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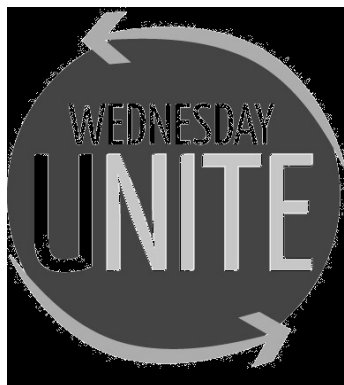


# The Duncan Christian



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Wednesday, April 1, 2026



Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>:  
Team Snider will serve Lasagna

Please join us for a guest speaker during our meal.  
Marsha from Safe Families of Oklahoma.

Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> :  
Team Savage/Toler will serve Chili Dogs

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

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE!  
THURSDAY, APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup> 6 :00 PM



First Bank and Trust will be having work done to their parking lot. Starting Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, the lot on the south side of the church will be closed. Please make sure to park in the north lot or on the street for any events next week.  
Thank you.

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.



**April 5-11**

08 Chloe Wheeler

09 Pat Elam

10 Susan Elliott

10 Chris Schreckengost

10 Joe & Vicki Vermedahl



Suzy Bruner and Kathy Snider would like to thank everyone who helped with the great Palm Sunday celebration and brunch! We appreciate all the kids who waved Palms, thanks to everyone that contributed to the 5th Sunday collection cans, to our choir, Patty, Rev John, the Elders and Deacons and anyone who was a part of a wonderful service! Thanks to all those who made muffins, bought the food and organized the different areas of work. A very big thank you to all of those that helped prepare the Gathering Hall for our brunch as well as all those that worked in the kitchen both Saturday and Sunday getting the food ready and those serving our fabulous Congregation! And a special thank you to everyone that came and joined us for Palms Sunday! May we all continue to honor this week as we near Easter when we all can shout "Jesus is risen! He is risen indeed!"

### FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Duncan was a village on the new Rock Island Railroad line through the Indian Territory; dirt streets, a few houses and buildings and two churches in 1899.

In 1901, the federal census was taken and listed 1,164 persons in Duncan. From that meager population, a few Christians brought the Christian Church, Duncan, Indian Territory into being in 1901.

First Christian Church's building was funded with a \$350 loan from Board of Church Extension and built on the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> and Maple.



**We are celebrating our 125th anniversary of ministry on May 17th at 9:30!**

# COMING EVENTS

## April 1 - 11

### Wednesday, April 1

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

### Thursday, April 2

Maundy Thursday Service – 6:00 pm

### Sunday, April 5

Worship Service – 9:30 am

Sunday School – 10:30 am

### Monday, April 6

Scouts – 6:30 pm

### Tuesday, April 7

Handbell Choir – 5:30 pm

Girl Scouts – Fellowship Hall – 6:30 pm

### Wednesday, April 8

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

### Sunday, April 12

Worship Service – 9:30 am

Sunday School – 10:30 am

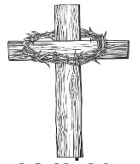


**First Christian Church is celebrating 125 years! Please join in the fun with us!**

**May 17<sup>th</sup> at FCC**

**1901 - 2026**

# Amen Corner!



Tonight we have our Wednesday Unite fellowship meal. We have some special guests coming to share with us about Safe Families in Oklahoma. Marcia will talk to us about families in our community that need support, and how we might partner with others in helping families.

Tomorrow at 6pm we will host our Maundy Thursday and Tenebrae service.

What is Maundy Thursday and Tenebrae service? Maundy Thursday recalls the night Jesus instituted the Lord's supper, when he washed his disciples feet, commanding, mandating (where we get the word Maundy from) that we love one another as Jesus loved them. Following our communion meal, we will remember the shadows of Christ's betrayal. The Office of Tenebrae is a retelling of the cruelty Jesus endured. We dim the lights with every reading of scripture and we remember how the light of Christ was extinguished.

Sunday we will celebrate the story of Jesus' resurrection to new life. We will decorate our flower cross reminding us that after the brutality of the cross there is beauty in the power that was used to overcome death. We remind ourselves that life grows out of death. We gather together singing and celebrating.

There is much to do. There are many ways to be engaged in the ministry of FCC. Invite a friend to meet you in the pews!

In other news that is coming before we know it. The General Assembly of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) is gathering this summer. There will be voting to take place and it will be important for our church to select delegates to appear and bear witness to the new way we conduct our business. I welcome your conversations as we prepare for how our churches will continue our covenantal affiliation with one another in the future.

Many blessings, Rev. John Wheeler

## T-Shirt Order Form

Presales (only) are going on currently for FCC's 125-year celebration T-shirts. They can be purchased from Suzy Bruner, the church office, or any member of the Celebration Committee. Tshirts (\$16.00) will be available in YM, YL, Adult S, M, L, XL or XXL (+ \$2.00 for XXL). We will also offer long sleeve and sweatshirts. Orders can be placed in the next 3 weeks. Hurry and get yours ordered!

### CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

"Jesus Dies and God Makes Jesus Alive"  
Bonnie Ross & Cyndy Spreas

Helpers for W & W are needed for:

May 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>

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

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



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# Nursing Home/ Assisted Living

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



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

Rita Mitgard – bestie of Karen Scott  
Paula Sue Hightower – Mother of Joy Galloway  
Scotty Cannaday – Son of Karl & Cathy Jacobs  
Jennifer Wilkens – Youth member's mother  
Shirley Brown – Family of Larry Culberson  
Anthony Young & Family – Friends of Gayle Jones  
Beverly Clark – Friend of Kathy Monkress

## 9:30 AM – Worship Service Schedule Sunday, April 5, 2026

### Sermon & Scripture

“See the Tomb”

Matthew 28: 1-10

### Scripture Reader

Becky Minson

### Serving Elders

John Galloway

Jari Askins

### Serving Deacons

Head Deacon: Glynis Johns

Chloe Wheeler

Kassie Gilmore

Tana Calhoun

### Greeters

Narthex: Glynis Johns

Gathering Hall: Ross Hutson

### Communion Preparation

John Galloway

### Communion Clean-Up

Glynis Johns

### Assistant Treasurer

Jay Smith

## 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'!*

April 8 – Team O'Kelley

March 29, 2026

Worship	90
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Sunday School	

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