

CHURCH NOTES - September 21, 2025

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PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY are extended for Sue and Alan Ward in the death of her mother, Betty Olmstead, on September 15, 2025.

BEING PRESENTED FOR BAPTISM is Trula Victoria Palmer, daughter of Tim and Sarah Palmer. Present today are grandparents Ed and Vicki Fritsch and Tom and Libby Palmer. Other family members and friends are also present. Please provide a warm welcome to all.

CARE TEAM HELP NEEDED Selwyn's Care Teams need additional members to assist on teams to provide a meal for families with new babies, and help with memorial service receptions or in providing a meal for the immediate family.

OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH AFFORDS US THE OPPORTUNITY to engage with the spirit and unite with Christ. If you have not returned your stewardship commitment card, we hope you will turn to Acts 4:31-35 in the spirit of faithfulness and generosity as you consider filling out your 2025 estimate of giving. Please return your commitment card to the church office, email church accountant Tonya Moore, or enter your commitment via the church website.

SELWYN CAMPUS BUDGET UPDATE For 2025 Selwyn member Pledges total \$811,272. Goal for pledge receipts through September Year to Date (YTD) are \$608,454. Actual Pledge receipts YTD are \$466,666. Deficit is \$141,788.

- 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.
- Giving Stock: Our account is with Charles Schwab & Co, Inc. When giving stock, please sign a letter of instruction for your broker: Please accept this letter of instruction to transfer __shares of _____ securities as a gift to Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian, account #6598-4201, DTC Clearing 0164, Code 40. When calling your broker, also contact church accountant Tonya Moore, or 704-996-5504, so she is aware and can credit the proper amount to the correct member.

WEDNESDAY QUAIL CAMPUS WORSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY We have two additional opportunities to learn, worship, and connect across our two campuses on Wednesdays. Please join us.

- The Pastor's Bible Study will meet weekly at 11:30am in the Quail Campus Christian Lifestyles room. The study is Living the Story Together: A Series on the Gospel of Luke.
- Join us for the monthly 10:30am Prayer and Communion Service on October 8 in the Quail Campus sanctuary.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FORMATION CLASSES, 9:30AM There is a place for everyone on Sunday morning.

- Children, ages five – 5th grade, meet in the Bowman building. *The Biggest Story* leads learners through the Bible teaching 104 Bible stories. Worship Readiness for K-2 children will be held September 21 – October 5 at 9:30am. Kindergarten – 2nd grade will attend Children's Worship, leaving after the Children's Message, during 10:30am worship. They will learn the facets of worshiping God through singing, storytelling, dancing, instruments, playing games, and a brief activity. Children's Choir, age 4 through 5th grade, will be October 8 – 29.
- Middle and High School Youth are invited to join our 9:30am intergenerational Sunday School Class in the Chapel. Youth Group meetings for 6th – 12th grade will be held 5:30-7pm on the third and fourth Sunday evenings of the month. This month's meetings will be tonight and September 28.
- Adults have the following Sunday morning classes from which to choose:
 - Conversations on Faith are studying *The Big Relief* by David Zahl. In a world full of pressure, performance, and perfectionism, *The Big Relief* invites us to rediscover God's grace as the ultimate gift: a one-way love with no strings attached (Parlor).
 - Faith Forward, an intergenerational class, is exploring the same scripture used in the preaching series. Using the Feasting on the Word study, you are invited into deeper conversation, community connection, and spiritual growth (Chapel). This curriculum is also offered at 9:50am on the Quail Campus (Quail Lambeth Parlor).
 - Adult Milestone Classes will be offered with different foci. Worship Readiness for Adults will continue through October 5 (Library). On October 12 and 19, we will offer a Baptism class designed for parents interested in learning more about the sacrament and wanting to schedule their child's baptism (Library).

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Our next workday will be October 4 during the annual October Charlotte Church Partners build. Twelve volunteers are needed, plus lunch for twenty people. See the weekly email for the signup link.

SECOND SUNDAY SERVICE - STREAM CLEAN See the weekly email for the signup link to our October 12 project.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLES All women are invited to participate for study, topics of interest, and service. Meetings are typically held September through May. Contact a leader or Moderator Pam Brownlee for more information.



- Daughters of Faith I – Wednesdays, 11am, Parlor - Tracie Northan
- Daughters of Faith Evening II - Third Mondays, 7pm - Deni Pifer’s Home
- Evening Grace – First Tuesdays, 7pm, Parlor - Nancy Bobbitt
- Our Spiritual Journey –First Tuesdays, 10:30am, Library - Bobbie Hankins
- Peace Seekers I- First and third Tuesdays, 7:15pm, Library - Catherine Miller, Ann Caskey
- Peace Seekers II - First Wednesdays, 7:30pm, Parlor - Caroline Thompson, Erin Miller
- Quail Morning Circle – Second Tuesdays – 10am in the Quail Campus Parlor – Peggy Nelson
- Quail Evening Circle – Second Tuesdays– 7pm in the Quail Campus Parlor – Debbie Ferguson
- Women of Wonder –First Mondays, 12:30pm, Parlor - Ann Copeland, Cacky Newitt

ALL WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT REGISTRATION All women are invited to the November 15-16 Fall Women’s Retreat at Bethelwoods Camp. A day option is also available. Speaker Reverend Gail Henderson-Belsito will lead us in the theme, Ruth, Naomi, God, and Us: Together on the Journey. Registration deadline is Monday, October 27. See the weekly email for the registration link. Enjoy a weekend of spiritual enrichment, personal growth, and connection.

NAME TAGS We hope you will wear your name tag each time you are at church. Please notify the office if you have a pacemaker and we can change the magnetic backing to a pin. If you have lost or damaged yours, contact the office. Cost for a replacement name tag is five dollars.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS We are using a new florist. You are encouraged to sign up in honor or memory of people. To reserve a date, contact the church office. Online payments or checks can be made to the church indicating “sanctuary flowers” once your date is confirmed.

SAVE THE DATE: APRIL 24-26, 2026 - ALL CHURCH SPRING RETREAT All members are invited to attend the 2026 Congregational Retreat at the beautiful Montreat Conference Center. With programming and activities for all generations, there’s truly something for everyone. More details will be available this Winter.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
<p>Sunday, September 21</p> <p>9:00 Worship (Quail Campus)</p> <p>9:30 Chancel Choir (S)</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School for All</p> <p>9:50 Quail Formation and Fellowship</p> <p>10:10 Called Session Meeting (Chapel)</p> <p>10:30 Worship with Baptism</p> <p>11:30 Worship Group (P)</p> <p>12:00 CEF Group (L)</p> <p>5:30 Youth Group (FH)</p> <p>Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am</p> <p>Spire deadline is Monday, September 29 by 9am</p>	<p>Monday, September 22</p> <p>7:30 BSA Troop (SH)</p> <p>Tuesday, September 23</p> <p>6:15 Session Meeting (FH)</p> <p>Wednesday, September 24</p> <p>11:00 PW Daughters of Faith I (P)</p> <p>11:30 Pastor’s Bible Study (QH Campus)</p> <p>6:30 Handbell Choir (QH Campus)</p> <p>7:00 Chancel Choir (QH Campus)</p> <p>Friday, September 26</p> <p>7:00 Morning Men’s Group (BH)</p>	<p>Sunday, September 28</p> <p>9:00 Worship (Quail Campus)</p> <p>9:30 Chancel Choir (S)</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School for All</p> <p>9:50 Quail Formation and Fellowship</p> <p>10:30 Worship</p> <p>5:30 Youth Group (FH)</p> <div>   </div> <div> <p>Montclair Elementary</p> <p>Give to SAPC Selwyn Campus</p> </div>