



## MINISTRY INVOLVEMENT

### *We Need You!*

We're beginning our new program year at FCC. Ministry Teams are being formed to coordinate all programs and ministries. Every piece falls into place when we have plenty of people faithfully dedicated to serving in a particular spot, reserved especially for them!

If you're one of those people, complete a Ministry Involvement Form and mail/bring it to the Church Office or place it in the offering plate at Sunday morning Worship. Forms are available in the Church Office, Sanctuary, and Gathering Hall. (If you receive your newsletter by mail, you will find a form inserted. If you receive the newsletter by email, you will find a form attached.)

### MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS (2019–2020)

#### Care

Katherine Rogers

#### Property

Alan Toler

#### Christian Education

Shasta Smith

#### Stewardship

Darryl Ross

#### Evangelism

Paula Toler

#### Well

Bruce Bailey & Co-chair: Rod Smith

#### Fellowship

Dana Askins

#### Worship

Rita O'Kelley

#### World Outreach

Wes Sullivan

#### Youth

Holly Bailey

## HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

This Sunday, June 16

*If you're fortunate enough to have your father with you,  
be sure to remember him in some way.*

Of course, the BEST way to honor your father  
is to join him in Worship!

— 8:30 AM or 10:45 AM in the Sanctuary —

*"Dads are Most Ordinary Men turned by love into heroes,  
adventurers, story-tellers, and singers."*

— PAM BROWN —



### GOD ADDED AND WE WELCOMED!

On Sunday, June 2, Trevor Evans, Assistant Minister, came forward to place membership and was welcomed with open arms. We are blessed to have him as a part of our church family!

## The Amen Corner

This Sunday I'm doing something that fills me with a little sense of dread and I blame my brother. What I'm doing is preaching from Paul's Letter to the Romans. The lesson is from the 5th chapter, among the most important writings of the Lion of Tarsus.

The brother in question is my Baby Brother, Mark, Whom I Love. It grieves me to confess, he is both the smartest and funniest of our parent's 6 children. Mark spends an extraordinary amount of time reading, engaged with the internet, TV and radio. He very rarely misses a St. Louis Cardinal's game but he follows news, politics and religions of all kind. Here arises my anxiety. A few years ago, Mark said something like, "Preacher, I've figured out something." (Pregnant pause) "The more a preacher talks about Paul, the meaner he is." I thought about it then, and have thought about it since, and if it don't beat all, Mark's right.

Paul seems to be a favorite for those who mistake their professional calling to serve the Lord to be licensed to bat up their neighbor. Paul caused some of this problem himself. He who declared in Christ there is neither male nor female, slave nor free, nevertheless told the women in Corinth to sit down and be quiet and he didn't condemn the institution of slavery. He took the stories of Jesus and constructed a systematic theology.

These things become fodder for those looking for cudgels to whack over someone else's soul. ME? I think its important to remember Paul was a man of his times. He was a work in progress throughout his life. And some things he wrote to particular people in particular places, weren't intended to be the final word for all time and all people. That he had a huge ego notwithstanding, Paul wrote letters, and never had it in his head they would land in the Bible!

So, I'll screw up my courage and do what I can to put the good in the Good News of Romans 5: 1-11. The sermon title is attributed to Martin Luther. You're invited to come see how I pull it off. I'll try hard to not be mean.

Glad to be your pastor,  
Arnold

## FCC People & Happenings



*Coming Up...*



### Birthdays and Anniversaries June 16–22

16 – Melissa Weathers  
17 – Regina Vaughn  
18 – Paula Toler  
20 – Melinda Burk  
22 – Carrie Biddle  
Jessica Rice

22 – Bob & Suzy Bruner  
Mark & Stephanie Perry



### In Our Prayers

The family of Bob Hicks will gather in the Parlor to celebrate his life, and then in-urn his remains in the columbarium, on Saturday, June 22 at 11:00 AM. Memorials can be made to the Stephens County Humane Society.

### BLANKET SUNDAY

This Sunday, June 16

#### *A Blanket Can Be More Than a Blanket*



Earthquakes, floods, wars and other disasters can leave a family with nothing. A blanket from Church World Service can be a tent, clothing, and, yes, a blanket for the night.

Christian Women's Fellowship will celebrate Blanket Sunday on Father's Day, June 16. Your \$10 gift will provide a blanket to those experiencing hard times. Who knows where it will go and what it will do?

### Disciples Men Recognized for Community Service

Robert and Chris O'Kelley were recognized by the Disciples Men organization for their charitable and civic work in Duncan. We are so very proud of them! Pamela Holt, our Regional Minister, came to FCC on Sunday, June 9, to honor them and present them with "coins of recognition" for service above and beyond.



### MISSING DISH

Someone must have picked up the wrong casserole dish this past Sunday at the Potluck Dinner. It is a 9" x 9", white, TAG brand casserole dish that had baked beans in it and belonged to Maurine Sullivan. If you picked up this dish in error, please contact Maurine at 252-4441 and/or bring it back to the church. Thank you.

Maurine Sullivan

# FCC News & Activities

## SPOKES FOR HOPE 2019

Spokes for Hope 2019 will be operating Monday through Thursday, June 3 – July 25. **FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH YOUTH AND ADULTS WILL COVER JULY 22-25.** Please be at the Well by 10:00 AM each morning. We'll have some driving routes, as well as bike routes.

There'll be 3 feeding sites supported by the Oklahoma Regional Food Bank. They are True Gospel Tabernacle near Elm Terrace, the pavilion near the Duncan Public Swimming Pool, and the pavilion near the old Douglas School. The pavilion near Douglass has a splash pad and there'll be a meal for the kids, 4:30–5:30 on Tuesdays only, followed by games.

Thanks in part to a grant from Sarkeys Foundation, Spokes for Hope will be offering door-to-door meals for children who aren't able to reach one of the feeding sites. Food for door-to-door delivery, made possible by private funding, costs about \$100 per child for the entire 8-week program. Financial donations are always welcome and can be made to First Christian Church, with Spokes for Hope on the memo line.

*Jill Harris*

Admin. Director, One True Light, Inc.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

**Kindred Community**

***"At the Beach"***

**Thursday, June 27 @ the Well**



First Christian Church will host the Kindred Community Widows Dinner on June 27!

Volunteers will be needed on Wednesday, June 26, and Thursday, June 27, for set-up, food prep, serving, and clean-up. If you're willing and able to help, please contact the Church Office at 255-6116 or Delyn Cronk at 656-0195.

Monetary donations are also needed. Checks can be made payable to First Christian Church with "Kindred Community" on the memo line.

Thank you for helping create a memorable evening of food, fun and fellowship for the widows in our community as they gather to remember their 'heavenly husbands'.

*FCC's Kindred Community Planning Team*



**CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER**

**Sunday, June 16**

**Leader: Shasta Smith**

## **LEADERS NEEDED FOR THE SUMMER!**

**If you'd like to volunteer,  
contact Shasta at 580-656-7884.**

## **COMING EVENTS**

**June 16 – 22**

### **Father's Day Sunday, June 16**

Good Morning Service in the Sanctuary	8:30 AM
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary	10:45 AM
Women of the Word Bible Study	6:00 PM
led by Kimberly Tilley at 2211 Twin Dr., Duncan	

### **Monday, June 17**

Women of the Word Bible Study, Elk Crossing	9:30 AM
led by Kimberly Tilley	

### **Tuesday, June 18**

Staff Meeting, Church Office Conference Room	10:00 AM
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### **Wednesday, June 19**

Youth UNite @ the Well, led by Holly Bailey	6:00 PM
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**PLEASE PICK UP YOUR DISH FROM  
THE GATHERING HALL KITCHEN  
FROM SUNDAY'S POTLUCK DINNER!**

**8:30—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, June 16, 2019**

**Sanctuary**

**Sermon**

Arnold Nelson

*Love God and Sin Boldly*

Romans 5: 1-11

**Scripture Reader**

Jason Smith

**Communion Prayer**

Jason Smith

**Greeters Narthex**

Janie Fitzgerald & Carl Slifer

**Assistant Treasurer**

John Eubanks

**Communion Preparation**

Jason Smith

**Sunday School Superintendent**

Rod Smith

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

June 15 — Team Bowman

**Ministers of First Christian Church**

Arnold Nelson, Jr.

Trevor Evans

Staff Secretary

Erica Hancock

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 Director

Sheila Gadbow

Daycare Assistant Director

Tosha Matheny

Nursery Director

Lacey Myers



**Come to Worship, Nurture, and Share**

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SERVING SCHEDULE**

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**Sanctuary**

**Sermon**

Arnold Nelson

*Love God and Sin Boldly*

Romans 5: 1-11

**Scripture Reader**

Mary Frances Cox

**Serving Elders**

**Communion Prayer:**

Darryl Ross

**Invocation & Lord's Prayer &**

**Dedication of Offering:**

Marty Askins

**Serving Deacons**

Koree Goldsmith

Linda Guest

Herb Lang

Tana Latham

Rachael Morales

Jeanna Russell (Head)

Bill Spice

Robynn Spice

**Greeters Narthex**

Bob & Suzie Bruner

**Sanctuary Doors from G.H.**

North: TBD

South: Melinda Burk

**Assistant Treasurer**

Gaylon Russell

**Communion Preparation**

Jason Smith

**Communion Clean Up**

Jeanna Russell

**10:45—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, June 16, 2019**

**Well**

**NO SUNDAY SERVICES**

**JUNE 16 — JULY 7**

***In Our Prayers***



**Rehabilitation**

— Sally Anderson — Elk Crossing

— Marvene Schumacher — Wilkins

**Others**

— Betty Eby

— Gloria Hetherington

— Paula Sue Hightower

(mother of Joy Galloway)

— Kim Kimberley

— Herb Lang

— Roger Latham

(father of Tana Latham)

— Honor Vaughn

**June 9, 2019**

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary 36

10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary 70

10:45 AM Worship @ the Well 58

Children's Worship & Wonder 3

Total Worship Attendance 167

Sunday School 33

General Budget \$6,659.00

Local Benevolent Offering \$140.00

Pentecost Offering \$242.000

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