



Intergenerational Ministry

On Sunday, March 9, about 20 volunteers and staff gathered after worship for lunch, followed by a Youth & Children's Ministry Volunteer Training session with Harrison Litzell from the Baugh Center for Baptist Leadership at Mercer University. Harrison has been working with our congregation over the past few weeks to explore intergenerational ministry. These conversations have also included several Wednesday night sessions.

One of the key learnings Harrison shared came from a social-scientific study (by Dr. Heather Ingersoll, 2020) which showed the degree to which children feel loved, valued, and supported in their church community positively predicted their relationship with God. In other words, when kids feel loved by their church family, they are more likely to feel loved by God. This is likely true for all ages and is both a significant responsibility and a tremendous opportunity. We can help people (children, adults, and, in fitting with our current Lenten theme, everyone in between!) experience God's love simply by loving them.

If this sounds familiar, perhaps you have read it somewhere before...

"I give you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, so you also must love each other." John 13:34 (CEB)

How might you show love this week to someone older or younger than you? May the love of our church family - all generations! - continue to grow!



Intergenerational Ministry Event



Break out your fascinators and derby hats - we're heading to Churchill Downs! Or at least FBCP's version of it. Children's Ministry and Senior Adult Ministry are teaming up to celebrate intergenerational relationships in our church with a Kentucky Derby-themed party. The goal of this event and future collaborations is to intersperse members of various age groups - be they foals, yearlings, or thoroughbreds - in a fun, interactive way. We'll have dinner, crafts, conversation, and watch the race together, and invite anyone interested in strengthening bonds. **SAVE THE DATE** to "Run for the Roses" with us on **May 3 at 5:00 pm** and watch for more info - this event will require an RSVP!

CARING FOR CREATION IN 2025 (Resource from Creation Justice Ministries)

MARCH

First Day of Spring

March 20 marks the first day of spring and a season of rebirth. Pay attention as buds appear on the trees, seedlings sprout, and animals are born. When you come across these signs of spring, say a blessing for God's new creation.

Women's History Month

Learn about women making environmental change! Some inspiring creation justice heroes include Dr. Vandana Shiva, Sister Dorothy Stang, and Dr. Wangari Muta Maathai.

MLK Jr. Documentary

MLK Jr. Historical Eclectic
Musical Documentary

2 shows at FBC Pendleton

Friday, March 28 @ 7 pm

Saturday, March 29 @ 7 pm

Tickets are available for no cost at the table outside the church office. Please sign out as many as you need, and return those you don't use so they are available for someone else.

The church is hosting light refreshments for the performers each night. Look for more information and sign-up sheets to help in the Wednesday church email.

Lenten Lunch

The Alliance of Pendleton Area Churches Lenten Lunches continue through the season. The host church provides a soup and sandwich lunch and a Lenten devotional. Lenten Lunch is a great ecumenical opportunity to fellowship, share a meal, and pray together. Here are the remaining dates.

Mar 19 · King's Chapel AME · 135 Vance St, Pendleton

Mar 26 · Mt. Zion Presbyterian · 1501 Sandy Spring Rd, Sandy Springs

Apr 2 · Zion United Methodist Church · 5708 Hwy 187, Anderson

Apr 9 · Christ the Redeemer Anglican · 839 Greenville St, Pendleton

COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

(no lunch)

Friday, Apr 18 · noon

St. Paul Episcopal Church

328 E Queen St, Pendleton

Cub Scout Pack Donates Proceeds of Food Drive



Cub Scout Pack 41 recently held a food drive and FBCP was the recipient of their generosity. Over 70 bags of food were delivered to the church by Thomas Rygg and Caleb Rygg (with help from Travis and Jennifer Rygg). We are planning to distribute the food to serve several needs, including Emergency Food Bags at FBCP, the Pendleton High School Backpack Food Program, Clemson Community Care, and the food pantry at Mt. Zion Presbyterian in Sandy Springs.

Senior Adult Ministry



Singing along to "Carolina in My Mind" in the midst of fresh daffodils and branches of forsythia was a delightful experience at our recent meeting. The program by the **Gypsy Sallies** did not disappoint. Even though most of us have difficulty remembering our security codes and passwords, the words from the many oldies were remembered immediately. "Stand By Me," "Under the Boardwalk," and "Take Me Home, Country Roads" were sung flawlessly! The Gypsy Sallies, including Rae' Smith, Michael Smith, Mike Costa, and Tequilla Stokes, are a long-time favorite group of the Senior Adults.

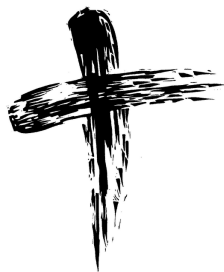
The devotional was read by **Tammy Garland**. The key verse was Romans 12:10, "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." This verse emphasizes the importance of loving and valuing other brothers and sisters in Christ as part of a spiritual family. This was a needed reminder of Christian living and conduct in our relationships with one another. Thank you, Tammy, for choosing this devotional.

Congratulations to **Shelby Quattlebaum**, the winner of a Chick-Fil-A gift card after her calendar number 27 was randomly chosen. A heartfelt thank you to all who participated in the "Love Your Neighbor" fundraiser. We received **\$400.00**. The funds received will help us to continue to fulfill our purpose to reach out to the senior citizens in the community of Pendleton. All donations to Senior Adult Ministry go directly to the mission purpose of Senior Adult Ministry.

Senior Adult Ministry meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. **Jane Reynolds Huss** is the Lead Volunteer and can be reached at janereynoldshuss@gmail.com or mobile 864-979-2281. Our next meeting will be Thursday, March 27 at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Plan to join us as we enjoy our time together with our theme being "Welcome Sweet Springtime."

**Therefore encourage one another
and build each other up, just as in
fact you are doing.**

1 Thessalonians 5:11





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MLK Jr. Documentary
Mar 28-29 · Sanctuary



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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
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PASTORAL EMERGENCY

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