## **CHURCH NOTES - April 4, 2021**

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, North Carolina

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## **EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES, APRIL 4**

- Outdoor Worship on the lawn at 8:30am. Please bring a blanket or lawn chairs. Masks and social distancing will be required. Rain cancels the service.
- Easter Sunday Worship Livestreamed, 10:30am.

**GUEST MUSICIANS:** Andrew Beiter is a junior at UNC Charlotte, majoring in trumpet performance and plans on attending graduate school after he completes his Bachelor of Music degree. Currently, he is the principal trumpet player in the UNC Charlotte Wind Ensemble and UNC Charlotte Orchestra. He regularly performs with the UNC Charlotte Trumpet Ensemble, competing nationally against other collegiate ensembles. Andrew has been invited to perform with the UNC Charlotte Faculty Brass Quintet. Andrew enjoys performing at local churches as well as attending live music performances.

**Kira Wagner** is a current student at UNC Charlotte. She is a trumpet performance major studying with Dr. Eric Millard. As a junior, Kira is looking forward to graduate school in trumpet performance. Kira has performed in several states with UNC Charlotte's Wind and Trumpet Ensemble for a wide variety of audiences, including educational and competitive.

**MISSION OPPORTUNITIES** We offer three ways to participate in loving and serving our neighbors. You may bring items by the church Tuesday through Friday morning this week.

- **Homelessness** Help celebrate and equip our Charlotte neighbors transitioning from homelessness into a home. Please select and purchase an item from this link for the Welcome Home Kits.
- **Hunger** We plan to deliver a week of groceries to as many Montclaire Elementary School families as we can. We invite you to purchase one of each of the ten items listed and drop them by the church (bag rice, bag beans, canned meat, peanut butter, saltine crackers, canned veggies, canned fruit, soup, breakfast items, and individually wrapped snacks). No glass items please.
- Children in Need We invite you to make a special Lenten Offering to support hosting Greater Enrichment Program (GEP) at Montclaire for the 2021-2022 school year. You can give by check, text to 704-734-9818, or online. Please indicate this is the Lenten Offering for Mission. We continue to partner with and support GEP at the school to provide afterschool and summer enrichment programming at no cost to parents.

**OUTDOOR WORSHIP** Join us April 11 at 5pm on the front lawn as we resume evening outdoor services. Please bring a blanket or lawn chairs. Masks and social distancing will be required for outdoor worship. Rain cancels the services.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN HONORARY LIFE** On April 18, during the 10:30am worship service the Honorary Life Membership will be presented to a deserving member.

**CONGREGATIONAL CONNECTION AND SPRING EVENT** Join us Sunday, April 18 on the lawn. Please bring your own lunch to eat from 11:30-12. Service projects will be from 12-2pm. We will be spring cleaning down at Little Sugar Creek Greenway. We will walk down as a group from the church. If you have young children or prefer to partake in another way we will have a project at the church as well. Click here to sign up.

- Join us online for worship services. You can share prayer concerns or celebrations with your church family in the chat feature.
- <u>Link here</u> to request to join our Selwyn Spirit Facebook group, a collective place to share daily life events.

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH AND PARENTS Contact Margo with questions. Masks and social distancing required for all outside events. Rain cancels. Please RSVP to Margo for any summer trips as soon as possible.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Service is postponed to April 18 due the CMS Spring Break. We will participate in the Congregational Life Little Sugar Creek cleanup from 12-2pm.
- Appalachia Service Project (ASP) Meeting, April 15, 6-7pm via Zoom for the June 13-19 trip. Total cost: \$500 (transportation, food, housing), deposit: \$200, rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders- graduated 12<sup>th</sup> grade, ten adult chaperones needed.
- Montreat Youth Conference Meeting, April 13, 6-7 via Zoom for the July 11-17 trip. Total cost: \$450 (includes transportation, food, housing), deposit: \$150, rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders- graduated 12<sup>th</sup> grade, three adult chaperones needed.
- Middle School Cross Missions (local Charlotte), July 25-30, total cost: \$325 (includes food, housing, transportation), deposit: \$100, rising 6<sup>th</sup> rising 8<sup>th</sup> grade, four adult chaperones needed.

## **ADULT ONLINE BIBLE STUDIES AND CLASSES** Links to participate can be found at <a href="https://www.selwynpres.org">www.selwynpres.org</a>.

- Pastor's Bible Study will resume at 10am on Wednesday, April 14.
- Daughters of Faith weekly meetings on Wednesdays at 11am.
- Selwyn Life Sunday School, 9:15am. Contact John Lemmon.
- Covenant Sunday School, every Sunday at 9:30am.
- Grace Class, 9:30am, second and fourth Sundays. Contact Erin Mills.
- Men's Group, Fridays, 7am.
- Presbyterian Women Circles meet September through May. Contact Moderator, <u>Peggy Hormberg</u> for information.

CONTACT INFORMATION AND DATABASE We are updating our database to successfully maintain our virtual connections. Our hope is everyone appreciates and embraces this effort to communicate effectively. If you have a question or your contact information changes (including your preferred email, phone, or address), please contact <a href="Marsha Cooper.">Marsha Cooper</a>.
\*Important Note- Unsubscribing in the database or from any congregational email unsubscribes you from receiving all SAPC emails. Please contact the Church Office before taking this step.

**REKINDLING THE GIFT OF GOD** Please prayerfully consider your 2021 estimate of giving at any level. So far 116 households have pledged. Our goal is 130. Thank you for your participation. It is vitally important. Pledges can be submitted through the <u>website</u>, emailed to <u>Tonya Moore</u>, or mailed to the church.

**TEXT TO GIVE** Thank you to all who have embraced the online giving 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, it is as easy as texting the amount to the number. You DO NOT need a key word if you are giving to the 2021 annual fund. Key word COVID is a special offering for Montclaire Elementary and Roof Above needs.

## RETHINKING CHURCH AND COVID UPDATE

- We continue to livestream Sunday Morning Worship on Facebook Live at 10:30am. A link for joining is sent at 10:15am each Sunday via email to members and is available on our website.
- Please look for updates at <u>www.selwynpres.org</u> and via email.
- Podcasts Listen to sermons, community discussions and more. <u>Click to hear on Spotify</u> and <u>on Apple Podcast</u>.
- The best way to contact staff is via email. To reach out by phone call the church, 704-372-6836. 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.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are to the Glory of God as we rejoice in Christ's resurrection.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
Sunday, April 4 8:30 Easter Outdoor Worship (Lawn) 10:30 Easter Virtual Worship	Tuesday, April 6 10:30 Our Spiritual Journey Circle 7:00 Evening Grace Circle	Sunday, April 11 9:30 Covenant Class 9:30 Grace Class
Monday, April 5 Church Office Closed	Wednesday, April 7 6:15 Handbell Ensemble	10:30 Worship with Baptism 5:00 Outdoor Worship (Lawn)
	Friday, April 9 7:00 Men's Group	Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am Spire deadline is Monday, April 26, 9am