

# THE SELWYN SPIRE

June 2024

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church 2929 Selwyn Avenue Charlotte, NC 28209, Tel: 704-372-6836, www.selwynpres.org

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

Click here for a video message from Rev. Brian Daoust.

## SAPCSTAFF

Lori Archer Raible, *Pastor*Margo Richardson Fraga, *Associate Pastor*Lisa McLennan, *Parish Associate*Nancy Nutter, *Director of Children/Family Ministries*Fred Spano, *Director of Music*Gay Pappin, *Organist*Allyson Anderson, *Pastoral Director of Worship/Care at QHPC* 

Marsha Cooper, Church Administrator
Debbie Pott, Administrative Assistant
Tonya Moore, Church Accountant
Reba Hardaway, Accounting Administrative Assistant
Jennifer Dixon Remsen, Communications
Dwight Jones, Weekend Facilities
Beth Sharpe, Director of Child Development Center

### GROUP CHAIRS

Administration - Grant Armistead

Child Development Center - Sam Phifer

Christian Education & Formation—
Charlie Harris/Jodie Bolewitz

Congregational Life - Ginny Burgin/Lori Burbank

Mission - Christy Horne/Denise Pineno

Worship - Dick Metzler

# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE



## WE WELCOME

Lucy Elizabeth Aulebach, daughter of Craig and Hunter Aulebach, born on May 4, 2024. **SAPC BOOK CLUB** will meet June 18, 6:30pm at Sir Edmond Halley's Restaurant to discuss Gender Queer: A Memoir

by Maia Kobabe.

Questions, contact Nancy Bobbitt.



# **SUNDAY, JUNE 2 AT SELWYN**



Join us for worship and the ordination and installation of the incoming Elders, Class of 2027.

Following worship join us for our annual Spring Picnic.

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.



# SERVE, WORSHIP, GROW, AND GIVE WITH JOY!



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.

A key word is not needed if giving to the annual fund You may also give by scanning this QR code.



## **In Nursing or Retirement Homes**

Aldersgate - Dick Metzler Asbury - Mary Faye Proctor Carmel Hills - Marie Pressley Carriage Club - Herman Thomas Cypress - Bill and Nancy Budd, Steve and Ellen Byrum, Bob and Joe Anne Cole, Mike and Frankie Hinshaw. Robert Shore, Olen and Nancy Smith Matthews Glen - Anne McMackin, Cara Munday, Anne Rutherford Merrywood - Pat Ferguson Sharon Towers - Richard and Joan Foard Southminster - Kathy Dixon, Kay Hastings, Bobbye Linn, Sally Moore Summit Place - Willa May Young TerraBella Cramer Mountain -

# Non-Member Death

John McCarter

Golnar Sharifi-Mehr, mother of Ghazale Johnston, on May 5, 2024

The Pines on Carmel - Beth Carter

### **Non-Member Birth**

Margaret Jane Nutter, granddaughter of Nancy and Tony Nutter, on May 11

# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

 Nancy Budd Dale Ramsey
 James Barkley
 Josh Baker Charles Battle Casey Cothran Ella Green John Hoskins Alex Johnston Logan Prowse
 Cameron Nauman
 Kelsey Anderson Knox Arant Kaitlin Hall Jenny Sauda

Andy Burgin

Max Bourg

Laura Hankins

- 8 Cooper Horton Charlie King Chan Roush
- 9 Elizabeth Long
- 10 Ford McCormick
- 11 Kris Phillips Alice Rossi
- 12 Stella Beam Lucy Caldwell Maggie Long Beth Ramsey Wyatt Sharpe
- 13 Mollie McGirt Herman Thomas
- 14 Noah Kobal Tony Nutter Anne Rutherford Jane Torbet

- 15 Katie Bourg Genevieve Jeffries Charlie Phillips Nicole Shaw
- 16 Mai-Lis Bahr Liam Cameron David Hatlem
- 17 Dan Gualtieri Marcie Linker Christy Parbst
- 18 Joan Foard Willa May Young
- 19 Laura Hassey



- 21 Matthew Cooper Carter Kopplmann Pat Wheatley Justin Wolf
- 22 McKenna Baskeville Michelle Bentley Ed Flynn Alan Kincade Blake Turner
- 23 Carrie Astroth
  Collin Black
  DiAnne Cordell
  Jennifer Daily
  Stuart Pfeifer
- 24 Matt Cauthen Tim Finein Emily Hall
- 25 Casey Craig Fran Sutton Jake Walker

- 26 Geraldine Anastasio Mac McLennan Sydney Pifer
- 28 Bill Budd Grace Haruta Vince Pratt Vicki Walker
- 29 Finn Cauthen Lisa Mclennan Piper Muth Mary Newbegin
- 30 Henry King Megan Stuart Robert Vise



# Congratulations to College Graduates Winter Spring 2024



Jackson Burbank, NC State, Business Administration
Hampton Home, Appalachian State University, College of Fine and Applied Arts in Construction Management

# Congratulations to High School Graduates Spring 2024

Addie Bahr - Myers Park High School and CPCC Kaitlin Hall - Charlotte Catholic High School Margaret Harris - Asheville School Lily Hart - Myers Park High School

Sophia Hatlem - Providence Day School Coleman Kiger - Myers Park High School Patrick Madigan - Myers Park High School

Beatrice (Bea) McLellan - North Carolina School of the Arts

Emma Northan - Myers Park High School

Joe Raible - Myers Park High School
Ethan Randall - Charlotte Latin

Marshall Pifer - Charlotte Country Day School

Addison Roper - South Mecklenburg High School

Ledare Roush - Myers Park High School Connor Simmons - Myers Park High School Traver Stuart - Myers Park High School Kacie Tibe - Providence Day School Nicolas Vera - Myers Park High School

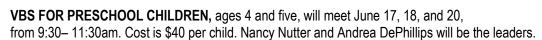
Emma Hinson Waple - Myers Park High School



# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FORMATION

#### REGISTRATION DEADLINE MAY 30 FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**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.





Sign up form can be found in the May Spire.

Sunday School classes will not meet on June 2.

## SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL - 9:30AM STARTING JUNE 9

- 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.
- Children's Sunday School for elementary children will gather with Nancy Nutter in the Bowman building.
- ❖ Sunday Preschool and Nursery 9:30am, 10:30am The children are cared for by our loving nursery keepers.

Men's Group, meets at 7am each Friday morning at the Bates House.

# WORSHIP

**SUMMER MUSIC** All choir members, children who play, youth, and other musically inclined persons, are invited to share their gifts in July and August. Instrumentalists, Choral Scholars, young pianists, and small groups of Chancel Choir (or other) singers are encouraged to contact <a href="Fred Spano">Fred Spano</a> and plan something. The available dates are July 14, 21, and 28 and August 4.



Join us June 2 for the ordination and installation of the incoming Elders, Class of 2027 during worship.

# SIGN UP TO USHER IN WORSHIP SERVICES

Scan the QR Code with your mobile app or contact Jill Cann.



Join us weekly for Worship in the Sanctuary at 10:30am.

If you cannot attend worship in the sanctuary an email is sent at 10:15am with the Facebook link.



### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

You are encouraged to sign up in honor or memory of people or occasions.

Contact Marsha Cooper to reserve a date. Once the date is confirmed, online payments or checks for \$78 should be made to the church indicating "sanctuary flowers".

# MISSION

# 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. Due to tremendous loss of lives, forced evacuations, and suffering of people without access to basic necessities, 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 by responding to the urgent needs of those directly affected. Please pray for peace, safe passage, and relief for those needing medical attention and help. To offer financial support you can give online, call (800) 872-3283, text PDAIP to 41444, or mail a check to Presbyterian Church (USA). PO Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA, 15264-3700, made payable to Presbyterian Church (USA) please write "DR000081-Israel/Palestine" on the memo line.

#### **MONTCLAIRE ELEMENTARY AND GEP**

Summer Sizzler—Please consider ways you can support the summer program, running June 17 through July 26. There are opportunities to assist in the morning and/or afternoon, to provide snacks, pizza on Fridays, and teacher treats. In-person help, supplies, and field trip opportunities are needed. Sign up here, or contact Ellen Harris, if you would like to help.

There are a variety of other ways to assist at Montclaire Elementary. Scan the QR code or visit the Sign Up Form.



#### SAVE THE DATE

Our next Habitat workday will be July 20. Watch the weekly email for the link to sign up.

