

Here to Worship, Nurture, and Share



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STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2020

“Grounded in Faith, Growing to Serve”

Forms needed by Monday, September 30

You may turn your form in by bringing or mailing it to the Church Office (912 W. Walnut) or by dropping it in the offering plate on Sundays.



Grounded in Faith
Growing to Serve

On behalf of the Stewardship Committee, thanks to everyone for supporting our efforts as we're getting closer to developing a budget for the coming year. This process seems to require something from everyone and the members of this congregation have responded well, and it shows! Thank you! If you haven't had the opportunity to mail or turn in a commitment form, there's still time. September 30 is not only the last day of the month, it's our deadline.

Sincerely,
Darryl Ross

Stewardship Committee

Bruce Bailey, Trent Cronk, Koree Goldsmith, Richard Herndon, A.L. Hutson,
Darryl Ross, Ron Savage, Rod Smith, Terry Snider, Joe Vermedahl, Bama White

*Gracious words are a honeycomb,
sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.*

Proverbs 16:24

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, SEPTEMBER 27

6:35 TO 8:00 PM @ THE WELL

MENU: RIGATONI, SALAD, GARLIC BREAD & DESSERT

VOLUNTEERS & DESSERTS NEEDED!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, AT 3:30 PM FOR PREP & FRIDAY DURING THE MEAL.

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*

BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH



Thursday, October 3

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Gathering Hall

Study: *"The Gospel of Mark"* led by Arnold Nelson

Light Lunch: \$5.00

Please call the Church Office by

Noon on Monday, September 30 to sign up!

SAVE YOUR QUARTERS!

This Sunday, September 29

We'll receive our

5TH SUNDAY QUARTER BLESSING OFFERING

to benefit the
TOY SHOP

The Amen Corner

A Glossary of Terms

Sacred: entitled to respect, deemed especially dear

Holy: held in religious veneration

Secular: of the world, and not religion

Defile: to make filthy, pollute

Profane: to treat what is sacred with irreverence, contempt, and disregard

People say, "Is nothing sacred anymore?" I understand the concern. As an example, times for worship on Sundays no longer have a monopoly on what one can do with a Sunday morning. Some of us are bothered we live in a secular world that won't bend to our claimed values. Frankly, I'm good with that. I don't want everyone to act like Christian values, just Christians. When we think of the Sacred we're apt to mean "Holy", so the word is packed with religious baggage. Well, I think holy things certainly are sacred but I'm impressed there is sacredness to go around, even in the secular world.

I once visited a monument to victims of a concentration camp near Minsk. Those were Russian Communist days and there was no reference to anything religious but it was ever more a sacred place. I've also been to Graceland; same deal. There are places and things, values and relationships that are sacred to us. A cemetery reserved for men and women who valued their nation more than their lives is a sacred place. The Founders of our republic "held these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal..." In 1776, they were speaking the truth even when they only meant landed white males. As this powerful idea has been enlarged to understand all means all, the sacredness of it is clearer yet.

We have relationships sacred to us. A relationship that is unreservedly based on unconditional love is a sacred thing. Don't get it? Think about how you feel about kids and grandkids. Get it now? We live in a world where such sacred values, institutions, relationships can be defiled and profaned. Here in Duncan a man is looking at a 500-year prison sentence for exactly that and as Karl Jacobs said, "He probably won't be able to serve out the whole term."

Is anything sacred anymore? Yes, lots of things! But it's important to think of what they are – why they are – sacred to us. Otherwise, we can become careless and defile them. Wendell Berry has written there's only the sacred and the desecrated, defiled. At our best, we embrace what's sacred to us as gifts from the God who is holy above all else, and keep it that way.

Glad to be your pastor,
Arnold

FCC People & Happenings

Coming Up...



Birthdays and Anniversaries

September 29 – October 5

- 30 – Adyson Meek
- 2 – Blake Baird
Jaye Smith
Kaye Smith
Anna Stark
Shelby Talley
- 3 – Pete Calhoun
Mary Samuels
- 4 – Lauren Perry
Alexia Teakell
- 5 – Don Weaks

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- 2 – John & Cynthia Peters
Gary & Karen Scott

Thank You Notes

A huge THANK YOU to all of the volunteers who helped make 5th Quarter a huge success! And, thank you to all who made cookies or brownies. The game was cancelled, but we had our doors open and over 250 kids came through! The kids had a blast and I know the adults did too. Thanks for always supporting our youth!

Holly Bailey



Thank you so much for your monthly donation to Safe Center. Your continuous support to our agency allows us to continue providing services to our clients. Thank you for supporting our agency and our mission!

Everyone at Safe Center

CWF CHURCH CLOSET CLEAN-OUT DAY

Thursday, September 26

Friday, September 27

9:00 AM

HELP WANTED!

Meet in the Gathering Hall

TOY SHOP

Fall Rummage Sale

The Toy Shop will have their Fall Rummage Sale at the Stephens County Fairgrounds on Thursday, October 3, and Friday, October 4. We'll be moving merchandise from the Latham Building (7th & Willow) to the Fairgrounds on Sunday, September 29, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM if anyone is willing to help. Pickups and trailers welcome! Pizza will be served at the Well following the move. Donations will be accepted at the Fairgrounds on Monday, September 30, through Wednesday, October 2, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Please call the Toy Shop at 255-9625 (M-F, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM) for questions.

Thank you!
Kathy Snider

DEACON MEETING

Sunday, September 29

6:00 PM

Gathering Hall

Children's Bible

Story Books Wanted!

I'm looking for slightly used books with bible stories appropriate for Pre-K to 2nd Grade lessons for my Kids UNite class on Wednesdays. We have a few books in the children's area, but we could use more. If you have some you'd like to donate, please contact Bonnie at (405)206-8318.

Thank you,
Bonnie Ross

COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESSES NEEDED

If you have a college student this Fall, please call the Church Office (255-6116) with their new address. We'd love to be able to send a College Care Package to your student!

MEMBER ADDRESS CHANGE

**Katherine Rogers
1309 W. Elder #24
Duncan, OK 73533**

FCC News & Activities

Pastor Appreciation Potluck

in honor of Arnold Nelson & Trevor Evans

Sunday, October 6

following both 10:45 AM services

Gathering Hall

Bring your favorite dish!

(Main or side dishes, Casseroles, Vegetables, Salads, Desserts, etc.)

Please make enough to share!

The Church will provide chicken & drinks.

There will be a basket for cards.

Hosted by the Fellowship Committee

Thank you for the time you give, the work you do, and the care you offer.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

This Saturday, September 28
9:00 AM

Gathering Hall

Menu: Scrambled Eggs, Ham,
Sausage Links, Fruit & Pastries





Wednesday UNite

October 2

Dinner for Everyone begins at 5:30 PM in the Gathering Hall.

DINNER COST:

Kids through 5th Grade = FREE

Middle/High School = \$5

Adults = \$7

A "Feed a Friend" Fund has been established to cover the cost of dinner when needed.

Dinner Reservation Deadline:

Noon on Monday, September 30!

Please sign up on the attendance sheets, call (255-6116), or email: erica@fccduncan.com

MENU: Chicken & Rice

Cook Team: Loftin

Kids UNite—6:00 PM (Pre-K-5th Grade) led by Shasta Smith

Youth UNite—6:00 PM (Middle/High School) led by Trevor Evans

Adults UNite—6:00 PM led by Arnold Nelson



CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

Sunday, September 29

Leader: Valeria Lanteri



GET YOUR SMILES READY!

Artisan Life will be here November 5-9 to take our photos for the new Church Directory!

More details coming soon.

COMING EVENTS

September 29 – October 5

Sunday, September 29

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
Young Adult Bible Study, Harmony Classroom	5:00 PM
<i>for young couples/parents, led by Jared & Shasta Smith</i>	
Women of the Word Bible Study	6:00 PM
<i>at the home of Kimberly Tilley (2211 Twin Dr., Duncan)</i>	
Deacon Meeting, Gathering Hall	6:00 PM

Monday, September 30

Women of the Word Bible Study	9:30 AM
Elk Crossing Rehabilitation Café	

Tuesday, October 1

Staff Meeting, Office Conference Room	10:00 AM
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Wednesday, October 2

CWU Board Meeting, Stephens Co. Fairgrounds	1:30 PM
<i>Wednesday UNite</i>	
Dinner, Gathering Hall	5:30 PM
Kids UNite, led by Shasta Smith	6:00 PM
Youth UNite, led by Trevor Evans	6:00 PM
Adults UNite, led by Arnold Nelson	6:00 PM
Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

Thursday, October 3

Toy Shop Fall Rummage Sale	8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
<i>Stephens Co. Fairgrounds</i>	
Bible Study/Lunch, Gathering Hall	12:00 PM
<i>led by Arnold Nelson</i>	

Friday, October 4

Toy Shop Fall Rummage Sale	8:00 AM – 2:00 PM
<i>Stephen's Co. Fairgrounds</i>	

Saturday, October 5

Men's Net Group @ the Well	8:30 AM
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8:30—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE
Sunday, September 29, 2019
Sanctuary
Sermon
Arnold Nelson
How Could I Be So Stubborn?
Luke 16:19-21
Scripture Reader
A.L. Hutson
Communion Prayer
Becky Minson
Greeters Narthex
Janie Fitzgerald & Carl Slifer
Assistant Treasurer
Cotton Liles
Communion Preparation
Becky Minson
Sunday School Superintendent
Rod Smith

God's Love...it's Cookin'!
September 28 – Team Elliott


Ministers of First Christian Church
Arnold Nelson, Jr.
Trevor Evans
Erica Hancock
Reba Ford
Patty Jennings
Kevin Zinn
Richard Herndon
Bruce Bailey
Jared Smith
LaDonna Brown
Frank Timmins
Stephen Stapp
Paul Toler
Tosha Matheny
Lacey Myers

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
Custodian to the Well
Daycare Director
Nursery Director

10:45—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE
Sunday, September 29, 2019
Sanctuary
Sermon
Arnold Nelson
How Could I Be So Stubborn?
Luke 16:19-21
Scripture Reader
Bama White
Serving Elders
Communion Prayer:
John Minson
Invocation & Lord's Prayer &
Dedication of Offering:
Rita O'Kelley
Serving Deacons
Aaron Askins
Dana Askins
Sharon Burum
Susan Elliott
Tom Freeman
Linda Guest (Head)
David Herndon
Rachel Morales
Charles Young, Sr.

Greeters
Narthex
Susan Elliott & Lanna Harris
Sanctuary Doors from G.H.
North: Amy Ater
South: Alice Auerbach
Assistant Treasurer
Rita O'Kelley
Communion Preparation
Becky Minson
Communion Clean Up
Linda Guest

10:45—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE
Sunday, September 29, 2019
Well
Message
Trevor Evans
Acts 6
Serving Elder: Karl Jacobs
Hostess: Holly Bailey
Assistant Treasurer: Trent Cronk

In Our Prayers 

Nursing Home
Sally Anderson – Elk Crossing
Lynda Galloway – Elk Crossing
Charlie Hays – Elk Crossing
Marvene & Louie Schumacher – Wilkins

Others
David R. Carney
Betty Eby
Herb Lang
Billie Phagans
Honor Vaughn

September 22, 2019

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	41
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	76
10:45 AM Worship at the Well	59
Children Worship & Wonder	6
Total Worship Attendance	182
Sunday School	35
General Budget	\$ 6,736.57
Capital	\$ 20.00



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