## CHURCH NOTES - May 21, 2017

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## TODAY

**OUR PREACHER TODAY** is The Reverend Lisa McLennan. Lisa is the Director of Admissions for the Charlotte campus of Union Presbyterian Seminary, and serves Selwyn as our Parish Associate. We are grateful for Lisa's talents and for the many ways she shares them.

**PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** are extended for Peggy Hormberg and family in the death of her niece, Christy Kiebler, on May 13, 2017.

**BEING PRESENTED FOR BAPTISM** this morning is Foard Alexander Lavery, son of Will and Christine Lavery. Present are grandparents Bill and Catherine Lavery and Mary Wilson, great-grandparents Joan and Richard Foard and Carol Lavery. Other family and friends are also present. Please provide a warm welcome to all on this very special day.

APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT PARTICIPANTS will be commissioned during worship. They are Chris Bahr, John Barkley, Lori Burbank, David Harris, Christy Horne, Roger Mills, Jordan Tallent, Lou Waple, Jackson Burbank, Franklin Caldwell, Jonah Cameron, Izzy Cann, Lily Cann, Alex Flowers, Shelby Flowers, William Flynn, Charles Harris, Evie Harris, Grace Haruta, Jonathan Haruta, Liza Horne, Elliot Jones, Ann Royal McLennan, Grey McLennan, Mac McLennan, Luke Skibinski, Maria Skibinski, Libby Stuart, and Rachel Walker.

## NOTES OF INTEREST

**DAUGHTERS OF FAITH** Young adult women will conclude their study of Brené Brown's book, <u>Rising Strong</u> on Wednesday, May 24 at 11am. Childcare is available with advance RSVP to lraible@carolina.rr.com.

**SUPPORT THE FOOD DRIVE THROUGH JUNE 4** Please bring in canned foods for our Charlotte neighbors. The food bank requested specific items. We are asking for powdered milk on May 28, and canned fruit/fruit juice on June 4. Food will specifically assist families with school age children that will not have access to free breakfast and lunches during the summer. Please place items in the labeled barrels in the Spire hallway. All items are welcome.

**CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING** All volunteers working with nursery, children, and youth should have this training and renew it every three years. This includes those working with children at Montclaire Elementary and Freedom School. Please make plans to attend on June 11 at 11:30am. The class will meet in the Bowman building.

**THE WILL OF GOD** Join us on Sunday, June 4 at 9:30am for the conclusion of our adult Sunday School series based on Leslie Weatherhead's book. Adults will meet in their respective classrooms for this informal and discussion based series, as abstract ideas to specific, true-to-life circumstances are applied. Books are available for purchase - see Lori if interested.

PLEASE SERVE AS A PRAYER PARTNER FOR OUR YOUTH MISSION TRIP Every year, members of the congregation serve as Prayer Partners to our youth and adults who serve on the Appalachia Service Project. As a prayer partner, you simply agree to pray for the group generally and one person specifically during the week they are away. You write a note to let them know you will be praying for them. You can provide a snack if you like. It is a special way to connect. Who in your household would like to participate? Selwyn members of all ages can participate. Please contact Sara Moreau, smoreau80@gmail.com, if you are interested or have any questions.

**LISTEN TO A CHILD READ AT FREEDOM SCHOOL** Sign up to be a child's active reading partner through DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) via the YES page, www.selwynpres.org/serve.php, or volunteer to provide snacks, buy supplies, and chaperone field trips. Sign up for one hour or many. You can also contact John Lemmon at jlemmon@jlf.com.

**AA MEETINGS** Selwyn is the host site for two weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. The times are Mondays, noon-1pm in the Bates House and Wednesdays, 8-10pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who brought books for the Annual Selwyn Book Drive. With your help, we were able to collect well over 1,000 books to donate to Montclaire Freedom School and Habitat ReStore.

**75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE** At the end of April, \$589,372 in pledge payments and gifts had been received. This represents approximately 32% of the Campaign goal of \$1,850,000 and includes payments from thirteen families who have completely paid their pledges. Thank you!

**SAVE THE DATE** Our make Habitat a Habit at Selwyn Day will be October 7. Signups will be later this year.

The sanctuary flowers are given by Erin Mills to the Glory of God and in recognition of the congregation and staff of Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church. Thank you for your wisdom, grace, love, and support over the past 8 years.

Serving as the Youth Director of this church has been a great joy and honor.

THIS WEEK AT SELWYN		
Sunday, May 21	Monday, May 22	Sunday, May 28
9:00 Child Protection Training (B)	12:00 AA Meeting (BH)	9:00 Chancel Choir (S)
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9:30 Sunday School for All		10:30 Worship Service (S)
10:15 Called Session Meeting (Chapel)	Wednesday, May 24	, , , , ,
10:30 Worship Service with Baptism (S)	11:00 Daughters of Faith (OS)	
11:30 Prayer Shawl Meeting (P)	7:00 Young Adult Social (Offsite)	
11:30 Session Meeting (Chapel)	8:00 AA Meeting (FH)	
5:30 Youth Year End Picnic (Front Lawn)		
, ,	Friday, May 26 7:00 Men's Group (BH)	Church Notes deadline is each Monday by 9am. Spire deadline is Monday, May 22 by 9am.