CHURCH NOTES - November 23, 2025

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, North Carolina

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BEING PRESENTED FOR BAPTISM is Anderson Lane Elliott, daughter of Matt Elliott and Jackie Rich. Present today are grandparents Coleman and Cynthia Rich, Cyndi Cloer, and Ron and Lucy Elliott. Other family members and friends are present. Please provide a warm welcome to all.

SAPC IS SEEKING a part-time Administrative and Publications Assistant to work 9am – 1pm, Monday through Friday. The non-Selwyn member candidate should be friendly, organized, detail-oriented, and able to work independently and with a team. Responsibilities include bulletin and newsletter preparation, reception and telephone duties, and ongoing office needs. If you know of someone, please have them reach out to Marsha Cooper.

SELWYN CAMPUS BUDGET UPDATE We appreciate every effort being made in keeping your current 2025 pledge commitment up-to-date in this last quarter of the year. For 2025 Selwyn member Pledges total \$811,272. Goal for pledge receipts through November Year to Date (YTD) are \$743,666. Actual Pledge receipts YTD are \$621,218 **Deficit is \$122,448**.

- 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 <u>Tonya Moore</u>, or 704-996-5504, so she is aware and can credit the amount and member.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENTS 2026 Our community of faith affords us the opportunity to engage with the spirit and unite with Christ. If you have returned your commitment card, thank you. If you have not, you can return your commitment card to the church office, email church accountant Tonya Moore, or enter your commitment via the church website.

YOUTH GROUP for Middle and High Youth will meet tonight at 5:30pm.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOVEMBER 30 Step into Advent through worship and study on the Selwyn campus.

- Advent Sunday School Calling All Angels Advent Sunday School, will meet at 9:30am on the Selwyn campus from November 30—December 21. This is an intergenerational series for 6th graders through adults. Step into Advent as stories of angelic encounters come to life, echoing the timeless message of overcoming fear. Like the characters in the nativity story, we are invited to embrace courage and join in God's transformative work. The words "Do not be afraid" are an invitation and a calling from God. The Advent study and devotional from Erin Wathen challenges us to take the timeless message, apply it to our lives, and contemplate what would change in our relationships, vocations, congregations and communities if we have the courage to overcome our fears.
- Children, ages five 5th grade will explore Advent. During 10:30am worship, Kindergarten 2nd grade, can attend Children's Worship after the Children's Message.
- Communion will be served during the 10:30am Worship service.
- Advent Wreath Event after Worship. All ages, children through adults, are invited to meet on the lawn to make Advent wreaths, crafts, and enjoy light refreshments of cookies and hot cocoa. Please reserve one or more kits by contacting Brian Daoust or Karley Wilke-Nadler. Wreath kits are \$10 per kit. Payment for kits can be made via text to give, online, by check, or in person at the event.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR AND PAGEANT REHEARSALS Children, age 4 years through 5th grade, are invited to participate in choir. Rehearsals will be Wednesday, December 3 and 10, from 5:15-6pm. Pageant rehearsals will be held Saturday, December 6 and 13, at 10am. The pageant will be Sunday, December 14, 10:30am. Questions, contact Karley Wilke-Nadler.

QUAIL CAMPUS PW CHRISTMAS SOCIAL All women are invited gather on December 6 at 2pm for fellowship in Johnston Hall. The speaker will be Lea Slaton, Executive Director of Well for Mercy. Refreshments will be served. No RSVP needed. Please bring items such as holiday and home decorations, handmade items, or baked goods for a raffle. Proceeds will go to the National Alliance of Mental Illness.

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.

SERVICE OF COMFORT AND HOPE Join us Wednesday, December 10, 11:30am in the Quail campus sanctuary for a service designed for those seeking quiet in the chaos, seeking a moment to focus, and for those experiencing loss or challenges. RSVP to 704-554-5714 or church@qhpc.org by 9am December 8 for the fellowship lunch following the service.

MONTCLAIRE FOOD PACKING AND DELIVERY Join us on December 15 at 10am in the Fellowship Hall to pack and deliver pantry items for Montclaire Elementary School families.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER FUND (PDA) Hurricane Melissa had catastrophic impacts to Jamaica, Cuba, and other parts of the Caribbean. PDA is providing grants to address urgent immediate needs and will remain to address long-term projects and recovery. Your donations will help with these efforts. To give by phone, call 800-728-7228, ext. 5885. Or you can give online through the link in the weekly email or send a check, please designate "Hurricane Melissa" in the memo line and mail to: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P. O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. Please hold those impacted, along with volunteers and workers, in your prayers.

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.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS You are encouraged to sign up in honor or memory of people. To reserve and confirm the date, contact the church office. Online payments or checks can be made to the church indicating "sanctuary flowers."

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN

Sunday, November 23

- 9:00 Worship (Quail Campus)
- 9:30 Sunday School for All
- 9:30 Visitors Orientation Class (L)
- 9:45 Chancel Choir (S)
- 9:50 Quail Formation and Fellowship
- 10:10 Called Session Meeting (Chapel)
- 10:30 Worship with Baptism
- 11:30 Prayer Shawl Meeting (L)
- 5:30 Youth Group (FH)

Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am. Spire deadline is Monday, November 24 by 9am.

Monday, November 24

7:30 BSA Troop (SH)

Wednesday, November 26

1:00 Church Office and Child Development Center Close

Thursday, November 27

Church Office and Child Development Center Closed

Friday, November 28

7:00 Morning Men's Group (BH) Church Office and Child Development Center Closed

Sunday, November 30

- 9:00 Worship (Quail Campus)
- 9:30 Sunday School for All
- 9:45 Chancel Choir (S)
- 9:50 Quail Formation and Fellowship
- 10:30 Worship with Communion
- 11:30 Advent Wreath Workshop



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Montclaire Elementary

CHRISTMAS 2025—FLOWER FUND

This Advent/Christmas season you are invited to make a contribution to the Agnes and Matt Lyle Flower Memorial Fund in memory or honor of a friend or loved one. Your donation will go towards the Flower Memorial Fund and sanctuary flowers. For each donation of \$12.00 the name of your honoree will be printed in the bulletin on Sunday, December 21. Please return this form and your check to the church office, (payable to SAPC, designating "Flower Memorial Fund" in the memo line). *The deadline is Sunday, December 7.*

Please print neatly. Name(s) of giver(s) for printing in the bulletin	
Your phone #	Email address
In honor of	