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Advent Worship Series: Unto You



During Advent, we will walk through the key verses of Luke 2 that remind us that Christ has come to each one of us. Each week will focus on a different word from the reading that highlights what happened then and how that word applies to our lives today.

Dec 1 Week 1: **Registered**

And all went to be registered, each to his own town. Luke 2:3
In Week 1 we celebrate that we are registered as children of God through Christ.

Dec 8 Week 2: **Lineage**

Joseph ... was of the house and lineage of David. Luke 2:4
In Week 2 we celebrate that we are part of God's lineage through Christ.

Dec 15 Week 3: **Great Joy**

I bring you good news of great joy. Luke 2:10
In Week 3 we celebrate that we have great joy because of Christ.

Dec 22 Week 4: **Firstborn**

She gave birth to her firstborn son. Luke 2:7
In Week 4 we celebrate that it is the firstborn Son of God who was born for us.

Dec 24 Christmas Eve: **Glory**

The glory of the Lord shone around them. Luke 2:9
On this holy night, we celebrate and sing along with the angels, "Glory to God in the highest," for the birth of our Savior among us.

DEACONS

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

Church Office Hours

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

Sunday Worship · 10:45
Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion Service · 5:00

Church Christmas Dinner and Children's Program

Our Church Christmas Dinner and Children's Program will be **Wednesday, Dec 11**. Join us for a festive dinner beginning at **5:45 pm** featuring Chicken & Dressing Casserole, Green Beans, Roll, and Dessert. To make this dinner extra special, **we are asking for volunteers to bring homemade desserts**. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office.

Following dinner, we will have Birthdays & Blessing at 6:15 and a little extra time to fellowship and enjoy those homemade desserts while our children get ready to present a special Christmas program in the sanctuary at 7 pm. Our children will be spending the next few Wednesdays practicing, so plan to support them and experience the Christmas story as portrayed by our children!

Please make supper reservations by Monday, Dec 9 at noon. The easiest way is to use the "Make or Break a Reservation" form at www.fbcpendleton.org (under the **Contact Us** tab), or call 864-646-3913, or email office@fbcpendleton.org. Wednesday Night Supper cost is \$3.50 for teens & adults, \$1 for college students, \$1.50 for children ages 4 – 12, and free for ages 3 and under. First time is free for everyone! The cost can be waived for those in financial need, but reservations are still needed. Let us know about financial need when making a reservation.



ONLY 5 STARS LEFT!

Operation MAGI

Operation MAGI is the ecumenical Christmas ministry led by the Pendleton United Methodist Men since 2003. Together with fifteen other churches, last year 287 children from 102 families each received three gifts: a shirt, a pair of pants, and a toy. Each family also receives the ingredients for a Christmas meal, and age-appropriate Christian literature. The schools in Anderson School District 4 provide the names of families that need assistance with gifts for their children at Christmas.



Please take one or more Stars from the Magi Tree which has been set up on the table near the office. Affix a single Star on each individually-wrapped gift. If a gift bag is used for gifts, staple the top to avoid spills. Place gift cards in a stapled bag. Each child is to have three (3) separately wrapped gifts (pants, shirt, toy) with one star on each gift. Please do not consolidate gifts. Children count and they have been told they will receive 3!! **Gifts will be due back at FBCP no later than Wednesday, December 4.**

If you have any questions about Operation Magi, please contact **Jane Massey** on the Missions Committee, at mobile (864) 940-3156 or jmassey316@gmail.com.

Wednesday Nights in December

Our last Wednesday night Bible study of 2019 will be Wednesday, Dec 4. We will study John chapter 10 and explore this year's CBF Offering for Global Missions theme, **Share Abundant Life**, using the article on page 14-18 of the fall issue of *fellowship!* magazine about Transformation in Togo (<https://cbf.net/fellowship-magazine>).

For the following two Wednesdays (Dec 11 and Dec 18) we will have supper and Birthdays and Blessing at the usual time, but special Christmas activities will take the place of our weekly Bible Study. On Wednesday, Dec 11, Children will present a Christmas program in the sanctuary at 7 pm. On Wednesday, Dec 18, we will share Christmas joy with our neighbors through Christmas caroling (details to come).

There will be no Wed night activities at church on Dec 25 or Jan 1.

Graduation Ceremony for Timothy Allen Schultz



Pendleton High School will be holding a graduation ceremony for Timothy Schultz prior to our family's December departure. We would love for you to come join us as we celebrate Timothy's many accomplishments and friendships. The whole student body will be invited to attend the ceremony so Timothy's teacher, Julie Bishop, is asking for Timothy's friends and family to RSVP so they will have enough seating blocked off for us. — Paul Schultz

Timothy Allen Schultz

Please join us as we celebrate Timothy's graduation and accomplishments. We will be honoring him with awards and a graduation ceremony.

PHS Auditorium
Wednesday, December 4, 2019 · 11:30-12:00
Please RSVP by Monday, December 2, 2019

We will be taking the church bus. Members of the church family are asked to RSVP to the church office (and let us know if you would like to ride the bus) so we can let the school know how many will be attending.

ADULT MINISTRY

- Every Monday @ 9:30 — Knitting / Crochet (open for any handwork) (FH)
- Last Saturday (Nov 30) @ 9:00 — 3B Ladies (Bojangles, Pendleton)
- Sunday, Dec 8 @ 4-8 pm — "Young" Adult Game Night / Murder Mystery Christmas Party (FH)
- 2nd Monday (Dec 9) @ 10:30 — Keenagers Program & Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
- 3rd Sunday (Dec 15) @ Noon — Merry Widows Lunch (Bojangles, Pendleton)
- Tuesday, Jan 28 @ 11:30 — Ladies Lunch (Pixie & Bill's, Clemson)