



Ice Cream Social FCC Daycare Fundraiser



Thank you to members of FCC who supported the Daycare through your generous donations made at the Ice Cream Social. You helped raise an amazing total of \$936.00!! Thank you, too, to those who brought homemade ice cream for the tasting test. Charles Boyd was the winner with his Butterfinger ice cream. It was a fun evening of visiting with friends and sharing lots of delicious treats.

Thanks, again.
Suzy Bruner & the FCC Board



Ice Cream Makers (from left): Trent Cronk, Kathy Snider, Arnold Nelson, Donna Shaw, Linda Hutson, Rita O'Kelley, and Charles Boyd.



Suzy Bruner crowning Charles Boyd 1st place winner for his Butterfinger ice cream.

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, AUGUST 30

6:35 TO 8:00 PM @ THE WELL

MENU: LOADED BAKED POTATOES, SALAD & DESSERT

VOLUNTEERS & DESSERTS NEEDED!

**WE REQUEST WATERMELONS FOR DESSERT IN ADDITION TO A REGULAR DESSERT.
WATERMELONS SHOULD BE BROUGHT AND PUT IN THE FRIDGE ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 29.**

THIS MONTH'S MEAL PROVIDED BY FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH & THE WELL, HOSTED @ THE WELL.

**"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

The Amen Corner

A few Sundays ago, Alan Toler and the Property Team presented an Emergency Action Plan for our congregation in the event of a variety of occurrences we'd rather not think about, but must. The key issue is an active shooter choosing us for his target. The Emergency Response Team has worked on this for a couple of years now and their diligence was rewarded by a large crowd of deacons and elders. They were helped by the presence of two of Duncan's Finest, including our own, Jon Williams. Thanks to you all.

Right away, some good responses came our way. Alan had the good judgement to add Koree Goldsmith to the team. A school principal with training on the subject can only help. Others have offered other kinds of help. My own suggestion of lining the pulpit with Kevlar didn't get any "Amens." Still, only this morning, Jim Holland made a proposal. He observed when former Congresswoman, Gabby Gifford, was shot along with 24 others, 6 of whom died. The assassination attempt and killings were mitigated when the shooter had to reload. While occupied, a smart and brave soul stepped forward and beamed him with a folding chair. Brother Holland allowed our pews were too heavy, but he opined about 3 bricks per pew might deter such a mad man. I have to give him credit for imagination. Actually, all of us using imagination and common sense goes a long way. Something else goes a long way: prayer.

I'd be slow to suggest we pray our church be spared such insanity but eager to say we should pray for the society that incubates madmen (and its always men and always white guys). I'd urge us to pray for what on earth it is that makes this possible, even attractive, alone among developed countries, and pretty underdeveloped ones too. Before we ever pray to be delivered from the consequences of evil, we're better off praying for understanding of the causes, and then the elimination of same. I appreciate that in many quarters, prayer comes across as a wimpy approach. It's right there with crossing our fingers and wishing on a star. Of course, these aren't those quarters, are they? We appreciate the weapon of prayer isn't a futile last resort, but the first step taken by people of faith. This is especially helpful when prayer is followed by reflection because that's often when we get God's answers!

Glad to be your pastor,
Arnold

FCC People & Happenings



Coming Up...



Birthdays and Anniversaries

August 25-31

- 25 – Angie Evans
Marjorie Fuller
- 26 – Cooper Majure
Courtney Watkins
- 27 – Adam Gilmore
Katherine Rogers
- 28 – London Calhoun
Janeen Hall
- 29 – Charlene Sullivan
- 30 – Kendra Dorrough
Leah LeMaster
Dylan Siess
Jeanne Smith
- 31 – Vicky Cox

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- 25 – Richard & Wida Heelan
Russell & Denise Rogers
 - 28 – Kent & Liz Collins
 - 29 – Jonathan & Jo Williams
 - 31 – Audie & Kendra Dorrough

In Christian Sympathy



Our deepest sympathy is extended to William (Bill) Masters and family upon the death of his wife, Mary Elizabeth (Beth) Masters of Enid, OK. She passed away on August 12, 2019. Services were held on August 17, 2019 at Central Christian Church in Enid. Mary was baptized at our church in 1935 when she was 9 years old and Bill was the Senior Minister from 1954 to 1964.

Help Support the DHS Football Team!



Volunteers are needed to help feed the Duncan High School Football Team on **Thursday, September 12**. If you'd like to show your support by helping with this dinner, please contact the Church Office (580) 255-6116 or Holly Bailey (405) 290-8653.

Thank you!
Holly Bailey



It's A BOY!

Ellis James Ross

Congratulations to Joe & Sara Ross on the birth of their son, Ellis James Ross, born on August 19, 2019 weighing 7 pounds. We also congratulate the Grandparents, Darryl & Bonnie Ross.

Thank You

Thank you so much for your continued support of Gabriel's House. Your dedication to giving each month allows us to feed God into our children on a daily basis. We appreciate your support and prayers.

Leah Mulkey

Gabriel's House Board Member

ELDER PRAYER BREAKFAST

Tuesday, August 27

7:00 AM

DRH Atrium Café

To My Church Friends...

Life's Freebies

Have you ever noticed how a cat will find contentment in something as simple as a ray of sunshine? She settles herself in its pleasure and basks in the joy of the moment!

Every day, God sends simple blessings into our lives for us to discover, embrace, and enjoy. A cooling breeze on a hot summer's day. A toasty fire on a chilly afternoon. The song of leaves rustling in the wind. The sound of birds chirping from the rooftop.

God's simple blessings come completely free – it's just a matter of taking the time to enjoy them.

"This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

– Psalm 118:24

Love,

Valenne Neel

NEW MEMBER ADDRESS

Herb & Doris Lang

5900 Mosteller Dr.

Oklahoma City, OK 73112

5TH QUARTER

We will be hosting the 5th Quarter event at the Well on Friday, September 20, following the Duncan High School football game. We typically host 300-400 students! Monetary donations are needed, as well as volunteers. Please make checks payable to First Christian Church with "5th Quarter" in the memo. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact the Church Office (580) 255-6116 or Holly Bailey (405) 290-8653.

Holly Bailey

FCC News & Activities



Coming September 4... WEDNESDAY UNITE

Includes:

Dinner at 5:30 PM in the Gathering Hall
Kids UNite (Kindergarten through 5th Grade)
Youth UNite (Middle & High School) @ the Well
Adults UNite

Menu for September 4: Taco Bar

Cook Team: Loftin

**THERE'S STILL TIME TO SIGN UP
TO BE A PART OF A COOK TEAM!**

In just a few weeks, Wednesday UNite will begin! If you enjoy cooking and serving meals, you'll fit right in to this Ministry! If you'd like to be a part of a Cook Team, you can contact a Cook Team Leader or call the Church Office.

2019 Cook Teams & Leaders:

All Star Men's Bible Class Team – Arnold Nelson

Team Craig – Paul & Linda Craig

Team Loftin – Ann Loftin

Team Snider – Kathy Snider

Women of the Word

Bible Study Group
led by Kimberly Tilley

Fall Study:

"The Love of God"



This Fall, we're going to be focusing on God's amazing love for us. In His Word, we find verses telling us "fear not", "go and do these things", and "submit to God". However, until we begin to understand how much He loves us, it's hard to accept who we are and what we are in Christ Jesus. As we walk through the Word and gain a spiritual understanding of His Love for mankind, which includes all of us, then His Love will begin to shine in us and make a difference not only in our lives but also the lives of those all around us. —Kimberly Tilley

Same Lesson offered twice a week!

Sunday Nights

Beginning Sept. 8

Kimberly's Home

2211 Twin Dr., Duncan

6:00 PM

&

Monday Mornings

Beginning Sept. 9

Elk Crossing Rehab Café

811 W. Elk, Duncan

9:30 AM

For questions or more info, contact Kimberly at:

kimberly@gotilley.com

580-606-0043

www.kimberlytilley.org



CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

Sunday, August 25

Leader: Kathy Snider

LEADERS NEEDED FOR THE FALL!

If you'd like to volunteer,

contact Shasta at 580-656-7884.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, August 31
9:00 AM
Gathering Hall

Menu: Biscuits & Gravy, Scrambled Eggs
Speaker: Trevor Evans

COMING EVENTS

August 25–31

Sunday, August 25

Good Morning Service in the Sanctuary 8:30 AM

Sunday School 9:30 AM

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary 10:45 AM

Contemporary Worship at the Well 10:45 AM

Tuesday, August 27

Elder Prayer Breakfast, DRH Atrium Café 7:00 AM

Staff Meeting, Office Conference Room 10:00 AM

Wednesday, August 28

Youth UNite @ the Well, led by Holly Bailey 6:00 PM

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM

Friday, August 30

J.O.H.N. 6:35 Free Meal @ the Well 6:35 PM

Open to the Community

Saturday, August 31

Men's Fellowship Breakfast, Gathering Hall 9:00 AM

**8:30—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE**

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Sanctuary

Sermon

Arnold Nelson

So Great a Cloud of Witnesses

Hebrews 12:1-12

Scripture Reader

Suzy Bruner

Communion Prayer

Terry Snider

Greeters Narthex

Janie Fitzgerald & Carl Slifer

Assistant Treasurer

Joyce Frechette

Communion Preparation

Terry Snider

Sunday School Superintendent

Rod Smith

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

August 24 — Team Elliott

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

Custodian to the Well

Paul Toler

Daycare Director

Tosha Matheny

Nursery Director

Lacey Myers



Come to Worship, Nurture, and Share

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**10:45—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE**

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Sanctuary

Sermon

Arnold Nelson

So Great a Cloud of Witnesses

Hebrews 12:1-12

Scripture Reader

Emma Wilkerson

Serving Elders

Communion Prayer:

A.L. Hutson

Invocation & Lord's Prayer &

Dedication of Offering:

Wes Sullivan

Serving Deacons

John Galloway

Joy Galloway

Mark Galloway

Tana Latham

Donna Marks

Beth Cowan (Head)

Cecelia Richey

Donna Shaw

Randy Shaw

Greeters Narthex

Gaylon & Joyce Russell

Sanctuary Doors from G.H.

North: Melinda Burk

South: Susan Elliott

Assistant Treasurer

Angie Randolph

Communion Preparation

Terry Snider

Communion Clean Up

Beth Cowan

**10:45—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE**

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Well

Message

Trevor Evans

Big Prayers, Bigger Results:

PREPARE

Serving Elder: Delyn Cronk

Hostess: Pat Notley

Assistant Treasurer: Trent Cronk

In Our Prayers



Nursing Home

Sally Anderson — Elk Crossing

Lynda Galloway — Elk Crossing

Billie Phagans — Chisholm Trail Assisted

Living

Marvene & Louie Schumacher — Wilkins

Others

David R. Carney

Betty Eby

Herb Lang

Honor Vaughn

August 18, 2019

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	49
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	86
10:45 AM Worship at the Well	65
Children Worship & Wonder	5
Total Worship Attendance	205
Sunday School	42
General Budget	\$ 9,519.67
Capital	\$ 170.00
Local Benevolent Offering	\$ 20.00

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