

April 2019



THE SELWYN SPIRE

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church

2929 Selwyn Avenue Charlotte, NC 28209, Tel: 704-372-6836, www.selwynpres.org

Palm Sunday, April 14

Worship with Procession of Palms: 10:30am

Maundy Thursday, April 18

Dinner: 5:30pm

Worship and Communion: 6:30pm

Easter Sunday, April 21

Worship: 8:30am

Community Gathering: 9:30am

Traditional Worship: 10:30am

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*

Gay Pappin, *Organist*

Marsha Cooper, *Church Administrator*

Lawson Caldwell, *Administrative Assistant*

Tonya Moore, *Church Accountant*

Reba Hardaway, *Accounting Administrative Assistant*

Jessica Masanotti, *Communications Specialist*

Steve Stevenson, *Facilities Coordinator*

Beth Sharpe, *Director of Child Development Center*

GROUP CHAIRS

Administration - Matt Baskerville

Child Development Center - Jamie Yearwood

Christian Education and Formation - Todd Muldrew

Congregational Life - Christy Parbst

Mission - David Caldwell/Ashley Armistead

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

THE SESSION HAS CALLED A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON MARCH 31

The meeting will be held immediately following worship to elect Elders.

The following persons are being nominated to serve a three year term- Class of 2022:

Emily Cox, Janice Finein, Kipp Kiger, Emily Kincade, Bailey King, Tom Moore, Alyssa Sharpe, Allison Tibe and Clark Walton.
Jonah Cameron is nominated for Youth Elder (one year term).

Additional nominations can be made at the meeting, providing consent from the nominee has been obtained in advance.

The second purpose is to vote on the Session recommendation that Associate Pastor Mary Bowman's terms of call for 2019 be increased by \$1000.

MESSAGE FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

If you have been reading the weekly church notes, you probably know pledges are still being collected for the 2019 Stewardship campaign, *Giving With Glad and Generous Hearts*. The reality is that while the pledge budget has been set for 2019, there is still a need for \$60,000 in Stewardship pledges to meet the goal. To date, \$661,925 has been pledged by 52% of the households at Selwyn.

During this time of Lenten reflection and giving, please consider renewing your commitment to Selwyn. It is not too late to make a difference in the life of our church through the Stewardship campaign. To make your pledge, email Tonya Moore at tonyam@selwynpres.org.

Thank you to everyone who has already supported the many ministries at Selwyn with your Stewardship campaign pledge. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to one of us. Thank you! *Jamie Yearwood, Andy Johnston, Andy Burgin*

IN MEMORIAM

Val Jean Parks

June 15, 1924 – March 5, 2019

SALT SHAKERS

will meet on Sunday, April 7, 6:30pm, at the home of Joan and Richard Foard, 5100 Sharon Road, South Tower 10th floor meeting room.



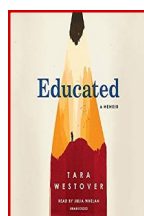
For those who would like to see the Foard's apartment, they will be at home in Apt. 601, South Tower between 6- 6:30pm.

Questions, contact [Malyn Pratt](mailto:Malyn.Pratt@selwynpres.org).

SAPC BOOK CLUB

will meet at 6:30pm on April 16 at Sir Edmond Halley's.

This month's selection is [Educated](#) by Tara Westover.



Questions, contact Beth Ramsey, 704-840-9433.

CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

All volunteers working with nursery, children, and youth should have this training and renew it every three years. This includes those working with children at Montclair Elementary and Freedom School.

Please make plans to attend on Sunday, April 14 or on May 5, following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

AA MEETINGS

Selwyn is the host site for two weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Mondays from noon-1pm in the Bates House and Wednesdays from 8-10pm in the Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome to attend.

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

THE SELWYN COMMUNITY ONLINE

Visit us on Facebook for information about the church, photos, announcements and updates. 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!)



In Nursing or Retirement Home

Aldersgate - Dick Metzler

Asbury Health Center - Dottie Metzler

Carriage Club - Margaret Cunningham, Mildred Long, Chan and Sallye Richards, Herman Thomas

Charlotte Square - La Melle Hagerty

Plantation Estates - Anne McMackin, Cara Munday, Anne Rutherford

Sharon Towers - Richard and Joan Foard

Southminster - Art Jones, Bobbye Linn

The Cypress - Bill and Nancy Budd, Bobby Davis, Jean Rea

Waltonwood Cotswold - Mary Faye Proctor

Deaths

Colby Burbank, father of Todd and Matt Burbank, on March 10, 2019

Mark Wilson Clark, brother of Reba Hardaway, on March 24, 2019

IF COMING TO THE CHURCH DURING WEEKDAY OFFICE HOURS,

please call the church office for entry, 704-372-6836.

The main floor Church Offices have relocated to the Bowman building. The front door at the former offices is closed and is not available during Phase Two of construction. The Spire door will remain accessible on Sundays during Phase Two.



Easter 2019

This Easter you are invited to make a contribution to the Agnes and Matt Lyle Flower Memorial Fund in memory or honor of a friend or loved one. For each \$10.00 donation the name of your honoree will be printed in the bulletin on Sunday, April 21.

Please return this form and your check (payable to SAPC) to the church office and designate "Flower Memorial Fund" in the memo line of your check. **The deadline is Sunday, April 7.**

Your phone # _____ and email address _____

Name(s) of giver(s) as you would like it printed in the bulletin.

In memory of

In honor of

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FORMATION

JOURNEYING THROUGH LENT: DEEPENING OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Lent is a time of preparation for Good Friday and Easter and one of the best ways to prepare is to spend time with God through prayer and other spiritual disciplines.



Join Mary Bowman on Sunday evenings through April 14, 5 - 6pm in the Bates House. Learn more about and practice some of the spiritual "disciplines" like prayer. Contact [Mary](#), with any questions.

DAUGHTERS OF FAITH - Lori Raible

Young women are invited to meet at 11am on Wednesdays. Childcare is available with advanced RSVP to [Lori Raible](#).

A meeting is also held at 7pm one Monday night each month. The next meeting is Monday, April 29 at the home of Deni Pifer.

LENTEN SUNDAY SCHOOL: UNDERSTANDING AND LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS ON THE JOURNEY

All adults are invited at 9:30am on Sundays in the Fellowship Hall.

- March 31 - Immigration Advocate Jeff Richardson, Walking Beside Our Immigrant Neighbors
- April 7 - Erin Mills and Keller Bentley, Welcoming and Supporting Refugees
- April 14 - Elizabeth Trotman, Charlotte Resiliency Project, Trauma of Poverty on Children

The Children's Council of Selwyn Presbyterian and the Child Development Center cordially invite you to a Spring Fling



Thursday, April 25
5 - 6:30pm

Playgrounds at Selwyn Presbyterian

I Games I Music I Face Painting I Nature Crafts I
I Dinner I The Bumblebee Man I

Dinner will be served at 5pm and a love offering will be taken.
Rain cancels the event (posted on Selwyn website)

CHILDREN'S LENTEN SUNDAY SCHOOL

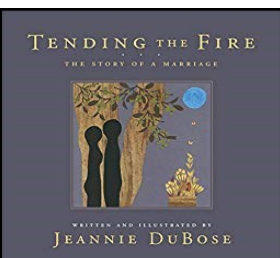
Join us at 9:30am on Sundays through April 14, as we explore our theme, Jesus is the resurrection and the life, and learn through a rotation of activities.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - JUNE 17 THROUGH JUNE 21 REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 14

Three year olds through rising kindergarteners will meet 9am-12pm at Selwyn. Rising first through fifth graders will travel to the Quarry at Carrigan Farms from 9am-3:30pm.

Separate registration forms are available at www.selwynpres.org.

Questions, contact [Kim Lee](#).



ALL COUPLES ARE INVITED APRIL 10

to a casual evening and discussion on marriage with special guest Jeannie DuBose, author of the book [Tending the Fire](#).

Look for more information soon, including a link to RSVP.

MISSION



LENTEN GIVING

A traditional Lenten discipline is to fast and to give the money we would have spent on a meal to the care of our neighbor as a way of reflecting God's mercy.

Selwyn is offering two avenues for Lenten Giving:

- (1) Please consider setting aside monies to sponsor a child at the Montclair Freedom School. The cost of one child is \$1200 for the summer. Pick up a fish box labeled "Freedom School" in the Spire hall to help you collect coins or send a check to the Church designating Montclair's Freedom School.
- (2) There will also be "One Great Hour of Sharing" envelopes available on Easter morning during worship.



The Habitat Houses we worked on are finished and the owners have moved in. Thank you, Selwyn, for serving others!



ROOM IN THE INN THANK YOU

A BIG THANK YOU to the Room in the Inn team and to all who shared their gifts of time, food, cooking, listening, bed making, clothing and toiletry donations, foot washing, visiting, making cards, caring, dishwashing, overnighting, and offering a home away from home for our guests.

Thank you, Selwyn, for the beautiful ways you care for our neighbors.

HELP OTHERS LEARN TO READ



There will be an Active Reading Mentor Training on Tuesday, May 7, 5:30 – 6:45pm at Morrison Regional Library. Come learn fun strategies to support literacy at home or in the community!

Learn how to use the ABCs of Active Reading one-on-one with a child in grades K-3.

These research-based practices can improve the shared reading experience between a child and a parent, grandparent, or reading buddy.

To register, please visit:

www.cmlibrary.org/event/80727-active-reading-mentor-training. Seating is limited.

WORSHIP

GUEST MUSICIANS JUST AHEAD



A generous designated gift has been made to Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church to provide more frequent professional guest musicians during 10:30 worship on Sunday mornings. On April 7 we will be joined by an orchestral group and vocal soloists in an offering of Michael Joseph Haydn's *Requiem in C Minor*.

We are deeply grateful for this fund, and trust that the entire congregation will want to be present!

COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED

on Thursday, April 18 during the 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service.

If you are unable to attend the worship service and would like to receive communion at your residence, please notify Pam Brownlee, 704-622-5730 or the church office, 704-372-6836.

FROM THE WORSHIP GROUP

If your child truly needs to step out of the worship service, please have them do so during a hymn if at all possible. This will minimize distractions for others. Please refrain from bringing food or drink in the sanctuary, especially during worship. In an effort to streamline the recycling of our church bulletins, we ask that after each service you please drop your bulletins in the basket by the outside doors to the Narthex as you leave the sanctuary.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 Jack McCormick	9 Joe Darsey	17 Jo Caldwell Travis Parsons	24 Sutton Stark Elizabeth Stearns Helen Whitesides	30 Mary Bowman Will Hoskins Ben Phillips
2 Marsha Cooper	11 Alex Dewey Josh Ollek Evie Tom	19 Jane Elrod Alex Flowers Daniel Smith Aiping Ying	26 Bill Davison Jean Rea Clark Spencer	
3 Joe Bentley Tom Moore Meg Peebles	12 Ann Venable	20 Kim Lee	27 Norah Bolewitz Vivian Randall	
4 John Barkley Faith Gibson Adam Lindsey Rachel Walker	13 Stephen Zande	21 Leah Lowe Jay Masanotti Amelia Masanotti Ray Tom	28 Jill Cann Julie Harris Chuck Martin Charlie Pfeifer Traver Stuart	
6 Jonathan Haruta	14 Renita Boykin Sam Howard Roger Mills Curtis Scott	22 Jon Byers Watson Phifer	29 Graham Cooper Charles Harris	
7 John Lemmon John Sutton	15 Dean Byers Meredith McCormick Monroe Tan	23 George Dewey Ashley Ellis Joyce Greene Jen Johnson		
8 Carly Arrington April Gibson Sally Moore Ford Smith	16 Will Harris Sarah Skibinski Carol Yarbrough			



CALENDAR

Monday, April 1

12:00 AA Meeting (BH)
12:30 PW Circle 1 (Cordell's)
7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)

Tuesday, April 2

10:30 PW Circle 2 (BH)
10:30 PW Circle 3 (BH)
7:00 PW Circle 4 (Pratt's)
7:15 BSA Troop Committee (SH)

Wednesday, April 3

11:00 Daughters of Faith (GR)
6:15 Handbells (B)
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Thursday, April 4

10:30 CDC Chapel

Friday, April 5

6:00 Youth Game Night (BH)

Saturday, April 6

10:00 Chancel Choir (S)

Sunday, April 7

9:00 Chancel Choir (S)
9:00 Elder Training (SH)
9:30 Sunday School for All
10:30 Worship (S)
11:30 Congregational Life
Group (FH)
11:30 Children and Families
Committee (B)
5:00 Journeying through
Lent (BHB)
5:00 Youth "Belonging" Faith Lab
(GR & FH)
6:30 Salt Shakers (Foard's)

Monday, April 8

12:00 AA Meeting (BH)
7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)

Tuesday, April 9

5:30 Girl Scouts (SH)

Wednesday, April 10

11:00 Daughters of Faith (GR)
6:15 Handbells (B)
6:30 Cub Scouts (SH)
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Thursday, April 11

10:30 CDC Chapel

Friday, April 12

7:00 Men's Group (BH)

Saturday, April 13

6:30 Just Friends (Pratt's)

Sunday, April 14

9:00 Chancel Choir (S)
9:30 Sunday School for All
10:30 Palm Sunday Worship (S)
11:30 Child Protection
Training (FH)
5:00 Journeying through
Lent (BHB)

Monday, April 15

12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

Tuesday, April 16

6:30 SAPC Book Club
(Sir Edmond Halley's)

Wednesday, April 17

6:15 Handbells (B)
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Thursday, April 18

10:30 CDC Chapel
5:30 Maundy Thursday
Dinner (FH)
6:30 Maundy Thursday Worship
With Communion (S)

Friday, April 19

Child Development Center Closed

Sunday, April 21

8:30 Early Easter Worship (S)
9:30 Community Gathering (FH)
10:30 Easter Worship (S)

Monday, April 22

Church Office Closed
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)
6:30 Boy Scouts Court
of Honor (FH)

Wednesday, April 24

11:00 Daughters of Faith (GR)
6:15 Handbells (B)
6:30 Cub Scouts (SH)
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Thursday, April 25

10:30 CDC Chapel
5:00 Spring Fling (Playground)

Friday, April 26

7:00 Men's Group (BH)

Sunday, April 28

9:00 Chancel Choir (S)
9:00 Elder Training (SH)
9:30 Sunday School for All
10:15 Called Session Meeting (FH)
10:30 Worship with Baptism (S)
11:30 Children and Families
Committee (B)
11:30 Session Meeting (FH)
5:00 Middle School Youth (BH)
6:00 Youth Dinner (FH)
6:30 High School Youth Group (BH)

Monday, April 29

9:00 Spire Deadline
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)
7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)
7:00 Daughters of Faith (Pifer's)

Church Office Hours:
9am-5pm Mon.-Thurs.,
9am-1pm Fri.

(BH) - Bates House
(BHP) - Bates House Parlor
(BHB) - Bates House Back Room
(B) - Bowman Building
(FH) - Fellowship Hall
(GR) - Grace Room
(L) - Library
(OS) - Old Session Room
(S) - Sanctuary



YOUTH NEWS

FAITH LAB The third in the series on Belonging: Adolescent Development and Identity is on April 7, from 5-7pm with dinner. The separate tracks for adults and youth will run simultaneously. RSVP to Jay, jaym@selwynpres.org.

SAVE THE DATE for Youth Sunday on Sunday, May 5, and Senior Recognition on May 12 (Mother's Day).

DATE	SUNDAY SCHOOL Bates House 9:30-10:20am	YOUTH GROUP		
		What?	When?	Where?
April 7	M.S.- BH H.S.- BH Confirmation-BH	"Belonging" Faith Lab	5pm	GR and FH
April 21	Easter			
April 28	M.S.- BH H.S.- BH Confirmation-BH	MS Youth Youth Dinner HS Youth	5-6 m 6-6:30pm 6:30-7:30pm	MS- BH Dinner- FH HS- BH



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



PW LUNCHEON will be held on Sunday, March 31 in the Fellowship Hall following the Congregational Meeting.

PROJECT FOR APRIL The Circles are contributing to Montclair Freedom School. This program helps low income children from falling behind in school. Research tells us that if a poor child is not in school then they are not learning. Freedom School helps the students continue to learn and to improve their reading levels. The cost of each child is around \$1200 (less than \$6/hour).

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