



THE SELWYN SPIRE

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church

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THE *faces* OF JESUS

Who is this person, Jesus Christ, who stands at the beginning, middle, and end of everything Christians believe?

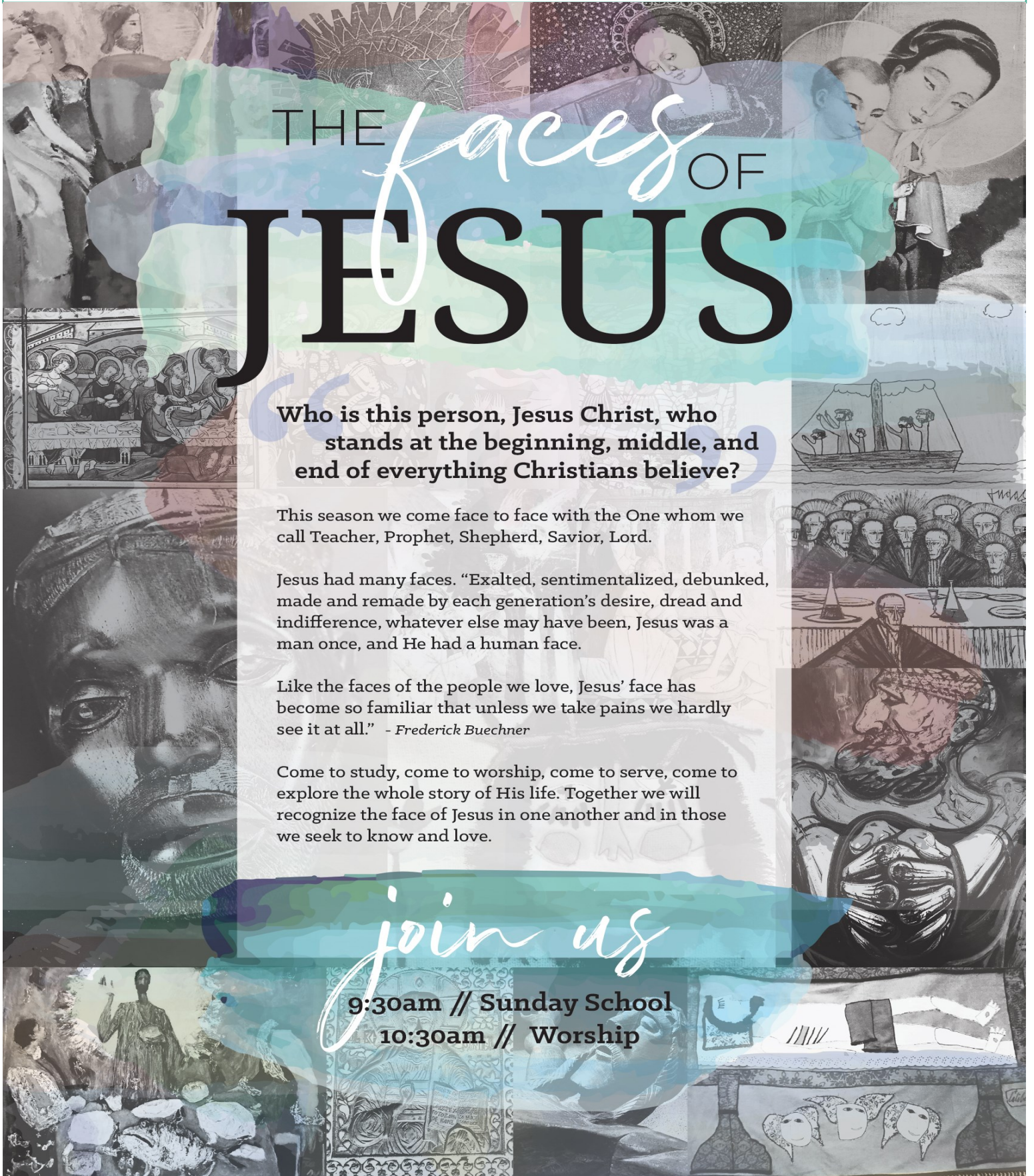
This season we come face to face with the One whom we call Teacher, Prophet, Shepherd, Savior, Lord.

Jesus had many faces. "Exalted, sentimentalized, debunked, made and remade by each generation's desire, dread and indifference, whatever else may have been, Jesus was a man once, and He had a human face.

Like the faces of the people we love, Jesus' face has become so familiar that unless we take pains we hardly see it at all." - *Frederick Buechner*

Come to study, come to worship, come to serve, come to explore the whole story of His life. Together we will recognize the face of Jesus in one another and in those we seek to know and love.

join us
9:30am // Sunday School
10:30am // Worship



JOIN US for our ANNUAL
Rally Day Celebration

Selwyn family, friends & guests are invited to join us
as we kick-off our fall programming & more!

Sunday · September 8 · 2019



9:30am
Rally Day Kick-off & Community
Breakfast for all ages in the Fellowship Hall

10:30am
Jazz Worship Service with Communion

- The front door to the Welcome Center has been installed.
- Framing and plaster work continues in the Chapel.
- Hallway painting is underway.
- The ladies restroom near the Chapel is currently closed.



Phase
Two



Contact Anne Rutherford, 704-341-7585.

The next meeting
will be in the
Bates House
on September 15
after worship.

SAPC BOOK CLUB will meet at 6:30pm
on September 17 at Sir Edmond Halley's.

This month's selection is
Becoming Michelle Obama
by Michelle Obama.

Questions, contact
Beth Ramsey,
704-840-9433.



We welcome

Cameron Cole Tan,
son of Adam and Kristen Tan,
born on July 30, 2019

AA MEETINGS Selwyn is the host site for two weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings.
Mondays from noon-1pm in the Bates House and Wednesdays from 8-10pm in the Fellowship Hall.
All are welcome to attend. Please direct any questions to Metrolina AA Intergroup,
704- 377-0244 or 704-332-4387.



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 new speed bump to remind drivers to exit carefully and slowly. Please do not enter from Glendale and drive up the hill.



THE SELWYN COMMUNITY ONLINE Visit us on Facebook for information about the church, photos, announcements and updates. Log onto Facebook, search for Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church, typing <http://blck.by/2cWheeo> into your browser, or use the QR code shown. (QR Code Reader app or tech-savvy child required!)

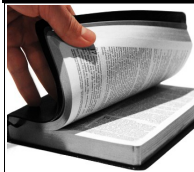
In Nursing or Retirement Home

- Aldersgate - Dick Metzler
- Asbury Health Center - Dottie Metzler
- Carriage Club - Mildred Long, Herman Thomas
- Charlotte Square - La Melle Hagerty
- Genesis Salisbury Center - Margaret Cunningham
- Merrywood- Jo Caldwell
- Plantation Estates - Anne McMackin, Cara Munday, Anne Rutherford
- Sharon Towers - Richard and Joan Foard
- Southminster - Art Jones, Bobbye Linn
- The Cypress - Bill and Nancy Budd, Bobby Davis, Olen and Nancy Smith
- Waltonwood Cotswold - Mary Faye Proctor

Deaths

- Johnnie Sappenfield Bryant, mother of Lori Burbank on August 3, 2019.
- Ava Clark Spencer, mother of Frank Spencer on August 18, 2019.
- Hugh Melvin Johnston, father of Marsha Cooper on August 21, 2019.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FORMATION



BIBLE STUDY OFFERINGS

EARTH, AIR, FIRE AND WATER -

BOOK OF GENESIS (Sunday) - Kim Lee

The study begins on September 8, 4-5:30pm in the Grace Room. You will find a place to explore and test faith, develop friendships, and grow in your relationship and understanding of God.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY (Sunday) - Mary Bowman

Resumes September 22, from 5-6pm in the Bates House back room. The New Testament journey continues with the Universal Epistles and the Book of Revelation.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY (Wednesday) - Rush Otey

The study will begin September 11 at 11am in the Nell Bates House through November 13. All are welcome. The study for this term is on the letters to the Galatians and the Ephesians.

DAUGHTERS OF FAITH - Lori Raible

A Bible study for younger women hoping to grow in faith and build relationships through Bible study and honest conversations. Both groups are designed to be accessible for even the busiest woman!

- Wednesdays, 11am in the Grace Room starting September 11. We will study and discuss themes of the Old Testament in conjunction with the Bible stories our children will explore in Sunday School each week. If childcare is needed contact Lori.
- Mondays, 7pm on the 4th Monday of the month, we will gather in the home of member Deni Pifer. Comprised of women of all ages, professional women and stay at home mom's, this group will intentionally connect through a book study and discussion.

THE MEN'S GROUP meets every other Friday at 7am in the Bates House for fellowship and thematic study. The next meeting is September 13. All men are invited to join.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CIRCLES There are two daytime Circles and one evening Circle that meet monthly September through May.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - Grounded in scripture and the tenets of reformed theology, each class provides high quality studies, robust conversations, and practical application. With three adult classes, everyone is invited to find a class that intrigues the mind and stirs the heart. All classes begin September 15 at 9:30am.

The Faces of Jesus (Fellowship Hall): Diverse learners of all ages are invited to gather for an exploration of the many faces of Jesus. Led by knowledgeable lay leaders and clergy we will consider who Jesus is and how we understand him in scripture, theology, history, and art.

Face to Face (Grace Room) – United but not the same, we are committed to knowing and loving one another in hope and faith. Learners will be guided in practical and relevant discussions regarding faith and contemporary issues impacting our community, city, and the world. This series is created to be challenging but not contentious, loving but not sentimental, honest but not disrespectful or unkind. How might we see Christ in the faces of those who think, look, love, feel, worship, vote, and live in ways that are different than we do?

- September 15 - October 13- How to Have Conversations That Matter: (5-weeks).
- October 20 - November 17 - Dismantling Racism (6 weeks). Learners are asked to commit to at least three of the five classes.

Faith Lab (CDC Science Room)- Milestones, Traditions, and Change. Guided conversations for those who are walking the same path.

- Shepherding Children through Worship: September 15 - October 6
- Making Sense of Financial Giving (Tools and Tips): October 13 and 20
- How to Read the Bible with your Child: November 3, 17 and 24
- Letting Go (Things, Stuff, and Clutter): November 10

Children's Sunday School, 9:30am:

Get ready! Get set! Go worship!

- September 15, Going on a Sanctuary Tour; Order-of-Worship Game!
- September 22, The Wonders of Water!
- September 29, Taste and See that the Lord is Good!
- October 6, Shaving Cream and Sand Prayers!



Preschoolers through transitional kindergarteners meet in the downstairs classrooms; kindergarteners through 2nd graders meet in the Bowman building classroom at the end of the hall; 3rd, 4th and 5th graders meet in the Bowman building, second classroom on the right.

Parents Faith Lab, 9:30am: Shepherding Children through the Wonderment of Worship!

- September 15, What Do these Stones Mean?
- September 22, Shoeboxes and Baptism.
- September 29, Bios or Zoe?
- October 6, The Surprise of Living.

Parents will meet in the downstairs Science Room.

Children's Worship, 10:30am

Children are invited to participate immediately following the Message with Young Disciples. We recess to the Fellowship Hall as children issue a call to worship, hear scripture, engage in a children's sermon, sing a hymn, and pray. They return to the sanctuary at the doxology.

Thanks Be to God for our Children and Family Ministry Teams!

Please join me in thanking Katie Cumbus, Janice Finein, Lisa Halstead, Ellen Harris, Catherine Miller, Todd Muldrew, Sarah Ollek, Kurt Parbst, Enid and Steve Randall, Andi Smith, Elizabeth Stearns, Karey Vera, and Jamie Yearwood for all that they are and all they do!

- Interested in serving on our Children Ministry Teams - Worship, Education, Mission, Fellowship or Music? Email [Kim](mailto:Kim@church.org) or call 704-572-0718.
- Interested in serving on Worship Leadership with your children by serving as ushers during worship? Please sign up [here](#).

In Christ's promises, Kim

MISSION

Jesus said,
*You shall love
your neighbor
as yourself.*



We need YOU!

Join us in serving & loving our neighbors at Montclaire Elementary School this year:

**NEW After-School Program
NEW Montclaire Food Pantry
Tutoring, Teacher Support and more...**

www.selwynpres.org/volunteer

NEW AT MONTCLAIRE - THANKS TO THE MISSION TITHE

The Mission Group is very excited about the new Afternoon Program at Montclaire Elementary and being able to use the 75th Anniversary Fund Mission Tithe to bring such a great partner, Greater Enrichment Program (GEP), to Montclaire. We are looking forward to the positive impact for the students.

WAYS TO HELP AT MONTCLAIRE ELEMENTARY

To sign up, visit www.selwynpres.org/volunteer.

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

SELWYN HABITAT DAY, OCTOBER 5

[Sign up](#) to help put up siding, prepare lunch, and register your child for Camp Habitat. Sixteen years old and older can help with construction.

Habitat ReStore is not available to us this year.



WORSHIP



RALLY DAY CHOIR Anyone interested in singing in the choir on Rally Day, September 8 is invited to attend a special rehearsal, affectionately known as a "pluck and cluck" on Saturday, September 7, 10am-12pm in the Fellowship Hall. Participants will pluck out notes while they cluck together.

Contact Fred Spano, fspano@uncc.edu, with any questions.



COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED on September 8 during the 10:30am Worship Service.

If you are unable to attend the worship service and would like to receive communion at your residence, please notify Pam Brownlee, 704-622-5730 or the church office, 704-372-6836.



SANCTUARY FLOWERS The calendar is available on the Spire table. Individuals, families, classes and groups are encouraged to sign up for flower dedications. The price is \$65 for the weekly arrangement. This is a lovely way to honor special people, occasions, committees or groups and provide this meaningful aspect of our worship Service.

Please sign up so we can continue to enjoy God's beauty in this way.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



PW CIRCLES meet monthly, September through May. There are two daytime Circles and one evening Circle offered.

THE FALL WOMEN'S LUNCHEON will be held on Sunday, September 22 in the Fellowship Hall following worship.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Josh Canter
Hank Hankins
Clark Walton
- 2 Toby Arnheim
- 3 John Simmons
William Trogdon
- 5 Suzanne Phillips
- 6 Christian Pinero
William Rossi
- 7 Mattie Coble
Karey Tom
- 10 Courtney McLellan
Vicky Windell
- 11 Lori Burbank
Julia White
Kelly Wolf
- 12 Darren Price
Matt Roper
- 13 Rae DePhillips
Sara Howard
Kelley Schoeneck
- 14 Lara Nauman
Melanie Spencer
- 15 Allison Warner
- 17 Davis Long
Harry Schoeneck
Frank Spencer
- 18 David Caldwell
Theo Jeffries
- 19 Peaches Deal
Anne Harris
Lindsey Price



- 21 Ollie Astroth
Andrea Barkley
Jonah Cameron
Janice Finein
Andy Sontag
Nicolas Vera
- 22 Christy Horne
Jess Masanotti
Lucy Stark
- 23 Ellen Byrum
Richard Guinan
- 24 Tara Cameron
Robert Walker
- 25 Eliza Cann
Beth Carter
Todd Franklin
- 26 Addie Bahr
Emma Grace Coble
Marshall Pifer
- 27 Chris Adams
Kim Claxton
Sebastian Hackman
Michael Oberg
- 28 Lily Hart
Rob Raible
Andrew Winkenwerder
- 30 Doug Childs
Kristen Sedam

CALENDAR

Sunday, September 1
9:30 Sunday School for All
10:30 Worship Service (S)
5:30 Youth Movie Night (BH)

Monday, September 2
Church Office and
Child Development Center Closed
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)

Tuesday, September 3
7:00 PW Circle 4 (Bobbitt's)
7:15 BSA Troop Committee (SH)

Wednesday, September 4
6:15 Handbell Choir (B)
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Friday, September 6
6:00 Youth Game Night (BH)

Saturday, September 7
10:00 Rally Day Choir Rehearsal (FH)

Sunday, September 8
9:00 Chancel Choir (S)
9:30 Rally Day Breakfast (FH)
10:30 Jazz Worship with
Communion (S)
4:00 Genesis Study (GR)
5:30 Youth Group (FH)

Monday, September 9
11:30 PW Circle 1 (Moon's)
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)
7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)

Tuesday, September 10
10:30 PW Circle 3 (BH)
5:00 Child Development
Center Group (FH)
6:00 GSA Juniors/Cadettes (SH)

Wednesday, September 11
11:00 Daughters of Faith (GR)
11:00 Wednesday Morning
Bible Study (BHB)
6:15 Handbells (B)
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Friday, September 13
7:00 Men's Group (BH)

Sunday, September 15
9:00 Chancel Choir (S)
9:30 Faith Lab - Parents
of Kindergarteners (SR)
9:30 Sunday School for All
9:30 Visitors Orientation Class
10:30 Worship (S)
11:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry (BH)
4:00 Genesis Study (GR)
5:30 Youth Group (FH)

Monday, September 16
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)
7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)

Tuesday, September 17
6:30 SAPC Book Club
(Sir Edmond Halley's)

Wednesday, September 18
11:00 Daughters of Faith (GR)
11:00 Wednesday Morning
Bible Study (BHB)
6:15 Handbells (B)
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Saturday, September 21
6:30 Just Friends (tbd)

Sunday, September 22
9:00 Chancel Choir (S)
9:30 Faith Lab - Parents
of Kindergarteners (SR)
9:30 Sunday School for All
9:30 Visitors Orientation Class
10:30 Worship (S)
11:30 PW Luncheon (FH)
11:30 Session Meeting (GR)
4:00 Genesis Study (GR)
5:00 Sunday Evening
Bible Study (BHB)
5:30 Youth Group (FH)

Monday, September 23
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)
7:00 Boy Scouts (SH)

Tuesday, September 24
6:00 GSA Juniors/Cadettes (SH)

Wednesday, September 25
11:00 Daughters of Faith (GR)
11:00 Wednesday Morning
Bible Study (BHB)
6:15 Handbells (B)
8:00 AA Meeting (FH)

Friday, September 27
7:00 Men's Group (BH)

Sunday, September 29
9:00 Chancel Choir (S)
9:30 Faith Lab - Parents
of Kindergarteners (SR)
9:30 Sunday School for All
9:30 Visitors Orientation Class
10:30 Worship (S)
4:00 Genesis Study (GR)
5:00 Sunday Evening
Bible Study (BHB)
5:30 Youth Group (FH)

Monday, September 30
9:00 Spire Deadline
12:00 AA Meeting (BH)
7:00 Boy Scouts (FH)

Church Office Hours:
9am-5pm Mon.-Thurs.,
9am-1pm Fri.

(BH) - Bates House
(BHP) - Bates House Parlor
(BHB) - Bates House Back Room
(B) - Bowman Building
(FH) - Fellowship Hall
(GR) - Grace Room
(S) - Sanctuary
(SH) - Scout Hut
(SR) - Science Room

YOUTH NEWS



(Photo) Youth Kick-off Dinner with Parents
A detailed overview of the year was given.

Be sure to follow the Selwyn Pres Youth journey on Facebook and Instagram!

CONFIRMATION CLASS The class for 8th graders begins on September 8 at 9:30am. Contact Youth Director [Jay Masanotti](#) if you have not received information about confirmation and to confirm participation in the class.

SAPC STAFF

Rush Otey, *Pastor*

Lori Raible, *Pastor*

Mary Bowman, *Associate Pastor for Mission*

Lisa McLennan, *Parish Associate*

Kim Lee, *Director of Children's and Family Ministries*

Jay Masanotti, *Youth Director*

Fred Spano, *Director of Music*

Gay Pappin, *Organist*

Marsha Cooper, *Church Administrator*

Lawson Caldwell, *Administrative Assistant*

Tonya Moore, *Church Accountant*

Reba Hardaway, *Accounting Administrative Assistant*

Jessica Masanotti, *Communications Specialist*

Steve Stevenson, *Facilities Coordinator*

Beth Sharpe, *Director of Child Development Center*

GROUP CHAIRS

Administration - Matt Baskerville

Child Development Center - Jamie Yearwood

Christian Education and Formation - Erin Mills

Congregational Life - Emily Battle

Mission - Ashley Armistead/Meg Dewey/Allison Tibe

Worship - Pam Brownlee

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