

## THE SELWYN SPIRE

### November 2025

Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church

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## We are thankful for God's abundance in this season of Thanksgiving...









## for what has been and for things to come.









#### SELWYN CAMPUS STAFF

Allyson Anderson, Resident Pastor at QHPC

Lori Archer Raible, *Pastor*Margo Richardson Fraga, *Associate Pastor*Brian Daoust, *Associate Pastor*Lisa McLennan, *Parish Associate*Karley Wilke-Nadler, *Director of Children and Families*Fred Spano, *Director of Music*Gay Pappin, *Organist* 

Marsha Cooper, Church Administrator
Kris Seek, 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 - Mike DeAmicis
Child Development Center - Jeremy Caskey
Christian Education & Formation - Todd Muldrew
Congregational Life - Lori Burbank
Mission - Karey Tom
Worship - Catherine Miller

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

#### We Welcome



Anna Jo Ferraioli, daughter of Ryan and Katie Ferraioli, born on October 12, 2025

#### We Welcome



Collins Ruth Muldrow, daughter of Cam and Lindsay Muldrow, born on October 15, 2025

#### We Welcome



Wells Matthew Turner, son of Matt and Taylor Turner, born on October 21, 2025

#### **NEW MEMBERS**



On October 26, we welcomed Christian and Crystal Sanchez.

Please provide a warm welcome.

#### 2026 STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENTS

If you have returned your commitment card, thank you. If you have not, you can return it to the church office, email <u>Tonya Moore</u>, or enter your commitment via the <u>church website</u>.

#### ONE WAY STREET

The small parking lot is a one-way drive, from the Selwyn Avenue entrance, down the hill, exiting onto Glendale. The stop signs at the bottom of the hill and speed bump are to remind drivers to exit carefully and slowly. Please do not exit onto Selwyn Avenue from the small parking lot or enter from Glendale to drive up the hill.



## **BOOK CLUB** will meet on November 18, 6:30pm at



Sir Edmond's to discuss *The Lion Women of Tehran* by Marjan Kamala.

Questions, Nancy Bobbitt.

#### PRAYER SHAWL

will meet after Worship on November 23 in the Parlor.



## In Nursing or Retirement Homes

Aldersgate - Dick Metzler Asbury - Mary Faye Proctor Brighton Gardens - Beth Carter Carriage Club - Herman Thomas Cypress - Bill and Nancy Budd, Ellen Byrum, Bob and Joe Anne Cole, Mike and Frankie Hinshaw, Olen and Nancy Smith, Bob Walker Huntersville Oaks - Pat Ferguson Matthews Glen - Anne McMackin, Cara Munday, Anne Rutherford Sharon Towers - Richard and Joan Foard Southminster - Emily Cox, Kathy Dickson, Kay Hastings, Bobbye Linn, Sally Moore Summit Place - Willa May Young TerraBella Cramer Mountain -John McCarter

## ALL CHURCH RETREAT, APRIL 24-26, 2026

Registration information coming this Winter.

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Addison Roper
- 2 Reynolds Cook Lily Kincade
- 3 Jacqueline BlackJay PfeiferAshley Short
- 4 Kate Claxton Will Nauman Jack Stein Ed Thomas
- 5 Mike Hinshaw Robert Reynolds
- 6 Avery Ellis Susan Flynn Bryan Kincade Naomi Randall

- 7 Reese Horton Fletcher Moore Olen Smith
- 9 Fred Cooke Millie Johnston Patricia McLellan Hattie Walton Janet Williams
- 10 Amanda Barkley Jeremy Caskey David Harris Susan Lemmon
- 11 Grant Armistead Mitchell Cooper Tate Hackman Allison Lindsey
- 12 Liza Macholz

- 13 Camille Cumbus Meredith Northan H Lucas
- 14 Riley Battle Sharon Raines Karah Ramsey Karey Vera
- 15 Barbara Hall Katelyn Price
- 16 Bob Cole Katie Cumbus Rebecca Thompson
- 17 Harrison Liles Andrew Sontag Libby Stuart
- 18 James Harner Tracie Northan

- 19 Maddie Parbst Bruce Walker
- 20 Charlene McDermott Joe Raible
- 21 Melanie Ackerly
- 22 Brian Daoust
- 23 Jake Canter Georgine Jeffries Megan Tibe
- 24 Hunt Anderson Jim Glen Reba Hardaway Madeline Lindsey
- 25 Leo Miller Grant Sharpe
- 26 Maggie Houston
- 30 Steve Randall



**SELWYN CAMPUS GIVING INFORMATION** We appreciate every effort being made in keeping your current 2025 pledge commitment up-to-date in this last quarter of the year. To make a confidential pledge, you can use this <u>link</u>, email church accountant Tonya Moore, scan the Giving QR code, or return your pledge card to the church office.

**Text to Give**: 704-734-9818 Enter an amount. The first time, you will be prompted to SHELBY to confirm set up. Then, it is as easy as texting the amount to the phone number. You do not need a keyword if giving to the annual fund.

**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 proper amount to the correct member.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FORMATION

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY Join us in the Quail Hollow Parlor, Wednesdays through November 19, 11:30am - 12:30pm.

#### **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL THROUGH NOVEMBER 23**

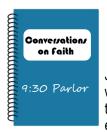


This intergenerational class welcomes everyone from 6th graders to adults.

Guided by a teaching team committed to deep

Bible study, we will explore God's Word, ask questions, share insights across generations, and prepare our hearts and minds for worship as one community of faith.

We are walking through the Gospel of Luke by "Living the Story Together," studying the themes in our weekly worship and sermons.



The Bible Tells Me So by Peter Enns

Join us for a new sixweek study based on the spiritual odyssey of evangelical scholar Peter

Enns. The more he studied the Bible, the more he wrestled with questions like "Is this what God really requires?" and "Does divine inspiration mean ignoring the Bible?"

Discover how he came to see beyond restrictive doctrine and learned to embrace God's Word as it is actually written.



Visitor Orientation Classes November 9, 16 and 23

A class for anyone interested in becoming a member of Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian.

Programming, theology, history, mission, worship, and more will be discussed in an effort to answer any questions you may have regarding membership, stewardship, and opportunities to serve our community.

#### SAPC NURSERY REMINDERS

The nursery provides quality care for children from infancy to four years old each Sunday morning during Sunday School (9:30am to 10:20am) and during the Worship service (10:30am-11:30am).

Please assist our nursery staff by labeling your child's diaper bag, bottles, blanket, jacket, and sippy cup with their full name.

## ADVENT WREATH EVENT, NOVEMBER 30

All ages are invited to join us after Worship.



#### CHILDREN'S WEDNESDAY PROGRAMMING

On November 5, 12, and 19, children will engage in art activities.

Use this link to sign up for dinner.

#### **ADVENT BEGINS NOVEMBER 30**

A Jesus Christmas will be the focus for the children during Sunday School.

#### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT, DECEMBER 14

Rehearsals will be December 6 and 13, 10am on the Selwyn Avenue campus. Questions, contact <u>Fred</u> or <u>Karley</u>.

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



All women are invited to join a Presbyterian Women's Circle. Circles typically meet from September through May for Bible studies, topics of interest, and community service.

Click this link to learn about PW Circles on both campuses. Questions, contact Pam Brownlee.

#### **MEN'S GROUPS**

**Monday Evening Men's Group:** First and third Mondays, 7:30pm offsite, typically at People's Market. Led by Ted Zimmer and Curtis Corell, it is open to men of all ages. The group meets for discussion, prayer, and encouragement. To join the group chat, click <a href="mailto:this link">this link</a> from your phone.



**Friday Morning Men's Group:** Every Friday, 7am in the SAPC Bates House. Led by Roger Mills and Joe Bentley, men of all-ages walk through life and faith with honesty, trust, and accountability.

SAVE THE DATE: JANUARY 14, 2026, MEN'S DINNER AND GUEST SPEAKER Look for details to come.

## YOUTH NEWS

See Brian's weekly email for information.

<u>Click here</u> to follow the Youth Group on Instagram Click here for Brian's Youth Group calendar.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL** Join us in the Chapel, 9:30am. **FIRST FRIDAY GAME NIGHT,** November 7, 6-9pm. **YOUTH GROUP,** November 16 and 23, 5:30pm.

## MISSION

# FIRST SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE Brookdale Original

#### MONTCLAIRE FOOD PACKING AND DELIVERY, **NOVEMBER 17**

Join us at 10am in the Fellowship Hall to pack and deliver pantry items for Montclaire Elementary School families.

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

There are a variety of ways to assist the Montclaire Elementary community. Sign up to help through the QR Code, this link, the website, or by contacting Ellen Harris or Karey Tom.



You can also support GEP by purchasing items directly from their Amazon Wish List.

#### **SECOND SUNDAY SERVICE PROJECT, NOVEMBER 9**

Help sort, package, and deliver cookies to homebound members. Join us in the Fellowship Hall after Worship. Click here to sign up.

#### **OPERATION SANDWICH, NOVEMBER 15**

Assist by preparing bagged lunches for our Roof Above homeless neighbors. Please sign up in increments of ten lunches through this link.

> Prepared lunches should be brought to the church on November 15 between 9-10am for delivery to Roof Above.

#### ROOM IN THE INN SEASON IS AROUND THE CORNER

The coordinators need to secure two overnight hosts for each week. Selwyn will attempt to host each Monday evening through Tuesday morning, December through March. This requires we procure two overnight hosts for each week. To be a host, sign up with

this link or this RITI Overnight Hosts QR Code.



There are many other ways to be involved: prepare, serve and enjoy dinner with our neighbors, provide packed lunches, provide breakfast, transport guests in the evening and/or morning by driving the church bus, donate or shop for supplies, help setup the Fellowship Hall and beds (all ages are welcome), wash our guests' feet, and/or Tuesday morning clean-up. Click this link to learn more and sign up as a volunteer.







#### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The final workday in 2025, October 4, was dedicated in remembrance of Bob Hormberg, a loyal Habitat volunteer for many years, and it was a perfect day. Between both campuses, we had twelve workers, and our team also included three members of First Presbyterian Church and our homeowner-in-progress, Isais.

We completed all the tasks our supervisor, Katie, listed for the day. Tasks included installing hurricane clips and deadwood, completing the attached utility shed, and caulking the interior seams. We also helped deliver new plumbing fixtures to other job sites in the development.

The team would like to thank Mission Group moderator Karey Tom and her husband, Ray, for arranging a wonderful lunch, and Martha and Jack Rand for delivering the meal to the site.

This year, we had four workdays, and we anticipate a similar schedule in 2026. Watch weekly emails, Church Notes, and Spire newsletters for dates and plan to join us.

## WORSHIP

#### MECKLENBURG INTERFAITH FRIENDSGIVING

will be held on November 20, 6-8pm at Myers Park Baptist Church, 1900 Queens Road. This is a free, family friendly event, sponsored by MeckMIN.org and open to all. Register through this link.

Join us weekly for Worship in the Sanctuary at 10:30am. If you cannot attend in person, an email is each Sunday at 10:15am with the Facebook link. You do not need a Facebook account to view it.

**WORSHIP WITH US ONLINE** 

#### **COMMUNION, NOVEMBER 30**

Communion will be served on November 30 during the 10:30am worship service.

If you are unable to attend the service and would like to receive communion at your residence, please notify Catherine Miller.

#### ALL CHURCH SERVICE OF COMFORT AND HOPE

Join us Wednesday, December 10, 11:30am on the Quail Hollow campus for a special service designed for those seeking guiet in the chaos, seeking a moment to focus, and for church members experiencing loss or challenges during the holiday season.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** You are encouraged to sign up in honor or memory of people or occasions. Contact Marsha Cooper to reserve a Sunday. Once the date is confirmed, an online payment or check can be made to the church indicating "sanctuary flowers."