



# THE SELWYN SPIRE

August 2019

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church

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## Montclair Freedom School

Thanks to everyone for all your support of Montclair Freedom School this summer!

[Click here](#) to see how you can continue "Loving our Neighbors" at Montclair Elementary School.



### SAPC STAFF

- Rush Otey, *Pastor*
- Lori Raible, *Pastor*
- Mary Bowman, *Associate Pastor for Mission*
- Lisa McLennan, *Parish Associate*
- Josh Milton, *Church of Scotland Intern*
- 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*
- Lawson Caldwell, *Administrative Assistant*
- Tonya Moore, *Church Accountant*
- Reba Hardaway, *Accounting 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* - Erin Mills
- Congregational Life* - Emily Battle
- Mission* - Ashley Armistead/Meg Dewey/Allison Tibe
- Worship* - Pam Brownlee

# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE



Sunday, August 4, **Josh Milton**, Church of Scotland summer intern, will be preaching. His wife, Rachel, will be singing.

This will be the Milton family's last day at Selwyn. Join us for refreshments on the lawn following worship and take time to say goodbye to the Milton family.



## We welcome

Frances Winscott Arnheim, daughter of Toby and Courtney Arnheim, born on July 7, 2019



## We welcome

Annie James Yearwood, daughter of J.D. and Jamie Yearwood, born on July 9, 2019



**PARKING LOT REMINDER** The small parking lot is one-way, from the Selwyn Avenue entrance, down the hill, and out onto Glendale. When exiting, there is a stop sign at the bottom of the hill and a new speed bump to remind drivers to exit carefully and slowly. Please do not enter from Glendale and drive up the hill.



- Work continues on the new portico and the outside front of the building.
- The ladies restroom near the Chapel is closed while under renovation.

**SAPC BOOK CLUB** will meet at 6:30pm on August 20 at Sir Edmond Halley's.

This month's selection is Nine Perfect Strangers by Liane Moriarty.

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



## AA MEETINGS

Selwyn is the host site for two weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Mondays from noon-1pm in the Bates House and Wednesdays from 8-10pm in the Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome to attend. Please direct any questions to Metrolina AA Intergroup, 704- 377-0244 or 704-332-4387.

## In Nursing or Retirement Home

- Aldersgate - Dick Metzler
- Asbury Health Center - Dottie Metzler
- Carriage Club - Mildred Long, Chan and Sallye Richards, Herman Thomas
- Charlotte Square - La Melle Hagerty
- Genesis Salisbury Center - Margaret Cunningham
- Merrywood- Jo Caldwell
- Plantation Estates - Anne McMackin, Cara Munday, Anne Rutherford
- Sharon Towers - Richard and Joan Foard
- Southminster - Art Jones, Bobbye Linn
- The Cypress - Bill and Nancy Budd, Bobby Davis, Olen and Nancy Smith
- Waltonwood Cotswold - Mary Faye Proctor

## Births

Catherine Elizabeth Gotherman, granddaughter of Terry and Jim Glen, on July 15, 2019

**SAVE THE DATE  
RALLY DAY IS SEPTEMBER 8**

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FORMATION

- **ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL - SCRIPTURES TO LIVE BY** The class meets in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am.
- **CHILDREN'S SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL** Join us for faith, food, fellowship and fun on Sundays at 9:30am.
- **SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** with Mary Bowman resumes on August 18, from 5-6pm in the Bates House back room. The New Testament journey continues with the Letter to the Hebrews, the Universal Epistles, and the Book of Revelation.

# MISSION



## FALL FOOD DRIVE FOR MONTCLAIRE ELEMENTARY FOOD PANTRY

Montclair children and families are experiencing hunger. The principal has started a food pantry. Please help us stock the pantry. Watch for details about a Rally Day collection.

**SAVE THE DATE:  
SELWYN HABITAT DAY  
AND CAMP HABITAT ON  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5**



## HELPS TUTORING INAUGURAL YEAR



This past school year, Read Charlotte partnered with CMS and other organizations to launch HELPS tutoring to provide targeted fluency tutoring to 155 third graders in ten elementary schools, including Montclair. Organizations, including SAPC, partnered to recruit volunteer tutors.

The bottom line is the results of this high-impact opportunity exceeded expectations. In fact, 46% of the 155 students exceeded the normal amount of growth that occurs for third graders (taking into account where each individual student started). Click [here](#) for the detailed report. Thank you for helping to support students' success and we look forward to more strides in the upcoming school year.

# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



1 John McCormick Billy Wilson	10 Adam Tan	18 Michael Bolewitz Everett Burgin Eleanor Finein	26 Rick Hahn Amelia Sauda Owen Sauda
2 Marion Buchanan	11 Anna Ellison	19 Quinn Russell-Broadie	27 Lisa Halstead Mary Virginia Rockwell Nelson Waple Steve Ward
5 Lee Bobbitt Polly Durham	13 Shelby Flowers Brick McDermott Brandon Tallent Stuart Windell	20 Kim Darnell Terry Glen	28 Eleanor Ohmstede
7 Andy Johnston Bobbie Linn Kim Tallent	14 Ann Miller	21 Rudy Gragnani	29 Emily Battle Todd Burbank Michael Warner
8 Raines Craig Mary Faye Proctor Joseph Vickers	15 Dane Franklin Channing Pfeifer	24 Aidan Cameron Raleigh Shoemaker	30 Olivia Madigan
9 David Ohmstede Channing Richards Ledare Roush	16 Catherine Ohmstede	25 Fay Aaron Sophia Hatlem Trey Jeffries Cindi Moore	
	17 Jody Davison Kim McGirt		

# CALENDAR

Friday, August 2  
7:00 Men's Group (BH)

Sunday, August 4  
9:30 Sunday School for All  
10:30 Worship (S)

Monday, August 5  
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

Wednesday, August 7  
9:00 Youth Asheville River Day  
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Sunday, August 11  
9:00 Chancel Choir (S)  
9:30 Sunday School for All  
10:30 Worship (S)

Monday, August 12  
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

Wednesday, August 14  
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Friday, August 16  
7:00 Men's Group (BH)

Saturday, August 17  
6:30 Just Friends (Rutherford)

Sunday, August 18  
9:00 Chancel Choir (S)  
9:30 Sunday School for All  
10:30 Worship (S)  
11:30 Administration Group (GR)  
1:00 Youth Pool Party  
5:00 Sunday Evening  
Bible Study (BHB)

Monday, August 19  
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)  
7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)

Tuesday, August 20  
6:30 SAPC Book Club  
(Sir Edmond Halley's)

Wednesday, August 21  
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Sunday, August 25  
9:00 Chancel Choir (S)  
9:30 Sunday School for All  
10:30 Worship (S)  
11:30 Session Meeting (FH)  
5:00 Sunday Evening  
Bible Study (BHB)  
5:30 Youth Kick Off Dinner/  
Program

Monday, August 26  
9:00 Spire Deadline  
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)  
7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)

Wednesday, August 28  
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Friday, August 30  
7:00 Men's Group (BH)



Summer Lemonade  
with SAPC

Join us on the lawn following Sunday  
worship for lemonade and fellowship.

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

- (BH) - Bates House
- (BHP) - Bates House Parlor
- (BHB) - Bates House Back Room
- (B) - Bowman Building
- (FH) - Fellowship Hall
- (GR) - Grace Room
- (S) - Sanctuary
- (SH) - Scout Hut

# WORSHIP



**COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED** on September 8 during the 10:30am Worship Service. If you are unable to attend the worship service and would like to receive communion at your residence, please notify Pam Brownlee, 704-622-5730 or the church office, 704-372-6836.



**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** The calendar is available on the Spire table. Individuals, families, classes and groups 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. Please sign up so we can continue to enjoy God's beauty in this way.

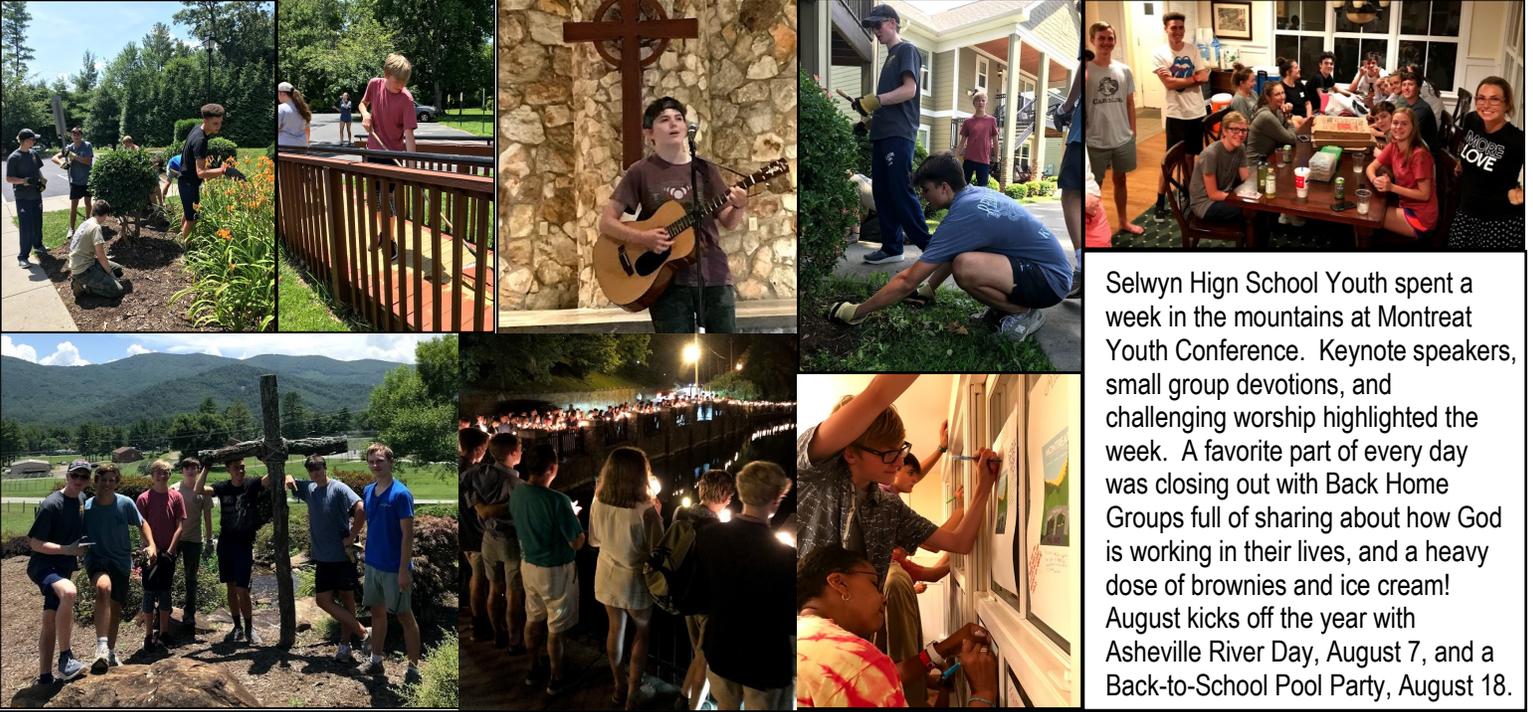
## Notes from Fred Spano - SINGING MYTH DEBUNKED

Singing Myth #1: Only certain people can sing.

Singing Myth #1 Debunked: Everyone can learn to sing, just like everyone can learn to read. Less than one percent of the population has an issue with being able to carry a tune in a bucket, and that is due to something physical or a severe cognitive disability. If you want to sing, sing! It is just like learning a new exercise routine—start slowly and easily, and just do it to see the results. You are invited to try out the Chancel Choir and debunk the myth yourself.

Rally Day, September 8: I invite anyone from the congregation to sing. We will be hosting a jazz quartet that will surely add to our worship: Will Campbell, saxophone; Keith Davis, piano; Ron Brendle, bass; and Rick Dior, drums. We will have a rehearsal, affectionately known as a "pluck and cluck", on Saturday, September 7, 10am - 12pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will pluck out notes while we all cluck together and get ready to be rousers on Rally Day!

# YOUTH NEWS



Selwyn High School Youth spent a week in the mountains at Montreat Youth Conference. Keynote speakers, small group devotions, and challenging worship highlighted the week. A favorite part of every day was closing out with Back Home Groups full of sharing about how God is working in their lives, and a heavy dose of brownies and ice cream! August kicks off the year with Asheville River Day, August 7, and a Back-to-School Pool Party, August 18.

## THE SELWYN COMMUNITY ONLINE

Visit us on Facebook for information about the 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.



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