

CHURCH NOTES - March 10, 2019

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TODAY

COMMUNION will be celebrated today during the worship service.

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 for the six weeks of Lent beginning today, from 5 - 6pm in the Bates House. Learn more about and practice some of the spiritual "disciplines" like prayer. Contact Mary, maryselwyn@gmail.com, with any questions.

NOTES OF INTEREST

BUILDING FUTURES - A Symposium on Affordable Housing is being offered by Habitat Charlotte on March 12, 6- 8pm, at Dale F. Halton Theater -(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. Register to reserve your seat, <https://app.mobilecause.com/form/OiHT7Q?vid=erce>

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.

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 March 18, 7pm at Deni Pifer'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.

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

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

- March 17 - Attorney Cynthia Aziz, Navigating the Laws of Immigration
- March 24 - Tony Dick and Carol Pearsall, Myers Park Baptist Church, Pilgrimage to a Deportation Site
- March 31 - Immigration Advocate Jeff Richardson, Walking Beside Our Immigrant Neighbors
- April 7 - Erin Mills and Keller Burgin, Welcoming and Supporting Refugees
- April 14 - Jarris Bell, Charlotte Resiliency Project, Trauma of Poverty on Children

YOUTH FAITH LAB The second part of the series on Belonging: Adolescent Development and Identity will be on March 24 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 final session will take place on April 7.

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!

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.

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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, JUNE 17 - 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 forms are available, www.selwynpres.org or contact Kim Lee, kiml@selwynpres.org. Registration deadline is April 14.

MARY BOWMAN recently received her certification as a Spiritual Director. For the past three years, she has been studying and preparing in the program of the Cenacle of Divine Providence in Florida, associated with the Franciscan University of Steubenville. What is Spiritual Direction? One definition is "help given by one Christian to another which enables that individual to pay attention to God's personal communication, to respond to this personally communicating God, to grow in intimacy with this God, and to live out the consequences of the relationship." (Barry and Connolly). If you are interested in growing in your relationship with God and might like a Spiritual Director, feel free to contact Mary, 704-372-6836 or maryselwyn@gmail.com.

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, March 10 9:00 Handbell Choir (S) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:30 Worship with Communion (S) 11:45 Mission Group Meeting (GR) 5:00 Journeying Through Lent (BHB) 5:00 Middle School Youth Group (BH) 6:00 Youth Dinner (FH) 6:30 High School Youth Group (BH)</p> <p>Monday, March 11 12:00 AA Meeting (BH) 5:00 Room in the Inn (FH) 7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)</p>	<p>Tuesday, March 12 5:00 Child Development Center Group 5:30 Girl Scouts (SH)</p> <p>Wednesday, March 13 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>Friday, March 15 7:00 Men's Group (BH)</p>	<p>Saturday, March 16 6:30 Just Friends (tbd)</p> <p>Sunday, March 17 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:30 Worship (S) 11:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry (BHP) 5:00 Journeying through Lent (BHB) 5:00 Middle School Youth Group (BH) 6:00 Youth Dinner (FH) 6:30 High School Youth Group (BH)</p> <p>Church Notes deadline is each Monday by 9am. Next Spire deadline is Monday, March 25 by 9am.</p>

Easter 2018

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.

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