CHURCH NOTES - October 27, 2019

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WE WELCOME REV. DR. RODNEY S. SADLER, JR. Dr. Sadler brings a challenging and prophetic word sure to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable! His teaching experience includes courses in biblical languages, Old and New Testament interpretation, wisdom literature in the Bible, the history and religion of ancient Israel, and African American biblical interpretation. His first authored book, Can A Cushite Change His Skin? An Examination of Race, Ethnicity, and Othering in the Hebrew Bible, was published in 2005. He frequently lectures within the church and community on Race in the Bible, African American Biblical Interpretation, the Image of Jesus, Biblical Archaeology, and the Dead Sea Scrolls. He was the managing editor of the African American Devotional Bible. Dr. Sadler served as a visiting lecturer and interim co-director of the Office of Black Church Studies at Duke Divinity School in Durham, NC, and was an associate minister in Durham, NC. Dr. Sadler is also the director of The Center for Social Justice located on the Union Presbyterian Seminary Charlotte campus.

SELWYN STEWARDSHIP 2020, FACE TO FACE Your commitment at any level matters. By making an annual pledge you support the vision and mission of SAPC. You can return your pledge card in the offering plate or to the church office. Or you may email your commitment to Church Accountant Tonya Moore, tonya@tmooreaccounting.com or pledge online: www.selwynpres.org/giving/.

GENESIS STUDY concludes today. and moves to a study of Exodus. Beginning Sunday, November 17 from 4-5:30pm, Kim Lee will begin a 10-week walk-through Exodus. In this study, you will find a safe place to explore and test faith, develop deep and wide friendships, and grow in your relationship with and understanding of God. If you are interested and available to participate, email Kim Lee, kiml@selwynpres.org as soon as possible so we can order books.

NOTES OF INTEREST

ALL SAINTS SERVICE Names of church members and relatives who died during the past year (since All Saints Sunday 2018) will be read during the service and are printed on a bulletin insert. Communion will be celebrated during worship.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS Remember to turn your clock back at 2am on Sunday, November 3.

HONORING MARY BOWMAN In appreciation of Mary's decade in ministry with us, the Session has established a designated fund to be used for future mission work at Montclaire Elementary School. If you wish to contribute please make a check payable to SAPC and mark for "Honoring Mary Bowman."

LISA MCLENNAN, Parish Associate at Selwyn for several years, will be increasing her leadership here to ten hours per week, beginning in November. Lisa served as an Elder at Selwyn before being ordained as a minister and becoming the Director of Admissions at Union Presbyterian Seminary's Charlotte Campus. Lisa will coordinate the Mission Group, and will provide pastoral care, teaching, preaching, and worship leadership as needed and as her schedule permits. Lisa has undergraduate and graduate degrees in nutrition from UNC Chapel Hill, and an M. Div. from Union Presbyterian Seminary, and currently serves on the Committee on Ministry of the Presbytery of Charlotte. Her spouse is Braxton McLennan and they have three children who have grown up at SAPC—Mac, Ann Royal, and Grey. We welcome Lisa and are thankful for this new phase of her work.

DAUGHTERS OF FAITH meet at 11am, Wednesdays in the Grace Room to explore the Old Testament in conjunction with the Bible stories the children explore in Sunday School. The next 7pm gathering is Monday, November 18 at Deni Pifer's.

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 November 8 in the Bates House. All men are invited for fellowship and the thematic study.

WAYS TO HELP AT MONTCLAIRE ELEMENTARY To sign up, visit www.selwynpres.org/volunteer. Tutor with one of three programs: HELPS Fluency Tutoring, Augustine Literacy Project or Heart Math Tutoring, be a Teacher Partner, volunteer at the new Greater Enrichment (GEP) After-School Program and enrich a child's life and help stock the Food Pantry by picking up a cloth bag from the narthex and returning it on Food First Sunday, November 3.

CONVERSATION WITH MICHELLE ALEXANDER Union Theological Seminary visiting professor and best-selling author of <u>The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness</u>, 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.

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.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
Sunday, October 27 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:30 Worship (S) 11:30 Session Meeting (FH) 4:00 Genesis Study (GR) 5:30 Youth Group (FH)	Wednesday, October 30 11:00 Daughters of Faith (GR) 11:00 Wednesday Morning Bible Study (BH) 6:15 Handbells (B) 8:00 AA Meeting (FH) Friday, November 1 6:00 Youth Game Night (BH)	Sunday, November 3 9:00 Chancel Choir (S) 9:30 Faith Lab - Parents of 3 rd Graders (SR) 9:30 Sunday School for All 10:30 Worship with Communion (S) 5:30 Youth Group (FH) 6:30 Salt Shakers
Monday, October 28 12:00 AA Meeting (BH) 7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)	Church Notes deadline is each Monday by 9am. Spire deadline is Monday, November 25 by 9am.	o.go bar onarcis

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.