

June 2018



# THE SELWYN SPIRE

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church

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JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

# Spring Picnic

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

Following Worship

Music • BBQ • Fun

Grab a blanket/chairs, bring a side dish to share  
and enjoy a beautiful picnic on the lawn  
with our Selwyn Family!

## 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*

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

*Administration* - Matt Baskerville

*Child Development Center* - Jamie Yearwood

*Christian Education and Formation* - Todd Muldrew

*Congregational Life* - Christy Parbst

*Mission* - Ashley Armistead/David Caldwell

*Worship* - Pam Brownlee

# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

## In Nursing or Retirement Home

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, Bobby Linn

Spring Arbor, Durham - Louise Callaghan

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

Waltonwood Cotswold - Mary Faye Proctor

## Deaths

William Joseph "Joe" Welch, father of  
Sara Moreau, on April 25, 2018

William Franklin "Frank" Lowe, father of  
Hannah King, on May 16, 2018

Betty Collins, mother of Betsy Hamburger and  
grandmother of Nicole Shaw, on May 27, 2018

**SANCTUARY FLOWER CALENDAR** is available on the Spire hall table. Individuals and families, are encouraged to sign up for flower dedications. The price is \$65 for the weekly arrangement. This is a lovely way to honor special people, occasions, committees or groups and provide this meaningful aspect of our worship service.



The metal stairs on the larger parking lot side of the building have been removed to prepare for the new stairs and doorway entrance to meet code requirements.



## Congratulations and Best Wishes

Davis Hahn and Kiri Longa  
Married on April 7, 2018.



## We welcome

Samuel Hudson Zakutansky  
son of Aly Spencer and Brian Zakutansky,  
grandson of Frank and Melanie Spencer,  
great-grandson of Bobby Davis,  
born on May 21, 2018

**Congratulations** to Elder Ed Flynn, who recently was named High School Coach of the Year by the North Carolina Tennis Association. Ed has been a long time coach and mentor for the Myers Park tennis teams, as well as teaching I.B. Psychology. We are grateful for his public service and his steady, calm, and joyful presence in the lives of so many people.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO SALLY HERLONG**, our former SAPC Intern. She will graduate from Union Presbyterian Seminary Charlotte Campus at 10am on June 30, 2018.

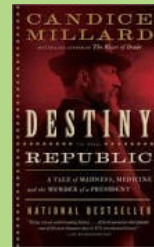
## SAPC BOOK CLUB

will meet at 6:30pm on  
June 19 at

Sir Edmond Halley's.

This month's  
book selection is

**Destiny of the Republic**  
by Candice Millard.



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



Summer Lemonade  
with SAPC

Volunteers are needed  
to help after worship  
now through  
September 2.

Sign up: [www.signupgenius.com/  
go/5080d4aaea622a3f94-sapc](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4aaea622a3f94-sapc).

Please contact Jennifer Daily with any questions,  
[jendaily93@gmail.com](mailto:jendaily93@gmail.com).

## Dear Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church –

As we close the books on Montreat Conference Center's 2017/2018 fiscal year and look ahead to a summer filled with joy, growth and inspiration, I wanted to take a moment and say thank you. We are so thrilled you have chosen to join our most loyal supporters, the Patrons. Thanks to your gift, paired with those of more than 1,000 other families, individuals, foundations, businesses and churches, I am proud to announce that we were able to surpass our Montreat Fund goal of \$875,000. These gifts are vitally important to the conference center's success, as they provide for so many of the things that make Montreat a truly special place.

*Seth Hagler*, Vice President for Development  
Montreat Conference Center

## Congratulations to High School Graduates June 2018



**Joseph Burgin Bentley**, from CPCC High School, will attend UNC-Charlotte.

**Jakob Jennings Canter**, from South Mecklenburg High School, will attend UNC-Charlotte.

**Shelby Raye Flowers**, from Phillip O. Berry Academy of Technology, will attend Brevard College.

**William David Flynn**, from Myers Park High School, will attend Virginia Tech.

**Coleman Thomasson Salton**, from South Mecklenburg High School, will attend Tufts University.

**Luke Christopher Skibinski**, from South Mecklenburg High School, will attend East Carolina University.

**Caroline Elizabeth Thompson**, from Charlotte Christian School, will attend Wofford College.

**Stuart Arthur Windell**, from Charlotte Country Day School, will attend Denison University.

## Congratulations to College Graduates

**Rebecca Cann**, from Northeastern University, in December, with a BS in Business Administration.

**Matthew Cooper**, from Kenyon College with a BA in Economics.

**Kyla Risko**, from the University of Pennsylvania Law School with a Juris Doctorate.

**Nicole Shaw**, from the UNC-Greensboro, in December, with a BA in Sustainable Hospitality and Tourism..

**Sarah Skibinski**, from East Carolina University with a BS in Public Health.

**Edward Stuart Thomas, Jr.**, from Appalachian State University with a BA in Political Science.

**Joseph Vickers**, from Appalachian State University with a BS in International and Comparative Politics.





## MEET OUR NEWEST ELDERS



**Emily Battle** and her husband Charles joined Selwyn in 2016 with their daughter Riley (2). Emily serves with our Young Adult ministry and the Mission Group. As an elder, Emily will serve within the Congregational Life Group, Young Adult Ministries and the Administration Group.



**Andy Johnston** and his wife Ghazale have been members since 2003. They are the proud parents of Alex (12) and Millie (10). Andy has been active in the mission work of Selwyn with Room at the Inn and Rise Against Hunger. Andy has answered the call to lead our efforts within the Administration and Mission Groups.



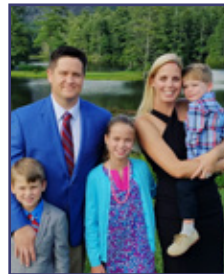
**Lee Bobbitt** and his wife Nancy have been members since 1985. Previously ordained as a deacon and elder, Lee has served SAPC in a variety of ways including chairing the Stewardship Committee, serving the 75th Anniversary Campaign, participating in our Handbell Choir, and playing the piano during Room in the Inn. Lee will join the Worship and Administration Groups.



**Hunter Miller** and his wife Catherine joined Selwyn in 2012, and are the proud parents of Carolyn (4), Ann (2) and Mary (3mo.). Hunter served on the planning team for the 75th Anniversary Fund, and actively participates in our Young Adult ministry and Mission Group. Hunter's leadership will help guide our congregation with the Administration and Mission Groups.



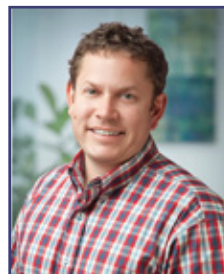
**Walker Burgin** was baptized at Selwyn and confirmed as an adult member in 2015. As a rising Senior at Myers Park High School, Walker enjoys visual arts, creative writing, and composing and performing music. Walker shares his gift of music during Sunday worship, is engaged in SAPC's youth ministry, and serves on the Mission Group. He will serve as our Youth Elder and on the Christian Education and Formation Group.



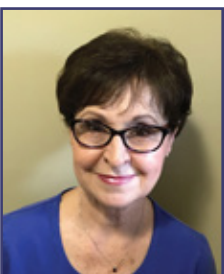
**Erin Mills** and her husband Roger, along with their children Ella (10), Jack (7) and Hudson (4), have been engaged in the life of Selwyn's community since 2009. Erin served as our part-time Youth Director, and participated in many of our mission and fellowship activities. Erin will put her leadership skills to use in the Christian Education and Formation Group as well as the Congregational Life Group.



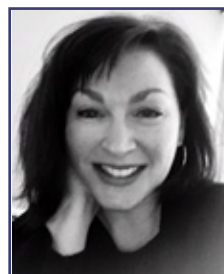
**Kim Claxton** joined Selwyn in 2009. Kim and her husband Matt are the proud parents of Reid (4) and Kate (2), both whom attend Selwyn's CDC. Kim has served as a chaperone on a youth mission trip, helped with the 75th Anniversary Campaign, and on our Stewardship Committee. Currently Kim is the events Co-Chair for the CDC. She will continue to serve as vice chair in 2018-19. Kim will also serve within the Mission Group.



**Daniel Smith** and his wife Andi joined Selwyn in 2016. They are the proud parents of Tyler (2) who attends SAPC's CDC. Daniel has enjoyed participating in the many mission opportunities including Habitat, Room in the Inn and Rise Against Hunger. Daniel looks forward to leading within the CDC Group and on the Property and Maintenance Committee.



**DiAnne Cordell** has been an active member of SAPC since 2013. She and her mother, Hazel Hardwick are faithful worship participants, and DiAnne has given her energy and passion to both the Chancel and Handbell Choirs throughout the years. DiAnne will serve the Worship and Administration Groups.



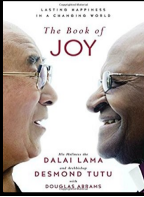
**Heather Smith** joined Selwyn in 2014. She has previously served on Selwyn's Communications and Personnel Committees. She is the daughter of long time members, Nancy and Olen Smith. Heather will serve on the Personnel Committee and within the Worship Group.

# PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



**Congratulations** to Beth Carter and Beth Ramsey for receiving the Presbyterian Women's Honorary Life Membership during worship on Sunday, April 29. Both Beths have a long history of service to Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church and have held various leadership positions including Moderator of Presbyterian Women.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FORMATION



**A SUMMER OF JOY** All Selwyn Reads: The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World. Join us for discussions and Bible Study each week at 9:30am in the Chapel beginning June 10 through August 26. Books will be available in the Spire Hall for \$12 or order through: [www.amazon.com/Book-Joy-Lasting-Happiness-Changing/dp/0399185046/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1527606880&sr=8-1&keywords=the+book+of+joy+dalai](http://www.amazon.com/Book-Joy-Lasting-Happiness-Changing/dp/0399185046/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1527606880&sr=8-1&keywords=the+book+of+joy+dalai)

**LET'S MAKE THIS THE SUMMER OF LOVE!** In the Gospel of John, after the resurrection, Jesus shared breakfast with his disciples. After the meal, Jesus asked Peter if he loved him. Peter responded, "Yes, LORD, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." Like Peter, we love Jesus; and so we seek to feed his children.

In Sunday School our children have been busily studying Jesus' command to feed his sheep. We made lemon pies for our CDC teachers and gathered to sort food to share with children at Montclair Elementary School, who are registered in the nutritional program and are at risk of hunger during the summer months.

Families with infants through children age four brought in 11 boxes of cereal and 23 boxes of fruit cups; kindergarteners and first graders brought in 12 boxes of wheat crackers and 13 boxes of fruit chews; second and third graders brought in 16 boxes of granola bars, 24 non-refrigerated microwavable meals, and 8 bags of nuts; fourth and fifth graders brought in 50 cans of tuna and 42 boxed pasta dinners.

Lemonade on the lawn is back! Families of rising third, fourth and fifth graders are invited to man the lemonade table after worship Sundays, now until September. Duties include: making the lemonade, taking it out to the provided table on the lawn, and serving our thirsty guests and members. You may sign up through [www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4aaaa622a3f94-sapc](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4aaaa622a3f94-sapc). Please contact Jennifer Daily at [jendaily93@gmail.com](mailto:jendaily93@gmail.com) with any questions.

Make this your nighttime reading: Spark Story Bible, Love Is..., pages 431-435. Spark Bible, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, pages 1271-1272.

Make this your nighttime singing: All You Need is Love by the Beatles.

Make this your nighttime prayer: Thank you, Jesus, for loving us so that we have love to share with others. In Jesus' name. Amen.



## MISSION



**ANNUAL YOUTH BOOK DRIVE CONCLUDES ON JUNE 3**

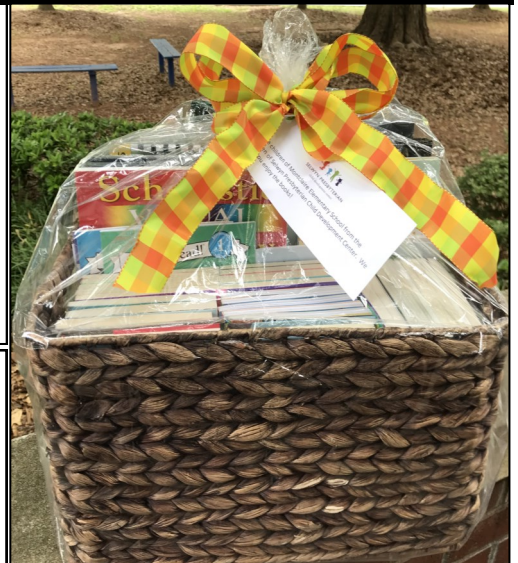
The youth are collecting children's books for Montclair Elementary/Freedom School, as well as young adult and adult books for Habitat for Humanity. Bins are in the Spire hallway.

**SUMMERTIME OFFERINGS FOR RISE AGAINST HUNGER WILL BEGIN JUNE 3**

Please share generously for our future packaging event (formerly Stop Hunger Now).

The event is yet to be determined but is likely to be in January.

We raised over \$9000 last year and would love to raise that amount or more.



**THANK YOU** A big basket of new books were delivered to Montclair compliments of the Child Development Center Book Fair. Thank you for helping provide books for the Communities in Schools kids at Montclair! Communities in Schools offers programming designed to help students with attendance and learning.



Tap into Freedom School

Volunteer for Montclair Freedom School



Click here to sign up online

# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 Nancy Budd Ellis Patton Dale Ramsey Patrick Summers Greg Sweet	3 Charles Battle Casey Cothran Ella Green John Hoskins Alex Johnston	4 Mongai Fankam Cameron Nauman	13 Mollie McGirt Gray Stewart Herman Thomas	19 Lex Cooper	26 Mac McLennan Sydney Pifer Jane Waddell
2 James Barkley		5 Kaitlin Hall	14 Noah Kobal Angie Madigan Anne Rutherford Jane Torbet	21 Matthew Cooper Melanie Duncan Jonathan Stewart Pat Wheatley	27 Mattox Trogdon
		6 Andy Burgin	15 Genevieve Jeffries Anna Lowe Val Jean Parks Charlie Phillips Nicole Shaw	22 McKenna Baskerville Michelle Bentley Ed Flynn Alan Kincade	28 Bill Budd Grace Haruta Vince Pratt Joe Schoeneck Vicki Walker
		7 Laura Hankins Steve Stevenson	16 Mai-Lis Bahr Liam Cameron David Hatlem	23 Carrie Astroth DiAnne Cordell Jennifer Daily Stuart Pfeifer	29 Finn Cauthen Lisa McLennan
		8 Cooper Horton Chan Roush	17 Marcie Linker Christy Parbst	24 Matt Cauthen Joshua Duncan Tim Finein	30 Megan Stuart Robert Vise
		9 Elizabeth Long	18 Joan Foard Willa May Young	25 Casey Craig Fran Sutton Jake Walker	
		10 Sara Davis Ford McCormick			
		11 Kris Phillips Alice Rossi			
		12 Lucy Caldwell Ed Hastings Margaret Long Beth Ramsey			

# CALENDAR

## Sunday, June 3

9:00 Chancel Choir (S)  
9:30 Youth Breakfast (FH)  
9:30 Sunday School for All  
10:30 Worship with Elder  
Ordination (S)  
11:30 Annual Congregational Picnic  
5:00 Mission Group (P)  
5:30 Disciple Bible Study (GR)

## Monday, June 4

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

## Wednesday, June 6

6:30 Cub Scouts (SH)  
7:30 Young Adult Fellowship  
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

## Thursday, June 7

4:00 CDC Graduation (Chapel)

## Friday, June 8

7:00 Men's Group (BH)

## Sunday, June 10

9:00 Chancel Choir  
9:30 Sunday School for All  
9:30 ASP Participants  
Breakfast (FH)  
10:30 Worship (S)  
11:30 Administration Group (P)  
12:00 ASP Departure

## Monday, June 11

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

## Tuesday, June 12

Appalachia Service Project  
5:00 Child Development  
Center Group (P)

## Wednesday, June 13

Appalachia Service Project  
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

## Thursday, June 14

Appalachia Service Project

## Friday, June 15

Appalachia Service Project

## Saturday, June 16

Appalachia Service Project  
6:30 Just Friends (Malyn Pratt's)

## Sunday, June 17

9:00 Chancel Choir (S)  
9:30 Sunday School for All  
10:15 Called Session  
Meeting (P)  
10:30 Worship Service with  
Baptism (S)

## Monday, June 18

Montclair Freedom School  
Vacation Bible School  
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

## Tuesday, June 19

Montclair Freedom School  
Vacation Bible School  
6:00 SAPC Book Club  
(Sir Edmond Halley's)

## Wednesday, June 20

Montclair Freedom School  
Vacation Bible School  
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

## Thursday, June 21

Montclair Freedom School  
Vacation Bible School

## Friday, June 22

7:00 Men's Group (BH)  
Montclair Freedom School  
Vacation Bible School

## Sunday, June 24

9:30 Sunday School for All  
10:15 Called Session  
Meeting (P)  
10:30 Worship with Baptism (S)  
11:30 Session Meeting (FH)

## Monday, June 25

Montclair Freedom School  
9:00 Spire Deadline  
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

## Tuesday, June 26

Montclair Freedom School

## Wednesday, June 27

Montclair Freedom School  
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

## Thursday, June 28

Montclair Freedom School

## Friday, June 29

Montclair Freedom School



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

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

# YOUTH NEWS

Summer days are just around the corner! SAPC Youth will spread across the globe, but there will be times that we set aside to gather for food, fellowship, and fun. Here's what we're getting into this summer! Jay



**JUNE**

- 3- End of Year Youth Breakfast
- 10- ASP Breakfast
- 10-16 Appalachia Service Project
- 17- Youth S.S. Gathering
- 26- Youth Dinner @JJ's Red Hots

**JULY**

- Youth S.S. Gathering- 1
- Montreat Youth Conference- 8-14
- Youth S.S. Gathering- 15
- Big Air Trampoline Park- 25

**AUGUST**

- 5- Youth S.S. Gathering
- 14- US Whitewater Center Day Out
- 19- Youth S.S. Gathering
- 30- End of Summer Dinner (TBD)

Have you misplaced a jacket, sweatshirt, eye glasses, coffee mug, or other items? Is your child missing a stuffed animal, book or toy?



Please check the Lost and Found box in the church library.

Any items left after June 24 will be donated.

## JOIN THE SELWYN COMMUNITY ONLINE

Visit us on Facebook for information about our church, photos, announcements and updates.

Log onto Facebook, search for Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church, typing <http://b1ck.by/2cWheeo> into your browser, or use the QR code shown. (QR Code Reader app or tech-savvy child required!)



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