# CHURCH NOTES - April 7, 2024

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, North Carolina

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**VISITORS ORIENTATION CLASSES** If you are interested in learning more about Selwyn and its ministries and have a desire to unite with this congregation we invite you to the class series meeting on April 14 and 21 at 9:30am in the library.

**NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL SERIES** Please join us for one of the two new studies being offered on Sundays at 9:30am.

- Conversations on Faith Class will discuss "Science & Faith" using the book Stars Beneath Us: Finding God in the Evolving Cosmos, by astrophysicist and minister Paul Wallace. (parlor)
- Life Changing Encounters with Christ will be stories reflecting how Jesus changes individuals and communities. This will be a study on how the Risen Christ transforms, disrupts, uproots and changes everything. (Chapel)

**TODAY IS FOOD FIRST SUNDAY** Help stock the pantry shelves by purchasing requested grocery items and return to the church for Montclaire Elementary School. Needs include canned fruits and vegetables and 1 lb. bags of rice and beans. You are invited to help with the next food packing and delivery date on April 18 at 9am in the Fellowship Hall.

**RISE AGAINST HUNGER, APRIL 14** You are invited to join us after worship in a time of community and a meal packaging experience in the movement to help end hunger. Please register through the weekly email link for the event.

**HABITAT BUILD, APRIL 20** We hope to have a full crew to help painting a house at 7003 Estelle Smith Court. Lunches for the crew are also needed. See the weekly email for the volunteer link.

**MONTCLAIRE ELEMENTARY AND GEP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** There are a variety of ways to assist. Volunteer through the Montclaire QR Code, weekly email link, the church website, or contact Ellen Harris or Denise Pineno.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT IN ISRAEL/PALESTINE A dire humanitarian crisis resulted from the October 7, 2023 deadly attacks in Israel and the ongoing conflict between Palestine and Israel. Presbyterian Church USA is providing assistance, and supporting partners in Israel and Palestine who are responding to the needs of those in their midst, no matter their religious beliefs, political views or nationality. We are called to care for all of God's children. Please pray for peace, safe passage, and relief for those needing medical attention and help. To offer support give online, call 800-872-3283, text PDAIP to 41444, or mail a check made payable to Presbyterian Church (USA), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.with "DR000081-Israel/Palestine" on the memo line.

**YOUTH MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE** Register through the link in the weekly email. The conference is for rising 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade, July 7-13. Cost: \$400; \$100 deposit at registration; \$300 due April 30. Two adults are needed for this trip.

**THE TWEENS,** grades  $3^{rd}$  – $5^{th}$ , will meet on April 21, 5-5:45pm in the Bowman building. The class will also participate in Second Sunday Service opportunities.

**BUDGET UPDATE** Selwyn member Pledges total \$766,600. Actual Pledge receipts YTD are \$ 210,075. We hope to inspire every member to serve, worship, grow and give with joy – sharing blessings of stewardship in support of the annual budget.

- To make a confidential pledge visit the church website, email church accountant, <u>Tonya Moore</u> or return your completed pledge card to the church.
- Text to Give: 704-734-9818 Enter an amount. The first time you will be prompted to SHELBY to confirm set up. You do not need a key word if giving to the annual fund. You may also give by scanning the Giving QR code.

**JOIN US THIS SPRING AND SUMMER** in what we call our "I walked to Church Movement". Walk, run, bike, and don't worry about wearing casual clothing to church. Walking to church is good for ourselves, our family, and our environment. Address many family goals all at once with a walk to church: screen-free time together, reduce our carbon footprint and exercise together.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** You are encouraged to sign up in honor or memory of people or occasions. To reserve a date contact Marsha, <u>marshac@selwynpres.org</u>. Once the date is confirmed, online payments or checks for \$78 should be made to the church indicating sanctuary flowers".

#### THIS WEEK AT SELWYN

### Sunday, April 7

9:00 Chancel Choir

9:30 Sunday School for All

9:30 Visitors Orientation Class (L)

10:30 Worship

11:30 Incoming Elder Training

5:00 PFLAG Adult and Youth Meetings

6:00 Salt Shakers (Bobbitt's)

## Tuesday, April 9

7:30 BSA Troop (SH)

Monday, April 8

10:30 PW-Our Spiritual Journey (L)

12:30 PW – Women of Wonder (P)

7:15 PW - Peace Seeker (P)

7:00 Mission Group (P)

### Wednesday, April 10

11:00 PW - Daughters of Faith (L)

6:15 Handbell Choir (B)

7:00 Incoming Elder Training (Zoom)

Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am Spire deadline is Monday, April 22, 9am

### Friday, April 12

7:00 Men's Group (BH)

### Sunday, April 14

9:00 Chancel Choir

9:30 Sunday School for All

9:30 Visitors Orientation Class (L)

10:30 Worship

11:30 Rise Against Hunger Event (FH)







Higher

Montclaire Elementary

Give

Hearing assistance directions are available in the narthex to download the app for use with earbuds or connecting a hearing aid to your cell phone.

