

CHURCH NOTES - February 24, 2019

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TODAY

BEING PRESENTED FOR BAPTISM is Roman Michael Piacentino, son of Adam and Cindy Piacentino. Attending are grandparents Lynda and Michael Piacentino. Other family present are Eric and Casey Ferri. Please provide a warm welcome to all on this very special day.

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. The first in this series is today, with a brass quintet. 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!

YOUTH FAITH LAB The first of the three-part series on Belonging: Adolescent Development and Identity is tonight from 5-7pm with dinner. The separate tracks for parents and youth will run simultaneously. Topics include the nuts-and-bolts of adolescent development, identity formation -including gender and sexual identity, and equipping and trusting our teens. Hosted by SAPC staff and clinicians from Presbyterian Psychological Services and Time Out Youth. There will be time for questions and open discussion. The other sessions will take place on March 24 and April 7.

THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS The Bible Study meets from 5-6pm in the back room of the Bates House. All are welcome. We will move from the Letter to the Romans to six weeks in Lenten activities. Contact Mary Bowman, maryselwyn@gmail.com, for a reading schedule.

NOTES OF INTEREST

EMAIL FROM CHURCH STAFF Due to recent updates in the church's internet and phone system you may find emails from church staff in your spam or junk folder. Please mark us as safe senders so emails are not blocked. Thank you.

RENOVATION UPDATE The former front office door has been closed as part of Phase Two of construction. If coming to the church during weekday office hours please call the church office for entry, 704-372-6836. The Spire door will remain accessible on Sundays during Phase Two.

DAUGHTERS OF FAITH Young women are invited to meet at 11am on Wednesdays in the Grace Room. Childcare is available with advanced RSVP to Lori Raible, loriarabile@gmail.com. The next nighttime meeting will be held on February 25, 7pm at the Raible's.

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY will meet on Wednesdays at 11am in the Nell Bates House through March 20. The focus this term is Ecclesiastes. All are welcome.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:30AM "The Christian Art of Dying" class on next Sunday morning, March 3 at 9:30 will be led by Mike Bolewitz. A longtime member of Selwyn, Mike has a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Duquesne University, and an MBA from Pfeiffer. After being the chief pharmacist for Hospice and Palliative Care of Charlotte Region, in 2012 he assumed the position of Chief Operating Officer of HPCCR, a \$60 million per year nonprofit which provides care for 1500 patients in 23 counties of North and South Carolina. All are welcome to gather in the Fellowship Hall for the conversations on March 3.

SALT SHAKERS will meet Sunday, March 3 at 6pm at the home of Nancy and Olen Smith, 2300 Wolfe Ridge Road.

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.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Kelly and Justin Wolf, along with their daughters Cassidy (8) and Stella (7) joined on February 17. Kelly attended UNC – Charlotte and works at Duke Energy. She enjoys traveling, baking cakes and reading. Justin went to UNC – Asheville and UNC-Charlotte. He works at Wells Fargo. His hobbies include listening to music, playing guitar and exercising. The family looks forward to getting involved with children’s programming and fellowship.

HELP ROOM IN THE INN Please use the link to volunteer www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e49aba723a20-room5 or contact Michelle Bentley, mleebentley@gmail.com.

ADD A MONTCLAIRE CHILD TO YOUR WEEK If you can add and subtract, you have the skills to be a HEART Math Tutor. For details and more ways to help, visit www.selwynpres.org/volunteer/ and choose Montclair Elementary School.

COMMUNITY DIALOGUE ABOUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING How will we spend the \$50 million Housing Trust Fund? Join the conversation on February 28 at Myers Park United Methodist Church - Jubilee Hall from 7-8:30pm. To sign-up and get more information, please use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040b4aa5ad2bo-color4>.

BUILDING FUTURES - A Symposium on Affordable Housing is being offered by Habitat Charlotte on March 12, 6- 8pm, at Dale F. Halton Theater – Overcash Building (CPCC), 1206 Elizabeth Avenue. Dr. Marc Lamont Hill, an award winning journalist, will help navigate this important topic including the impact safe and stable housing has on health, education, and equality. The event is free and open to the public. Because of limited space, please register to reserve your seat, <https://app.mobilecause.com/form/OiHT7Q?vid=erce>

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL The dates are June 17 through June 21. 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. Registration deadline is April 14.

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.

WITH GLAD AND GENEROUS HEARTS Please prayerfully consider your 2019 stewardship commitment to Selwyn. You can return your pledge card in the offering plate or to the church office. Or you may email your commitment to Church Accountant Tonya Moore, tonya@tmooreaccounting.com or pledge online: www.selwynpres.org/about-us/giving-growing/

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
<p>Sunday, February 24 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:15 Called Session Meeting (FH) 10:30 Worship with Baptism (S) 11:30 Session Meeting (FH) 1:00 Youth and Elder Visits (Offsite) 5:00 “Belonging” Faith Lab (FH/GR) 5:00 Sunday Evening Bible Study (BHB)</p> <p>Monday, February 25 12:00 AA Meeting (BH) 5:00 Room in the Inn (FH) 7:00 Daughters of Faith (Raible’s) 7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)</p>	<p>Wednesday, February 27 11:00 Pastor’s Bible Study (BH) 11:00 Daughters of Faith (GR) 6:15 Handbells (B) 6:30 Cub Scouts (SH) 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)</p> <p>Thursday, February 28 10:30 CDC Chapel</p> <p>Friday, March 1 7:00 Men’s Group (BH) 6:00 Youth Game Night (BH)</p>	<p>Saturday, March 2 10:00 Chancel Choir Men (S)</p> <p>Sunday, March 3 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:15 Called Session Meeting (FH) 10:30 Worship with Baptism (S) 11:45 Mission Group Meeting (GR) 5:00 Combined Youth Group (FH) 5:00 Sunday Evening Bible Study (BHB) 6:30 Salt Shakers (Olen/Nancy Smith’s)</p> <p>Church Notes deadline is each Monday by 9am. Next Spire deadline is Monday, February 25 by 9am.</p>