



IN-PERSON SERVICES WILL RESUME, BUT WHEN?

Sunday, we recorded the 6th service to be shared on our Facebook page and website. I wish I could say that was the last of it. Instead, I share with you that we consulted 10 nurses in our congregation and they were unanimous in thinking we would need to stay apart at least 3 more weeks. The Coronavirus AD HOC committee was thinking in this direction anyway. Consequently, we'll have no services in person through May 17, after which we'll reevaluate. We hope for May 24. In the meantime, thanks for your support of our congregation. Thanks to those who've participated in worship leadership in an almost empty Sanctuary, and Well. Bless you all.

Arnold

FIND A NEW RECIPE!

When the sun sets on our stay-at-home lifestyles, let's be ready with some ice cream! We'll announce a date for an **All Church Ice Cream Social** as soon as we're able to do so. It'll be a big event with lots of ice cream, and other desserts too!



LOCAL BENEVOLENT OFFERING

TO BE RECEIVED

THIS SUNDAY, MAY 3

In Recognition of our High School Graduates

Dax Alston
Mariah Chastain
Madeline Harper
Gracie Kelly
Sofia Lopez
Jessica Morales
Michael Pollock
Jacob Riley
Carson Villalon
Preston Weaks



!! ATTENTION PARENTS OF SENIORS !!

We need some information about your high school graduate! If you haven't already, please provide the Church Office with the following:

- What school they'll be attending
- What they'll be studying
- A picture of them (preferably their Senior picture if you have one)

Please send this information to
erica@fccduncan.com

Class of 2020

The Amen Corner

Since we were suddenly and deliberately attacked by the COVID-19 Coronavirus some weeks ago, folks have been apt to say something intended to show solidarity with a common enemy. Often, it's "We're all in the same boat." I demur. I think such folk mean well but it simply isn't so. Today, a guy posted his lunch on Facebook and right there we're not in the same boat. But the lunch! A couple of toasted slices of Wonder Bread loaded with potted meat and mustard with a mug of hot chocolate. No, he and I aren't in the same boat.

As to this War on Cooties, it's serious. I'll agree we're all at sea together. We're at sea in a raging storm and we don't know what all is swimming beneath us and we don't know when it will end. We're in the same troubled waters but we're likely to be in different boats. For instance, the person on any kind of a set income is in a different boat from someone dependent on hourly wages, commissions, tips and piece work. A family with employment living in a mortgaged home is in a different boat from the out of work family owing rent. The person with kiddos grown and doing well is in a different boat from the single mother with a small child and an impatient boss. The person who must work in an environment rife with virus is different from the person who wants to go back into work in a place that isn't. The guy trying to keep a dental practice going, paying dedicated professional staff, is different from a healthcare colleague who's practice has been deemed "essential," while his has not, is in a different boat. The person who is trying to be in isolation in a huge apartment building in a huge city is in a different boat from the guy who can walk outside and see spring in bloom and watch horses graze. Any of us who enjoy something like decent health are in a different boat from those who are ill with this virus, and those home with any other ailment from gout to shingles. Different boats. Comparatively, some are luxury liners free of virus and others loaded to the gills. Others are cabin cruisers and others, dinghies. Some are on Yachts, while others are on party barges unfit for such waters. Even a lifeboat beats a raft of driftwood. Then there are those insisting on their rights to ride a surfboard in a hurricane.

We're in the same sea but let's be mindful of how others are fighting to make it. Remember to wash your hands, wear a mask and keep your hands off your face. And be free to help me come up with an edible potted meat sandwich. I have some ideas but nothing leading me to the store.

Glad to be your pastor,
Arnold

FCC People & Happenings



Coming Up...



Birthdays and Anniversaries

May 3-9

- 3 Kent Collins
Bradley Brown
Kendall Tilley
 - 6 Cindy Reynolds
 - 8 Sharleen Johns
-
- 3 Herb & Doris Lang

RIDING THE OLD CHISHOLM TRAIL TO CATTLEMEN'S

The pandemic will come to an end and Dr. Fauci will say the coast is clear. Restaurants will be open for crowds, and you're invited to book a space on a church van for a trip to Cattlemen's Steakhouse in Stockyard City. No date yet, of course, but each van holds 15 and we have 3! Call the Church Office (255-6116) to make reservations. We'll draw straws to let Trevor be a designated driver.

Arnold

HOW TO JOIN THE FCC FACEBOOK GROUP

Search for First Christian Church of Duncan (Disciples of Christ) on Facebook and click on 'Join Group'. If you're unable to find us, let the Church Office know and someone will send you an invite. If you don't have a Facebook, creating an account is simple and easy! Go to www.facebook.com, click on 'Create an Account' and follow the directions. Joining the church's Facebook group is the easiest way to view the Sunday sermons online. Sermons are also available on our public Facebook pages and our website:

@FirstChristianChurchDuncan
@theWellFCC
www.FCCDuncan.com

Be so positive that
negative people don't
want to be around you.

Thank You Notes

Thank you for the lovely carillon concert on Easter Sunday. I so enjoyed it from beginning to end. Maybe you can do it again, as the music is so inspiring. I appreciate your willingness to try it!

(The carillon played longer than usual on Good Friday and Easter Sunday.)

Best Regards,
Jan Gaddis

My Church Family,

Thank you all for this gift of thoughtfulness! I hope you are all well in these trying times.

(The Care Team sent e-gift cards to our college students instead of care packages.)

With Love,
Vanessa Moore

I HAVE 2020 VISION

Dear First Christian Friends,

The oddest school year in my memory (I trust everyone's!) will come to an end next Friday, May 8. Then, all the kiddos can stay home and enjoy an old fashioned summer without everything being planned out for them! Then, teachers and administrators can take a small break and get on with gearing up for next year. Sure hope it includes children in our classrooms! The 2020 Vision bond issue is being reset for August and I hope we get a good turnout. Success will go a long way to make our schools better and our children better prepared! And, it won't raise our taxes.

Thank you,
Koree K. Goldsmith, Principal
Emerson Elementary School

Sunday in the Sanctuary

Join us on Sunday, May 3, at 10:45 AM in the Sanctuary (online from home, of course) for hymns led by LaDana Ross and Kevin Zinn, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" and "His Eye Is On the Sparrow", Scripture Readings by Michael Harris and A.L. Hutson, and beautiful music played by Patty Jennings.



FCC News & Activities

A-YIP-I-O-E-AY!

- ★ Here's a nod to **Anonymous**. Actually, several may be so called. These are the ones who drive up to the church and slip their offering through the mail slot and zip away. It would be great to have them stay and visit, but it's an inspiration to see such dedication. The same is true of those who remember to mail in their offerings and let the postman do the slot dropping!
- ★ As **Kevin Zinn** had to be away from our worship recordings for a few weeks, we were so blessed to have **LaDana Ross** step into the vacuum. We appreciate her singing and her generosity and her happy smile! Glad to report, they'll both be back this week!

FCC College Student Members – Spring 2020

Due to the Pandemic, the Care Team will not be assembling care packages to send to our college student members this Spring. Instead, we'll be sending a care gift to their email. Their names and emails are listed below if anyone would like to send them a nice message or gift. – *Care Ministry Team*

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COLLEGE & HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE INFO

If you have a college or high school graduate this year, please call the Church Office (255-6116) or email erica@fccduncan.com with their info.

We'd love to recognize them!



CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

Cancelled until further notice.

COMING EVENTS

May 3–9

Sunday, May 3

- Online Worship in the Sanctuary 10:45 AM
Facebook: @FirstChristianChurchDuncan
Website: www.FCCDuncan.com
- Online Worship @ the Well 10:45 AM
Facebook: @theWellFCC



MEMBER ADDRESS CORRECTION

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WAYS TO GIVE DURING THE PANDEMIC

- ◆ **ACH (Automatic Deposits)**
 - ◇ Contact Reba in the Church Office and so she can send you a form to fill out and return with a voided check.
- ◆ **Text-to-Give**
 - ◇ Text the word "GIVE" to 833-868-2068 and follow the instructions.
- ◆ **Mail-In**
 - ◇ 912 W. Walnut Ave. Duncan, OK 73533 (Attention: Reba Ford)

In Our Prayers

Bob Bailey
 Dear friend of Pat Dixon
 Steve Bolt
 Scotty Elliott
 Richard Herndon
 Paula Sue Hightower
 Tom Howard
 Brother of Judy Shaw, at Integrity
 Baptist due to a brain bleed
 Herb Lang
 Ronnie & Kathy Thompson

SANCTUARY WORSHIP

Sunday, May 3, 2020

Sermon

Arnold Nelson
The Tone of a Voice
 Psalm 23
 John 10:1-10

Scripture Reader

Michael Harris
 A.L. Hutson

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

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 or at www.FCCDuncan.com*

WORSHIP @ THE WELL

Sunday, May 3, 2020

Message

Trevor Evans

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 @theWellFCC*

**Included in this issue
 Order of Service for in
 Home Christian Worship
 Sunday, May 3, 2020**

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 Programs Manager	Tosha Matheny
Nursery Director	Lacey Myers

God's Love...it's Cookin'!
 May 3 – Team Pace

April 26, 2020

Online Worship in the Sanctuary	367
Online Worship @ the Well	608
Total Worship Attendance	975
General Budget	\$ 9,690.55
Local Benevolent Offering	\$ 50.00



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