



THE SELWYN SPIRE

April 2022

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church
2929 Selwyn Avenue Charlotte, NC 28209, Tel: 704-372-6836, www.selwynpres.org

Called To Connect At Selwyn

Sunday School each week at 9:30am.
There is a place for everyone—
adults, youth, children, and nursery.

April 3 10:30am Worship and Confirmation
We welcome thirteen Confirmands
Into church membership at Selwyn.

Holy Week and Easter

April 10 10:30am Palm Sunday Worship,
with the Children's Choir Singing

April 14 Maundy Thursday
5:30pm Drop In Dinner
6:15pm Worship with Communion

April 17 Easter Sunday
8:30am Easter Sunday Worship
10:30am Easter Sunday Worship

*Please note:
Sunday School classes will not meet on Easter.*

[Click here to view](#) a special Lenten
video message from Selwyn.



SAPC STAFF

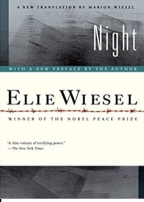
Lori Archer Raible, *Pastor*
Margo Richardson Fraga, *Associate Pastor*
Lisa McLennan, *Parish Associate*
Nancy Nutter, *Director of Children/Family Ministries*
Ashlee Anderson, *Congregational Life Coordinator*
Hillary Cheek, *Parish Associate for Mission*
Fred Spano, *Director of Music*
Gay Pappin, *Organist*

Marsha Cooper, *Church Administrator*
Debbie Pott, *Administrative Assistant*
Tonya Moore, *Church Accountant*
Reba Hardaway, *Accounting Administrative Assistant*
Jennifer Dixon Remsen, *Communications*
Steve Stevenson, *Facilities Coordinator*
Beth Sharpe, *Director of Child Development Center*

GROUP CHAIRS

Administration - Lou Waple
Child Development Center - Clark Walton
Christian Education & Formation- Allison Tibe
Congregational Life - Deni Pifer/Ginny Burgin
Mission - Susan Flynn/Chris Bahr
Worship - Suzanne Newsom

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE



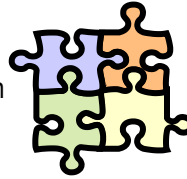
SAPC BOOK CLUB

will meet on April 19, 7pm in the Parlor to discuss Night by Elie Wiesel.

Questions, contact [Nancy Bobbitt](#).

THIRD THURSDAY CONNECTION

Pints at the Pub! You are invited to drop by Selwyn Pub between 5:30—7pm on April 21 for a time of fellowship with one another and pastoral staff.



No need to RSVP, simply come as you are!

In Nursing or Retirement Homes

- Aldersgate - Dick Metzler
- Asbury— Mary Faye Proctor
- Carmel Hills—Marie Pressley
- Carriage Club - Herman Thomas
- Cypress - Bill and Nancy Budd, Robert Shore, Olen and Nancy Smith
- Matthews Glen - Anne McMackin, Cara Munday, Anne Rutherford
- Merrywood- Jo Caldwell, Pat Ferguson
- Sharon Towers - Richard and Joan Foad
- Southminster - Kathy and John Hartley, Kay Hastings, Art Jones, Bobbye Linn

Deaths

Michael Spano, brother of Fred Spano, on March 27

COVID NOTICE There is a dedicated area in the sanctuary for those who require and/or desire social distancing and masks. Those who are not vaccinated or carry health concerns Are encouraged to continue wearing masks. We will continue to offer worship online for the foreseeable future.

Adult teachers, volunteers and nursery staff for children and youth will continue to wear masks through the next several weeks.

For those gathering in small Bible study and fellowship groups, be gracious to one another as you navigate decisions to wear masks. If a member of your group is health compromised, please prioritize your togetherness over the decision to not wear masks.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Chris Dietrich Jack McCormick | 7 John Lemmon John Sutton | 15 Dean Byers Meredith McCormick Monroe Tan Vince Piacentino | 23 George Dewey Ashley Ellis Joyce Greene Jen Johnson Will Peebles | 29 Graham Cooper Charles Harris | 30 Tina Dietrich Will Hoskins Ben Phillips |
| 2 Marsha Cooper Welch Liles Henry Widmer | 8 Carly Arrington April Gibson Sally Moore Ford Smith | 16 Caroline Bourg Will Harris Sarah Skibinski Carol Yarbrough | 24 Sutton Stark Elizabeth Stearns | | |
| 3 Joe Bentley Tom Moore Meg Peebles | 9 Joe Darsey | 17 Jo Caldwell Travis Parsons | 26 Bill Davison Thomson Riley | | |
| 4 John Barkley Faith Gibson Casey Koppelmann Loren Korch Adam Lindsey Rachel Walker | 11 Alex Dewey Bennett Hackman Josh Olek Evie Tom | 19 Jane Elrod Alex Flowers Daniel Smith | 27 Norah Bolewitz Clark Spencer Vivian Randall | | |
| 5 Jay Pruitt | 13 Brandi Milewski Steve Zande | 21 Leah Lowe Ray Tom | 28 Jill Cann Julie Harris Chuck Martin Charlie Pfeifer Traver Stuart | | |
| 6 Jonathan Haruta | 14 Renita Boykin Sam Howard Roger Mills Curtis Scott | 22 Jon Byers Watson Phifer | | | |



Easter 2022

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 17.

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 10.**

Your phone # _____ and email address _____

Name(s) of giver(s) to be printed in the bulletin _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

WE WILL WELCOME TWO NEW PARISH ASSOCIATES

Rev. Hillary Cheek will serve as Parish Associate for Mission (10 hours/week) and will be active in worship leadership. Her first Sunday in worship will be on April 3.

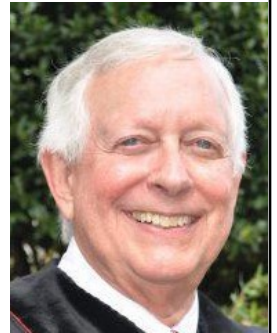
Hillary Cheek grew up in Charlotte. She earned her M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, NJ, and graduated from Elon University with a B.A. in Religious Studies. After graduating from seminary, she answered a call to youth ministry and was ordained as the Associate Pastor of Christian Education at Hopewell Presbyterian Church in Huntersville, NC. While there, her husband, Brad, began studies at UNC School of Law, and Hillary began feeling a call to focus more of her ministry on Pastoral Care. For the next year, she served as the Interim Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care of University Presbyterian Church in Chapel Hill, NC. She most recently served as the Interim Pastor of Faith Presbyterian Church in Greensboro, NC. She finished her time with them shortly before April of 2021.



She has participated in The Engle Institute of Preaching Fellows in Princeton, NJ, served as a co-director for the Montreat Middle School Conference, and has completed transitional ministry courses as well as the Stephen Leader training. Hillary and Brad are thrilled to be back in Charlotte, and last April they welcomed their first child, Whitney Grace, into the world. Hillary has been enjoying this first year with Whitney and is looking forward to joining the community of SAPC!

Rev. Bryan Hovey will begin serving Selwyn as Parish Associate for Congregational Life and Pastoral Care (20 hours/week), and will be active in worship leadership. We will introduce Bryan to SAPC in worship on May 8. He will begin on June 15.

Bryan Hovey is a native of North Carolina, raised on Lake Hickory. He has lived in Concord for 33 years. Bryan and his wife, Carol, have four children. Bryan's two sons live on the Oregon coast. Carol's son lives in Colorado, and her daughter lives in central Oregon. After his undergraduate studies, Bryan briefly worked in Historic Preservation and then moved to France for a year. Upon returning, he began working at Freightliner Corporation in Texas, moved to Oregon, and settled in North Carolina.



In 2003, he entered Union Presbytery Seminary in Charlotte, graduated in 2009, and was ordained in 2011. He served as a Hospice Chaplain for three years while also serving as a part-time interim in Monroe and Lowell, NC. Upon leaving Hospice he accepted a full-time call to First Presbyterian Church Mt. Holly as their Transitional Minister. After three years at Mt. Holly, he served a short transitional period at New Hope Presbyterian before moving to Sparta Presbyterian Church to serve as a Transitional Minister. He is currently completing his Transitional position at Quail Hollow PC. Bryan has many hobbies, all of which embrace God's creation to the fullest. They include reading, hiking in the mountains, sailing, paddling or sitting on the beach playing with his dogs.

WORSHIP

Join us Weekly for Worship in the Sanctuary at 10:30am.

The services will also continue to be available on SAPC's Facebook. An email will also be sent around 10:15am with the [Facebook link](#).

Elementary Children's Worship at 10:30am

All Elementary children are invited to worship in the sanctuary. After the Children's Message they are invited to join Nancy Nutter for Children's Chapel. The children will return to the sanctuary and their parents during the Doxology.

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SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SANCTUARY FLOWERS


Individuals and families are encouraged to sign up in honor or memory of people.

We have a commitment with a florist for one standard arrangement for \$65. Additional charges may apply for specific flower varieties.

To reserve a date and payment details, contact [Marsha](#).



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FORMATION

- ❖ **CHILDREN'S CHOIR**, age 4 through 5th grade, on Wednesday, April 6, at 5:30pm.
- ❖ **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** for Preschool, ages 3 and 4, will meet June 21- 23, 9am- noon. Cost is \$75 per child.
- ❖ **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** for Elementary, K-5th grade, will meet June 27- July 1, 9am- 3pm. Cost, \$175 per child. Please register with [Nancy Nutter](#) by May 1.
- ❖ **ELEMENTARY CHILDREN K-5 SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:30AM** Children's Director, Nancy Nutter and a dedicated team of teachers gather with the children for storytelling in the Bowman Building.
- ❖ **SUNDAY PRESCHOOL AND NURSERY— 9:30AM AND 10:30AM** Our long-standing, loving nursery keepers will care for the children. *Please note all volunteers and adults teaching and caring for children will continue to wear masks in the upcoming weeks.*
- ❖ **TWO ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AT 9:30AM**
 - ⇒  *Selwyn Life* (Library) You're invited to attend the Affordable Housing Sunday School classes during April and early May. All adults and Middle and High school students are welcome. Each session stands alone, so come to one or many. On April 10 we will be led by Liza Pratt, Malyn and Vince's daughter, who is the Critical Home Repair Project Manager for Habitat.
 - ⇒ The *Combined Adult Class*, is focusing on the Gospel of Luke. (Parlor, and also available via the link in the weekly email.)



YOUTH NEWS

High School Youth Registration for Montreat Youth Conference Is Still Open

- ⇒ Montreat Youth Conference, July 10-16 for rising 9th graders- graduated 12th grade
- ⇒ Email [Margo](#) as soon as possible to attend and she will email participant registration documents and health forms.



Look for details and updates on programming from Margo. [Contact Margo](#) with any questions or to RSVP.

- April 1 - Youth Game Night at the church, 6-9pm with dinner.
- April 3 - Middle School and 5th Graders Dinner Out, 5-6:30pm. Meet at the church to walk as a group to Mellow Mushroom for dinner on the patio.
- April 5 - 5th Grade Girls Ice Cream, 5pm. Meet at the church to walk to TCBY.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



The Presbyterian Women will recognize one of its members with the Honorary Life Membership during the April 24 worship service. Join us in recognition of this faithful disciple.

All church members are invited to an outdoor reception following worship on April 24.

All women are invited to participate in a Presbyterian Women's Circle. Choose the day and time that works best for you. Monthly morning and night meetings are available with one weekly meeting available on Wednesdays.

MISSION

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE To offer your financial support for Ukraine humanitarian efforts you may designate a gift to DR000156 by sending a check to Presbyterian Church USA, PO Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. Or you may send your check to Selwyn, or go online at [pcusa.org/UK22](#), text PDAUKR to 41444, or contact PDA by phone 800-872-3283.

MONTCLAIRE KIDS NEED YOU!

There are a variety of commitment levels and opportunities to assist a Montclaire child or family. Visit the [Sign Up Form](#), which is regularly updated with immediate and ongoing needs. If you sign up, a member of the Mission team will contact you.

First Sunday Food Drive

- Purchase requested groceries for the Montclaire Elementary School Pantry.
- Needs are bag rice, bag beans, canned meat, peanut butter, crackers, canned fruits, vegetables, soup, breakfast items, individual wrapped snacks.
- No glass items please.
- Items can be returned to the church the first Sunday of each month or during the week.



Thank you to RITI coordinator Michelle Bentley and everyone that participated in helping make Room in the Inn a success this season for our Roof Above neighbors.

Food Pantry bags will be packed on Thursday, April 7, 10:30am, at the church to take to Montclaire Elementary. If you would like to assist, please contact [Nancy Bobbitt](#).