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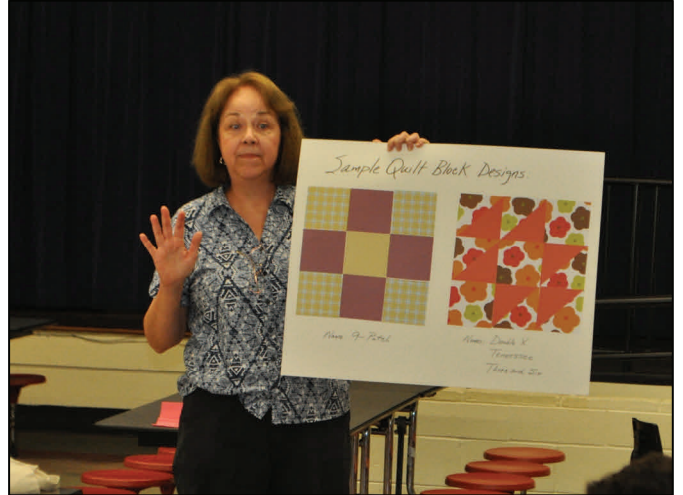
# THE SELWYN SPIRE

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Todd Muldrew leads strategy games.



Susan Lemmon leads an activity about quilting and patterns.

## Montclair Freedom School



Bob Hormberg helps with an enrichment activity.



Amanda Barkley volunteers during Freedom School's DEAR.



Walker Burgin helps with an animation activity.

### SAPC STAFF

Rush Otey, *Pastor*  
Lori Raible, *Pastor*  
Mary Bowman, *Associate Pastor for Mission*  
Lisa McLennan, *Parish Associate*  
Kim Lee, *Director of Children's and Family Ministries*  
Jay Masanotti, *Youth Director*  
Fred Spano, *Director of Music*

Marsha Cooper, *Church Administrator*  
Tonya Moore, *Church Accountant*  
Lawson Caldwell, *Administrative Assistant*  
Jessica Masanotti, *Communications Specialist*  
Steve Stevenson, *Facilities Coordinator*  
Beth Sharpe, *Director of Child Development Center*

### GROUP CHAIRS

*Worship* - Joy Vickers  
*Christian Education and Formation* - Todd Muldrew  
*Administration* - Bill St. George  
*Congregational Life* - Christy Parbst  
*Mission* - Ellen Harris/David Caldwell  
*Child Development Center* - Vicki Walker

# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE



## We welcome

John Joseph McCallum,  
son of Jennifer Welsh and David McCallum,  
born on July 21, 2017



## We welcome

Virginia Lee Sharpe,  
daughter of Grant and Alyssa Sharpe,  
born on July 26, 2017



**BEST WISHES TO JOHN AND JAN**

## In Nursing or Retirement Home

Clarity Pointe, Pensacola - Jewel White

Carriage Club - Margaret Cunningham,  
Mildred Long, Mary Faye Proctor,  
Herman Thomas

Charlotte Square - La Melle Hagerty

Pavilion Health Center - Virginia Bratton

Plantation Estates - Anne McMackin,  
Cara Munday, Martha St. George,  
Joe Welch

Southminster - Art Jones, Bobbye Linn

Spring Arbor, Durham - Louise Callaghan

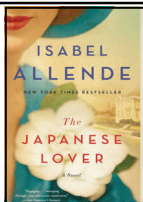
The Cypress - Bobby Davis, Jean Rea

## Deaths

Amy Jane Oberbauer, mother of  
Laura Stark on July 10, 2017

## SAPC BOOK CLUB

will meet on August 15, 6:30pm  
at Amelie's Bakery & Café,  
4101 Park Road.



This month's book selection is  
The Japanese Lover by Isabel Allende.

Questions, contact  
Nancy Bobbitt, 704-553-9356.

On July 30 Selwyn bade farewell to Jan and John Siler. For 8 1/2 years Jan has been a faithful and excellent choir member and soloist while John has served as organist. During his tenure John has provided music for over 500 different worship services, and has brought the highest quality and energy to many ensembles, guest musicians, and our choirs.

John is returning to First Presbyterian Church in Belmont, the church where he grew up and began his love of music. FPC in Belmont is three blocks from the Silers' residence, compared with the 40 mile round trip commute to Charlotte. John and Jan will be universally missed at Selwyn, and always will be in our close circle of friends. S.D.G.=To the Glory of God alone!

## AA MEETINGS

Selwyn is the host site for two weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings.

Times are Mondays from noon-1pm in the Bates House and Wednesdays from 8-10pm in the Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome to attend.

Please direct questions to Metrolina AA Intergroup, 704- 377-0244 or 704-332-4387.

## MISSION



## HABITAT AND CAMP HABITAT COMING OCTOBER 7

It's not too early to sign up for the Selwyn Habitat workday on Saturday, October 7. We will be doing siding and will need 20 - 25 workers in both the morning and afternoon shifts. You can sign up for half a day or the whole day through the YES page: [www.selwynpres.org/serve.php](http://www.selwynpres.org/serve.php). The group number is 269. Watch for more details about Camp Habitat (children's activities) and other opportunities to volunteer that day in the next Spire and the church notes. Help make Habitat a Habit-at Selwyn!



**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED WITH FREEDOM SCHOOL THIS YEAR!**



# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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|---|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1 John McCormick<br>Billy Wilson                      | 13 Shelby Duncan<br>Shelby Flowers<br>Brick McDermott<br>Brandon Tallent<br>Stuart Windell | 20 Kim Darnell<br>Terry Glen          | 25 Fay Aaron<br>Sophia Hatlem<br>Trey Jeffries<br>Cindi Moore | 27 Mary Virginia Hahn<br>Lisa Halstead<br>Laura Patton<br>Nelson Waple<br>Steve Ward |
| 2 Marion Buchanan                                     | 14 Ann Miller  | 21 Rudy Gagnani                       | 26 Rick Hahn  | 28 Ned Carroll<br>Eleanor Ohmstede   |
| 5 Lee Bobbitt<br>Polly Durham                         | 15 Dane Franklin<br>Channing Pfeifer   | 24 Aidan Cameron<br>Raleigh Shoemaker |   | 29 Emily Battle<br>Todd Burbank<br>Michael Warner                                    |
| 6 Eli Winkenwerder                                    | 16 Catherine Ohmstede  |                                       |   | 30 Olivia Madigan  |
| 7 Andy Johnston<br>Bobbie Linn<br>Kim Tallent         | 17 Jody Davison<br>Kim McGirt  |                                       |   |  |
| 8 Raines Craig<br>Mary Faye Proctor<br>Joseph Vickers | 18 Michael Bolewitz<br>Everett Burgin<br>Eleanor Finein<br>Quinn Russell-Broadie           |                                       |   |  |
| 9 David Ohmstede<br>Channing Richards<br>Ledare Roush |  |                                       |   |  |
| 11 Anna Ellison                                       |  |                                       |   |  |



## CALENDAR

<p>Wednesday, August 2 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)</p> <p>Friday, August 4 7:00 Men's Group (BH) 6:00 High School Youth (Knight's Game)</p> <p>Saturday, August 5 6:30 Just Friends (Townley Moon's)</p> <p>Sunday, August 6 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:30 Worship Service (S) 11:30 Anniversary Celebration Committee (P)</p> <p>Monday, August 7 12:00 AA Meeting (BH)</p>	<p>Wednesday, August 9 7:00 Habitat Meeting (BH) 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)</p> <p>Sunday, August 13 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:30 Worship Service (S) 11:30 Administration Group Meeting (P)</p> <p>Monday, August 14 12:00 AA Meeting (BH)</p> <p>Tuesday, August 15 6:30 SAPC Book Club (Amelies at Park Road)</p> <p>Wednesday, August 16 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)</p>	<p>Thursday, August 17 6:30 High School Dinner (Fuel Pizza Park Road)</p> <p>Friday, August 18 7:00 Men's Group (BH)</p> <p>Saturday, August 19 9:30 Presbytery Meeting (Bethpage Presbyterian)</p> <p>Sunday, August 20 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:30 Worship Service (S) 11:45 Mission Group Meeting (FH)</p> <p>Monday, August 21 12:00 AA Meeting (BH)</p>	<p>Sunday, August 27 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Personnel Committee (P) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:30 Worship Service (S) 11:30 Session Meeting (FH) 4:00 Choir Rally Cry (FH)</p> <p>Monday, August 28 9:00 Spire Deadline 12:00 AA Meeting (BH)</p> <p>Wednesday, August 30 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)</p>
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Church Office Hours: 9am-5pm Mon.-Thurs., 9am-1pm Fri.	
(BH) - Bates House	(OS) - Old Session Room
(B) - Bowman Building	(P) - Parlor
(FH) - Fellowship Hall	(S) - Sanctuary
(GR) - Grace Room	(SH) - Scout Hut

## WORSHIP



**Rally Cry for Rally Day** Come sing with the Chancel Choir on Rally Day! We invite all singers—of all ages—who would like to sing for Rally Day Sunday, September 10 to a special rehearsal on Sunday, August 27 from 4 - 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. This will be a time for you to learn our anthem, "True Light" (based on the spiritual, "This Little Light of Mine") for the service, and to visit with our choir members. We will be joined by guest jazz musicians on

Rally Day. Come sing, have fun, and help us rally our congregation! No previous singing experience necessary, except for singing in the shower. As the African proverbs say, "if you can talk, you can sing," and those who sing pray twice. See you there!

**New Ringers Wanted** The Handbell Choir is happy to invite any musician (youth or adults) to our Handbell Retreat on Saturday, September 9, 10am - 12:30pm. We will be reading music for fall and for Advent and Christmas. If you ever wanted to try out those bells and gloves, this is your chance — no obligation to join, and we are an embracing bunch of folks. Middle school and high school students are welcome.

**Singer Scholarship Fund** Phillip Hill will be joining the choir this month as our new scholarship singer. Phillip is a recent graduate from UNC Charlotte where he attained the Bachelor of Music degree in vocal performance. Phillip is a baritone and countertenor, and we are excited to have him singing with the Chancel Choir. Also, those who would like to donate to our fund for this position, either previous donors or new ones, may do so directly. Please leave your donations with Tonya and designate "singer scholarship fund". Please contact Fred, [fspano@unc.edu](mailto:fspano@unc.edu), if you have any questions. Fred

# YOUTH NEWS

- Friday, August 4 - High School Youth to Charlotte Knights Game  
Meet Jay at 6pm in the SAPC church bus lot .
- Thursday, August 17 - High Youth Dinner  
Meet Jay at 6:30pm at Fuel Pizza, Park Road

Selwyn Youth participated in the Youth Conference at Montreat July 9 - 15.



**JOIN THE SELWYN COMMUNITY ONLINE** Visit us on Facebook for information about our church, photos, announcements and updates about our 75th anniversary. Log onto Facebook, search for Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church, typing <http://blck.by/2cWheeo> into your browser, or use the QR code shown. (QR Code Reader app or tech-savvy child required!)



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