

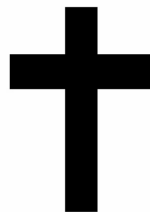


Five Youth Attend PASSPORT Camp

FBCP Family, thank you, once again, for your extravagant generosity and your heartfelt support of our Youth. Thanks to you, all our teenagers who wanted to go to summer camp at PASSPORT this year were able. Thank you for this investment in them and in the experiences they will have: encountering God in fresh ways, building community, and extending love and grace to the world through acts of service.



Cheyenne Posey, Beth Brewer, Tillman Cantrell, Missy Cotten, and Shayla Henderson are engaging at PASSPORT Camp right now, along with approximately 300 other campers from 28 churches including Baptists, Methodists, and Presbyterians from SC, NC, GA, TX, TN, KY, and MD. Please be in prayer for each of these youth while we are at Converse University in Spartanburg, SC, June 26 - July 1.



Dan's Reflections...

The season of Pentecost will carry us through the fall as we make our way to Advent. Pentecost is also known as Ordinary Time. I have a strong dislike for the daily grind. You know what I mean. I am talking about the day-to-day routine that seems such an intrinsic part of our lives. There have been days when I would rather spend my afternoon in the park or just out driving along a country road. Yes, I had a strong dislike for the daily routine, that is, until the time in my life when every day was completely unpredictable. It was the summer of 1995 as we were caught in a staff restructuring at a church in Anderson where we had been serving for five years. I found myself, for the first time in my vocational life, without a place of service. It was a time when our family went through a tumultuous, internal struggle. It was a time when uncertainty besieged us at every corner. It was a time when we became afraid of what each new day might bring. I had always thrived on new adventures and uncertain futures. Soon, however, I desired nothing more than routine. I was looking for an ordinary life.



Then, one day, the phone rang and it was Janie Rothell of Grace Baptist Church, Seneca. Grace was a new church start which grew out of conflict, pain, and suffering. We connected and ministry was realized for us and them. God has allowed healing to take place, in all of us, and amid the chaos did something very ordinary. There are times in our lives when we need to see the ordinariness of life as a symbol of hope.

As we continue to worship during these days at FBCP, may we cherish hope as it is revealed to us daily.

Blessings,
Pastor Dan Vincent

"We are one step closer to the Beloved community."

Artist **Herman Keith, Jr.** was commissioned by the **Anderson Area Remembrance and Reconciliation Initiative (AAR&RI)**, a group from Anderson County, to create an art installation to memorialize five victims of racial lynching from Anderson County. The sculpture included jars filled with dirt, representing soil from sites where the men were lynched. They are suspended over burned wood, kerosene cans, bottles of alcohol, and things associated with how the victims suffered. The five victims, who were lynched between 1894 and 1911, were **Ed Sullivan** from Williamston, **John Laddison** from Rock Mill Township, **Reuben Elrod** from Piedmont, **Elbert Harris** from Iva, and **Willis Jackson** from Honea Path. The art installation ended its 3-month stay at the Pendleton Branch Library (it is now at AnMed North Campus). **Suzanne Morse** was part of the closing ceremony where members of the AAR&RI group read statements and the attending audience responded **"We are one step closer to the Beloved community."**



Keenagers and Senior Fellowship



Monday, Jul 10 · 10:30 - noon · Painting Craft Project



Thursday, Jul 27 · 9:30 - noon · Patriotic-themed Activities
& "Christmas in July" BINGO (prizes will be Christmas items!)

On June 2 we enjoyed a pottery demonstration by local artist Wendy Converse.



VBS Stellar Mission Continues!

On June 21, Jean Robinson shared her LEGO model of the Saturn V rocket with the kids at Stellar VBS, along with a video of its launch (and answered some of their tough questions!)





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**NO Wednesday Night Supper,
 VBS, or Activities on July 5**



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Flock 03: Co - Fa	Randy Strickland	(864) 360-6071
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**As we aspire to keep Jesus at the center of our lives,
 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.
 find it on our website
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PASTORAL EMERGENCY

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