

*Here to Worship, Nurture, and Share*



# The Duncan Christian



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Wednesday, January 7, 2026



Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>:

Team Craig will serve beans, cornbread, coleslaw and cobbler. Corn dogs for the kiddos.

Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>:

Team Ross will serve a winter smorgasbord

Dinner served at 5:30 pm, in the Gathering Hall  
\$5.00 per person



We are looking to update our data system! If you have recently moved, or changed your phone or email address, please let us know!

There are information cards in the pew or in the Narthex for quick access. Please take a minute to fill it out and place it in the offering plate.

Thank you.



Elder Meeting – Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

FCC Board Meeting – January 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

Disciple Women (Parlor) – Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am

Property Team Meeting – Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

GS Cookie Rally – Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am

If you would like to receive the Duncan Christian Newsletter via email, or regular mail, please contact Blake in the church office to sign up. Thank you.  
580-255-6116.



## January 11 – 17

11 Darryl Ross  
12 Carroll Eastin  
17 Allie Schreckengost

13 Charles & Dianne Young  
16 Mike & Angie Evans  
17 Dale & Patty Jennings

### *In Christian Sympathy*

Please keep the family of Eva Lorene McBee in your prayers at her passing on December 31, 2025. Lorene has been a member of FCC since 1937, even while living in Tulsa. The service will be held here at FCC on Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm.

To provide flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, to the Glory of God, etc. Call the church office.  
580-255-6116



## COMING EVENTS January 7 – 17

### Wednesday, January 7

Kids Unite – Gathering Hall – 3:45 pm  
Wednesday UNite Meal – 5:30 pm  
FCC Youth – Fellowship Hall – 6:00 pm  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal – 6:30 pm

### Saturday, January 10

Memorial Service – Lorene McBee – 1:00 pm

### Sunday, January 11

Worship Service – 9:30 am  
Sunday School – 10:30 am

### Monday, January 12

Daycare Board Meeting – 5:30 pm  
Scouts – 6:30 pm

### Tuesday, January 13

Elder Meeting – Koinonia – 6:00 pm  
Girl Scouts – Fellowship Hall – 6:30 pm  
FCC Board – Gathering Hall – 7:00 pm

### Wednesday, January 14

Kids Unite – Gathering Hall – 3:45 pm  
Wednesday UNite Meal – 5:30 pm  
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**We will be  
CLOSED**



**MONDAY, JANUARY 19TH**

**In Observance of**

**Martin Luther King Jr.  
Day**



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# Amen Corner!



Getting used to writing the new year on your checks is a little difficult these days. I usually have to write a dozen for it to sink in and so far, I am not writing many checks. So here's to 2026, maybe I will save more money!

All jokes aside, at the new year it is a good time to look in the mirror to the past and forward to what is next. I keep a list of things I consider successes in my office. Our church kitchen was remodeled lately. The lights are brighter, the ovens have a dedicated vent hood and warming trays have a shut off switch. We passed our fire inspection! Our nursery (across the hall from the choir room) has a fresh coat of paint. The church sent 4 kids to camp and sent 4 volunteers to support camping ministry last summer. The Duncan Little Theater bought (is in the process of buying) the Main Street property. We have hosted 6 Men's Breakfasts in 2025.

These show me that our church celebrates fellowship. We want to make a space ready to receive little children. We continue to promote children's and youth ministries. We are making steps to financially secure our future.

Looking forward, we are working toward creating a pictorial directory for church members. We are planning to expand our columbarium. The offices are hoping to get new computers. (It took 30 minutes for Kassie's computer to restart last week.) Soon the North wall of the Gathering Hall will be complete. This coming May our church will celebrate 125 years of ministry. Which is a phenomenal achievement these days.

We are continuing to dream. These things we have mentioned are merely the most visible markers of growth and change. There are still hearts being changed. Dinner tables, love and compassion are shared. We have a history of being generous and hospitable. This year I would like us to embrace the idea of journeying WITH people, sharing our compassion, and enduring next to others.

Many blessings on our year together,  
Rev. John Wheeler

## CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

"The Great Banquet"  
Sally Wheeler & Chloe Wheeler

Helpers for W & W are needed for:

February 22nd

March 22nd

Please contact Bonnie Ross if you would like to sign up! Thank you.



Thank you to all of you who help to decorate, and then un-decorate the church for the holidays. There is a lot of work that goes in to both parts, and we appreciate it so much!



This weeks scripture  
Matthew 3: 13–17  
"A Voice From Heaven"

## Nursing Home/ Assisted Living

Jane Aldridge – Villagio of OKC  
Pat Elam – Meridian Nursing Home  
Bettye Hunt–Wilkins  
Scotty Elliott–Elk Crossing



Alice Smith  
Todd Scott  
Gerad Boyer  
Gilbert Hutson  
Charlie Hays  
Cecilia Richey  
Gene Fuller  
C.H. Barnes  
Megan Minson  
Joe Vermedahl  
Cathy Jacobs  
Cynthia Smith  
Karen Scott  
Suzy Bruner  
Linda Craig  
Mary Richards

Rita Mitgard – bestie of Karen Scott  
Paula Sue Hightower – Mother of Joy Galloway  
Scotty Cannaday – Family of Larry Culberson  
Jennifer Wilkens – Youth member's mother

## 9:30 AM – Worship Service Schedule Sunday, January 11, 2026

### Sermon & Scripture “A Voice From Heaven”

Matthew 3: 13--17

### Scripture Reader

Vicki Vermedahl

### Serving Elders

John Galloway

Jari Askins

### Serving Deacons

Head Deacon: Ed Cox

Kay Herndon

Dale Jennings

Anthony Scott

### Greeters

Narthex: Ed Cox

Gathering Hall: D'Ann Cox

### Communion Preparation

John Galloway

### Communion Clean-Up

Jari Askins

### Assistant Treasurer

Jan Liles

## STAFF OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Senior Pastor	Rev. John Wheeler
Staff Secretary	Blake Roquet
Business Secretary	Kassie Gilmore
Organist	Patty Jennings
Choir Director	Kevin Zinn
A.V. Team	David Spears & Alan Toler
Head Custodian	Frank Timmins
Custodian	Jeffrey Alvarado
Daycare Director	Audrea Clark
Daycare Programs Manager	Tosha Matheny

## God's Love...it's Cookin'!

January 14 – Team O'Kelley

January 4, 2026

Worship	75
Online Comments	10
Total Attendance	85
Sunday School	NA

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