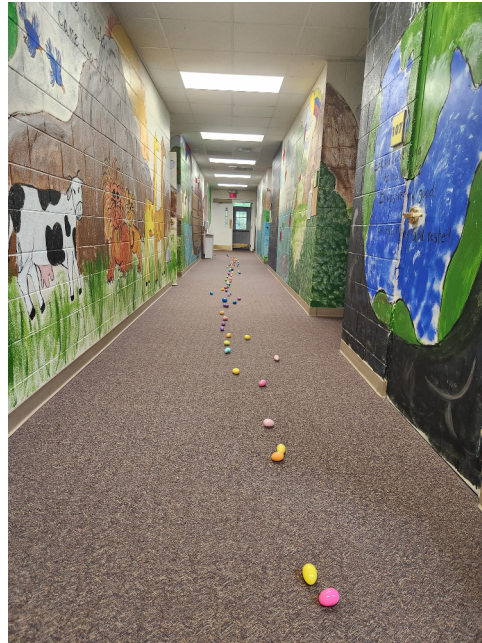


## Easter at FBCP



FBC Pendleton celebrated Easter with great joy! We had an indoor Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 8 with approximately 25-30 children and their families in attendance. Sunday, April 9 was a beautiful day of worship, with children leading in worship through music and sign language, several choir anthems, and our traditional gathering on the front lawn after worship to flower the cross.

**Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## Kasey Jones, Guest Preacher on April 23

This Sunday we welcome **Rev. Kasey Jones**, CBF Associate Coordinator for Outreach and Growth, who will be our guest preacher. She will preach the sermon "Consider Me," based on Acts 9:10-18 and Philemon 1:10-21.

Kasey will also be attending the **Current Events Sunday School Class** at 9:30 in the **Fellowship Hall** (note the special location) and will host a **question and answer session**. Everyone is invited to attend!

Kasey engages with churches and individuals to invite partnership with CBF. Additionally, her work includes working with congregations to engage in diversity, equity, inclusion and racial justice ministry efforts.

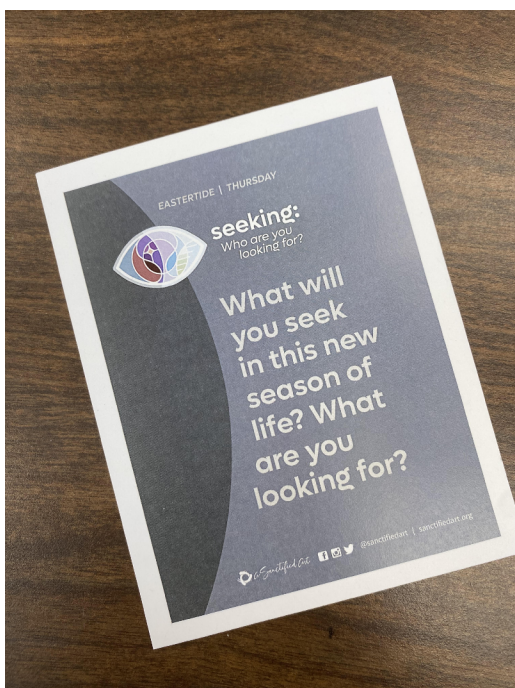
In her work to help grow the Fellowship's impact, Kasey is most passionate about working directly with churches and individuals to make meaningful connections to do kingdom work together. Prior to joining the CBF staff in October 2017, Kasey served as a senior pastor in Washington, DC for 12 years, and also worked previously as a community organizer. She earned a Master of Divinity from Wesley Theological Seminary and Bachelor of Arts from Howard University. In her CBF role, she combines her ministry and community organizing experiences, as she engages partners on behalf of CBF and building relationships that are resources for our churches.

Kasey is a huge fan of the Chicago link-up of Chicago Med, Fire & PD on television and enjoys "good" ice cream.



## New Wednesday Night Bible Study: Faithful Curiosity

Throughout the season of Lent, our theme for worship and Bible study has been **Seeking**, a resource founded on questions. Daily devotional cards have offered questions to guide, inspire, and challenge us in our faith. One of the last cards included a prayer with this line: **Help me carry the same curiosity into the coming days**. For the next few Wednesdays, we will seek to use our faithful curiosity to explore texts from the books of Luke and Acts. This study is described as a "deep immersion experience" into selected passages. We will consider different interpretations of these passages and how curiosity strengthens and enriches our faith. Join us on Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 7:15 in Room 306 or on Zoom (the link is sent in the Wednesday email each week) for **Faithful Curiosity**, a study in **Luke-Acts**, beginning with an introduction to this study on April 19.



## Senior Fellowship

Senior Fellowship will meet **Thursday, Apr 27** at **9:30 am** in the **Fellowship Hall** and will enjoy fellowship, a **Painting Project**, and lunch.

## Quarterly Church Conference

Our next **Quarterly Church Conference** will be **Sunday, April 30** following worship. The church will provide chicken and beverages; **please bring a side or dessert to share**. Quarterly Church Conference offers the opportunities for both fellowship and staying informed about what's happening in the church. We hope to see you there! **Committee Leaders** can either email their reports to [office@fbcpendleton.org](mailto:office@fbcpendleton.org) by Thursday, Apr 27, or plan to make an oral report at the meeting.

## How Christian Nationalism Threatens Democracy & Christianity

The **Anderson Forum for Progressive Theology** is hosting an event at **First Baptist Greenville** (847 Cleveland St, Greenville) on **Sunday, Apr 30** at **3 pm**. **Amanda Tyler**, the executive director of the **Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty**, will be speaking on "**How Christian Nationalism Threatens Democracy & Christianity**." The event is also available online via livestream. The **Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty** is one of **FBCP's** mission partners. More information is available at [afptonline.org](http://afptonline.org).

## PASSPORT Youth Camp

From that time Jesus began to announce, "Change your hearts and lives! Here comes the kingdom of heaven!" Matthew 4:17 (CEB)

What if the last were actually first? What if weakness brought out strength? Can kindness generate more? Is it possible to create a world where everyone feels welcome? Where everyone is loved? Where everyone belongs?

**PASSPORT 2023 is Upside Down. Who's in?**

FBCP Youth will be attending **PASSPORT Youth Camp** at **Converse College** in **Spartanburg** **June 26 - July 1**. Youth, with the support of their parents, are encouraged to prayerfully consider attending for both the fun camp experience and the opportunity for a meaningful mission experience. The cost of camp is around \$450 per camper; the church and/or scholarships will help cover at least part of this. Please see **Chris Cottingham** for more information. **In order to reserve your spot for camp, you must sign up by April 30!**





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 we are Rooted in Faith, and Growing in Love.  
 We endeavor to be a welcoming and affirming  
 community of grace for all people, loving our  
 neighbors because God first loved us.**

**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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