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At FBCP, the deacons are spiritual leaders. They are concerned with the spiritual welfare of the Church and serve with the Pastor as co-laborers. Deacons "shepherd" their flock by praying for, communicating with, and offering encouragement to members of their flock. If you have a prayer request, spiritual need, or concern, please contact your Deacon.

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**JOIN US THIS SUNDAY**

9:00-9:25 · Coffee, Tea, and Conversation in the Fellowship Hall  
9:30-10:30 · Sunday School  
10:45 · Worship

**Pendleton Community Counseling Center**  
1-888-293-7585 or 864-442-7585

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Please check the monthly calendar for events:  
[www.fbcpendleton.org](http://www.fbcpendleton.org)

**Church Office Hours**  
Monday - Thursday 8:30 - 6:00  
Closed from 12 - 1 for Lunch  
Friday 8:30 - Noon

**Back-to-School Fun at FBCP**

Please mark the following dates  
for activities in our children's ministry:



**Sun Aug 18**  
**@ 10:45 Backpack Blessing**  
**@ 5:00 Deacon Ice Cream Social**

**Wed Aug 21 • Back-to-School Ice Cream Celebration (ends Wed Night Summer Schedule)**

**Wed Aug 28 • Resume Regular Wed Night Classes (more information on back)**

**Wednesday Night Classes**  
**(starting Aug 28)**

**Supper** · 5:45 Fellowship Hall

**Nursery** · (under 4) Room 102A

**Mission Friends** · (4k/5k) Room 102B

**Elementary** · Room 101

The **Bible Thrills** and **Bible Explorers** classes (elementary-aged students) will stay combined in Room 101 to finish up their Bible study on Wonder over the next few Wednesdays.

**Backpack Blessing · Sunday, August 18**

On Sunday, August 18 (the day before ASD4 goes back to school!) we will have a backpack blessing for all students and teachers returning to school as well as a recognition of all who volunteer in any way with our Children's Ministry. Join us in worship at 10:45.

## Games, Backpacks, Ice Cream and Jesus

You have probably heard the adage that if you want to know what someone's priorities are, look at their check-book and their calendar. I think this is probably true for a church as well. In looking at our church calendar for the month of August, I have to conclude that we are certainly a church who prioritizes having fun together! This month's events include game nights, taco dinners, ice cream parties, a pool party, and more! I hope you will join us for some of these fun and meaningful events.

Colossians 3:17 instructs us, **And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.**

In this same spirit, our church covenant states: **As we aspire to keep Jesus at the center of our lives, we are Rooted in Faith, and Growing in Love. We promise to strive to keep Jesus at the center of our lives by nurturing and developing our own understanding of Jesus' life and teachings and demonstrating that understanding as we interact with others in the congregation and the larger community.**

The fun activities on our church calendar are not just for entertainment, but they are to help us further connect as a community of faith, as a group of people who share the value of keeping Jesus at the center of our lives. These activities are also an opportunity for us to invite others

into this community, to be a part of the love, grace, and joy that we experience here.

Last Sunday night, we had our largest attendance yet at "Young" Adult Game night, with 21 adults and 9 children participating. This has become a much-anticipated event each month. One church member shared that attending game night helped confirm her decision to join the church, because she felt comfortable and welcome.

On **August 18**, we will invite students to bring their backpacks to worship for the **Blessing of the Backpacks**. We will offer a prayer for students, teachers, and school staff as the new school year begins. We will also provide a backpack tag as a reminder of the love and support of our church family.

Also on **August 18** our deacons will host an **ice cream social** for the church, inviting all of us to gather for sweet treats and a fun evening together in the fellowship hall at 5 pm.

My hope is that all of this – the games, the backpacks, the ice cream – will all be for Christ. In worship this month, we are using a portion of a prayer attributed to St. Patrick as part of our series on Colossians. May this prayer (see below) be reflective of the spirit of our church family.

— Pastor Jennifer Rygg, 8/6/19



**Christ with me,  
Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ in me,  
Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right,  
Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down,  
Christ when I sit down,  
Christ when I arise,  
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,  
Christ in every ear that hears me.**

## ICE CREAM SOCIAL



The Deacons will be hosting an Ice Cream Social for the whole church family on **Sunday, August 18** at 5 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Don't miss it!

## CLEMSON COMMUNITY CARE

Consider making a commitment to purchase one or two items on a regular basis to donate to **Clemson Community Care**. Each time you shop for yourself or your family, add your selected item to your cart, and bring it to church to place in the collection barrel in the hallway near the church office. Making this a habit, just like praying before meals and coming to church, is a way to live out our faith by loving our neighbors, just as Jesus told us... "Go and do likewise." (Luke 25:37) Read more on a blog post from Pastor Jennifer Rygg and see the current food needs for Clemson Community Care at [www.fbcpendleton.org](http://www.fbcpendleton.org).

## SUMMER BIBLE STUDY ON THE PSALMS

Summer Bible Study on the Psalms continues through Sep 4. Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm as we reflect on *Psalms: Songs from the Heart of Faith*.

Aug 14 · Psalm 69 · A Desperate Cry  
Aug 21 · Psalm 91 · Testifying of God's Security and Deliverance  
Aug 28 · Psalm 95 · Let Us Worship, Let Us Obey  
Sep 4 · Psalm 119 · Give Thanks for the Lord's Steadfast Love

## COLOSSIANS SERIES

This past Sunday, we began a sermon series on the book of Colossians. The series will include:

August 4	Colossians 1:15-23	Christ Above Me
August 11	Colossians 2:5-19	Christ In Me
August 18	Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17	Christ in All I Do
August 25	Colossians 4:2-17	Christ in Others

## ADULT MINISTRY

- Every Monday @ 9:30 — Knitting / Crochet (open for any handwork) (FH)
- Thu, Aug 8 @ 6:30 — Ladies Night Out (dinner at home of Christy Allen)
- 2nd Monday (Aug 12) @ 10:30 — Keenagers Program & Lunch (FH)
- 3rd Sunday (Aug 18) @ Noon — Merry Widows Lunch (Wendy's @ the interstate)
- Sunday, Aug 25 — Young Adult Game Night, 4-8 pm (FH)
- Tue, Aug 27 @ 11:30 — Ladies Lunch (McAlister's Deli, Clemson)
- Last Saturday (Aug 31) @ 9:00 — 3B Ladies (Bojangles, Pendleton)