



Repair and Revitalize, A Story of Generosity

A year and a half ago, we began a capital campaign to update our church facilities. We called it the **Repair and Revitalize Capital Campaign**. As you may recall, the project included

- repairing damage to the ductwork of our HVAC system
- repairing damage to our sanctuary sound system and projector
- updating our audiovisual equipment to better suit our current needs
- acquiring new video equipment to improve our online worship capabilities

In addition to these capital improvement projects, 10% of contributions given to the campaign were designated to our Hands On Mission fund, as a way of practicing Jesus' command to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Earlier this year, we concluded our Repair and Revitalize Capital Campaign, with a total of **\$57,116.11** received, of which **\$5,711.61** was designated for missions. What a tremendous blessing! These contributions were given by **44 givers**. The generosity of these givers allowed us to make the needed improvements to our facilities and to greatly improve our video capabilities (which continue to expand the impact of our ministry, even now that we have resumed in-person worship.)

Mark Tidsworth of Pinnacle Leadership, an author and presenter who provides resources to churches and ministry leaders, describes **vitality** as **"Holy Spirit wind blowing on the dormant coals of churches...bringing new life."** In the past year, First Baptist Church of Pendleton has indeed experienced **revitalization**. Recently we had the privilege of baptizing a teenager who joined the church with her mother, expressing her appreciation for finding a church that values inclusivity. The mother and daughter first visited our church online, before deciding to visit in person and to join. We are experiencing new life as a church, as we live into our calling as a community of faith.

We have also been able to share of our blessings through our Hands On Mission Fund. The additional contributions to this fund due to the capital campaign have allowed us to

- Support refugees from Afghanistan at the Welcome House in Raleigh, NC
- Send children's literature to a church in Nicaragua
- Purchase Bible story books and Christmas activity books for families who participated in our community's Magi program, which provides groceries during the summer and holiday gifts
- Prepare flood buckets for those whose homes are damaged by severe weather events
- Send contributions for assistance following Hurricane Ida and the August 2021 earthquake in Haiti
- Support teachers at Pendleton Elementary School through an appreciation breakfast and contributing towards teacher appreciation gifts
- Give an additional gift to our mission partner Metanoia, in celebration of their 20th anniversary

The extravagant generosity and faithful support of those who contributed to the Repair and Revitalize Capital Campaign made all of this good work possible. Thank you!

Rev. Jennifer McClung Rygg, Pastor



Youth Group Plays Putt-Putt



Everyone piled into the church bus for the trip to The Oasis Ranch in Seneca.



Missy Cotten, Beth Brewer, and Cheyenne Posey take a short break at the koi pond.



Youth and chaperones pose for a group photo at The Oasis Ranch miniature golf course, July 13, 2022. A good time was had by all -- especially Chris, who had the winning score. The Youth need practice, so we'll have to go again soon!



Note of Caution

Recently, a number of church members received a text which claimed to be from Pastor Jennifer and asked for help with an urgent matter. This is a scam. This type of scam has also been attempted by email. The following tips will help you avoid such scams:



—If you receive a message from someone which does not sound like something they would say, be cautious.

Do not reply directly to the message.

Instead, send a separate email or text using the contact information you already have for the person to let them know about the message.

—You may also report the attempted scam at reportfraud.ftc.gov.

—Be assured that church staff will never send an email or text asking for money or gift cards to be sent directly to them. Requests for donations for special projects will be made through church announcements, requested in person, accompanied by details, and/or be processed through the church office.

—If a message or request sounds suspicious, be skeptical!

Guest Preachers



Dan Vincent

We welcome back two guest preachers to the FBCP pulpit. **Rev. Dr. Dan Vincent** will preach on Sunday, July 31, and **Clayton Davis** will preach on Sunday, August 7.



Clayton Davis

Clemson Community Care

Clemson Community Care needs shelf stable milk, cans of green beans, mixed vegetables, and potatoes, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, cooking oil, and fruit juice.

Non food items needed: size 5 and size 6 diapers, pull-ups, laundry detergent, dish detergent, bathroom tissue, paper towels, and toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, razors, shaving cream).

Donations may be placed in the giant barrel outside the choir room. CCC can also use **empty egg cartons**, which they use for distributing eggs donated in bulk. Please place egg cartons on the counter outside the kitchen. Thank you!



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SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

9:00 am Coffee, Tea, & Conversation in the Fellowship Hall
9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship in the Sanctuary and on Facebook Live

We hope you can join us for in-person worship, but if you aren't able to attend in person, you can worship on Facebook through our live streaming system.

visit our website
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PASTORAL EMERGENCY

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