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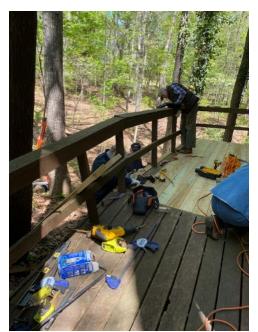
Hands On Mission Projects













All the other churches wish they could begin their name with a capital "C" when it comes to serving folks in need. We have one and our faithful teams are the heart of the reason. Our Hands On Mission team has been busy over the past several months with ramp and deck projects. Thank you so much for the work you do. Thanks for being the presence of Christ in our Community.

— Wayne Patterson

Mission Partner Spotlight: AIM

This is the 11th article in this newsletter series highlighting the mission partners included in our general budget.

After Jesus was resurrected, he told his disciples

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Acts 1:8

Jesus had instructed his disciples to stay in Jerusalem until they received the Holy Spirit. Then he tells them they will be witnesses in Jerusalem (where they currently are!) as well as in other places. Sometimes, we think of missions as sharing the good news across the globe. But Jesus tells his disciples their calling to be witnesses starts where they are – in Jerusalem.

One of the ways our church lives out our calling to be witnesses where we are is by supporting local

mission organizations, such as AIM. AIM was established in 1990 as Anderson Interfaith Ministries to help Anderson churches and individuals coordinate their efforts to serve those in need in the Anderson community. The mission of AIM is connecting people with support, resources, and education so they can empower themselves to become self-sufficient.



Today, AIM is best known in the Anderson community by its acronym, which can also represent AIM's goals: Accept, Inspire, Minister. Our church's quarterly mission giving includes two of AIM's programs: Emergency Assistance and Women and Children Succeeding. Through these programs, we help provide for the needs of our neighbors – Anderson County residents in need of assistance and support. Volunteers are also needed! AIM's food pantry serves 45 families each weekday morning and needs consistent volunteers for this ministry. Visit <u>aimcharity.org/volunteering</u> to learn more.

VBS Seeking Volunteers



Our VBS theme for 2024 is "**JUST Like Me**," an inclusive VBS curriculum that will help kids celebrate their identity as God's beloved creations just as they are!

JUST Like Me is scheduled for Friday, May 31, Saturday, Jun 1, and Sunday, Jun 2. We have multiple opportunities for volunteers. Please contact **Jane Massey** (864-940-3156 or jmassey316@gmail.com) for more information on how to help. There is also a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

Senior Adult Ministry

Spring is here, warm weather is in the air, and the Senior Adult Ministry has a new schedule! Our group meets on the **2nd and 4th Thursday** of each month from **9:30 am until noon**. At each meeting we enjoy breakfast snacks and a devotional given by a member of our group. There are several enthusiastic rounds of BINGO. Meetings end with lunch prepared and served by our volunteers. We guarantee a morning of good food, fun, and fellowship with friends from the Pendleton community. All senior adults are invited to join us for these fun events!

At this time there is an opportunity for volunteers to help serve lunch. We have a rotation of volunteers who prepare lunch but often need additional hands to help heat, plate, and serve. Servers are needed from 10:30 - 12pm, with lunch provided. Please contact **Jane Huss** at mobile **864-979-2281** or email <u>janereynoldshuss@gmail.com</u> with any questions or to volunteer.



This **Thursday, April 25**, Senior Adult Ministry will meet in the **Fellowship Hall** at **9:30** with a "Run for the Roses" Kentucky Derby-themed party! All senior adults are invited. — **Jane Huss**, Lead Volunteer

Quarterly Church Conference · Sunday, Apr 28

Our next Quarterly Church Conference and Lunch will be this **Sunday, Apr 28** following worship. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. **Committee Leaders** are asked to submit written reports to office@fbcpendleton.org by Thursday, Apr 25, or be prepared to make an oral report at the meeting. Please plan to attend the conference and lunch for both the fellowship and to stay informed of what's happening in the church.

It's Been 56 Days!



If you are able, please donate blood when The Blood Connection Bloodmobile arrives Wednesday, May 1 from 4:00 - 8:00 pm. Our goal is 20 donations. You can schedule your donation now through a link on the church website. Thank you for the gift of life!

Youth Heading to The Oasis Ranch

The Youth Group will be heading out to play putt putt on **Saturday, Apr 27** at the beautiful Oasis Ranch miniature golf course in Seneca. We'll meet at church at noon, go out to lunch, and then on to putt putt. Cost is \$10 and we will return to church around 3:00 pm.



Adult Game Night · Sunday, May 5

Put on your best game face and join us for our next **Adult Game Night** on **Sunday, May 5** from **4:00 - 7:00 pm** in the **Fellowship Hall**. Child care will be available. Bring your favorite game, a snack to share, and some cash to go in on pizza. First-timers are always welcome! Contact **Rev. Chris Cottingham** (chris@fbcpendleton.org) for more information.



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> **Senior Adult Ministry** 2nd & 4th Thursdays · 9:30 - noon



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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 worship posts on our website fbcpendleton.org

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