

CHURCH NOTES - November 26, 2017

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TODAY

NEW BABY Congratulations to Andy and Katie Sontag on the birth of their son, Andrew Martin Sontag, born on November 17, 2017.

BEING PRESENTED FOR BAPTISM this morning is John Joseph McCallum, son of Jennifer Welsh and David McCallum. Present are grandparents Larry Stutler and Carol McCallum. Other family and friends are also present. Please provide a warm welcome to all on this very special day.

SERVICE OF COMFORT AND HOPE You are invited to a Chapel Worship Service in preparation for the season on Wednesday, November 29, at 11:30am. A luncheon follows the service. Please RSVP today to office@selwynpres.org.

NOTES OF INTEREST

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT Join us as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. Mark your calendars for rehearsals on Saturday, December 2 from 12:30 - 2pm; Saturday, December 9 from 3 - 5pm, and Saturday, December 16 from 10am - noon. On Sunday, December 17, rehearsal will be at 9:30am with the service at 10:30am. Children ages 4 through 103 are eligible to participate.

SAPC CHRISTMAS LUNCH Volunteers are needed to help with the Christmas lunch on December 3. The lunch has been separated into three teams based on 1) part of the meal, 2) preparations or 3) clean up. Each team needs a team leader as well as team members. Don't be afraid to be a leader, we have detailed instructions on how to make this meal happen easily. Volunteer through www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094caba92cab9-sapc

SALT SHAKERS will be meeting at the home of Sally and Tom Moore on Sunday, December 3 at 6:30pm.

ROOM IN THE INN Selwyn hosts each Monday night from December 4 through March 26, and provides our homeless neighbors three meals and a warm, safe place to sleep. There are many ways to be involved from preparing and serving dinner, packing lunches, providing breakfast, transporting guests in the evening and/or morning, serving as an overnight host, donating supplies and more. Volunteer through www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e49aba723a20-room4.

SELWYN YOUNG ADULTS will gather at the home of Sarah and Josh Ollek for an evening of fellowship on Wednesday, December 6 at 7:30 p.m. Please RSVP to selwynyoungadultministry@gmail.com or email if you have any questions.

ATTENTION SINGLE WOMEN The Just Friends holiday gathering on December 9, 6:30pm will be a covered dish dinner at the home of Ann Copeland, 8300 Bar Harbor Lane. Please let Ann know if you will be able to attend, 704-556-1233.

MEANINGFUL HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS The Mission Christmas Tree is in the Spire hallway with opportunities to give to Montclair Elementary classrooms and teachers, to Room in the Inn guests, and to Welcome Kits for newly housed homeless neighbors. Please stop by and pick up an ornament. There are gift notices to share with friends if you choose an ornament as an alternative gift. Please be sure to fill out the sign-up sheet beside the tree and return the unwrapped item(s) with the ornament attached by December 10. Contact Mary Bowman, maryselwyn@gmail.com with any questions.

STEWARDSHIP: A DISCIPLES CALL TO CARE AND COMMIT Thank you to everyone who has already returned your pledge commitment for 2018. For a copy of the 2018 pledge card or to give online please access www.selwynpres.org/about-us/giving-growing/ Pledges may also be submitted directly to church accountant Tonya Moore, tonyam@selwynpres.org. It is very helpful in supporting our church's vision and mission.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER An offering will be taken during worship on December 17 to help reach our goal of \$9,000. To date \$1820 or 20% of our goal has been collected. Each meal cost \$.29. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Please mark the January 28 event on your calendar.

RESOURCES FOR CHORISTERS who want to sing with the choir, but cannot make rehearsals, are available on the SAPC website. YouTube links of choral music and parts, as well as other information are included. Look for Music Resources on the right side of the screen through: www.selwynpres.org/church-life/worship-music/.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE Help support hurricane recovery efforts with your gift. Make your check to SAPC and mark for disaster relief. Please give generously and join us in praying for those who are suffering.

AA MEETINGS Selwyn is the host site for two weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. The times are Mondays, noon-1pm in the Bates House and Wednesdays, 8-10pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend.

SUNDAY MORNING PARKING Selwyn members are allowed to use the Colony Shops parking spaces on Sundays until 12:30pm. This is the center across Selwyn Avenue from the church, which goes from the Bicycle Sport shop at the corner of Selwyn and Brandywine down to the Blo Shop at the Colony Road traffic light, and the spaces around the corner of the center which are marked Colony Shops Parking. Please do not park in the Selwyn Shops parking lot (adjacent to our small lot) even if there are vacant spaces. This is the center which includes the shoe repair and Carolina Barre and Core. Additional parking may be found down at the Scout Hut and on nearby streets (Hassell Place, Brandywine, Tranquil, Colony Road) providing the driveways and lawns of neighbors are respected. Please be mindful and leave room for residents' and emergency vehicle access on neighborhood streets.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
Sunday, November 26 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Advent Workshop (FH) 10:15 Called Session (Chapel) 10:30 Worship Service with Baptism (S) 5:00 Middle School Youth (BH) 6:00 Youth Thanksgiving Dinner (FH) 6:30 High School Youth (BH) Church Notes deadline is each Monday by 9am. Next Spire deadline is Monday, November 27 by 9am.	Monday, November 27 12:00 AA Meeting (BH) 7:00 Boy Scouts (SH) Wednesday, November 29 11:30 Service of Comfort and Hope (Chapel) 6:30 Handbell Choir (B) 8:00 AA Meeting (FH) Thursday, November 30 12:30 Church in Vocations Meeting (FH)	Saturday, December 2 10:00 Chancel Choir (S) 12:30 Children's Program Rehearsal (S) Sunday, December 3 9:00 Handbells (S) 9:30 Sunday School for All 9:30 Pastor's Coffee (Library) 10:30 Worship Service with Communion 11:30 Christmas Luncheon (FH) 1:00 Youth and Elder Visits 5:00 Middle School Youth (BH) 6:00 Youth Group Dinner (FH) 6:30 Salt Shakers (Moore's)



This Advent/Christmas season 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. Your donation will go towards Christmas poinsettias and the Flower Memorial Fund. For each donation of \$8.50 the name of your honoree will be printed in the bulletin on Sunday, December 17. Please return this form and your check (payable to SAPC) to the church office. Please designate "Flower Memorial Fund" in the memo line of your check. The deadline is Sunday, December 3. Please print neatly.

Name(s) of giver(s) _____

Your phone # _____ Email address _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____