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# The Duncan Christian

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## Soup Dinner & Dessert Auction

Sunday, February 9

Gathering Hall

Dinner : 5:00 PM

Auction : 5:30 PM

Penelope Hughes, Alyssa Mitchell, and Grace Peters will be traveling to New York City & Washington, D.C. to attend the International Affairs Seminar in March. Please support them by baking a dessert, bidding on a dessert, or both! If you plan to make a dessert, please call the Church Office (580) 255-6116 or Holly Bailey (405) 290-8653.

*Coffee & cobbler will be served during the auction.*



## BEAN—O—RAMA

Thursday, February 20

11:00 AM — 2:00 PM & 5:00 PM — 7:00 PM

Purchase tickets (\$8) in the Church Office or from a CWF Member.

*CWF Members may check out tickets to sell from the Church Office.*

Tickets will NOT be sold at the door.

Large brown paper sacks with handles are needed! If you have any to give, please leave them in the Gathering Hall. CWF will also be purchasing new roasters for the dinner at approximately \$85 each. If you'd like to make a donation for the purchase of new roasters, please bring your check (or cash) to the Church Office, payable to First Christian Church with CWF Roasters in the memo.

*Proceeds to benefit local & church-wide ministries.*

## J.O.H.N. 6:35

JOINING TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY OFFERING A FREE DINNER TO  
HELP PROVIDE PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT.

**COMMUNITY FREE DINNER** ♥

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

5:45 TO 7:00 PM @ THE WELL

**MENU: TACO SOUP & CORNBREAD**

**\*DESSERTS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED\***

**THIS MONTH'S MEAL PROVIDED BY FCC & THE WELL.**

*"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE. WHOEVER COMES TO ME WILL NEVER GO  
HUNGRY AND WHOEVER BELIEVES IN ME WILL NEVER BE THIRSTY."*

-JOHN 6:35



## MEN'S BREAKFAST

This Saturday, January 25

9:00 AM

Gathering Hall



Menu: Biscuits & Gravy, Bacon, Sausage,  
Ham, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Sliced  
Tomatoes, Coffee & Orange Juice

Speaker: Karl Jacobs

*"Real Estate in Duncan America:  
Center of the Universe"*

## The Amen Corner

As something of a defensive measure against my mother's cooking, I began learning to cook at about 8. On Saturday mornings, I'd get up at about 4 AM and work to feed myself. I was slow to figure out Hershey's Cocoa didn't have the same mixing properties as Nesquik. Eggs were a challenge. As a definite defensive measure against my mother's wrath, I stacked kitchen chairs against the door, saving one to help me climb up into cabinets and stand at the stove. One fateful day, I went through close to a dozen before I dropped something loud enough to wake my mom. She poured pass that blocked door like it was a restraining order. Egg frying lessons were suspended. Later in the day, she asked me why I was in such a bad mood. I replied, "You'd be in a bad mood too if you broke your yolks!" It doesn't take much to ruin someone's day I guess.

I knew someone in Arkansas whose entire week hung in the balance of a Razorback football or basketball game. That made for a lot of spoiled weeks. Sounds funny when its someone else's team, doesn't it? A man was once annoyed I invariably said 'A-men' at the end of prayers with a long 'a'. He much preferred the short 'a' version and I wanted to oblige him, but in the heat of prayer, I'd forget. He got mad enough at my countrified ways, he quit coming. I sought rabbinical consultation and asked my friend, Gene Levy, "Which is correct, 'A-men or Ah-men.'" He replied, "Ahmunee."

This morning I read, "You can love the snow or hate it, and live through a day still having snow." There's something to that. Days come to us as they do and our accepting them as they come makes a difference. Snow comes, but so do days of 100 degrees. Some things are a matter of personal taste and our teams win and lose. When cracking eggs, yolks will sometimes be broken. Are any of these reason enough to ruin an irreplaceable day of life? No, they're not, yet we let it happen. Clyde Carmack wrote, "Nothing matters if it doesn't matter forever." Some things do matter forever. Family members matter, even when they drive us mad. Staying on speaking terms with God matters, even when it includes a lot of "I'm sorry." Knowing the sun is shining, even when dark skies block its light, matters. I vote for making these things the important things in our lives. I still despise a broken yolk. Amen?

Glad to be your pastor,  
Arnold

## FCC People & Happenings



Coming Up...



### Birthdays and Anniversaries

January 26 — February 1

- 26 Matt Harris  
Brenton Hunt  
Vance Wilcox
- 27 Tucker Jones  
Seth Pack
- 28 Ken Holloway  
Jennifer Steil
- 29 Ronny Morgan  
Rita O'Kelley
- 30 Marilyn Mange  
Vanessa Stuart
- 31 Ame Pennington
- 1 Glynis Johns



### Violet Anne Lanteri



*Congratulations to Tony & Valeria Lanteri on the birth of their daughter, Violet Anne Lanteri, born on January 18, 2020, weighing 7 pounds and 4 ounces. She joins a brother, Vince Lanteri, in the family. We also congratulate Grandparents, Carl & Esther Wylie.*

### NO WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

Sunday, January 26  
Monday January 27

*Resumes Sunday, February 2*

### MY TEAM SUNDAY

On February 2, I'll be dressed in enough purple to make you think TCU won the Big 12. You may want to wear Crimson or Orange. You might even prefer that garish red and teller! There are other color choices because there are other teams, college and professional, but it's Super Bowl Sunday so let's have fun! I have purple stuff to share.

Arnold

### MEMBER ADDRESS CHANGE

Jared & Shasta Smith  
1004 Oakview Dr.  
Duncan, OK 73533

\*\*\*Correction\*\*\*

Ron & Darlene Corley  
2909 Timber Ridge Dr.  
Duncan, OK 73533

## Thank You Notes

Dear Church Family,

As I continue my recovery from back surgery, my loving church family continues to reach out and nurture me every day. If it's not a card in the mail, it's a meal. If it's not a visit to my home, it's a prayer. I'm grateful for all the love and care I've been shown.

Thank you,  
Patty Jennings

The Toy Shop thanks you for your kind and generous donations. We exist because of caring hearts. Thank you from all of us at the Toy Shop!

Kim Davis

Dear Friends of the Food Bank,

Thank you for your generous gift to the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma's Food for Kids Program in Duncan. Your donation helps provide food for the 1 in 4 Oklahoma children who live with daily food insecurity. In the last year, our Food for Kids Programs helped provide more than 2.8 million meals to nearly 42,000 chronically hungry children in the state. That includes children like Madison, who we recently met at an Oklahoma City school. She receives food before weekends and holiday breaks thanks to the Backpack Program. "Usually, I can't go to sleep if I'm hungry, it feels bad that I don't have enough food to eat... it helps a lot to have food because we're always starving," Madison said. For Madison and all Oklahomans served by the Regional Food Bank, thank you for Fighting Hunger...Feeding Hope.

Gratefully,  
Cassie Gilman

CFO of Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma

### DAYCARE BOARD MEETING

Monday, January 27  
5:30 PM  
Koinonia Room

### !! ATTENTION !! BEAN-O-RAMA WORKERS

The Duncan Banner will be in the Gathering Hall Kitchen to take a picture of our Bean-O-Rama workers on **Thursday, January 30** to be published in the paper. Please be in the Gathering Hall by 10:00 AM for the picture.

# FCC News & Activities



## Wednesday UNite

January 29

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 27!

\*\*\*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!

*(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: King Ranch Chicken

Cook Team: Snider

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

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

## SUPERBOWL SUNDAY FESTIVITIES

### 'SOUP'ER BOWL POTLUCK

Sunday, February 2

Following both 10:45 AM Services  
Gathering Hall

Bring your favorite sideline dish to share!

Suggestions include: Casseroles, Vegetables, Salads

*The Church will provide chicken & drinks.*

**Wear your favorite team shirt or color & bring a can of soup to be donated to Christians Concerned.**

*Hosted by the Fellowship Team.*



### SUPER BOWL PARTY

Sunday, February 2

5:00 PM

@ the Well

**EVERYONE'S INVITED!**

**\*\*Taco Bar\*\***

**\*\*Cornhole Tournament\*\***

**\*\*Jungle Pong\*\***

*Hosted by the Youth.*



## CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

January Leader:

Esther Wylie

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

### COMING EVENTS

January 26 – February 1

**Sunday, January 26**

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

Couples Bible Study, Harmony Room 5:00 PM

"You & Me Forever" led by Jared & Shasta Smith

**Monday, January 27**

Daycare Board Meeting, Koinonia Room 5:30 PM

**Tuesday, January 28**

Staff Meeting, Office Conference Room 10:00 AM

**Wednesday, January 29**

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 30**

Bible Study/Lunch, Gathering Hall 12:00 PM

"The Book of Ruth" led by Arnold Nelson

**Friday, January 31**

J.O.H.N. 6:35 Free Meal @ the Well 5:45 PM

Open to the Community

### BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH



Thursday, January 30

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 27, to sign up!*



**8:30—WORSHIP**  
**SERVING SCHEDULE**  
**Sunday, January 26, 2020**  
**Sanctuary**  
**Sermon**  
 Arnold Nelson  
*More Than I Can Handle*  
 Matthew 4:12-23  
**Scripture Reader**  
 Delyn Cronk  
**Communion Prayer**  
 Delyn Cronk  
**Greeters**  
**Narthex**  
 Janie Fitzgerald & Bob Jones  
**Assistant Treasurer**  
 Charlie Hays  
**Communion Preparation**  
 Delyn Cronk  
**Sunday School Superintendent**  
 Trent Cronk

*God's Love...it's Cookin'!*  
 January 25 — Team Elliott

Ministers of First Christian Church  
 Arnold Nelson, Jr.  
 Trevor Evans  
 Erica Hancock Bennett  
 Reba Ford  
 Patty Jennings  
 Kevin Zinn  
 Richard Herndon  
 Bruce Bailey  
 Jared Smith  
 LaDonna Brown  
 Frank Timmins  
 Stephen Stapp  
 Stephanie Wiggins  
 Tosha Matheny  
 Lacey Myers



**10:45—WORSHIP**  
**SERVING SCHEDULE**  
**Sunday, January 26, 2020**  
**Sanctuary**  
**Sermon**  
 Arnold Nelson  
*More Than I Can Handle*  
 Matthew 4:12-23  
**Scripture Reader**  
 Brent Russell  
**Serving Elders**  
**Communion Prayer:**  
 John Minson  
**Invocation & Lord's Prayer &**  
**Dedication of Offering:**  
 Rebecca Minson  
**Serving Deacons**  
 Sharon Burum  
 Linda Craig  
 Susan Elliott  
 Koree Goldsmith  
 David Herndon  
 Tana Latham  
 Rachel Morales (Head)  
 Jeanna Russell  
 Emma Wilkerson

**Greeters**  
**Narthex**  
 Alan & Paula Toler  
***Sanctuary Doors from G.H.***  
**North:** Sharleen Johns  
**South:** Glynis Johns  
**Assistant Treasurer**  
 Angie Randolph  
**Communion Preparation**  
 Delyn Cronk  
**Communion Clean-Up**  
 Rachel Morales

**10:45—WORSHIP**  
**SERVING SCHEDULE**  
**Sunday, January 26, 2020**  
**Well**  
**Message**  
 Trevor Evans  
**Serving Elder:** Rod Smith  
**Hostess:** Shasta Smith  
**Assistant Treasurer:** Trent Cronk

### *In Our Prayers*

**Nursing Home / Assisted Living**  
 Jane Aldridge — Canoe Brook  
 Sally Anderson — Elk Crossing  
 Pat Elam — Canoe Brook  
 Lynda Galloway — Chisholm Trail  
 Billie Phagans — Elk Crossing  
 Marvene & Louie Schumacher — Wilkin's

**Others**  
 Steve Bolt  
 Carroll Eastin  
 Scotty Elliott  
 Charlie Hunt  
 Greta Hutson  
 Bob Jones  
 Valenne Neel  
 Ronnie & Kathy Thompson  
 Honor Vaughn  
 Colleen Whitfield

**January 19, 2020**  
 8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary 35  
 10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary 76  
 10:45 AM Worship at the Well 47  
 Children's Worship & Wonder 2  
 Total Worship Attendance 160  
 Sunday School 39  
 General Budget \$ 10,990.99

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