

CHURCH NOTES – October 6, 2019

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TODAY

NEW BABIES! Congratulations to Whitney and Eric Loder on the birth of their son, Mason James Loder, born on September 28. His proud grandparents are Hiram and Joyce Greene. Congratulations to Morgan and Welch Liles on the birth of their daughter, Perry Jane Liles, born on September 24. Her big sister is Harrison.

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY are extended for Barbara, David, Kaitlin, and Tyler Hall following the death of Barbara's mother, Elizabeth (Betty) Adams on September 23.

THE SESSION HAS CALLED A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING immediately after worship. The purpose of the meeting is to act upon a motion to concur with Mary Bowman's request that her pastoral relationship with Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church be concluded effective October 21, 2019. Mary's final Sunday with us will be October 20.

TODAY IS OUR FOOD FIRST SUNDAY Help stock the Montclaire Food Pantry by picking up a cloth bag after worship. The first Sunday of each month we will collect your generous food donations.

GENESIS STUDY - EARTH, AIR, FIRE AND WATER, meets on Sundays, 4-5:30pm in the Grace Room. The class will conclude on October 27.

SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY with Mary Bowman meets on Sundays, from 5-6pm in the Bates House back room. The New Testament journey continues with the Universal Epistles and the Book of Revelation.

SALT SHAKERS will meet this evening at 6:30pm at the home of Vince and Malyn Pratt, 2559 Selwyn Avenue.

NOTES OF INTEREST

PLEDGE DEDICATION for our 2020 budget is October 20.

HONORING MARY BOWMAN As you know, Mary Bowman's final Sunday at SAPC will be October 20. On this day, we hope to honor Mary's ministry with us over the last decade in both worship and fellowship. This is also the Sunday we will celebrate and dedicate our 2020 commitments of stewardship. Please join us after worship for an all-church potluck luncheon to celebrate Mary's profound impact on Selwyn Avenue, and the many new ways God is at work in our congregation.

DAUGHTERS OF FAITH meets at 11am Wednesdays in the Grace Room. The younger women will explore themes of the Old Testament in conjunction with the Bible stories the children will explore in Sunday School each week. Reach out to Lori Raible, lorir@selwynpres.org, with questions or if childcare is needed. A 7pm evening gathering is held monthly at Deni Pifer's home. Our next meetings are Mondays, October 21 and November 18. Mark your calendar now.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY, taught by Rush Otey, meets Wednesdays, 11am-11:45am, in the Bates House. The study will conclude on November 13. The study is the letters to the Galatians and the Ephesians. All are welcome.

THE NEXT MEN'S GROUP is October 11 in the Bates House. All men are invited to join the fellowship and thematic study.

WAYS TO HELP AT MONTCLAIRE ELEMENTARY To sign up, visit www.selwynpres.org/volunteer.

- Choose from one of three daytime tutoring programs: HELPS Fluency Tutoring, Augustine Literacy Project or Heart Math Tutoring. Or be a Teacher Partner.
- Volunteer at the new Greater Enrichment (GEP) After-School Program and enrich a child's life.
- Help stock the Food Pantry by picking up a cloth bag after worship on "Food First Sundays".

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3 Names of church members and relatives of members who died during the past year (since All Saints Sunday 2018) 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, marshac@selwynpres.org or 704-372-6836, by 9am on October 21.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (PDA) To contribute to disaster relief efforts you may write a check to Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church and indicate PDA on the memo line or to give directly to PDA use the following link: <https://pda.pcusa.org/page/active-accounts/>. To give by phone, call 800-872-3283.

CONVERSATION WITH MICHELLE ALEXANDER Union Theological Seminary visiting professor and best-selling author of The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness, will present on November 19, 7pm, Belk Theater. For tickets: www.blumenthalarts.org/events/detail/a-conversation-with-michelle-alexander.

AA MEETINGS Selwyn is the host site for two weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. The times are Mondays, noon-1pm in the Bates House and Wednesdays, 8-10pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend.

FROM THE WORSHIP GROUP If your child needs to step out of the worship service, please have them do so during a hymn if at all possible. This will minimize distractions for others. Please refrain from bringing food or drink in the sanctuary, especially during worship. In an effort to streamline the recycling of our church bulletins, we ask that after each service you please drop your bulletins in the basket by the outside doors to the Narthex as you leave the sanctuary.

CONSTRUCTION Thank you for your patience during this time. Please call the church office for entry, 704-372-6836, during weekday office hours.

PARKING LOT REMINDER The small parking lot is one-way, from the Selwyn Avenue entrance, down the hill, and out onto Glendale. When exiting, there is a stop sign at the bottom of the hill and a speed bump to remind drivers to exit carefully and slowly. Please do not enter from Glendale and drive up the hill.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God
and in honor of World Communion Sunday.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
Sunday, October 6 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Faith Lab - Parents of Kindergarteners (SR) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:15 Called Session Meeting (FH) 10:30 Worship with Communion (S) 11:30 Congregational Meeting (S) 4:00 Genesis Study (GR) 5:00 Sunday Evening Bible Study (BH) 5:30 Youth Group (FH) 6:30 Salt Shakers (Vince and Malyn Pratt) Church Notes deadline is each Monday by 9am. Spire deadline is Monday, October 28 by 9am.	Monday, October 7 12:00 AA Meeting (BH) 12:30 PW Circle 1 (Newitt's) 7:00 Boy Scouts (SH) 7:00 Planning Meeting () Tuesday, October 8 6:00 GSA Juniors/Cadettes (SH) Wednesday, October 9 11:00 Daughters of Faith (GR) 11:00 Wednesday Morning Bible Study (BHB) 6:15 Handbells (B) 6:30 Cub Scouts (SH) 8:00 AA Meeting (FH)	Friday, October 11 7:00 Men's Group (BH) Saturday, October 12 High School Retreat Sunday, October 13 High School Retreat 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Faith Lab - Parents of Kindergarteners (SR) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:30 Worship (S) 4:00 Genesis Study (GR) 5:00 Sunday Evening Bible Study (BHB)