

*Here to Worship, Nurture, and Share*



# The Duncan Christian

**THE WELL**  
A MINISTRY OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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## **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, MARCH 29**

**6:35 TO 8:00 PM @ THE WELL**

**MENU: TACO POTATO BAR, SALAD, DESSERT**



**THIS MONTH'S MEAL PROVIDED BY FCC/THE WELL, HOSTED @ THE WELL.**

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

***"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**

Can you believe that on March 25, 2019, J.O.H.N. 6:35 will have served the community free meals on the last Friday of the month for 8 years?! We served 75 at our very first meal and that number has continued to grow since. We've served as many as 350 meals in one night and in February, we served 263! I would say God is good!

We continue to see new faces each month, as well as our faithful monthly guests. As in any ministry that we're called to serve others, it takes dedicated volunteers each month and we're thankful to those who continue to come and serve. It also takes money to keep this amazing ministry growing to be able to serve our community.

Your financial support for J.O.H.N. 6:35 will be a blessing not only to the ministry, but to you also! Please make your checks payable to First Christian Church with J.O.H.N. 6:35 designated in the memo.

*The J.O.H.N. 6:35 Committee*

### **DURING SPRING BREAK:**

**NO Wednesday UNite**

March 20

**Resumes March 27 at 5:00 PM in the Gathering Hall.**

**NO Bible Study/Lunch**

March 21

**Resumes March 28 at 12:00 PM in the Gathering Hall.**

## The Amen Corner

Last night, I had a hard time getting to sleep as my mind replayed a conversation I overheard that morning. In fact, it was more of a monologue and it went something like this, "I'm having such a terrible day. I didn't get hardly any sleep. My baby was up all night with a fever of 102 and she cried half the time. I'm really having it hard. Then this morning, I stopped for coffee and was all ready to be early for work, but nooo, there was an accident up ahead and I sat there in a traffic jam waiting for 15 minutes. It really isn't my day at all. And then I heard the weather and they're saying it's going to rain! Boy I hate rainy days. I just can't catch a break!" Or something like that and I'm not exaggerating.

I wanted to play the editor, not so much of what the person was saying but the life being lived. How much better to have heard something like, "My poor little baby is sick. She was running a temperature of 102 and she was miserable. Things like that are scary and I'm glad I was able to give her some comfort. Sure, she'll be alright but it breaks your heart, right? (A yawn here would be understandable). This morning I left home early enough to stop for coffee and I'm glad I did. There was an accident up ahead and I could at least enjoy my coffee while waiting for things to be cleared up. I'm thinking the persons involved were okay; I sure hope so. We never know when something's going to happen. I hear we're going to have rain. I'm sure I have things to do indoors and I'm glad the rain comes when farmers and ranchers need to. Like they say, "April showers bring May flowers," I'm sure it goes for March too."

Alas, we can't edit people's lives and we should resist trying. Everyone's life is their own, to get right or get wrong. Scolding doesn't do much good. Observing any degree of narcissism is futile. The only lives we might possibly edit are our own. I'd like to speak like - and actually be - someone who believes I'm blessed, even when tired, stuck in traffic or holed up inside on a rainy day. I'd hope the real problems others have are less an opportunity for my own whining. Each morning is an occasion to proclaim, "This is the day that the Lord has made; I shall rejoice and be glad in it."

Glad to be your pastor,  
Arnold

## FCC People & Happenings



Coming Up...




### Birthdays and Anniversaries

March 17-23

- 17 – Aubrey Rippe  
India Smith  
19 – Lillie Culberson  
Jessica Morales  
Kara Watkins  
21 – Ann Jones  
Jessica Moore  
George Wilkinson  
22 – Sonny Hetherington  
Gary Ross  
Jan Shipman  
23 – Elizabeth Richardson

- 18 – Cliff & Martha King  
Matt & April LaFee  
20 – Dale & Ronda Peters  
22 – Kim & Nan Kimberley

### In Christian Sympathy

 Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of **Ginger Day**. Ginger passed away on Saturday, March 9. She was a faithful member of our church for 37 years. Her life was celebrated on Wednesday, March 13, in our Sanctuary. The family wishes that memorials be made to "God's Love: It's Cooking", FCC Youth Ministry, and the Stephens County Humane Society.

CWF #2

Thursday, March 21

Ann Loftin's Home

9:30 AM

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to assist with Newsletter mailings. Newsletters are prepared for mailing on Wednesdays. If you'd like to volunteer to help weekly or on an as needed basis, please contact the Church Office.

### MEMBER ADDRESS CHANGE

Jenny Evans

205 Simpson Ave. Unity #997  
Hulburt Field, FL 32544

## Thank You Notes

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Spud Lunch this year. If you bought tickets, brought food or desserts, worked Sunday, Monday or Tuesday, we cannot say thank you enough. FCC never lets us down. Your support helped make this year another great success! We served with deliveries, take-outs and dine-in meals over 1,100 this year! Without your help, this wouldn't be possible. We truly appreciate each of you!

Kathy & Lynn

Dear FCC Family,

Thank you to all who came to our wonderful baby shower on Sunday and also a big thank you to the people who loved us from afar! We're so blessed and thankful to have such a loving church family. We appreciate you all!

Love,

Allie, Tyler, & Collins Garrett

To Our Friends at First Christian,

Thank you for partnering with Duncan High School Project Graduation 2019 to help us make sure graduation night for our senior class is one of the best, yet! Your donation is much appreciated and will help provide a safe, drug & alcohol-free environment for our seniors to enjoy food games, entertainment and prizes! Our community is fortunate to have churches & friends like you who support our students.

In Appreciation,

Lynda Moore

Corresponding Secretary  
Project Graduation 2019

### Final Wishes

A Final Wishes form helps your loved ones make difficult decisions when you pass. On the form, you can specify your preferences for burial, services, cemetery, and other important matters. Forms are available in the Church Office.

# FCC News & Activities

## Easter Lilies for Worship



If you'd like to provide a lily for our worship on Easter Sunday, please turn in the following information to the Church Office **no later than Monday, April 15**. You may take the lily home on April 21 following the 10:45 AM Worship Service in the Sanctuary or @ the Well. **Cost is \$32.**

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

I would like the lily placed: Sanctuary\_\_\_ Well\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

## TOY SHOP SPRING RUMMAGE SALE



The Toy Shop's Spring Rummage Sale is quickly approaching! It will be on Friday, April 5, from 8 AM to 6 PM and Saturday, April 6, from 8 AM to 2 PM. If you have donations, you may call Connie Roebuck at 580-656-3783 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

## Hearts at Rest

On March 8 & 9, The Well and First Christian Church hosted a "Hearts at Rest" weekend experience.

Over 75 women participated, representing various church affiliations from Duncan, Marlow, Comanche and other communities. For more than eleven hours, the women studied the word of God, heard powerful stories, and examined ways to overcome anxiety... by putting their hearts at rest. Presenters included Paige Scott and Debbie Mills from Entourage Ministries in Durant, OK.

The Hearts at Rest planning team would like to say a heartfelt thanks to all who invested many hours planning and organizing the event, preparing materials, donating supplies, cleaning, decorating, cooking meals, preparing snacks, serving meals, providing audio-visual support, leading worship, and praying. What a blessed experience!

Delyn Cronk



**CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER**  
Sunday, March 17  
Leader: Glynis Johns  
Story: *Jesus & Zacchaeus*



### Palm Sunday – April 14

Brunch – 9:30 AM in the Gathering Hall

### Maundy Thursday – April 18

6:30 PM in the Sanctuary

### Easter Sunday, April 21

7:00 AM – Sunrise Service at Duncan Cemetery

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

10:45 AM @ the Well

## COMING EVENTS

March 17–23

### Sunday, March 17

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, FUMC House	6:00 PM
"Lessons from David: How to Be a Giant Killer" led by Kimberly Tilley	

### Monday, March 18

Women of the Word Bible Study, Elk Crossing	9:30 AM
"Prayer" led by Kimberly Tilley	
Tai Chi, Fellowship Hall	10:00 AM

### Tuesday, March 19

Staff Meeting, Church Office	10:00 AM
Tai Chi, Fellowship Hall	10:00 AM

### Wednesday, March 20

NO Wednesday UNite	
Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

### Thursday, March 21

CWF #2 at the home of Ann Loftin	9:30 AM
Tai Chi, Fellowship Hall	10:00 AM
NO Bible Study/Lunch in the Gathering Hall	

**8:30—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE**

Sunday, March 17, 2019

Sanctuary

Sermon

Arnold Nelson

*You Have the Right to Say "No" to Christ*

Luke 13:31-35

Scripture Reader

Wes Sullivan

Communion Prayer

Wes Sullivan

Greeters Narthex

Janie Fitzgerald & Carl Slifer

Assistant Treasurer

Joyce Frechette

Communion Preparation

Wes Sullivan

Sunday School Superintendent

Trent Cronk

**God's Love...it's Cookin'!**

March 16 – Team Bowman

Ministers of First Christian Church

Pastor Arnold Nelson, Jr.

Staff Secretary

Erica Hancock

Business Secretary

Reba Ford

Organist

Patty Jennings

Sanctuary Choir Director

Kevin Zinn

Praise Leader @ the Well

Jared Smith

Kitchen Hostess

LaDonna Brown

Head Custodian

Frank Timmins

Custodian

Stephen Stapp

Nursery Director

Lacey Myers

**10:45—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE**

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Sanctuary

Sermon

Arnold Nelson

*You Have the Right to Say "No" to Christ*

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Scripture Reader

Randy Burum

Serving Elders

Communion Prayer:

Darryl Ross

Invocation & Lord's Prayer &

Dedication of Offering:

Becky Minson

Serving Deacons

Beth Cowan

Robert Cowan

Max Daughtrey

Susan Elliott

Mark Galloway

Linda Guest (Head)

Marcia Harlow

Tana Latham

Paula Toler

Greeters Narthex

Glynis & Sharleen Johns

Sanctuary Doors from G.H.

North: Jan Shipman

South: Judy Shaw

Assistant Treasurer

Marty Askins

Communion Preparation

Wes Sullivan

Communion Clean Up

Linda Guest

**10:45—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE**

Sunday, March 17, 2019

Well

Message

Eddie Culberson

Serving Elder: Marty Askins

Hostess: Esther Wylie & Leigh Tetlow

Assistant Treasurer: Trent Cronk

***In Our Prayers***



Rehabilitation

Sally Anderson – Elk Crossing

Charlie Hays – Elk Crossing

Others

Bob Hicks

Bob Jones

Kim Kimberley

Herb Lang

Marvene Schumacher

Honor Vaughn

**March 10, 2019**

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	47
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	68
10:45 AM Worship @ the Well	45
Children Worship & Wonder	2
Total Worship Attendance	162
Sunday School	35
General Budget	\$ 11,283.34
Local Benevolent Offering	\$ 40.00



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