CHURCH NOTES - September 19, 2021

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, North Carolina

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BEING PRESENTED FOR BAPTISM is Bennett Alexander Hackman, son of Brian and Tate Hackman. Attending are grandparents Terri and Wayne Hatcher and Lisa and Dave Hackman. Other family members are also present.

NEW HYMNAL DEDICATION Today we dedicate our new Glory to God hymnals. We are grateful to Elder Dick Metzler for leading this initiative. Thank you to all who participated in this endeavor. If you would like to have one of the blue hymnals to take home, please pick one up in the Narthex today.

SELWYN NAME TAGS We are excited to share new congregational name tags. Please remember to wear your name tag during worship, classes, and meetings.

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, 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.

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, <u>nancyn@selwynpres.org</u> with questions.

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 26, 10:30am Worship and Celebration with the Rev. Dr. Rush Otey

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY with Lori Raible begins September 22, 11am. The class will meet in the Parlor.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN Please contact a Circle leader for more information.

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

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE has established an account to speed cash aid to Haiti after the earthquake devastation. To make a donation through PDA, contribute <u>online</u> 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 \$424,085. Total deficit is \$93,415. Pledges can be submitted through the website, emailed to Tonya Moore, 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 Montclaire Elementary and Roof Above needs.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY will be observed on October 3 during the 10:30am service.

| THIS WEEK AT SELWYN | | |
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| Sunday, September 19 9:00 Chancel Choir 9:30 Children's Worship Readiness (B) 9:30 Sunday School for All 9:30 Visitors Orientation Class (Chapel) 9:30 Confirmation Class 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) | Monday, September 20 7:30 BSA Troop (SH) Tuesday, September 21 7:00 Book Club Wednesday, September 22 11:00 Pastor's Bible Study (P) 11:00 PW Daughters of Faith 5:30 Children's Choir age 4 - 5 th grade 6:15 Handbells (B) Friday, September 24 7:00 Men's Group (BH) | Sunday, September 26 9:00 Chancel Choir 9:30 Children's Worship Readiness (B) 9:30 Sunday School for All 9:30 Visitors Orientation Class (Chapel) 9:30 Confirmation Class 9:30 Youth Coffee Talks (BH) 10:10 Called Session Meeting (Chapel) 10:30 Worship with Baptism 6:00 Youth Group (Lawn) Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am Spire deadline is Monday, September 27, 9am |