

In Our Own Back Yard provides an opportunity to build relationships with each other, with our community, and with our faith as we engage in understanding how faith and justice intersect with the urban landscape. Our time during the day is spent working with agencies and people unique to Raleigh. We will also spend time working together and caring for each other in food preparation and gathering around the table, reflecting about issues of faith and justice through conversations, journaling, and social media.

The Covenant Relationship is the primary guide to our work with each other. This covenant is designed for us to be an inclusive community where everyone is respected in our speaking, listening, and interacting. We understand the work will be a physical and emotional challenge, and that we will find ways to support each other in our efforts to build a better world.

The Mission Covenant for Pullen Memorial Baptist Church

We are a community of people varying in age, gender, and race committed to covenant together in an intentional community dedicated to inclusion, hospitality, and care.

We Covenant to:

- Care for all of creation
- Treat others with respect, compassion, and kindness
- Participate to the best of our abilities in the construction work and in the building of community as outlined in the schedule

We Covenant to refrain from:

- Gambling
- Sexual activity
- Entering the private spaces others than your own
- Utilizing portable and individual electronic devices (phones, games, etc.) while building community and working
- Excessive use of phones even during free time

We Covenant to reject:

- Violence in all forms (physical, verbal, and emotional)
- Possession and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, illegal substances, medications other than those prescribed by a doctor, knives, and firearms
- Destruction and tampering of all property and the environment

We understand that breaking this covenant affects the community of Pullen, and that it violates the trust essential in our relationship with each other. We recognize that if we break this covenant then there will be natural and appropriate consequences. We also understand that such violations may result in our early and safe return home at the expense of the family. We commit and support to hold each other accountable for the care of our community and the upholding of our covenant.

Pullen Youth Participant

Guardian/ Parent