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THIS WEEK at FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH of PENDLETON

**Sunday, December 16 · Third Sunday of Advent · God With Us: Our Living Branch**

Happy Birthday to Emily Navin

9:00 am Coffee, Tea, and Conversation (Fellowship Hall)  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:45 am Worship and Christmas Cantata: *Sing Joy to All the World* (Sanctuary)  
3:00 pm - 5:00 Christmas Drop-In at Pastor’s Home (207 Nottingham Way, Anderson)

7:00 am - 5:00 pm **Mon - Fri** · Project Hope (Nursery Suite, Rooms 101, 105, 106)

**Monday, December 17**

9:30 am Knitting Group (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Personnel Committee Meeting (Conference Room 304)

**Tuesday, December 18**

Happy Birthday to Barbara Blackmon

7:30 am AA Meeting (Room 313)  
4:30 pm Greenville Chorale -- Handel’s Messiah (Church Bus Reserved)

**Wednesday, December 19**

5:45 pm Wed Night Supper: TBD  
Menu: TBD  
6:15 pm Birthdays and Blessing  
6:30 pm **Christmas Caroling** (Clemson Downs) (Church Bus Reserved)

**Thursday, December 20**

Happy Birthday to Drew Westmoreland

9:30 am - Noon Senior Fellowship Christmas Party (Fellowship Hall)  
7:00 pm WMU Robinson Group

**Friday, December 21**

**Saturday, December 22**

Happy Birthday to Pam Patterson

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The **Missions Committee** thanks you for your support of **Operation MAGI**. Together with other churches in our community, we helped provide Christmas gifts for approximately 300 children!

**Children's Ministry** thanks everyone who helped with and attended our Children's Christmas Program on Dec 12. This was a very special event to share with the church family! You can see pictures from the program on the church website.

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**Church Group Trip to Greenville Chorale's presentation of Handel's Messiah will be Tuesday, December 18.** Those who would like to meet for supper before the concert, we will meet at 5:30 at Olympian Grill (402 Duncan Chapel Rd, Greenville). The concert is at 7:30 in McAlister Auditorium at Furman University. Tickets: \$24 for adults; \$20 for church choir members; \$15 for students. **TODAY** is the last day to purchase your ticket from a chorale member, **Tammy Gladson, Lou Wood, or Chris Cottingham and sign up outside the church office.** We can also meet at church at 4:30 pm to take the church bus, but we need to know **today** if you would like to ride the bus.

**Christmas Caroling:** Help us spread Christmas cheer! This **Wednesday, December 19**, after supper, we will head "over the river and through the woods" to share Christmas carols with the residents at Clemson Downs. **We will meet in the fellowship hall at 6:20** for instructions, then take the church bus and other vehicles as needed. All ages are invited to join us! Children should be accompanied by a parent or other adult.

**Clemson Community Care** is still accepting turkeys to help all our neighbors. You may bring a turkey to Clemson Community Care during client hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM, or **you may purchase a turkey and leave it at the Pendleton Bi-Lo, Ingles, or Publix for pick-up.** Distribution continues through Dec 20. Thank you for your help!

Support the **Offering for Global Missions** of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship! This year's theme is *Seeking Transformational Development*. The missions bulletin inserts for today and the prayer guides (available on the table outside the church office) tell stories of how CBF is changing the world one community at a time in places like Haiti and Macedonia.

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