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The Duncan Christian



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We Need <u>YOU</u> to Fill Out a Ministry Involvement Form!

Our new program year will begin in July! The Ministry Involvement Form helps us fill vital roles in our church like delivering meals to the needy, teaching children the good news, inviting people to church, decorating for special events, keeping our property presentable, reading scripture on a Sunday, assisting with church financials, serving at our monthly community free meal, or helping with Youth events. This is only a very small list of what we need our faithful members for!

Fill out a Ministry Involvement Form to let us know what area suits you best! Forms are available in the Church Office, Narthex, Gathering Hall, and at the Well. Forms are also available online this year! Just go to fccduncan.com/ministry-involvement to fill out and submit your form. Paper forms can be

mailed or brought to the Church Office, or placed in the offering plate on Sunday morning.

Your faithful involvement is very important to our church.

We couldn't function without it!

Kathy Snider

GRADUATE INFO NEEDED

If you have a graduating student this year (high school, college, Pre-K, etc.), we would love to recognize them! Please provide the Church Office with the following:

- Graduating school
- What their plans are (college they'll be attending, job they'll take, etc.)
- A picture of them (like a Senior picture or nice photo)

Please send this information to erica@fccduncan.com

EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGES

With Cable ONE discontinuing email services, many of us are being forced to change email addresses. If that includes you, please let the Church Office know so we can keep you informed!



UPDATE

We are continuing to work with our insurance company, which will be a process. Two adjusters and our roofing contractor were out inspecting the roof last week, including taking pictures with a drone. Our insurer has also assigned an independent engineer to further inspect our low slope roof (the flat portion over the Gathering Hall) for hail damage. That inspection will likely be next week, depending on the weather.

John Losurdo & Property Team

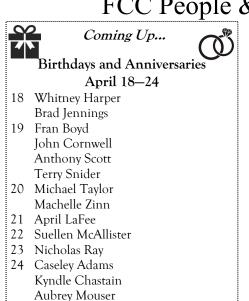
The Amen Corner

For over 25 years, People Magazine declares a "Sexiest Man Alive." What a glorious honor that must be. To the extent I've made note of it, every year it just happens to be some sort of celebrity! How can that be possible? I don't know but there it is, each time. There's more. A cosmetic outfit has finished its search, and Prince William is the world's Sexiest Bald Man. He was already a duke, earl, and baron, and now this. When the heir to the heir of the British crown comes to his own, he'll probably be loathe to wear the thing. I can think of a lot of bald guys combating ugly envy. All that and a dishy princess too.

What if they're not? The celebrities on the cover of People and the Duke of Cambridge; what if they're not really the sexiest men of the world with hair and without? I think it's entirely possible. Good chance the judges haven't done a thorough search. Blake Shelton had the honor one year, but there might even be someone sexier among other Oklahomans. There are bald guys in Duncan who only need a wardrobe of fancy uniforms to put the prince, duke, earl, baron to shame. As for women, Beauty pageants abound but could the one young lady in the world today with best attributes for physical beauty be weighed down with the various ailments that haunt the chronically undernourished? Good chance. There are whole other categories that beg consideration. Einstein is our hands down favorite for genius but there could be someone with more innate intelligence. Of course, it may be someone never given the opportunity to learn. Or the childhood diet to thrive. As to that, Olympic gold goes to the "best athletes" but the one with the most potential might have lost a foot to a landmine or an arm working in a sweat shop.

I'm most concerned there's a person out there with the innate spiritually to make a modern day saint, someone who could enlarge the Kingdom of God and give light and life of thousands. Only trouble: he's been driven to not believe in God by those who say they do. She's determined any "Heavenly Father" like the men she's known is best avoided. It happens. It could be happening now.

Glad to be your pastor. Arnold



- 19 Richard & Marlana Williams
- 20 Robert & Rita O'Kellev
- 23 Rann & Bama White

Millie Katherine Russell Congratulations to Zach & Emily Russell on the birth of their daughter, Millie Katherine Russell, on Friday, April 9, weighing 8 pounds and 20.5 inches. Congratulations to Grand parents, Brent & Jeanna Russell, and Great Grandparents, Gaylon & Joyce Russell and T.H. & Jean Arnold.

Congratulations on Your Engagement

Congratulations to Courtney Cronk upon her engagement to Connor Lambert. A wedding is anticipated in 2022. We wish them the very best!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO BAKE COOKIES FOR BACCALAUREATE

Duncan High School will honor this year's seniors with a Baccalaureate exercise on Sunday, May 16. The school is asking churches to provide 5 dozen cookies each for the reception. If you can help, please let the Church Office know as soon as possible so we can be sure we have enough. Cookies can be placed on the Gathering Hall Kitchen counter on the morning of Sunday, May 16.

Arnold

MEMBER ADDRESS CHANGE

Linda Hooker 415 Chisholm Trail Pkwy #19 Duncan, OK 73533

FCC People & Happenings

Thank You Notes Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the many kindnesses extended to me and my family at this very sad time. The cards and beautiful flowers were so appreciated. Thank you, Arnold, for the message and Patty, for the music at Bill's memorial service. And, a very special thanks to those who prepared and served our lunch.

> Sincerely, Norma Thomson

Once again, prayers worked! Thank you all so much for the prayers that were said for our daughter, Kathy Browne. We finally have the test results. Everything is completely clean! No cancer whatsoever! No further procedures! This family is so grateful. God is good!

Bennie & Joan Drake

First Christian Church,

Thank you for the prayers and everything you have done for my dad, Carroll Eastin! , Monti Eastin \bigcirc

All I can say is thank you for everything! Carroll Eastin



In March 2014, the Sew Much Love Prayer Blanket Ministry was started. Since then, we've gifted 88 prayer blankets. Each of those blankets covered someone in prayer during a difficult life crisis - prayer is a great gift.

Thanks to those who've supported the ministry through monetary donations and in-kind donations of supplies, time, and talent. A HUGE thank you to the ladies who've most recently been sewing quilt tops, sandwiching quilts, and adding strings to create new Prayer Blankets. From their efforts, we currently have a stash of 16 Prayer Blankets ready to be prayed over and gifted, along with our prayers.

If you'd like to support the ministry through a monetary donation, please indicate "Sew Much Love" account on your donation. If you're interested in sewing, there are a few ready-to-sew kits still available in the Church Office.

If you know of someone who's experiencing a life crisis - physical, spiritual, emotional - and could be comforted by being covered in praver, please contact the Church Office.

Thank you for your support of the Sew Much Love Prayer Blanket Ministry that has been a blessing to so many.

FCC News & Activities

A-YIP-I-O-E-AY!

- ★ Thanks to John Losurdo, Robert O'Kelley, Anthony Scott, and David Spears for making our lawn look spectacular! You can sign up to be a part of the Property Team on the Ministry Involvement form. Great exercise and a great group to work with, keeping God's House looking good!
- ★ Thank you to Anthony Scott for taking the lead on cleaning and organizing the church garage! He also checks the vans every month to be sure they are serviced as required.
- ★ Congratulations to Zack Schreckengost on being nominated for the Crossman Award. We wish you well, Zack!

MEN'S BREAKFAST Saturday, April 24 9:00 AM Gathering Hall <u>Menu</u> Frittatas, Rita's Blueberry Muffins, Bacon, Ham, Hash Browns, Scrambled Eggs, Fruit, Sliced Tomatoes, Juice, Coffee, Water <u>Speaker</u> Nate Schacht

Nate Schacht, Director of Community Development



<u>OTKETS NEEDED</u> <u>HOURS</u> 8:15 AM to 12:00 PM Sundays

\$8.50/hour

Apply in the Church Office.



CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

Sunday, April 18 <u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u> Contact shasta 1f you can help! 580-656-7884

COMING EVENTS

April 18–24

Sunday, April 18	
Good Morning Service, Sanctuary	8:30 AM
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Traditional Worship, Sanctuary	10:45 AM
Contemporary Worship @ the Well	10:45 AM
Saturday, April 24	

Men's Breakfast, Gathering Hall

9:00 AM





5K Memorial Walk/Run April 24, 10:00 AM

At the Simmons Center

No Registration Fee Donations only All donations and T-Shirt proceeds will go to the Family of Natalie Bartling

#finishthefightfornatalie



To make a donation before April 24th call or go by the Simmons Center 580-252-2900

Finish the Fight T-Shirts \$15 Order at the Simmons Center

8:30–WORSHIP SERVING SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 18, 2021 Sanctuary <u>Sermon</u> Arnold Nelson The Power of the Name of Jesus Acts 3:12-19 Scripture Reader Debbie Savage Communion Prep & Prayer Marty Askins Serving Deacons Cyndy Spears David Spears Assistant Treasurer A.L. Hutson Sunday School Superintendent Trent Cronk

God's Love...it's Cookin'! April 21 – Team Bowman

STAFF OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Minister Youth Coordinator Staff Secretary Business Secretary Organist Sanctuary Choir Director A.V. Manager, Sanctuary

A.V. Manager, Well Praise Leader @ the Well Kitchen Hostess Head Custodian Custodian Daycare Interim Director Daycare Co-Director Daycare Assistant Director Daycare Programs Manager Nursery Director

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Arnold Nelson, Ir.

April 11, 2021		
8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	27	
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuar	y 54	
Worship @ the Well	29	
Online Worship in the Sanctuary	320	
Online Worship @ the Well	176	
Total Worship Attendance	606	
General Budget	\$ 3,156.66	

10:45–WORSHIP SERVING SCHEDULE Sunday, April 18, 2021 Sanctuary <u>Sermon</u> Arnold Nelson The Power of the Name of Jesus

Acts 3:12-19 Scripture Reader Rita O'Kelley Serving Elders **Communion Prayer:** John Minson Invocation & Lord's Prayer & **Dedication of Offering:** Rebecca Minson Serving Deacons Head Deacon: John Losurdo Sharon Burum Linda Craig Jeanne O'Neill Losurdo Assistant Treasurer Angie Randolph **Communion Preparation** Marty Askins Communion Clean-Up

John Losurdo

10:45–WORSHIP SERVING SCHEDULE Sunday, April 18, 2021 Well <u>Message</u> Larry Culberson

Serving Elder: Delyn Cronk Assistant Treasurer: Trent Cronk

In Our Prayers

Steve Bolt – Son of Gene & Jo Fuller Sharlotte Campbell – Cousin of Gloria Hetherington Paula Sue Hightower – Mother of Joy Galloway Clement Mpofu Cynthia Peters Annica Steffensen Jennifer Steil Ronnie & Kathy Thompson

Editorial Note: When names disappear, it's a good sign that they're getting better.

Nursing Home / Assisted Living

Jane Aldridge – Canoe Brook Sally Anderson – Elk Crossing Esther Coker Bolding – Canoe Brook Pat Elam – Canoe Brook Lynda Galloway – Chisholm Trail Linda Hooker – Canoe Brook Veronica Miranda – Elk Crossing Billie Phagans – Elk Crossing Evelyn Slifer – Voraden Senior Living Helen Sullivan – Elk Crossing Jackie Van Alstine – St. Simeon's



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