

Here to Worship, Nurture, and Share



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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 entered into a drawing to win a SOUPer Basket of Goodies!
(1 can of soup = 1 entry)

All cans of soup will 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.

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.

The Amen Corner

Monday was the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz, the notorious Nazi concentration camp in Poland. There were actually many hundred camps across Europe, with names like Treblinka, Dachau, Buchenwald. In these places, Jews, but also gypsies, homosexuals, political and religious dissidents, and the mentally and physically challenged, were worked to death, used for medical experimentation, exploited sexually, or exterminated outright by the many millions. The last time I was in Washington, I was asked if I wanted to go to the National Holocaust Museum. "No!", I answered, because I don't want to. Who would? "No!", because I don't need to. Who does? Turns out quite a few of us.

As a child, my parents often found it easier to drag me with them instead of leaving me with my big sisters. I went to quite a few movies and I liked the great theatres and the big screens and the air conditioning. I didn't understand a lot of it. The horror film *Rodan* horrified me. Elizabeth Taylor in *Butterfield 8* made me want to survive to manhood. (So much for parental guidance.) The most memorable was *Judgement at Nuremberg*, about the Allied trials of Nazi war criminals after World War II. The movie incorporated a lot of actual footage of stuff an 11-year-old didn't need to see. Heaps of corpses and the gas ovens and evil men in high boots and high hats. I saw this and accepted it as historical truth. I believe one of the most civilized people to ever exist were lured into a madness they couldn't control or stop. At wars end, many were forced to tour the camps lest they come to deny the depth of the evil. I take special interest in one: Dachau.

At the end of his life, my dad shared big news to my late brother, Mark, and I. He'd participated in the liberation of Dachau four months after Auschwitz. A medic in the 3rd Army, he told us many of the stories we asked for, but that one he kept secret. His account of great piles of bodies, of the pitiful condition of the survivors, the rushed process to save those left living was gruesome, so I'll stop. My brother asked Dad if he thought of it often. He replied, "I smell it in my dreams." I believed my father, and I still do. Inexplicably, there's a growing number of "Holocaust Deniers," people willing to write it all off as one great big hoax, an organized plot to make Hitler look bad, welcomed by those who find him glamorous, and welcome the hatred that was his mother's milk.

Not surprising, with the rise of this nonsense has come a rise on hate crimes. These include Jews, Muslims, Blacks, homosexuals and anyone different, and in a minority. It's a matter of people giving excuses for the inexcusable. We're not welcome to participate. Whatever anyone says, we're not allowed to play in an infested sandbox. By our baptisms, we have a Lord who won't have it. I celebrate that. I hope you do too.

Glad to be your pastor,
Arnold

FCC People & Happenings



Coming Up...



Birthdays and Anniversaries

February 2-8

- 4 Clarence Kimberley
Ashley Taylor
- 5 Clayton Bennett
Josh Budowsky
- 6 Ashley Cross
Brian Pack
- 7 Jerry Budowsky
D'Ann Cox
- 8 Jonathan Anderson
Alan Toler

8 Paul & Linda Craig

In Christian Sympathy



Our deepest sympathies are extended to the family of Valenne Neel, who passed away on Saturday, January 25. Valenne was a member of our church for 63 years. A funeral service will be held in the Sanctuary on Monday, February 3, at 10:00 AM.

MY TEAM SUNDAY

Wear your favorite team color!

This Sunday, 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

LOCAL BENEVOLENT OFFERING

TO BE RECEIVED

THIS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Life throws curveballs at times, making it hard to keep food on the table, the lights turned on, the rent paid, etc. Every week, people in our community struggle with these things and reach out to our church for help. Our Local Benevolent Fund is how we help those less fortunate. Please generously give to the Local Benevolent Offering this Sunday to enable us to continue providing assistance to our community in need.

Thank You Note

Thank you for everything you did for Betty. We appreciate you all!

Betty Eby Family

ANNUAL FLOWER CALENDAR

There are still dates available 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. 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.

PROPERTY TEAM MEETING

Monday, February 3

7:00 PM

Office Conference Room

Summer Camp 2020

Registration Opens

February 1, 2020

Discount Rates

February 1 – April 27

(includes a \$50 per camper scholarship from the *Leave No Child Behind Endowment* created by Oklahoma Disciples Men)

Regular Rates

April 28 – May 17

Chi Rho Camp @ Oakridge

June 8-12 (grades 6-8)

Junior Camp @ Central Camp

June 15-19 (grades 4-5)

Discovery Camp @ Central Camp

June 19-21 (grades 2-3)

CYF Conference @ Central Camp

June 22-26 (grades 9-12)

Reach Beyond Mission Week

July 19-25 (grades 6-12)

Family Camp @ Camp Christian

September 5-7 (for families)

Sponsored by Texoma Camp

Chi Rho & CYF Camp

June 22-26

Water Weekend

July 10-12

Discovery & Junior Camp

July 17-19

Visit okdisciples.org for more info.



FCC News & Activities



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

**THIS 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*



Wednesday UNite

February 5

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, February 3!

*****Sign up on the attendance sheets, call (255-6116),
or email: 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: Chicken Spaghetti, Green Salad, French
Bread, & Cobbler with Whipped Cream**

Cook Team: Loftin

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



CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

February Leader:

Melissa Weathers

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

COMING EVENTS

February 2-8

Sunday, February 2

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
'SOUP'er Bowl Potluck, Gathering Hall	12:00 PM
Super Bowl Party @ the Well	5:00 PM
Women of the Word Bible Study	6:00 PM
Kimberly Tilley's Home (2211 Twin Dr., Duncan)	

Monday, February 3

Women of the Word Bible Study	10:00 AM
Kimberly Tilley's Home (2211 Twin Dr., Duncan)	
Funeral for Valenne Neel, Sanctuary	10:00 AM
Property Team Meeting, Office Conference Room	7:00 PM

Tuesday, February 4

Staff Meeting, Office Conference Room	10:00 AM
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Wednesday, February 5

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, February 6

Bible Study/Lunch, Gathering Hall	12:00 PM
<i>"The Book of Ruth" led by Arnold Nelson</i>	

BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH

Thursday, February 6

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, February 3, to sign up!*

**8:30—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE**
Sunday, February 2, 2020
Sanctuary
Sermon
Arnold Nelson
A World Turned Upside Down
Matthew 5:1-12
Scripture Reader
Suzy Bruner
Communion Prayer
A.L. Hutson
Greeters
Narthex
Janie Fitzgerald & Bob Jones
Assistant Treasurer
Cotton Liles
Communion Preparation
A.L. Hutson
Sunday School Superintendent
Trent Cronk

God's Love...it's Cookin'!
February 1 — Team Pace

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 Programs Manager Tosha Matheny
Nursery Director Lacey Myers

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Sunday, February 2, 2020
Sanctuary
Sermon
Arnold Nelson
A World Turned Upside Down
Matthew 5:1-12
Scripture Reader
Koree Goldsmith
Serving Elders
Communion Prayer &
Invitation to Table & Offering:
A.L. Hutson
Invocation & Lord's Prayer &
Dedication of Offering:
Vicki Vermedahl
Serving Deacons
Dana Askins
Beth Cowan
Robert Cowan
Linda Craig
David Hammond
Marcia Harlow
Lanna Harris (Head)
Glynis Johns
Kelly Nelson

Greeters
Narthex
Angie Randolph & Joe Vermedahl
Sanctuary Doors from G.H.
North: Kelly Nelson
South: Kassie Gilmore
Assistant Treasurer
Angie Randolph
Communion Preparation
A.L. Hutson
Communion Clean-Up
Lanna Harris

**10:45—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE**
Sunday, February 2, 2020
Well
Message
Trevor Evans
Serving Elder: Delyn Cronk
Host: Pat Notley
Assistant Treasurer: Trent Cronk

In Our Prayers
Nursing Home / Assisted Living
Jane Aldridge — Canoe Brook
Sally Anderson — Elk Crossing
Pat Elam — Canoe Brook
Carlyle & Lynda Galloway — Chisholm Trail
Billie Phagans — Elk Crossing
Marvene & Louie Schumacher — Wilkin's
Carol Ann Stevenson — Concordia Skilled Nursing

Others
Steve Bolt
Carroll Eastin
Scotty Elliott
Paula Sue Hightower
Charlie Hunt
Bob Jones
Louie Schumacher
Ronnie & Kathy Thompson
Honor Vaughn
Colleen Whitfield

January 26, 2020

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	45
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	75
10:45 AM Worship at the Well	66
Children's Worship & Wonder	6
Total Worship Attendance	192
Sunday School	42
General Budget	\$ 11,617.96



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