

Prospect Presbyterian Church
Maplewood, New Jersey
September 30, 2018



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 given in loving memory of Dewey and Carol Johnson.

Liturgist: Laura Peifer

Ushers: Kathie Osborne and WillieMae Charles with help from Session members: MaryOlive Smith

Fellowship Time Host: Jared, Laura, Lily and Julia Peifer

Multi Media Ministry: Margaret Omariba, Kaitlyn Yourkoski, and Winston Watson.

Readings:

Esther 7:1-6,9-10;9:20-22	page 431
Psalms 124	page 537
James 5:13-20	page 1056
Mark 9:38-50	page 877

Hymns:

#641 *When In Our Music God Is Glorified*
#797 *We Cannot Measure How You Heal*
#44 *Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us*

The Deacon of the month for September is Annelise Orjeula (347)451-3419. October's DOM is David Hogenauer (973)287-6268. If you know of any church member in need, please call the DOM.

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer
will give today's sermon entitled,
"For and Against".

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 on the screen 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!

Congregational Potluck Supper: How Do You Spell Presbyterian will be held **TODAY** from 5:00-7:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Inspired by the cancellation of last year's Congregational Johnsonburg Retreat, the Christian Ed Ministry Team will offer a mini Johnsonburg experience, complete with hot chocolate and some of the creative intergenerational activities that were planned for the cancelled retreat. What does it mean to be Presbyterian? What's our brand of Christianity? What does our logo say about who we are? Please register in Fellowship Hall or by calling the church office and plan to bring a sharable entrée, side dish, salad, or dessert.

Theology for Presbyterians is a four-week adult elective for anyone who wants to consider what it means to be Presbyterian Christians in the world today. We will cover the basics. How does our theology understand the Bible, God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the Church, and the Future? This is for people who are new to Presbyterian theology, people who would like a refresher, or people who want to be able to articulate to others their own faith and what it means to be Presbyterian. The elective will be taught by Rita Boyer at 9:15 AM in the Burnett Room October 14, 21, 28, and November 4. If you are interested in an evening time option, please speak to Rita as soon as possible.

Sensational Sunday is an opportunity for all ages to explore the morning's Scripture reading while forming relationships across generations. Please join us in Fellowship Hall next Sunday, October 7 from 9:15-10:15 AM. In addition to hearing how Jesus welcomed and blessed children, we will observe World Communion Sunday by hearing several stories of people who as children experienced other cultures.

Johnsonburg Youth Retreats will be held November 16-18 for Sr. Highs and November 30-December 2 for Middle Highs. "More Than Enough" is the theme of both retreats. Johnsonburg Center has instituted a two-tier fee system for all retreats so that families can choose the tier that is affordable for them. Tier 1 pricing is \$110, minus a Prospect scholarship of \$20, which drops the fee to \$90 per student. Tier 2 pricing is \$125, minus a Prospect scholarship of \$20, which drops the fee to \$105. Please reserve your spot with Rita Boyer ASAP. No deposit is needed at this time.

Children's Ensemble Rehearsals will begin at 3:00 p.m. on the 6th of October for the Christmas Pageant. Please speak with Peter Ncanywa or Carolyn Berry in Fellowship Hall if your child is interested in participating.

The **Prospect Book Club** meeting needed to be rescheduled to Sunday October 7th, at noon in the Burnett Room. So if you would like to read *Eleanor: A Spiritual Biography* by [Harold Ivan Smith](#) there is still time. Bring a friend and help live out Prospect's theme for this year: "Choosing Welcome". If you have not read the book, don't worry. Come, enjoy the conversation and help us pick the next set of books for 2018 - 2019 year.

Interfaith Hospitality Network 30th Anniversary: Prospect Presbyterian's Interfaith Hospitality Network Ministry invites you to the IHN Fundraising Breakfast on October 16th at 8:30 - 10:00am, at Mayfair Farms, 481 Eagle Rock Avenue, West Orange. There is no attendance fee, and donations are voluntary. IHN has been serving homeless families in Essex County for 30 years, and Prospect Presbyterian has been a hosting congregation from inception. You can register to attend at <http://ihnessexnj.org/save-the-date/>. Please let any of the Prospect Coordinators know if you plan to attend.

From Connie Cosgrove: A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to those who helped me move furniture and books from the attic and basement, the ladies that tirelessly helped me sort through 48 years of "stuff" and for the many Presbyterian Women who provided a lovely Fellowship time party and the most generous gift I received! Prospect, once again, has shown us all just how to live in community and to show love and support. New email ConnieCosgrove40@gmail.com, phone 973-280-7178.

Looking for a nanny? A Prospect member may be able to fill that need! Contact the church office for more details.

Attendance last week: 81.

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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 X202	Monday – Thursday 9:00 – 2:00
Jose Orjuela	Financial Secretary X201	Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9:30 – 2:00
Lorenzo Brooks	Sexton contact office	Saturday - Wednesday 8:00-4:00
Co-Op Nursery School	Dana Cavanaugh Co-Op director X210	Monday-Friday 9:00 – 3:00

Church Office Hours Monday-Friday 9:00 – 2:00.

Calendar for Week of September 30, 2018

Today	9:15 am	ConnectEd 
	9:30 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am	Worship
	2:00 pm	Interfaith Hospitality Network guests depart
	5:00 pm	Potluck Supper
Monday	7:30 pm	Prospect Hunger Program
Tuesday	8:00 pm	Recovery
Wednesday	8:30 am	Good Neighbor Coffee
	6:30 pm	Cub Scouts #3 Den Meetings
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	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday	7:00 pm	Girl Scouts #22908
Sunday	9:15 am	ConnectEd  Sensational Sunday
	9:30 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am	Worship- World Communion Sunday
	12:00 pm	Prospect Book Club
	4:00 pm	Deacons' Meeting

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