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# The Duncan Christian

THE WELL  
A MINISTRY OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Thursday, January 9, 2020

## *Wednesday UNite*

January 15

Dinner for Everyone begins at 5:30 PM in the Gathering Hall.

### DINNER COST:

Kids through 5th Grade = FREE

Middle/High School = \$5

Adults = \$7

A "Feed a Friend" Fund has been established to cover the cost of dinner when needed.

### Dinner Reservation Deadline: Noon on Monday, January 13!

\*\*\*Sign up on the attendance sheets, call (255-6116), or email: [erica@fccduncan.com](mailto:erica@fccduncan.com)\*\*\*



PLEASE MAKE A RESERVATION IF YOU PLAN TO EAT DINNER!

*(even if you're part of the Cook Team preparing the meal)*

IF YOU SIGNED UP BUT ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE CANCEL YOUR RESERVATION.

### MENU: Potato Soup & Salad

Cook Team: All Star Men

Kids UNite—6:00 PM (Pre-K–5th Grade) led by Shasta Smith

Youth UNite—6:00 PM (Middle/High School) led by Trevor Evans

Adults UNite—6:00 PM led by Arnold Nelson

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

Elder Meeting

6:00 PM – Koinonia Room

Board Meeting

7:00 PM – Gathering Hall

### BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH



Thursday, January 16

12:00–1:00 PM

Gathering Hall

*"The Book of Ruth"* led by Arnold Nelson

Light Lunch: \$5.00

*Please call the Church Office by Noon on Monday, January 13, to sign up!*

## The Amen Corner

Some of you will receive this newsletter on Jan. 8, the 205<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans. It's a little lost on us now but through the 18th Century, it competed for public attention of July 4. It was, after all, the most lopsided victory of one army against another in recorded history. It got Jackson elected president, 5 cities named in his honor and an Army base too, and his image on the \$20 bill. But that's all for another time. I thought Jan. 8 was a big deal on account of the Battle noted above until I learned it's also National Argyle Day! If you get the DC on the 9th, no worries, that's Static Electricity Day. The 10th is Houseplant Appreciation Day. I'm a lot more interested in the Argyle celebration but, I'm not judging. I don't just happen to know all these things.

Today I looked over my Holiday Everyday 2020 Calendar and stuff just jumps out at me. Why would it not? I'll ignore Squirrel Appreciation Day (unless it comes with gravy), but I look forward to Hot Sauce Day. On February 18, I know lovely people who'll be delighted to celebrate National Wine Day, and start early. Cheers! And, April 7 is National Beer Day, perfect for baseball season. Oh my goodness, April 27 is National Prime Rib Day! June 4 is Hug Your Cat Day, but I wouldn't try it on mine. Another I'll ignore is International Picnic Day; ants and flies and mosquitos are ample reason to dine indoors. July brings Moon Day, and I sure hope that refers to the object in the night's sky. I noted Thanksgiving is also National Cake Day and that just seems all wrong. It turns out every day has something special to be recognized. Some have more than one! Argyle Day is also English Toffee Day!

I'm persuaded this collective special day business serves a purpose. It reminds me each day is a blessing, and contains blessings if we'll have them. No, National Dry Board Day doesn't trip my trigger, but it might for a teacher. Then again, National Teacher Appreciation Day is one I'll certainly toast. I hope we can be open to the goodness each day offers us. Sure, each comes with a loss, disappointment, small annoyance and potential heartache. Celebrate the day anyway. I knew a guy who's motto was, "Every day's a holiday; every meal's a feast." Maybe not, but close enough. Sunday is National Pharmacist Day; let's celebrate together!

Glad to be your pastor,  
Arnold

## FCC People & Happenings



Coming Up...



### Birthdays and Anniversaries

January 12-18

- 12 Carrol Eastin  
Dan Slifer
- 14 Amy Ater  
Clay Hutson
- 15 Mary Smith
- 16 Brandon Craig  
Jenny Evans  
John Holden
- 17 Colton Meek  
Allie Schreckengost
- 18 Dianne Young

- 13 Charles & Dianne Young
- 16 Mike & Angie Evans  
Lou & Susan Frantzis
- 17 Dale & Patty Jennings

### In Christian Sympathy

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Carroll Eastin and family upon the death of his wife and dear member of our church, **Mary Jeanne Eastin**. Mary passed away during the night on Tuesday, January 7. A service has not yet been scheduled.

We send our condolences to Jayson Weathers and family upon the death of his mother, **Terry Nye Slack** of DeRidder, Louisiana, who passed away on Tuesday, December 31. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 11 at Truth Baptist Church in West Salem, Ohio.

### Just Married

Congratulations to **Ron & Darlene (Miller) Corley** who were married on Tuesday, December 31, 2019. The couple is residing at 2706 Wildwood Pl., Duncan. We wish them a lifetime of love and happiness.

**IT'S BACK!**  
**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**  
**BREAKFAST**  
 Saturday, January 25  
 9:00 AM  
 Gathering Hall  
 Watch the newsletter or  
 Facebook for updates!

## Thank You Notes

First Christian Church,  
Thank you for your consistent donations to our agency. Without your kind generosity to Safe Center, we couldn't continue doing our work for the community.

Thank you,  
Cora

**CWF #2**  
**Thursday, January 16**  
**9:30 AM**  
**Becky Minson's Home**

### You Gave & It Makes a Difference!

Over Christmas, you gave \$3,285 to our annual offering and it has been divided between the Christian Church in Oklahoma, the Disciples Orphanage we support in Zimbabwe, and the First Christian Church Daycare. Thank you! Additionally, you gave \$239.34 to our daycare in the Quarter Blessings Offering. This is great!

Arnold

**F.O.C.U.S.**  
**Monday, January 13**  
**5:30 PM**  
**DRH Atrium Café**



### Ryan Kay White



*Congratulations to Jesse & Kara White of Keller, Oklahoma on the birth of their daughter, **Ryan Kay***



***White**, born on January 5, 2020, weighing 6 pounds and 5 ounces.*



*We also congratulate Grandparents, Jay & Chris Watkins.*

### To My Family of Friends...

May flowers always line your path and sunshine light your day.  
 May songbirds serenade you every step along the way.  
 May a rainbow run beside you in a sky that's always blue.  
 And may happiness fill your heart each day your whole life through.

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
 Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*


May God continue to bless you.

Valenne Neel  
(580)255-2307

# FCC News & Activities



Harmony Class Christmas Party  
 This Sunday, January 12  
 5:00 PM  
 Gathering Hall

*Women of the Word*  
 Bible Study Group  
 led by Kimberly Tilley

*“Speak Life”*  
 by E.W. Kenyon & Don Gossett  
 Kimberly Tilley’s Home  
 2211 Twin Dr., Duncan  
 Sundays at 6:00 PM  
 Mondays at 10:00 AM

For more information, visit [www.kimberlytilley.org](http://www.kimberlytilley.org)

There are still a few boxes of 2020 weekly offering envelopes left! See Reba in the Church Office if you'd like one.



## ANNUAL FLOWER CALENDAR

January	19, 26	These are the available dates for flower arrangements in the Sanctuary for 2020. If you'd like to donate flowers in honor of or in memory of someone, to the Glory of God, etc., please call or come by the Church Office, or email <a href="mailto:erica@fccduncan.com">erica@fccduncan.com</a> . Arrangements are \$60.00. You may take your arrangement home after the 10:45 AM service or allow the Care Team to distribute them to church members who are home-bound, hospitalized, or in a nursing home.
February	2, 9, 16	
March	8, 15, 29	
April	26	
May	3, 17, 24, 31	
June	7, 14	
August	9, 16, 30	
October	4, 11	
November	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	
December	6, 27	



## CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

January Leader:

Esther Wylie

Leaders needed for spring 2020!  
 Contact Shasta (656-7884) to volunteer.

## COMING EVENTS

January 12–18

### Sunday, January 12

Good Morning Service in the Sanctuary	8:30 AM
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary	10:45 AM
Contemporary Worship @ the Well	10:45 AM
Harmony Class Christmas Party, Gathering Hall	5:00 PM
Women of the Word Bible Study	6:00 PM

Kimberly Tilley's Home (2211 Twin Dr., Duncan)

### Monday, January 13

Women of the Word Bible Study	10:00 AM
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Kimberly Tilley's Home (2211 Twin Dr., Duncan)

F.O.C.U.S., DRH Atrium Café	5:30 PM
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### Tuesday, January 14

Staff Meeting, Office Conference Room	10:00 AM
Elder Meeting, Koinonia Room	6:00 PM
Board Meeting, Gathering Hall	7:00 PM

### Wednesday, January 15

Realtors Luncheon, Gathering Hall	12:00 PM
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*Wednesday UNite*

Dinner, Gathering Hall	5:30 PM
Kids UNite, led by Shasta Smith	6:00 PM
Youth UNite @ the Well, led by Trevor Evans	6:00 PM
Adults UNite, led by Arnold Nelson	6:00 PM
Handbell Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

### Thursday, January 16

CWF #2 at the home of Becky Minson	9:30 AM
Bible Study/Lunch, Gathering Hall	12:00 PM

“The Book of Ruth” led by Arnold Nelson

### Saturday, January 18

Men's Net Group @ the Well	8:30 AM
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8:30—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE  
Sunday, January 12, 2020  
Sanctuary  
Sermon  
Arnold Nelson  
*Right Now, Finally*  
Matthew 3:13-17  
Scripture Reader  
Suzy Bruner  
Communion Prayer  
Wes Sullivan  
Greeters  
*Narthex*  
Janie Fitzgerald & Bob Jones  
Assistant Treasurer  
Charlie Hays  
Communion Preparation  
Wes Sullivan  
Sunday School Superintendent  
Rod Smith

*God's Love...it's Cookin'!*  
January 11 — Team O'Kelley

Ministers of First Christian Church  
Arnold Nelson, Jr.  
Trevor Evans  
Staff Secretary Erica Hancock Bennett  
Business Secretary Reba Ford  
Organist Patty Jennings  
Sanctuary Choir Director Kevin Zinn  
A.V. Manager, Sanctuary Richard Herndon  
A.V. Manager, Well Bruce Bailey  
Praise Leader @ the Well Jared Smith  
Kitchen Hostess LaDonna Brown  
Head Custodian Frank Timmins  
Custodian Stephen Stapp  
Daycare Executive Director Stephanie Wiggins  
Daycare Program Manager Tosha Matheny  
Nursery Director Lacey Myers

10:45—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE  
Sunday, January 12, 2020  
Sanctuary  
Sermon  
Arnold Nelson  
*Right Now, Finally*  
Matthew 3:13-17  
Scripture Reader  
Donna Shaw  
Serving Elders  
Communion Prayer:  
Terry Snider  
Invocation & Lord's Prayer &  
Dedication of Offering:  
Wes Sullivan  
Serving Deacons  
Sharon Burum  
Linda Craig  
Susan Elliott  
Koree Goldsmith  
David Herndon  
Tana Latham  
Rachel Morales (Head)  
Janna Russell  
Emma Wilkerson  
Greeters  
*Narthex*  
Koree Goldsmith & Cecilia Richey  
*Sanctuary Doors from G.H.*  
North: Ann Loftin  
South: Carol Goldsmith  
Assistant Treasurer  
Angie Randolph  
Communion Preparation  
Wes Sullivan  
Communion Clean-Up  
Rachel Morales

10:45—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE  
Sunday, January 12, 2020  
Well  
Message  
Trevor Evans  
Serving Elder: Delyn Cronk  
Hostess: Shasta Smith  
Assistant Treasurer: Trent Cronk

***In Our Prayers***  
Hospital  
Carroll Eastin — DRH  
Nursing Home / Assisted Living  
Jane Aldridge — Canoe Brook  
Sally Anderson — Elk Crossing  
Esther Coker — Canoe Brook  
Betty Eby — Gregston's  
Pat Elam — Canoe Brook  
Lynda Galloway — Chisholm Trail  
Valenne Neel — Gregston's  
Billie Phagans — Elk Crossing  
Marvene & Louie Schumacher — Wilkins  
Others  
Steve Bolt  
Scotty Elliott  
Patty Jennings  
Herb Lang  
Jason Smith  
Ronnie & Kathy Thompson  
Honor Vaughn  
Colleen Whitfield  
Kevin Zinn

January 5, 2020

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	39
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	58
10:45 AM Worship at the Well	65
Children's Worship & Wonder	2
Total Worship Attendance	164
Sunday School	31
General Budget	\$ 12,483.57
Local Benevolent Offering	\$ 225.00



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