

## COVID-19 TASK FORCE NAMED

At the Board Meeting on March 10, Robert O'Kelley and Donna Shaw were named to chair a COVID-19 Task Force to help our church deal faithfully and prudently with the challenges of the Coronavirus. Let's all agree to cooperate.

## NO Wednesday UNite March 18

*Resumes Wednesday, March 25*



### BUNNY CAKES

#### YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Cost: \$25

Chocolate or Vanilla  
(Coconut is on the ears only)



#### Pick up @ the Well

Wednesday, April 8 (evening)

Thursday, April 9 (morning, afternoon, evening)

Friday, April 10 (9:00 AM–12:00 PM)

*\*\*Special Deliveries can be made –  
let the Church Office know if delivery is needed\*\**

Place your order by calling the Church Office or  
signing up on the form in the Gathering Hall  
or @ the Well.

**DEADLINE TO ORDER: FRIDAY, MARCH 27**

*All proceeds go towards Youth Missions.*

Call Holly Bailey at (405) 290-8653 for questions.



### Palm Sunday – April 5

Brunch – 9:30 AM in the Gathering Hall

### Maundy Thursday – April 9

6:30 PM in the Sanctuary

### Easter Sunday, April 12

7:00 AM – Sunrise Service at Duncan Cemetery

8:30 AM & 10:45 AM in the Sanctuary

10:45 AM @ the Well



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@theWellFCC**

## The Amen Corner

When I was new to Charleston, I was introduced to a dish Charleston had only recently introduced to the world: Shrimp and Grits. Large fresh Shrimp, Stone ground Grits with a rich Tasso (seasoned pork) Gravy. Oh my. Not changing the subject, but the world is being swept up in news of the Coronavirus Disease. Schools are closing, the cruise industry is sinking and Italy has shut down. Some say it's only a flu, no different from the normal flus we see every year and say so long to every Spring. They'll, correctly, observe that many times more people die annually than have died from the Coronavirus. Insofar as that keeps us from thinking this is the end of the world, this is of limited use. However, let's not bury our heads in the sand.

Here are things about the Coronavirus, different from any of the strains of ordinary flus we know and hate: It's new. New means we don't know it will fade come Spring and we don't have any kind of built-in immunity. It means we have no inoculation against it, and no proven means of curing it. Add a long incubation period and people can carry, and transmit, the disease a long time before showing any symptoms. What we're seeing may be the tip of an iceberg and certainly a textbook scenario for panic. Put it all together and stock markets plunge, the NBA turn away ticket buyers and politicians self-quarantine.

No one's asked me for my advice, but here's what I'm telling myself: Wash my hands. Cancel all travel plans to China, Italy and Kirkland, Washington. Use hand wipes on airplanes and at grocery stores. Wash my hands. Stay away from public places when I feel anything like a cold or flu. Wash my hands and bump fists. Don't kiss any pretty women with runny noses. Eat healthy, get sleep and wash my hands. Don't buy out shelves of hand sanitizers, remembering my own safety depends on others being clean too! Don't pick spinach out of my teeth with my fingers, and wash my hands. By the way, who knew this hand washing business would become the new health breakthrough?

About the Shrimp and Grits. I see signs of societal decline and decay in smaller things than Y2K, Mayan calendars, predictions of Nostradamus, proof texting TV preachers, or this year's disaster. I recently saw a frozen product called "North Carolina Style Chicken and Grits topped with Black Eyed Peas." Makes me lose hope in humanity. It was made by an outfit in California famous for pies. Then there was the frozen hotdog and bun. Like you could microwave them and have the hot dog and bun both end the experience edible. Like it's that hard to boil a wiener! Our future in God's world is caught up in living with faith and common sense and not being too lazy to be inconvenienced. Wash your hands.

Glad to be your pastor,  
Arnold

## FCC People & Happenings



Coming Up...



### Birthdays and Anniversaries

March 15-21

- 15 Randy Shaw
- 17 India Smith
- 19 Lillie Culberson  
Paul Jennings, Jr.  
Jessica Morales  
Kara Watkins White
- 21 Jessica Moore  
George Wilkinson
- 18 Cliff & Martha King  
Matt & April LaFee
- 20 Dale & Ronda Peters

## In Christian Sympathy

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Marvene Schumacher and family, upon the death of her husband, **Louie Schumacher**. Louie passed away on Wednesday, March 4. His funeral was held at Whitt's Funeral Home on Saturday, March 7.

CWF #2

Thursday, March 19

9:30 AM

Parlor

Hosted by Ann Loftin

### TOY SHOP

#### SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

The Toy Shop's Spring Rummage Sale is quickly approaching! It will be held Friday, April 3, from 8 AM to 6 PM and Saturday, April 4, from 8 AM to 2 PM. If you have donations, you may call Kim Davis at 255-9625 and she will meet you. The sale will take place in the old Latham's Plumbing building at 7th and Willow. The Toy Shop entrance is on 7th Street.

Thank you!  
Kathy Snider

## COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESSES NEEDED

If you have a college student this Spring, please call the Church Office (255-6116) with their address. We'd love to be able to send a College Care Package to your student!

## Thank You Notes

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Toy Shop Spud Lunch. It was an amazing success thanks to so many people. Whether you bought or sold tickets, scrubbed potatoes, brought food or desserts, worked during the Work Day or the day of the event, it's all so appreciated. The Toy Shop is so blessed to have such incredible people who support our efforts year-round and we cannot say thank you enough! We sold the most tickets ever this year — over 1,400 people bought tickets and over 1,100 people enjoyed a spud lunch. Thank you, FCC, for being such an important part of the Toy Shop.

Kathy Snider

### DAYCARE BOARD MEETING

Monday, March 16

5:30 PM

Koinonia Room

## I HAVE 2020 VISION

Dear First Christian Friends,

The Duncan Public School's Board of Education recently approved by a unanimous vote, 2020 Vision. This is a ballot issue for April 7 to continue our current tax rates—with no increase—and 50% below neighboring districts. If we vote to approve it, this is what happens:

- ✓ Roofing Replacement/Repair\*
- ✓ Heating Ventilation & Air Conditioning Replacement\*

- ✓ Student Transportation

- ✓ District Vehicles

- ✓ Again, No New Taxes

\*Roofing & HVAC: highest need first

How does Emerson Elementary benefit?

- ✓ Student Technology

- ✓ Instructional Equipment

- ✓ Security Fencing & Playground Equipment

- ✓ Curriculum Resources

- ✓ Classroom/Program Equipment & Furniture

- ✓ More effective LED Lighting

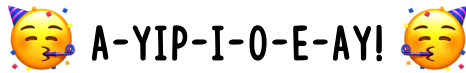
Please support our schools and ask others to do the same. By the way, if you're not registered to vote, the deadline is this week on Friday the 13th! Act fast!

Gratefully,

Koree K. Goldsmith, Principal  
Emerson Elementary School



# FCC News & Activities



- ★ Congrats to Allie Schreckengost for being selected for the DHS Pom Squad!
- ★ Kitchen Hostess, LaDonna Brown, will be officially returning on Wednesday, March 25, after a long recovery from knee surgery. We welcome her back!
- ★ On March 9, Conner Kinnaird, took the United States Armed Forces Oath of Enlistment and left immediately for the Recruit Training Depot in San Diego, California! In due time, he'll be a U.S. Marine.
- ★ Next week, the church and the daycare will have new phone and cable systems installed thanks to the efforts of Robert O'Kelley and Bruce Bailey.
- ★ This week, Heartbeat Dance House excelled at their first dance competition! Congratulations to Allie Schreckengost and Emma Wilkerson.



If you'd like to provide a lily for worship on Easter Sunday, please turn in the following information to the Church Office **no later than Monday, April 6**. You may take the lily home on April 12 following the 10:45 AM Worship Service in the Sanctuary or @ the Well. Cost is \$35.

Number of Lilies: \_\_\_\_\_

Sanctuary \_\_\_\_ Well \_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

To the Glory of God \_\_\_\_\_



## CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

Sunday, March 15

Leader: Paula Toler

## COMING EVENTS

March 15–21

### Sunday, March 15

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
Women of the Word Bible Study	6:00 PM
Kimberly Tilley's Home (2211 Twin Dr., Duncan)	

### Monday, March 16

Women of the Word Bible Study	10:00 AM
Kimberly Tilley's Home (2211 Twin Dr., Duncan)	
Daycare Board Meeting, Koinonia Room	5:30 PM

### Tuesday, March 17

Staff Meeting, Office Conference Room	10:00 AM
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### Wednesday, March 18

Handbell Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

### Thursday, March 19

CWF #2 hosted by Ann Loftin, Parlor	9:30 AM
Bible Study/Lunch, Gathering Hall	12:00 PM
"The Book of Esther" led by Arnold Nelson	

## BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH



Thursday, March 19

12:00–1:00 PM

Gathering Hall

"The Book of Esther" led by Arnold Nelson

Light Lunch: \$5.00

*Please call the Church Office by Noon on Monday, March 16, to sign up!*

**8:30—WORSHIP**  
**SERVING SCHEDULE**  
**Sunday, March 15, 2020**  
**Sanctuary**  
**Sermon**  
 Arnold Nelson  
*Make the Most of Down Time*  
 John 4:3-42  
**Scripture Reader**  
 Darryl Ross  
**Communion Prayer**  
 Darryl Ross  
**Greeters**  
**Narthex**  
 Janie Fitzgerald & Bob Jones  
**Assistant Treasurer**  
 Charlie Hays  
**Communion Preparation**  
 Darryl Ross  
**Sunday School Superintendent**  
 Rod Smith

***God's Love...it's Cookin'!***  
 March 14 — 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 Programs Manager	Tosha Matheny
Nursery Director	Lacey Myers

**10:45—WORSHIP**  
**SERVING SCHEDULE**  
**Sunday, March 15, 2020**  
**Sanctuary**  
**Sermon**  
 Arnold Nelson  
*Make the Most of Down Time*  
 John 4:3-42  
**Scripture Reader**  
 Brent Russell  
**Serving Elders**  
**Communion Prayer:**  
 John Minson  
**Invocation & Lord's Prayer &**  
**Dedication of Offering:**  
 Becky Minson  
**Serving Deacons**  
 Susan Elliott  
 Tom Freeman  
 David Herndon  
 Jeanna Russell (Head)  
 Anthony Scott  
 Gary Scott  
 Karen Scott  
 Donna Shaw  
 Randy Shaw  
**Greeters**  
**Narthex**  
 Susan Elliott & Nan Kimberley  
***Sanctuary Doors from G.H.***  
**North:** Lanna Harris  
**South:** Fran Boyd  
**Assistant Treasurer**  
 Galyon Russell  
**Communion Preparation**  
 Darryl Ross  
**Communion Clean-Up**  
 Jeanna Russell

**10:45—WORSHIP**  
**SERVING SCHEDULE**  
**Sunday, March 15, 2020**  
**Well**  
**Message**  
 Trevor Evans  
**Serving Elder:** Karl Jacobs  
**Host:** Nate Johnson  
**Assistant Treasurer:** Trent Cronk

***In Our Prayers***

Steve Bolt  
 Scotty Elliott  
 Richard Herndon  
 Paula Sue Hightower  
 Herb Lang  
 Ronnie & Kathy Thompson  
 Alan Toler  
 Honor Vaughn  
 Eddie Wiggins

***Nursing Home / Assisted Living***

Jane Aldridge — Canoe Brook  
 Sally Anderson — Elk Crossing  
 Esther Coker Bolding — Canoe Brook  
 Pat Elam — Canoe Brook  
 Carlyle & Lynda Galloway — Chisholm Trail  
 Billie Phagans — Elk Crossing  
 Carl & Evelyn Slifer — Ashbrook Village  
 Jackie Van Alstine — St. Simeon's Senior Community

**March 8, 2020**

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	34
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	55
10:45 AM Worship at the Well	54
Children's Worship & Wonder	5
Total Worship Attendance	177
Sunday School	35
General Budget	\$ 7,611.21
Local Benevolent Offering	\$ 50.00



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