

# CHURCH NOTES - May 19, 2024

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**NEW BABY** Congratulations to Nancy and Tony Nutter on the birth of their granddaughter, Margaret Jane Nutter. Margaret was born on May 11, 2024 to proud parents Zachary and Tyler Nutter.

**COLLEGE GRADUATES AND FAMILIES** If you or an immediate family member will graduate from college or graduate school this spring we would like to hear from you. Please contact Marsha in the church office by May 20 with your name, college, and your degree. The information will be printed in the June Spire newsletter.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS OPEN** Please complete and return the registration form, along with your check, to Nancy Nutter by May 30 to secure your child's/children's place.

- VBS for elementary children, completed K-5th grade, will meet June 24- 27, from 9am- 3pm. Cost is \$150 per child. We will partner with Bethelwoods Camp this year to explore our theme of Grace Filled Tales: Parables about Grace through Bible study, art, and games. We will also spend time outside enjoying God's world.
- VBS for preschool children, ages 4 and five, will meet June 17, 18, and 20, from 9:30- 11:30am. Cost is \$40 per child. Nancy Nutter and Andrea DePhillips will be the leaders.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** will not meet on May 26 or on June 2. Please join us on June 9 as we begin our summer series - Floods, Fires, and Frogs: Old Testament Stories You Thought You Knew. The series will continue through August 18.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR** The ordination and installation of the incoming Elders, Class of 2027, will be Sunday, June 2 during worship. The Annual Spring Picnic will be held following the service. The church will provide the chicken and drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Remember to bring a blanket or lawn chairs for the front lawn.

**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.

**FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE** With joy and thanksgiving, the APNC unanimously recommended Reverend Brian T. Daoust to be Selwyn's Associate Pastor for Mission and Youth. The congregational vote to approve him was taken on May 12. A lifelong Presbyterian, Brian grew up in Concord. He received his BA in History from UNC-Chapel Hill in 2006 and his Masters in Divinity from Union Theological Seminary in 2009. Over the past fifteen years he has served churches in North Carolina and Colorado, spending the past eight years as Associate Pastor at Johns Creek Presbyterian Church outside Atlanta, where he also served as a fire department chaplain and an interfaith community leader. Brian is an Eagle Scout and a student of the guitar. Brian and his wife Jessica have three boys, Vincent, Gabriel, and Marshall. The Daoust family is deeply involved in church life, including music ministry, sound booth, scouting, and mission, and they look forward to joining our church family in July.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** You are encouraged to sign up in honor or memory of people or occasions. To reserve a date contact Marsha in the church office. After the date is confirmed, online payments or checks for \$78 should be made to the church indicating sanctuary flowers".

**BUDGET UPDATE** Selwyn member Pledges total \$766,600. Actual Pledge receipts YTD are \$253,902. Total deficit is \$65,514. 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, Tonya Moore 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.

**MONTCLAIRE ELEMENTARY FOOD PACKING AND DELIVERY** You are invited to help with our gam, May 30, food packing and delivery. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Help is also needed in purchasing requested grocery items and return them to the church. Needs include canned fruits and vegetables and 1 lb. bags of rice and beans.

**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.

- Proctors are needed for end of the year testing on Friday, May 24 and Wednesday, May 29 from approximately 7:30-11:45am. Proctors walk the room during testing to monitor students. You can sign up for one or both days by scanning the QR code, or go to <https://qrco.de/MESEOG2024>. Questions, please contact Jennifer Moore, [jenniferk.moore@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:jenniferk.moore@cms.k12.nc.us).
- GEP Montclaire will offer its Summer Sizzler program to their 60 students from June 17 – July 28. Please sign up to help through the weekly email link. There are opportunities to assist in the morning and/or afternoon, to provide snacks, pizza on Fridays, and teacher treats.

**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.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
<p><b>Sunday, May 19</b>            9:00 Handbells (S)            9:30 Sunday School for All            10:30 Worship with Communion            11:30 Prayer Shawl Meeting (P)            11:30 Christian Education Group (L)            11:30 Worship Group Meeting (FH)            12:00 Youth End of Year Party (Bowlero)</p> <p>Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am            Spire deadline is Monday, May 27, 9am</p>	<p><b>Monday, May 20</b>            7:30 BSA Troop (SH)            7:30 PW Daughters of Faith Evening (Pifer)</p> <p><b>Tuesday, May 21</b>            6:00 Congregational Life Group (P)            6:30 Book Club (Sir Edmond's)</p> <p><b>Friday, May 24</b>            7:00 Men's Group (BH)</p>	<p><b>Sunday, May 26</b>            9:00 Chancel Choir (S)            9:30 Sunday School for All            10:30 Worship</p> <p><b>Monday, May 27</b>            Church Office and            Child Development Center Closed</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">               Usher           </div> <div style="text-align: center;">               Montclaire Elementary           </div> <div style="text-align: center;">               Give           </div> </div>

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.

