

CHURCH NOTES – October 18, 2020

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, North Carolina

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BEING PRESENTED FOR BAPTISM DURING MORNING WORSHIP is Frances Winscott Arnheim, daughter of Toby and Courtney Arnheim. Grandfather Charles Bowman and other family members are present. Assisting with the baptism is the Rev. Linda Bowman, a member of the Presbytery of Charlotte and the aunt of Courtney Arnheim.

BEING PRESENTED FOR BAPTISM DURING EVENING WORSHIP is Annie James Yearwood, daughter of J.D. and Jamie Yearwood. Attending are grandparents Amy and David Yearwood and Tom and Loretta Grauel. Other family members are also present.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 Names of church members and relatives of members who died during the past year (since All Saints Sunday, November 3, 2019) will be read during the service and are printed on a bulletin insert. The church office compiles the list based on church records. If you have a friend or relative you would like listed, please contact [Marsha](#), or 704-372-6836, by 9am on October 21.

ADVENT WORKSHOP Please join us on November 29 from 12-2pm on the lawn. There will be wreath making, crafts and more! Advent wreath kits are \$10; [reserve your kit now](#) for supplies to be ordered. If you are traveling for Thanksgiving, you are invited to reserve a kit to pick up November 30 through December 3.

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

- Children's Chapel at 4:30pm
- Outdoor Worship at 5pm

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 18, 9th and 10th Grade Dinner, 6:20pm
- October 25, Youth Group Pumpkin Carving, 6:20pm, front lawn

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 Sunday School, first and third Sundays, 3pm. Contact [John Lemmon](#) for details.
- Covenant Sunday School, every Sunday at 9:30am on Zoom.
- Grace Class, 9:30am, the second and fourth Sundays on Zoom. Contact [Erin Mills](#).
- Men's Group, Fridays, 7am

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

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CIRCLES meet September through May. All women are encouraged to join for Bible studies and topics of interest. 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.

BAPTISM CLASS Ashlee Anderson will lead the two week class on November 10 and 17 from 7:30-8:30pm. Interested parents please RSVP to [Ashlee Anderson](#).

MICAH 6:8 SOCIAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE The Session has approved the establishment of the Micah 6:8 Social Justice Task Force. In partnership with other Groups, the Task Force will be responsible for organizing and developing social justice education and initiatives on behalf of Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church. These include theological education, dialogue around issues of social justice, and initiatives/activism in the local community. If you are interesting in joining or in learning more, please email [Erin Mills](#).

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

- We have resumed making 300 lunches once a month for Roof Above. Please [sign up](#) to help with November 21 lunches. Also, please check out Roof Above’s wish list on their [website](#).
- Thank you to all who contributed to the October Food First Sunday to help feed Montclair Elementary children and families and restock the food pantry. Our next date is Sunday, November 1 with requests for canned fruits, vegetables, and soup. No glass items please. Please return food donations to the porch bin.
- We will participate in framing a Habitat Build on Saturday, November 14. Limited spots are available for safety. You must be 16 years of age or older to work. A maximum of eight 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 contact [Dick Metzler](#) or 704-488-8362 if interested.
- Help Montclair students in danger of falling behind by being a virtual tutor with one of our tutoring partners - Augustine Literacy Project, HELPS from Read Charlotte, and Heart Math. For details, 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.

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.

For 2020 Selwyn member pledges total **\$690,740**. Weekly pledge receipts of **\$13,283** are needed each week to achieve our goal for 2020.

October 11: Pledge Receipts:	\$ 3,425
Actual pledge receipts as of October 11 (YTD):	470,315
Goal for pledge receipts as of October 11 (YTD):	544,603
Surplus or (deficit) year-to-date:	\$ - 74,288

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 offer online gatherings, studies, and meetings through Zoom. Links 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 18 9:20 Confirmation Class (Zoom) 9:30 Covenant Sunday School (Zoom) 10:30 Worship with Baptism Online 3:00 Selwyn Life Class Online 4:30 Children's Chapel (Lawn) 5:00 Outdoor Worship with Baptism 6:20 9th and 10th Grade Dinner</p> <p>Monday, October 19 7:00 BSA Troop</p>	<p>Tuesday, October 20 7:00 SAPC Book Club (Zoom) 7:30 Baptism Class, Part 2 (Zoom)</p> <p>Wednesday, October 21 11:00 Pastor's Bible Study (Zoom) 3:30 Daughters of Faith Circle (Zoom)</p> <p>Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am Spire deadline is Monday, October 26, 9am</p>	<p>Friday, October 23 7:00 Men's Group</p> <p>Sunday, October 25 9:20 Confirmation Class (Zoom) 9:30 Covenant Sunday School (Zoom) 9:30 Grace Class (Zoom) 10:30 Worship with Baptism Online 4:30 Children's Chapel (Lawn) 5:00 Outdoor Worship (Lawn) 6:20 Youth Group (Lawn)</p>