thursday, October 12.

IHN Annual Breakfast: A cordial invitation is extended to all members of our congregation to the **Annual Interfaith Hospitality Network Breakfast**, which will be held on **Tuesday October 17th**, at Mayfair Farms, 481 Eagle Rock Avenue, West Orange, **from 9:00 - 10:00 am sharp**. Admission is complementary to this the main fundraising event. Prospect's own Frank Hendricks will give the Inspirational address. If you would like to attend, contact Devinka Peiris at the IHN office, phone 973-746-1400, ext 4, or devinka@ihnessexnj.org .

Sign Ups for the **Children's Christmas Pageant** will be today and October 1st for children first grade and older. Rehearsals begin October 7th at 3:00 p.m. If your child is interested but not in first grade yet, please see Peter Ncanywa or Carolyn Berry.

Attendance last week: 118

Calendar for Week of September 24, 2017

Today	9:15 am	ConnectEd 
	9:30 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am	Worship
	11:30 am	Blood Pressure Screening
	11:45 am	Confirmation Class Information
	12:00 pm	Girl Scout Troop #21133
	2:00 pm	Interfaith Hospitality Guests Arrive
	6:30 pm	Finance Ministry Meeting
Tuesday	7:00 am	Commuter Breakfast
	7:00 pm	Cub Scout Pack#3 Den meetings
	8:00 pm	Recovery
Wednesday	8:30 am	Good Neighbor Coffee
Thursday	7:00 pm	Community Coalition on Race Board
	7:00 pm	Cub Scout Pack #3 Den meetings
	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday	6:00 pm	Girl Scouts Troop#22908
Saturday	9:30 am	Leslie Cole, Sr. Service
Sunday	9:15 am	ConnectEd 
	9:30 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am	Worship
	1:45 pm	Daisy Troop

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The Deacons host a **blood drive** each year and this year it will be on **October 21**, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Blood donors can donate blood (whole blood not platelets or other type of donation) every 56 days. So, if you are intending to donate at Prospect in October, don't go to another donation location before then. If you have any questions about eligibility to donate, please call Community Blood Services at (201) 444-3900.

Hurricane Response- Areas of our country have been devastated by hurricanes recently. How can we help? First- pray. The people there need our prayers and hope. Second- give. In a disaster situation, direct donations of goods like clothing or food often become another burden because it may not be what is needed. Organizations like **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance** are directly involved and can use financial support after assessing the situation and purchasing what is most needed. If you would like to give to PDA, and the teams already at work, you can go online and give directly at www.pda.pcusa.org . If you'd like to write a check to Prospect Presbyterian Church and indicate Hurricane Relief, we can send those funds in as we receive them.

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Staff Directory

Name	Phone Extension	Office hours
Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer	Pastor X204	Monday- Thursday 10:30-12:30
Rita Boyer	Certified Educator X205	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 – 3:00
Peter Ncanywa	Director of Music X 206	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 12:00 – 5:00
Lisa Abdill	Secretary X200	Monday – Thursday 9:00 – 2:00
Ann Henry	Financial Secretary X201	Monday and Thursday 9:00 – 2:00, Friday 9:00 – 12:00
Lorenzo Brooks	Sexton X 207 (Kitchen phone)	Monday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 – 4:00, Wednesday 9:00 – 5:00 Sunday 3:00 – 11:00
Co-Op Nursery School/Camp	X210	

Email Responses At Prospect – In an effort to develop clear expectations and healthy lifestyles for Prospect Church staff, staff are expected to respond to email during normal work hours. In the case of urgent needs, please call Rick at 862-485-0512. On Sunday morning, staff will be focused on being present with the gathered community; therefore, they are not likely to see Sunday morning email. We encourage our staff to use evenings and days off as times of refreshment, rest and recreation.