

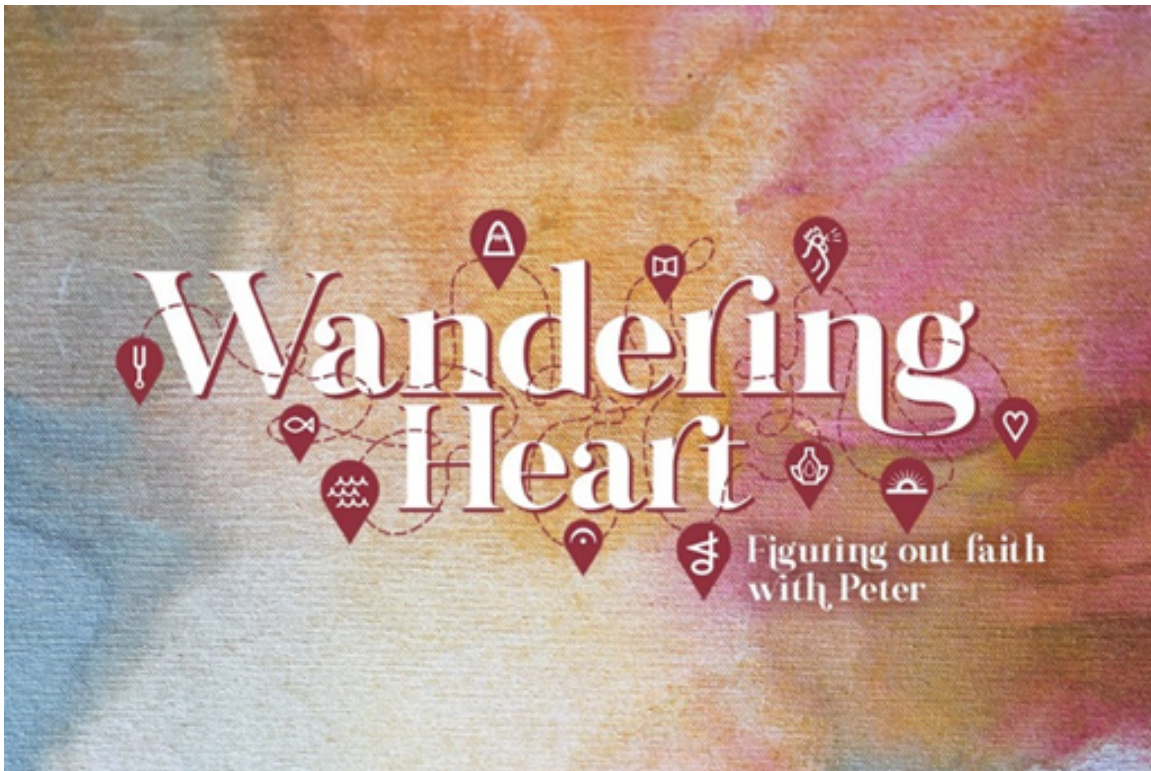


Lent Begins February 14

This year, Ash Wednesday coincides with Valentine's Day, and Easter falls on March 31. We are currently making plans for the Lent and Easter season, including community Lenten lunches with the Alliance of Pendleton Area Churches. Save the date: FBC Pendleton will host **Lenten Lunch** on **Feb 28**.

Be sure to check church announcements in the weekly email and worship guide insert for more information about opportunities during the seasons of Lent and Easter.

Wandering Heart: Figuring Out Faith with Peter



About the Theme:

Like many of us, Peter has a wandering heart. His journey is not polished, or linear, or perfect, but he is always tethered to the love of God. When you look closely at Peter's story, you find Jesus at each step along the way — offering him abundance, catching him when he begins to sink, challenging him when he stands in the way, washing his feet, predicting his betrayal, and offering him agapē love. This Lent, we're joining Peter in figuring out faith. We're not idolizing or vilifying him; instead, we're hoping to wander alongside him, open to what we might learn about Jesus (and ourselves) by stepping in his shoes.

Visit to IAAM in Charleston

The Pendleton Foundation for Black History and Culture recently organized a trip to Charleston, SC to visit the **International African American Museum** as well as other historic and cultural sites. FBCP had ten people participate in the trip: Suzanne and John Morse, Skip and Cindy Still, Richard Huss and Jane Huss, Travis Rygg and Thomas Rygg, Cynthia Yates, and Lynn Xie. The group, along with other travelers from the Pendleton community, enjoyed a meaningful MLK weekend learning about African American history and culture.



Children's Ministry



On Wednesday evenings the preschool class has been learning about missionaries! Most recently they've been talking about missionaries in Minnesota who helped a woman who needed to go to the doctor. They put on gloves (because it is cold in Minnesota) and used steering wheels made of paper plates to drive to the doctor. Then the kids got to be doctors and take care of Miss Esther, who was a very brave patient and let the kids cover her up in bandages!



Adult Game Night

Our first **Adult Game Night** of 2024 will be **Saturday, Jan 27**, from **3-7 pm** in the **Fellowship Hall**. Bring some games and any snacks you want to share, or just show up! Kiley Daniel is working on recruiting childcare workers, so parents let us know if your kids will be there. We'll order pizza so bring a little cash to throw in if you want to be included in the order (and to help pay childcare workers), or bring whatever you would like to eat instead. You're welcome to use the kitchen. Hope to see y'all there! For more information, contact **Rev. Chris Cottingham** at chris@fbcpendleton.org or 864-420-6221.

Quarterly Church Conference and Lunch

Our next Quarterly Church Conference and Lunch will be **Sunday, Jan 28** following worship. **Please bring a side or dessert to share for lunch.** The updated Church By-Laws, approved at the last church conference, are posted on the church website.

Blood Drive · Wednesday, Feb 7

The Blood Connection bloodmobile will be at First Baptist Church of Pendleton on **Wednesday, Feb 7** from **4:00 - 8:00 pm** in the **parking lot**. Before you give blood, make sure that you drink plenty of water and eat a healthy meal. This will ensure that the process will go smoothly. You can donate blood every 56 days. If you last donation was at our blood drive on Nov 1, you are eligible to donate again. There is no substitute for blood. Save a life by donating blood!





First Baptist Church of Pendleton

351 South Broad Street
 PO Box 187
 Pendleton, SC 29670

fbcpendleton.org
 (864) 646-3913

**Quarterly Church Conference & Lunch
 Sunday, Jan 28 following worship**



Deacons for the 2023-2024 Church Year

Flock 01: A - Bra	Kim Burgess	(864) 940-6902
Flock 02: Bre - Cl	Bruce Blackmon	(864) 653-0228
Flock 03: Co - Fa	Randy Strickland	(864) 360-6071
Flock 04: Fi - Ho	Dave Alverson	(864) 617-2449
Flock 05: Hu - Mc	Rick Massey	(864) 940-3515
Flock 06: Me - Pe	Jan McCracken	(864) 934-4574
Flock 07: Po - Tab	Shelby Quattlebaum	(864) 934-6086
Flock 08: Tay - Z	Warren Willoughby	(864) 940-5471
Deacons & Spouses	Wayne Patterson	(864) 710-8239

**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 worship posts on our website **fbcpendleton.org**

PASTORAL EMERGENCY
Rev. Jennifer McClung Rygg
864-760-7135

The Newsletter
 Published semimonthly.
 ©2024 First Baptist Church of Pendleton

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Jennifer McClung Rygg · jennifer@fbcpendleton.org · (864) 760-7135
Rev. Chris Cottingham · chris@fbcpendleton.org · mobile (864) 420-6221
Kiley Daniel · children@fbcpendleton.org · mobile (317) 627-0257
Richard Reynolds Huss · organist@fbcpendleton.org · (864) 646-3913
Church Office / Joseph Reed · office@fbcpendleton.org · (864) 646-3913
Becky Westmoreland · accounting@fbcpendleton.org · (864) 646-3913

CHURCH OFFICE
 (864) 646-3913