

CHURCH NOTES - September 12, 2021

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RALLY DAY LUNCH ON THE LAWN following Worship from 11:30 - 1pm. Bring your own picnic lunch and share fellowship with our Selwyn community. Lemonade and water will be provided.

GUEST MUSICIANS

Will Campbell is the Director of Jazz Studies and Professor of Saxophone at UNC Charlotte. He holds the Doctor of Musical Arts in Saxophone Performance and Literature degree from University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and the Bachelor of Music (Jazz Studies) and Master of Music (Saxophone Performance) from the University of North Texas. From 1990 to 1994, he toured internationally as a member of the Harry Connick, Jr. Orchestra. He has performed with artists such as Marvin Stamm, Randy Brecker, Aretha Franklin, Bobby Shew, Pete Christlieb, Frank Sinatra, Jr., Natalie Cole, Doc Severinsen, Louie Bellson, and ensembles such as The Glenn Miller Orchestra, Charlotte Symphony, Charlotte Philharmonic Orchestra, and Tulsa Philharmonic Orchestra. Campbell was awarded a UNC Charlotte Faculty Research Grant in 2007.

Ron Brendle has been a freelance bassist in the Charlotte area since 1981. He is a two-time recipient of the North Carolina Arts Council Jazz Composer Fellowship Grant, and was awarded a Regional Artist Grant by the Charlotte Arts & Science Council. Ron has performed and recorded with many notable jazz artists of international stature, including Nnenna Freelon, Jason Marsalis, Clark Terry, Charlie Rouse, Andrew Hill, Charlie Byrd, Frank Kimbrough, and Mose Allison. He graduated from Appalachian State University with a Bachelor's Degree in music, and also studied bass with Charlie Haden at the Atlantic Center for the Arts in New Smyrna, Florida.

Rick Dior has performed as a percussionist with the Charlotte Symphony since 1990. He is a graduate of the Manhattan School of Music in New York City. Rick studied percussion with Joe Morello, who was the long-time drummer for Dave Brubeck. He has performed live with Aretha Franklin, James Taylor, Ray Charles, Bobby McFerrin and many others. He is also professor of percussion at UNCC and owns one of the most successful recording studios in the southeast, Acoustic Barn, where he has worked with many great artists including Harry Connick, Jr., Branford Marsalis and Cyrus Chestnut.

Malcolm McKinley (piano) is from Hillsborough, NC and began their musical journey at the age of five taking classical piano lessons, excelling in the early stages of learning theory and technique. After five years, Malcolm continued learning independently, expanding the foundations through natural curiosity, application of fundamentals, and breadth of knowledge to include guitar, bass, drum set, and classical percussion. In high school Malcolm was awarded the John Phillip Sousa Award for Exceptional Achievement two years in a row, and the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award. Malcolm continued the new found passion for jazz as a Jazz Studies major at UNC Charlotte, studying under Dr. Will Campbell, as part of the MJR Jazz Scholars scholarship program. In their first two years, they performed with multiple ensembles, and performed three self-composed pieces with the jazz combo. In Malcolm's second year, they received an award for outstanding achievement, and is on track to graduate in 2022. Malcolm resides in Charlotte, teaching, composing, and performing.

MEET OUR NEW SINGERS

Celia Butterworth (alto/mezzo-soprano) is a North Carolina native from Hendersonville. She is a fourth-year music education student at UNC Charlotte. Celia has been singing since she was a little girl and was raised in musical theatre by her grandmother, who took her to many community theatre shows in the Asheville area. Celia has been singing with UNC Charlotte's University Chorale for six semesters and has been singing with the UNCC Charlotteans for two semesters. Celia looks forward to connecting with the choir and the rest of Selwyn's congregation.

Eddie Kennedy (tenor) began his journey as a singer at Bredon School in Tewkesbury, England. He has also been a member of the chorale at Eagle Hill School in Hardwick MA, Central Piedmont College in Charlotte, and UNC Charlotte. Eddie has an Associates of Arts in Music from CPCC and a BA in Music from UNC Charlotte. Eddie has previously sung in the choir at St. Marks in Huntersville and performed with the piano at Lake Forest Church Davidson. Eddie is a local performer-singer-songwriter who composes his own music, and performs both original and cover songs. Eddie was born in Bangkok, Thailand and has lived in the US, Singapore, and England.

Monisha Moore (soprano) is a sophomore at UNC Charlotte majoring in Music Education. She is originally from Kannapolis, North Carolina, and resides near Albemarle, North Carolina. Monisha has a passion for singing in church and school choirs, and even in a handbell choir—an experience she describes as “amazing”—most of her life. To Monisha, music is the driving beat in all of our lives. It surrounds us at all times, no matter where we are. One of her goals in life is to share the beauty of music, its importance with others, and reaching out to communities that need music the most.

COVID UPDATE We are guided by a task force of healthcare professionals regarding COVID-19. The recommendations are changing constantly. This summer Selwyn safely gathered without masks because most of our adult membership is vaccinated. While those vaccinated are at much lower risk, recently members have reported 'break through' COVID infections.

Selwyn is an intergenerational community, with 535 confirmed members and over 200 children and youth, who are unable to be vaccinated. Because we cherish the diversity of our membership, we are called to transcend our weariness with masks as much as we can. We have opened our nursery and offer an array of programming for children, youth, and adults. Our togetherness is a gift. As an expression of care for children and youth, the task force suggests those in the building wear masks until they can offer better news about the D variant.

SUNDAYS AT SELWYN

- Join us for 9:30am Sunday School - Adults, Youth, Confirmation, children and nursery. There is a place for everyone.
- Worship at 10:30am. The service will be available on SAPC's Facebook. However, the link is no longer sent.
- September 19, 10:30am Dedication of Glory to God Hymns in Worship
- September 26, 10:30am Worship and Celebration with the Rev. Dr. Rush Otey

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN Circle meetings resume in September. Please contact a Circle leader for more information.

- Circle #1, Women of Wonder - September 13, 12:30pm - Ann Copeland
- Circle #2, Peace Seekers - Jamie Yearwood
- Circle #3, Our Spiritual Journey - September 14, 10:30am - Bobbie Hankins
- Circle #4, Evening Grace - First Tuesday evening of the month, 7pm - Nancy Bobbitt
- Circle #5, Daughters of Faith - Weekly, beginning September 15, 11am, - Tracie Northan

CHILDREN'S CHOIR, age 4 - 5th grade, will be 5:30-6pm, Wednesday, September 22 and 29, and October 6 and 13, in the Bowman Building. Contact Nancy Nutter, nancyn@selwynpres.org with questions.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE has established an account to speed cash aid to Haiti after the earthquake devastation. To make a donation through PDA, contribute [online](#) to Disaster Relief-Haiti, OG100000. To give by phone, 800-872-3283. To give by check, mail to Presbyterian Church USA, PO Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 5264-3700, designating Disaster Relief - Haiti on the memo line. Or you can write a check to the church, designating PDA - Haiti in the memo line.

BUDGET UPDATE For 2021 Selwyn member Pledges total \$690,000. Goal for pledge receipts through August Year to Date (YTD) are \$517,500. Actual Pledge receipts YTD are \$410,985. Total deficit is \$106,515. Pledges can be submitted through the [website](#), emailed to [Tonya Moore](mailto:Tonya.Moore@selwynpres.org), or mailed to the church. Thank you for your participation, it is very important.

TEXT TO GIVE INSTRUCTIONS 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 giving to the annual fund. Key word COVID is a special offering for Montclair Elementary and Roof Above needs.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
Sunday, September 12 9:30 Children's Worship Readiness (B) 9:30 Sunday School for All 9:30 Visitors Orientation Class (Chapel) 9:30 Confirmation Class (BH) 9:30 Youth Coffee Talks (BH) 10:30 Jazz Worship with Communion 11:30 Rally Day Picnic (Lawn) Monday, September 13 12:30 PW Women of Wonder 7:00 BSA Troop (SH)	Tuesday, September 14 10:30 PW Our Spiritual Journey Wednesday, September 15 11:00 PW Daughters of Faith 6:15 Handbells (B) 7:00 Baptism Class (Zoom) Friday, September 17 7:00 Men's Group (BH) Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am Spire deadline is Monday, September 27, 9am	Sunday, September 19 9:30 Children's Worship Readiness (B) 9:30 Sunday School for All 9:30 Visitors Orientation Class (Chapel) 9:30 Confirmation Class (BH) 9:30 Youth Coffee Talks (BH) 10:10 Called Session Meeting (Chapel) 10:30 Worship with Baptism 11:30 Prayer Shawl Meeting (P) 6:00 Youth Group (Lawn)