

July 2017



THE SELWYN SPIRE

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Nothing much at all happens in a Presbyterian Church without the Elders. Their ideas, planning, recruiting, scheduling, praying, and plain old hard work result in wondrous things. We owe deepest thanks to the following people who recently completed a term of service on the Session:

Jodie Bolewitz (Child Development Center); Jim Glen (Administration); Rudy Gragnani (Stewardship and Clerk of Session); Peggy Hormberg (Congregational Life); Mory Lowe (Finance); Catherine Miller (Congregational Life and Anniversary Fund co-director); Sara Moreau (Mission); Mary Ward (Personnel); Eric Winkenwerder (Worship and Christian Education); and Caroline Thompson (Christian Education, Mission, and search committee for Youth Director). These are not the only areas in which these leaders have served—individually and together they have stepped up wherever and whenever needed. Many of them are present for nearly every major gathering in our life together. We have been in very capable and strong hands under their guidance.

Please express your own gratitude as the opportunities arise to do so. They indeed have served with “energy, intelligence, imagination, and love,” as their ordination vows summoned them to do. They have enabled each of us to know, love, and serve the Lord in fresh and life-giving ways.



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*

John Siler, *Organist*
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

IN MEMORIAM

Brenda Casteen

October 16, 1951 - June 20, 2017



We welcome

Alice Margaret Rossi,
daughter of Joe and Elizabeth Rossi
born on June 11, 2017



We welcome

Gray Anderson Stewart,
son of Jonathan and Jessica Stewart
born on June 13, 2017



We welcome

Genevieve Cristina Jeffries,
daughter of Trey and Georgine Jeffries
born on June 15, 2017

In Nursing or Retirement Home

Clarity Pointe, Pensacola - Jewel White
Carolina House, Chapel Hill -
Louise Callaghan

Carriage Club - Margaret Cunningham,
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
The Cypress - Bobby Davis, Jean Rea

Deaths

David Platt Mills, Sr., grandfather of
Roger Mills on June 2, 2017

A Journey of Homelessness,
Hope, and Healing

THE
HUNDRED
STORY
HOME

KATHY IZARD

SAPC BOOK CLUB

will meet at Townley Moon's
on July 18, 6:30pm.

This month's book selection is
The Hundred Story Home.

Kathy Izard, the author will
lead the book discussion.

Questions, contact Beth Ramsey, 704-554-8089.

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.

WELCOME SELWYN NEW MEMBERS



Alexandra Russell and daughter
Quinn Joined on February 12, 2017



Jon and Mandy Byers and son Dean
Joined on February 26, 2017



Brittany Bagnato and Josh Guffey
Joined on February 26, 2017



Courtney and Toby Arnheim
Joined on May 7, 2017



Alyssa and Grant Sharpe
Joined on May 7, 2017



Andy Wertz
Joined on June 25, 2017

Donna Todd also joined on June 25, 2017. Photo unavailable.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



WELCOME JAY MASANOTTI

Jay will be serving as Selwyn's new full-time Youth Director after July 4. He earned his Master of Arts in Teaching (K-6) in 2014 from Queens University. Jay received his Bachelor of Arts in Youth Ministry in 2003 from Lee University. Previously he was on the faculty of Trinity Episcopal School as a Fifth Grade Lead Teacher for five years and an Instructional Assistant for four years.

You may have seen Jay acting in some of Theatre Charlotte's productions, such as *Memphis*, *Dracula*, or *Saturday Night Fever*. Jay is married to Jess Masanotti, SACP's new part-time Communications Specialist. They have a beautiful two-year-old daughter, Amelia.

Jay recently attended the Appalachia Service Project Mission Trip in Tennessee with the Selwyn Youth. He will be attending the Montreat Youth Conference the week of July 9.



PRESCHOOL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, JUNE 19 - JUNE 23, 2017



ELEMENTARY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, JUNE 19 - JUNE 23, 2017

MISSION



MAKE HABITAT A HABIT AT SELWYN

This is the SAPC work crew on our last Selwyn/St. Gabe's Habitat build. The next workday is on July 8. This will be a fun day with lots of nail-banging for framing. Don't expect to be wearing fleece jackets and sweaters this time!

Come out and help if you can. For more information or to sign up, please contact Dick Metzler, dndmetz@mac.com.



FREEDOM SCHOOL AT MONTCLAIRE CONTINUES THROUGH JULY

One hundred and sixteen students were greeted on Monday, June 19 and Freedom School is now off and running!

Please join in if you have time.

Contact Mary Bowman, maryselwyn@gmail.com, with questions or sign up through the Selwyn YES page: www.selwynpres.org/serve.php You may also contact John Lemmon, jlemmon@jlf.com.

APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT MISSION TEAM

Thank you to the Selwyn youth and adults that worked to improve living conditions for families in Coxe County, Tennessee the week of June 11.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE SELWYN FOOD DRIVE

Selwyn collected over fifty pounds of food to support the community. It is appreciated.



WORSHIP

REMINDERS 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.
- Thank You.

JULY BIRTHDAYS



- 1 Dan Gibson
- 2 Franklin Caldwell
- 3 John McGirt
Fred Spano
- 4 Todd Horton
- 5 Connor Armistead
Caroline Oberg
Ryan Rea

- 6 Grant Malloy
Zachary Pineno
- 7 Nancy Calhoun
Emma Hatlem
Reagan Patterson
John Siler
- 8 Lake Elrod
Isaac Lowe
- 9 Isabella Vera
- 10 Thomas Ellison
Grace Kobal
- 11 Lily Cann
Chase Rinard
Nancy Smith
Kacie Tibe

- 12 Ken McLellan
Torey Parsons
- 13 Betsy Sedam
- 14 Jackie Salinas
- 17 Bryce McLellan
Marie Pressley
Julia Walton
Katie White
- 18 Mandy Byers
Coleman Kiger
- 19 Ethan Randall
Kristine Summers
- 20 Jeff Davis
- 22 Connie Gagnani
Bobbie Hankins

- 23 Lena Hart
Jackson Widener
- 25 Jason Coble
Bob Yeterian
- 27 Carson Bahr
Mike Malloy
Ali Martin
Denise Pineno
Peter Reavis
Robert Wakefield

- 28 Camden Baskerville
Mallory Trogdon
Lynne Wakefield

- 29 Gale Haruta
David McCallum
Bryant McDermott
Simmons McDermott
- 30 Steve Byrum
Emily Cox
Bobby Pifer
- 31 Steve Windell



CALENDAR

Sunday, July 2
 9:30 Fellowship Time (FH)
 10:30 Worship Service (S)
 11:30 Lemonade and Watermelon
 (Front Lawn)

Monday, July 3
 Montclair Freedom School
 12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

Tuesday, July 4
 Church Office and
 Child Development Center Closed

Wednesday, July 5
 Montclair Freedom School
 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Thursday, July 6
 Montclair Freedom School

Friday, July 7
 7:00 Men's Group (BH)
 Montclair Freedom School

Saturday, July 8
 Habitat Workday

Sunday, July 9
 Montreat Youth Conference
 9:30 Sunday School for All
 10:30 Worship Service (S)

Monday, July 10
 Montclair Freedom School
 Montreat Youth Conference
 12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

Tuesday, July 11
 Montclair Freedom School
 Montreat Youth Conference

Wednesday, July 12
 Montclair Freedom School
 Montreat Youth Conference
 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Thursday, July 13
 Montclair Freedom School
 Montreat Youth Conference

Friday, July 14
 Montclair Freedom School
 Montreat Youth Conference

Saturday, July 15
 Montreat Youth Conference
 6:30 Just Friends (tbd)

Sunday, July 16
 9:30 Sunday School for All
 10:30 Worship Service (S)

Monday, July 17
 Montclair Freedom School
 12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

Tuesday, July 18
 Montclair Freedom School
 6:30 SAPC Book Club
 (Townley Moon's)

Wednesday, July 19
 Montclair Freedom School
 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Thursday, July 20
 Montclair Freedom School

Friday, July 21
 7:00 Men's Group (BH)
 Montclair Freedom School

Sunday, July 23
 9:30 Sunday School for All
 10:30 Worship Service (S)
 11:30 Session Meeting (FH)

Monday, July 24
 Montclair Freedom School
 12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

Tuesday, July 25
 Montclair Freedom School
 9:30 Christian Education and
 Formation Group (P)

Wednesday, July 26
 Montclair Freedom School
 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Thursday, July 27
 Montclair Freedom School
 1:00 Freedom School Finale

Sunday, July 30
 9:30 Sunday School for All
 10:30 Worship Service (S)
 11:30 Christian Education and
 Formation Group (P)

Monday, July 31
 9:00 Spire Deadline
 12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

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

(BH) - Bates House
 (B) - Bowman Building
 (FH) - Fellowship Hall
 (GR) - Grace Room
 (OS) - Old Session Room
 (P) - Parlor
 (S) - Sanctuary
 (SH) - Scout Hut

SUNDAY MORNING PARKING REMINDER



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.



Selwyn Avenue's new logo incorporates the dove and the tree (in the form of an olive branch) from the stained glass window found in our chapel. The spirit of the logo conveys joy and reflects a message of faith and theology. The hints of flames reflect the PCUSA logo and the 'fish' shape reflects Christ as the fisher of men. The dove in flight displays our active movement as a congregation going up and out into the community for mission work and proclamation. The open, interconnected, and continuous lines of the artwork reflect the many years, generations, and commitment of the church, as well as our friendship, openness and transparency. Member, Gale Haruta created this logo as a reflection of who we are as a community as we pursue a vision as found in the Great Ends of the Church, of 'Demonstrating the Kingdom of Heaven to the World.' You will begin to see our new logo introduced in both electronic and print communications. Thank you to Gale and our Communications Committee!

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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