Dear Selwyn,

The Daoust family sends greetings from Georgia! I have served a congregation north of Atlanta as Associate Pastor for Youth and Mission for eight years, and as a Volunteer Chaplain to the Johns Creek Fire Department. We followed God's call to Georgia from Salisbury, NC, shortly after we got married. We have three boys, Vincent (17), Gabriel (12), and Marshall (4), who are all excited for a home base near their grandparents in Concord and Kannapolis. We have missed the mountains and beaches of the state in which we all grew up.



I was born in Texas and my wife Jessica, in South Carolina. We met in middle school in Concord and have known each other for 27 years. I was active in my home church on Albemarle Road, its Scout Troop, and the Charlotte Presbytery's youth council throughout my childhood and teens. Jessica and I attended UNCW and UNC-Chapel Hill respectively. I moved to Richmond, VA, to attend Union Presbyterian Seminary for a Masters of Divinity. My first call was as Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults in Denver, CO. I eventually returned to North Carolina to be a minister for Youth and Christian Education at First Presbyterian Church of Salisbury.

Jessica left a career in retail management and training for finance. Her passion for serving others in non-profit work has led her to a role of financial manager and bookkeeper for two Presbyterian churches and an organization, Rescuing Hope, that fights human trafficking, as well as working for a CPA firm. At Johns Creek Presbyterian Church, Jessica was a part of the prayer shawl ministry, the adult choir, a volunteer adult with the Youth Group, and was active in organizing the volunteers for the annual Pumpkin Patch. Our oldest two boys both played handbells in church. Vincent assisted with the worship Livestream and sound booth for several years. Vincent and I had active roles in scouting as well.

We have had an incredible journey with the search committee, and each step along the way we have felt God calling us to come and serve at Selwyn. Each of us is hopeful for new ways and familiar ones to be a part of your family of faith. We pray each day for the adventures ahead and are looking forward to being with you soon. See y'all in July!

In Christ's Service, Rev. Brian Daoust and Jessica, Vincent, Gabriel, and Marshall