## **CHURCH NOTES - September 17, 2017**

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## **TODAY**

**NEW BABY** Congratulations to Anne Rutherford on the birth of her granddaughter, Madeline Anne Rutherford, born on August 29, 2017 to David and Angie Rutherford.

**SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY BEGINS THIS EVENING** The journey through the New Testament continues with beginning the Book of Acts and Paul's Letters. All are invited from 5–6 pm in the Parlor. The class will meet weekly through November 19, with the exception of October 22.

## **NOTES OF INTEREST**

**75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE** At the end of July \$731,107 in pledge payments and gifts had been received. This represents 39.52% of the Campaign goal of \$ 1,850,000 and includes payments from sixteen families who have completely paid their pledges. Thank you!

**DAUGHTERS OF FAITH** Young adult women are invited to gather on Wednesday mornings at 11am. The fall study will begin on Wednesday, September 20 with Lori Raible.

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY** Rush Otey will lead the study on the Letter to the Ephesians on Wednesdays at 11am, from September 20 through November 1 in the Parlor. All are invited to attend.

SELWYN'S NEW ORGANIST is Gay Pappin, who will begin service on October 1. She grew up in Arkansas and graduated from Ouchita Baptist University with a degree in music education, and later received a master's degree and doctorate in music from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. Gay has played organ and piano in churches all of her youth and adult life, most recently in Charlotte at Quail Hollow Presbyterian Church and previously at the Christian Science congregation on Morehead. She is employed as administrator at the Southern Park Music School on Park Road, where she previously taught piano and organ. Active in the Charlotte chapter of the American Guild of Organists, Gay has held leadership positions including Dean and member of the Stigall Scholarship committee and registrar for the 2015 Regional Conference. Her husband is Joe Pappin, a retired professor of philosophy and formerly dean of the Lancaster campus of the University of South Carolina. They have two adult children and are also grandparents. We are grateful to the Search Committee members who have worked long hours through the summer--Joe Anne Cole, Dianne Cordell, Ellen Harris, Jackie Salinas, Ed Thomas, Bruce Walker, and Mary Ward, along with staff Rush Otey and Fred Spano. Shannon Johnson and Charles Austin have blessed us with their music from the keyboards during August, and Bob Ivey will be guest organist September 17 and 24.

**TIME TO RE-LINK** your Harris-Teeter VIC card to Selwyn's Child Development Center (#3074), Montclaire Elementary (#1729), and Freedom School Partners (#5822). Your support is appreciated.

**HELP MONTCLAIRE CHILDREN SUCCEED** There are many ways to help the children at Montclaire Elementary improve their academic skills. Learn how you can volunteer to help with reading, math and more and by visiting www.selwynpres.org.

**PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE** You can help support Harvey and Irma recovery efforts with your gift. You can donate through https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-nfo/DR000169/?appeal=PDA&package=HH17-UPA. To mail a check, you may send it to Presbyterian Church USA, P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. To donate by phone, call 800-872-3283, Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm. Please give generously and join us in praying for courage 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.

**75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** Mark your calendar for October 20 - 22. On Friday, October 20, 6:30pm, there will be a dinner and silent auction. A reception will be held following Sunday worship. Both will be held in the Fellowship Hall. For the silent auction, if you own a business or a vacation home, provide a service, bake, create art or jewelry, or have other items to contribute (or can reach out to a nonmember who would like to contribute), please email Mai-Lis Bahr, mai.lis.bahr@gmail.com. Your donation is greatly appreciated; all proceeds will go towards mission initiatives.

**SAVE THE DATE - JANUARY 28** Selwyn will again participate in Rise Against Hunger (formerly known as "Stop Hunger Now"). Be on the lookout for more details over the coming weeks.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Whitney Greene and Nick Loder on September 16, 2017.

## THIS WEEK AT SELWYN Sunday, September 17 Monday, September 18 Sunday, September 24 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 12:00 AA Meeting (BH) 9:30 Confirmation Breakfast (BH) 6:30 Mission Group (FH) 9:30 Sunday School for All 9:30 Sunday School for All 7:00 Boy Scouts (SH) 10:30 Worship Service (S) 10:30 Worship Service (S) 11:30 Session Meeting (FH) Tuesday, September 19 11:30 Prayer Shawl Meeting (P) 5:00 Middle School Youth (BH) 5:00 Child Development Center 11:30 Spirit Dinner Committee (FH) 5:00 Sunday Evening Bible Study (P) Group (P) 5:00 Middle School Youth (BH) 6:00 Youth Group Dinner (FH) 6:30 SAPC Book Club 5:00 Sunday Evening Bible Study (P) 7:00 High School Youth (BH) (Sir Edmond Halley's) 6:00 Youth Group Dinner (FH) 7:00 High School Youth (BH) Wednesday, September 20 11:00 Daughters of Faith (OS) 11:00 Wednesday Bible Study (P) Church Notes deadline is each Monday by 9am. 6:15 Handbells (B) Next Spire deadline is Monday, September 25 by 9am. 6:30 Cub Scouts (SH) 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)