

CHURCH NOTES - October 4, 2020

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PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY are extended for Marsha and Kelly Cooper and family in the death of his mother on September 26, 2020.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY will be observed during both services today. For the 10:30am online service, every household is encouraged to prepare a sacred place in your home. A table, a candle, a Bible, a loaf, a cup. Communion will be observed at the 5pm outdoor service with the elements provided.

OUR CHILDREN'S CHAPEL will be held on Sundays at 4:30pm in front of the Sanctuary starting today. We look forward to this time with the children prior to the 5pm Outdoor Worship Service. Additional [children's resources](#).

OUTDOOR WORSHIP, SUNDAY EVENINGS AT 5PM Join us on the front lawn. Please bring a blanket or lawn chairs. Masks and social distancing will be required. Rain cancels the service.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CIRCLES meet September through May. All women are encouraged to join. Bible studies and topics of interest are shared, and service projects are worked on during the year. Contact a Circle leader or PW Moderator, [Peggy Hormberg](#), if you would like to join or for information. Daughters of Faith meets weekly on Wednesdays at 3:30pm.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES are held on Sundays, 9:20-10:20am for 8th Graders. Contact [Margo](#) for more information.

YOUTH GROUPS Outside gatherings will be held on the front lawn with masks and social distancing required. Rain cancels the event. Online gathering links will be sent by [Margo](#).

- October 4, 11th and 12th Grade Dinner, 6:20pm
- October 6, 6th Grade Dinner, 5:30pm

BAPTISM CLASS We are excited Ashlee Anderson will lead our fall baptism classes. The two week class will be offered 7:30-8:30pm on October 6 and 20, then again November 10 and 17. Interested parents please RSVP to [Ashlee Anderson](#).

ADULT ONLINE BIBLE STUDIES AND CLASSES Links to participate can be found at www.selwynpres.org.

- Pastor's Bible Study – Gospel of Matthew, 11am on Wednesdays.
- Selwyn Life Class Sunday School, first and third Sundays, 4pm. Contact [John Lemmon](#) for details.
- Covenant Sunday School, every Sunday at 9:30am by Zoom.
- Men's Group, Fridays, 7am

SELWYN, HOW CAN YOU LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR? Here are a few ways:

- We are resuming the Food First Sundays! Beginning Sunday, October 4, please bring your grocery donations to help us restock the food pantry for Montclair Elementary School. October requests are for canned meats, peanut butter, and individually wrapped snack items. No glass items please. The blue bags are on the Welcome Center porch. Please return your food donations to the porch bin anytime that day or as you come to the 5pm Outdoor Worship Service. In November we will seek donations of canned fruits and vegetables. Thank you for helping feed Montclair Elementary School children and families in need.
- We will resume making 300 lunches for Roof Above in October. Upcoming dates and a sign up genius link will be available soon. In the meantime, check out Roof Above's wish list on their [website](#).
- We will participate in framing a Habitat for Humanity Build on Saturday, November 14. Limited spots are available for safety and you must be 16 years of age or older to work on the jobsite. A maximum of eight volunteers can work shifts split in the morning and afternoon, for a total of 16 volunteers. Work will be outdoors, with masks and hand sanitizing. Please check your calendars and contact [Dick Metzler](#) or 704-488-8362 if interested.
- Montclair students are in danger of falling behind. You can help as a virtual tutor with one of our tutoring partners - Augustine Literacy Project, HELPS from Read Charlotte, and Heart Math. For details, please choose "Tutoring" on Selwyn's [volunteer](#) page of the website.
- You may contribute funds via our online giving portals to buy grocery store gift cards for Montclair families.

SELWYN BOOK CLUB will meet Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 7pm over Zoom. The group will be discussing the book How to be an Antiracist, by Ibram X. Kendi.

YOUR CONTINUED STEWARDSHIP AND PLEDGES are much needed and celebrated as we navigate the weeks ahead. Thank you to all who have embraced the online Text to Give platform. Instructions for using:

- Text 704-734-9818.
- Enter an amount.
- The first time you will be prompted to SHELBY to confirm set up.
- From then on, it is as easy as texting the amount to the number with or without a key word.
- Key words are:
 GIVE (an offering to SAPC's general fund)
 COVID (a special offering in response to the needs of Montclair Elementary and Roof Above)
 75 (a gift to the Roots and Wings fund)
- You DO NOT need a key word if you are giving to the 2020 annual fund.

RETHINKING CHURCH

- We continue to livestream Sunday Morning Worship on Facebook Live and Instagram Live at 10:30am each Sunday. A link for joining is sent at 10:15am each Sunday via email to members and is available on our website.
- We continue to offer online gatherings, studies, and meetings through Zoom. Zoom is an easily accessible online platform and app. A schedule of links to online gatherings can be found on our website and via emails.
- Please look for updates at www.selwynpres.org and via email.
- SAPC Podcast - Listen to past sermons, children's chapels, community discussions and more. [Click to hear on Spotify](#) and [click to hear on Apple Podcast](#).
- The best way to contact staff is via email. To reach out by phone call the church, 704-372-6836. Listen to the instructions carefully and follow the prompts for leaving a message on the appropriate staff person's extension.
- For pastoral care emergencies please leave a message on Reverend Raible's extension.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
<p>Sunday, October 4 9:20 Confirmation Class (Zoom) 9:30 Covenant Sunday School (Zoom) 10:30 Worship Online with Communion 4:00 Selwyn Life Class Online 4:30 Children's Chapel (Lawn) 5:00 Outdoor Worship with Communion (Lawn) 6:20 11th and 12th Grade Dinner</p> <p>Monday, October 5 12:30 Women of Wonder Circle 7:00 BSA Troop</p>	<p>Tuesday, October 6 10:30 Our Spiritual Journey Circle 6:30 6th Grade Dinner (Lawn) 7:00 Evening Grace Circle 7:30 Baptism Class, Part 1</p> <p>Wednesday, October 7 11:00 Pastor's Bible Study (Zoom) 3:30 Daughters of Faith Circle</p>	<p>Friday, October 9 7:00 Men's Group</p> <p>Sunday, October 11 9:20 Confirmation Class (Zoom) 9:30 Covenant Sunday School (Zoom) 10:30 Worship Online 4:30 Children's Chapel (Lawn) 5:00 Outdoor Worship (Lawn)</p> <p>Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am Spire deadline is Monday, October 26, 9am</p>