

CHURCH NOTES - September 20, 2026

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GUEST ORGANIST We welcome Keith McNabb to Selwyn today.

SELWYN CAMPUS GIVING For 2026 Selwyn member Pledges total \$840,000. Goal for pledge receipts through Year to Date (YTD) is \$630,000. Actual Pledge receipts YTD are \$450,288. Total deficit is \$179,712.

- 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 Amy Read, amyread@carolina.rr.com, or 704-819-5390, so she is aware and can credit the amount and member.

PASSPORT KIDS CAMP Parents/guardians of our current 3rd-6th graders –we are excited to share a camp opportunity with you. Passport Kids Camp is a 4-day, 3-night camp offered at Montreat Conference Center, July 5-8, 2027. It is \$433 and includes lodging and meals* at Assembly Inn. (*Monday dinner through Thursday breakfast) This is a faith-based camp with daily worship and small group Bible study. There are rotations ranging from worship preparation to gaga ball and free time to explore the creek or paddleboats/canoes with chaperones. Mrs. Prager has attended this program the last two summers and believes it is a great way for kids to grow in their faith, bond with one another, and fall in love with Montreat. Mrs. Prager will serve as the lead chaperone, with at least one additional chaperone based on our female/male child participants.

- Church group registration opens the morning of October 1 and typically fills very fast. Because of this, a non-refundable \$200 deposit will be due by Sunday, September 27. The balance (\$233) is due by January 24. Checks can be made to Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church and given to René Prager. Please watch communications for additional information. Reach out with any questions. Use the link in the weekly email to indicate your interest.

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY All are invited to participate on Wednesdays, 1pm on the Quail campus through November 18.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER On October 18, we are excited to host a Rise Against Hunger food packing event. We're committed to packing meals for neighbors around the world who are experiencing hunger. After worship, those participating in the event will share a quick lunch, check in, and receive assignments to begin packing meals right away. A Rise Against Hunger team member will be present to instruct and lead us through the process. All volunteers must register through Rise Against Hunger. Look for the link in the weekly email.

HELP RESTOCK THE FOOD PANTRY We will be providing food bags to Montclair Elementary School children. You can help by purchasing one-pound bags of rice and/or dry beans, and 16 ounce or smaller cans of vegetables, fruits, and/or protein to bring to the church. No glass jars please. If you can, please join the team on Monday, October 12, 10am to pack the bags for delivery to the school. Questions, contact Nancy Bobbitt.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES There is a place for everyone at 9:30am on Sundays.

- **Adult Milestone Baptism Class 9:30am, September 27 (Library)** Parents/guardians are invited and encouraged to join us on Sunday, September 27 at 9:30 in the Library. We will explore the theology of the sacrament of baptism. This will also be a time of fellowship for parents. Please connect with René Prager or Lori Raible.
- **Adult "Faith In 30"- 9:30am Every Sunday (Fellowship Hall)** A new class designed for those who want to connect, learn, and grow—even when time is limited. Whether a parent of a confirmand, raising young children, or you simply haven't fit a traditional Sunday School class into your schedule, this class is for you! Join us for coffee and fellowship, followed by a 30-minute discussion or teaching. Each week will feature a casual, engaging conversation led by a lay facilitator or a thought-provoking presentation from a pastor/educator. No preparation is required— come as you are to build community, explore your faith, and leave encouraged for the week ahead.
- **Adult Sunday School Parlor Class - Conversations on Faith - 9:30am Every Sunday (Parlor)** Gather to read, reflect, and explore together. Focusing on Bible study—not having all the answers, but diving into scripture together to explore God's Word, ask questions, share insights across generations, and prepare our hearts and minds for worship as one community of faith.

- **Confirmation Class- 9:30am Select Sundays (Upstairs Grace Room)** A special time for students in 7th and 8th grade to explore what it means to follow Jesus Christ and become active members of the church. Students study the Bible, learn about the foundations of the Christian faith, explore Presbyterian beliefs and practices, and discuss how faith shapes everyday life.
- **Middle School Sunday School- 9:30am Every Sunday (Bowman Building, first room on the right)** Designed for students in 5th-8th grade who are ready to explore their faith more deeply. Students study the Bible, ask thoughtful questions, and discover how God's Word applies to their everyday lives. Through discussions, interactive lessons, and fellowship, students are encouraged to grow in their relationship with Christ and build a strong foundation of faith in a supportive environment.
- **K-4 Sunday School- 9:30am Every Week (Bowman Building Big Room)** A fun and engaging place where children grow in their faith through Bible stories, music, crafts, and hands-on activities. Children explore God's love in age-appropriate ways, build friendships and learn together. Dedicated teachers create a welcoming environment for children to ask questions, participate, and discover how God's Word connects to their everyday lives.
- **3s/4s Class** Ages 3 and 4 are invited each Sunday for fun and faith, to learn about God's love in an engaging, age-appropriate way. Important: Drop children in the nursery, where they will enjoy free play. Teachers will bring children upstairs for a short lesson and return them to the nursery for worship.
- **Nursery- 9:30-11:30am Every Week (Downstairs in the CDC)** Providing a safe, loving, and welcoming environment for children from birth through age 4, giving parents the opportunity to participate in Sunday School and worship with peace of mind. Children are grouped by age to ensure they receive developmentally appropriate care: • Newborn Room: Birth through walkers • Toddler Room: Ages 1-2 • Preschool Room: Ages 3-4 Each room is staffed by two caring adults, trained in our Children's Protection Policy, have completed background checks, and are CPR certified.

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 for \$65 can be made to the church indicating "sanctuary flowers."

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God and
in honor of the Child Development Center teachers from the Reynolds family.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
Sunday, September 20 9:00 Worship (Quail) 9:30 Confirmation Class Kickoff (Chapel) 9:30 Sunday School for All 9:45 Chancel Choir Rehearsal 9:50 Formation and Fellowship (Quail) 10:30 Worship 11:30 Christian Education Group (L) 11:30 Worship Group (P) 5:30 Youth Group (FH) Church Notes deadline is Monday by 9am. Spire Deadline Monday, September 28 by 9am.	Monday, September 21 6:30 BSA Quail Troops 7:30 BSA Selwyn Troop (FH) 7:30 Monday Evening Men's Group Tuesday, September 22 6:15 Session Meeting Wednesday, September 23 12:00 Congregational Life Group (L) 1:00 Pastor's Bible Study (Quail) 5:00 CHIRP at Quail 6:30 Handbell Choir (Quail) 7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Quail) Friday, September 25 7:00 Men's Group (BH)	Sunday, September 27 9:00 Worship (Quail) 9:30 Confirmation Class (Bowman) 9:30 Sunday School for All 9:45 Chancel Choir Rehearsal 9:50 Formation and Fellowship (Quail) 10:10 Called Session Meeting (Chapel) 10:30 Worship 5:30 Youth Group (FH) Give to SAPC Selwyn Campus  Montclair Elementary 