



Here to Worship, Nurture, and Share

The Duncan Christian



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GONE SAVIN' LIVES

FCC Blood Drive
THIS Sunday, August 16
8:45 AM to 12:00 PM
Gathering Hall

Every donor can receive a free COVID-19 antibody test!
Test results will be mailed post donation; the test has not been reviewed by the FDA and is not intended to diagnose or treat COVID-19; must be 18 or older to receive.

APPOINTMENTS ONLY

Call the Church Office 255-6116 to schedule your appointment.

Masks are required and can be provided if needed.

FREE STUFF FOR ALL DONORS!

- *Gone Savin' Lives T-shirt*
- *1 coupon for a free Honey Butter Chicken Biscuit*
- *Your choice of 1 ticket to the Oklahoma Science Museum or Frontier City, or 2 tickets to Safari Joe's H2O*



JUST A REMINDER!

What We're Doing to Keep You Safe at Church

- ✓ Access to the Sanctuary is at the west, front Gathering Hall door. Access to the Well is at the Main Street entrance.
- ✓ Communion is prepared by an Elder wearing a mask & gloves for your protection. It is passed out at the appropriate time during the worship service by a Deacon wearing a mask.
- ✓ Masks are available at the door (they are recommended, but not required).
- ✓ Hand sanitizer is available.
- ✓ Certain areas of seating are blocked off to allow for social distancing.
- ✓ No handling of paper is necessary (bulletins, hymns, etc.).
- ✓ We recommend everyone have their temperature taken with our forehead thermometer upon entry, but it's not mandatory.

If you're not comfortable coming back to church yet, you can continue to watch online LIVE on Sundays at 8:30 AM in the Sanctuary and 10:45 AM at the Well on our Facebook pages – @FirstChristianChurchDuncan and @theWellFCC. If you miss the 8:30 AM service online, it is added to our website for you to watch at your convenience at www.fccduncan.com.

Ways to Give During the Pandemic

- ◆ **ACH (Automatic Deposits)**
 - ◇ Contact Reba in the Church Office 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)

The Amen Corner

A boy of my fond acquaintance is partial to cookies with “N-m-M” Chocolate Chips. They’re pretty good and in defense of his mispronunciation, he’s 4 years old. I thought “take” and “cake” were synonyms until 3rd grade when a teacher ridiculed me into knowledge. Ridicule is always one way. A lot of us persist in grammatical mistakes like this and it’s a good ideal to learn better.

Supposably, we were taut write in school but for all intensive purposes, some never bother irregardless of what’s rite and could care less. They don’t see how it could be of the utmost importance and make these and other mistakes, excetera. I seen them do it.

I once knew a preacher who came to America from Vietnam. All his learning of English was on the streets of New Orleans. When he spoke in his rough fashion, it was a hoot to hear him say “y’all” like it was the most normal thing in the world. It din’t matter none because he epitomized Christian education, but it was from Christian missionaries teaching language, he said the stories and songs of Jesus came to life.

This morning I saw a demonstration and a counter demonstration. One of the righteous threw a demonstrator to the street, swearing the whole time. Not a good ideal. How we treat our neighbors – especially “enemies” – says more about our faith than how we say it.

Glad to be your pastor,
Arnold

FCC People & Happenings



Coming Up...



Birthdays and Anniversaries

August 16–22

- 16 Janie Fitzgerald
 - 17 John Minson
 - 18 Liz Collins
Ann Loftin
 - 19 Gayle Jones
Melissa Teakell
Michael Tilley
 - 20 Barb Beebe
Carol Brashears
David Spears
 - 22 Jesse Chastain
Sharon Cook
Berkley Faulkner
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- 17 Adam & Kassie Gilmore
 - 18 Joe & Diane Keeler
 - 19 Bill & Robynn Spice
 - 21 John & Becky Minson

A Message from Trevor

With classroom doors beginning to open and youth filling the halls, we arrive at new opportunities to love our area youth. This year will not be like other years, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Challenges will be faced when it comes to serving these kids the way we normally would. Visiting students for lunches, large gatherings, and even cool handshakes will be very limited. But this will not keep us from sharing the Word of God with our students and finding creative ways to show them we care. Join me in praying for all involved in attending school this year. Whether it be for learning, teaching, or directing, may God guide them all and keep them safe!

Trevor Evans

In Our Prayers



Our members, **John & Dianne Stuart** celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, August 2. However, due to COVID, they’ve been separated for 6 months. Please pray that this couple is able to reunite soon. If you feel led to send a card of well wishes, you may send it to 2407 Ferguson Ave., Bozeman, MT 59718.

Thank You Notes

Dear FCC Family & Friends,

I’ve sold my home in Duncan and moved to Texas to be with family so I can have the help I need as I take my next step forward in life.

Thank you to everyone for the love and support you’ve shown and given me throughout the years I lived in Duncan. I especially thank all of my artistic friends who’ve come to my various art/painting classes, sharing their desire to learn art from me and me lovingly sharing my artistic gifts with them.

A big thank you to all my choir friends for allowing me to sing with you and share our love of music together.

I’ll never forget all the love and support from my FCC friends and family. I love each of you and will miss all of your distinct personalities and gifts you’ve shared with me. God Bless each of you! I hope I run into you when I occasionally get to come back to Duncan. Each of you are so very dear to me. I love you all so much!

In Christian Love,
Pat (Holloway) Dixon

First Christian Church Friends,

The Dehydrator Executive Committee and the Duncan Band Boosters thank you for sponsoring what would have been our 30th annual running of the Dehydrator bicycle race. In addition, thank you for your monetary contribution of \$250. We will miss seeing all of the riders and celebrating our bank program this year in person but, through your continued support and our online t-shirt sales, we will be able to provide assistance to the Duncan High School Band.

*Maria Spoering,
Band Booster Treasurer*

Thanks a million for directing the gifts to BJ Mpofo and the Disciples Community in Zimbabwe. Your church’s help with this relief effort is so appreciated!

Blessings in Christ,
Amy Gopp

Our dear friend, Johnny Wray, contacted us about a need in the Disciples Community in Zimbabwe. We’re happy to help. Thank you for facilitating this!

Shalom,
Suzy Stanfield Lynsky

FCC News & Activities

CHRISTMAS IN JULY GIVING! (A Little Late)



Thanks to all who participated in “Christmas in July” (that was held in August!) to benefit the Toy Shop of Duncan. In addition to the wonderful church services we enjoyed, we received many gifts. Between the 3 services, we received over \$736.25 in financial donations and \$500 in July from the Koinonia Class. These gifts will help fulfill the wishes we receive from over 1,150 children each year. With COVID, we expect that number to be even higher this year.

If you weren’t able to bring your toys or make a donation and still want to participate, please feel free to do so next week at church or bring it to the Church Office. You can make a check out to the Toy Shop of Duncan, or to FCC and write Toy Shop in the memo.

Thanks for the generosity of everyone who is making Christmas a little brighter for many children! The Toy Shop truly appreciates your kindness!

Kathy Snider

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

- ★ David and Cyndy Spears have been hard at work, keeping the lawn, shrubs, and flower beds looking so beautiful! Your FCC Family appreciates you!
- ★ Curtis Refrigeration donated the materials and time to retexture the walls in the Daycare “Owls” room. This donation is greatly appreciated!
- ★ Our always ready to volunteer, Anthony Scott, has been keeping up with the maintenance on the Church vans, and a few weeks ago, spent his Saturday morning helping the Daycare move things, clean, assemble rocking chairs, and more. Thank you for all of your help!
- ★ Jared Smith came up with the idea of last Sunday’s theme, Christmas in July (August), to help the Toy Shop. Great work, Jared!
- ★ Rita O’Kelley always volunteers her time and Secretary Expertise when Erica is on vacation, and does so gladly! Last week, she kept the office running smoothly. Thank you, Rita!

PLEASE TURN YOUR MINISTRY INVOLVEMENT FORM IN TO THE CHURCH OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!



CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

Cancelled until further notice.

COMING EVENTS

August 16–22

Sunday, August 16

Good Morning Service in the Sanctuary	8:30 AM
Blood Drive, Gathering Hall	8:45 AM–12:00 PM
Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary	10:45 AM
Contemporary Worship @ the Well	10:45 AM

Honoring Honor, Remembering Sue

Work has begun to renovate the FCC Daycare Nursery and Teachers’ Lounge. These are being done in memory of Sue Snider and Honor Vaughn, two dedicated directors of the daycare. If you would like to contribute to these fitting memorials, please send your gifts to the church office. For checks, please designate to First Christian Church with *Honor/Sue Daycare Renovation* in the memo. P.S. If you have moderate skills in any of the building trades, your help is needed and appreciated!

This is still an ongoing project and if you know how to tile, we NEED your help!



FCC SHIRTS HAVE ARRIVED!

If you ordered a shirt, please come by the Church Office to pick up and pay for your order.

!!ATTENTION LADIES!!

We want to include you in our Christian Women’s Fellowship Yearbook! If you’ve just finished high school, are new to our church, or are already in a CWF Group, please provide your email, phone number, and address to the Church Office by emailing erica@fccduncan.com or calling 255-6116.

If you’re not in a group now, you’re welcome to choose the one that best fits your schedule – or even volunteer to start a new group!

GROUPS AND MEETING TIMES

CWF #2 – 3rd Thursday – 9:30 AM
F.O.C.U.S. – 2nd Monday – 5:30 PM
(for those who work and/or attend school)

8:30—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE
Sunday, August 16, 2020
Sanctuary

Sermon
Arnold Nelson
Things That Matter Forever
Matthew 15:10-20, 21-28
Scripture Reader
A.L. Hutson
Communion Prayer
A.L. Hutson
Serving Deacons
Linda Guest
Tana Latham
Attendance Recorder
Tana Latham
Assistant Treasurer
Charlie Hays

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Sharon Burum
Serving Elders
Communion Prayer:
Beth Cowan
Invocation & Lord's Prayer &
Dedication of Offering:
Becky Minson
Serving Deacons
Head Deacon: Emma Wilkerson
Lanna Harris
Glynis Johns
Jeanna Russell
Assistant Treasurer
Gaylon Russell

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Well

Message
Trevor Evans
Serving Elder: John Minson
Assistant Treasurer: Trent Cronk

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
Helen Sullivan – Elk Crossing
Jackie Van Alstine – St. Simeon's Senior Community

In Our Prayers

Bob Bailey
Friend of Pat Holloway Dixon
Steve Bolt
Charlotte Campbell
Cousin of Gloria Hetherington
Paula Sue Hightower
Denise Kuehn (recovering from orthopedic surgery)
Mother of Lacey Gray
Kayla 'LaLa' LaFee (recovering from hip surgery)
Tommy Martindale (*friend of Kim & Nan Kimberley*)
Clement Mpofo
Evelyn Slifer (recovering from shingles)
Helen Sullivan (recovering from hip surgery)
Ronnie & Kathy Thompson

Ministers of First Christian Church

Arnold Nelson, Jr.
Trevor Evans
Erica Hancock Bennett
Reba Ford
Patty Jennings
Kevin Zinn
Richard Herndon
Alyssa Wisdom
Bruce Bailey
Jared Smith
LaDonna Brown
Frank Timmins
Stephen Stapp
Meranda McClennen
Maddie Bacon
Tosha Matheny

Staff Secretary
Business Secretary
Organist
Sanctuary Choir Director
A.V. Manager, Sanctuary
A.V. Manager, Well
Praise Leader @ the Well
Kitchen Hostess
Head Custodian
Custodian
Daycare Director
Daycare Assistant Director
Daycare Programs Manager

August 9, 2020

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	33
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	45
Worship @ the Well	55
Nursery	4
Online Sanctuary Worship	814
Online Well Worship	121
Total Worship Attendance	1,072
General Budget	\$ 6,894.90
Toy Shop of Duncan	\$ 386.25



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