

Here to Worship, Nurture, and Share



The Duncan Christian



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STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2021

“Generosity is Contagious”



Dear Church Family,

Our 2021 Stewardship Campaign hopefully took your minds off the COVID-19 contagion for a while and gave you a smile. On behalf of the Stewardship Committee, thank you for supporting our efforts as we prepare to develop the 2021 budget for the First Christian Church of Duncan. The campaign is officially over as of September 30 but, as in the past, we will gladly accept forms after this date. You can mail or bring it to the Church Office (912 W. Walnut) or drop it in the offering plate on Sunday. If you need a new one, forms will still be available in the Narthex, Church Office, and at the Well. If you need one mailed to you, please let the Church Office know. You may also fill your form out online by going to www.FCCDuncan.com/Stewardship-Commitment. Thank you, again, for supporting our church!

Sincerely,
Cyndy Spears

Stewardship Team

Bruce Bailey, Trent Cronk, Kassie Gilmore, Richard Herndon, A.L. Hutson (co-chair),
Kelly Nelson, Darryl Ross, Terry Snider (co-chair), Cyndy Spears, & Joe Vermedahl



Wednesday UNite

October 7

Dinner: 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: Monday, October 5

Sign up on the attendance sheet on Sunday, call the Church Office, or email: erica@fccduncan.com

PLEASE MAKE A RESERVATION IF YOU PLAN TO EAT!

(even if you're part of the Cook Team preparing the meal)

IF YOU SIGNED UP BUT ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE CANCEL YOUR RESERVATION.

MENU: Chicken Enchiladas

Cook Team: Snider

Kids UNite (Pre-K–5th Grade) – *not meeting until further notice*

Youth UNite–6:00 PM (Middle/High School) led by Holly Bailey

Adults UNite–6:00 PM led by Arnold Nelson

The Amen Corner

Yom Kippur

Over the weekend, a large part of the world kept a sacred holy day. It's Yom Kippur, 2 days of fasting and prayer sacred to Judaism. It's so steeped in meaning and tradition that it's the one time of the year nonobservant Jews find their way to a temple or synagogue. For all the festive times of their faith, this isn't one. Yom Kippur is an occasion for atonement. That's not a very attractive idea for most of us. After all, atonement has to do with making things right with family, neighbors, and God, and to do so we first have to admit some kind of wrongdoing.

Admitting to doing wrong, being wrong, gets in many of our craws. It's hard for some of us to ever say we make mistakes, and we can get defensive. Still, it would be the exceptional one of us to have no need of it. The Apostle Paul knew the issue. It dates all the way back to Moses coming down from the mountain only to find the newly-freed ungrateful. Faithless slaves worshipping a golden calf. Atoning such sins was well in order? Paul knew it when he admitted to the Romans, *"For the good that I would I do not: but the evil that I would not, that I do."* That's how it's done: owning up to sins of commission and omission.

Around the world, Jews of all stripes and degrees of devotion gather as a people to fast and pray. It's interesting that the rule of the day is to pray in first person plural. They pray "We" prayers and for 2 good reasons. First, so no one has to "out themselves" making confession. Second, because they're all part of the same people and the sins of one are the problem of the whole. This is a pretty good example of the sense of an appropriate Yom Kippur prayer: *"To those we may have wronged, we ask for your forgiveness. For those we may have helped, we wish we could have done more. For the many we neglected to help, we are truly sorry. To those who have helped us, we are deeply grateful."*

I don't think being a Jew is required of any of us to offer up such sentiments to our neighbor or our Lord. The only one who may not have needed to offer such an admission of failure was our Lord Jesus; still yet, he prayed it.

Glad to be your pastor,
Arnold

FCC People & Happenings

Coming Up...



Birthdays and Anniversaries

October 4-10

- 5 Don Weaks
- 6 Kate Burum
Ed Darling
John Galloway
Joyce Russell
- 7 Scott Beebe
Greta Hutson
David Moore
- 8 Robyn Allen
Kipp Anderson
LaDonna Brown
Carrie Doerksen
Jason Smith
- 9 C.H. Barnes
Jenna Keeler
Rachel Morales
Sherry Pack
Dan Peters
- 10 Ricky Brown
Melanie Smith



Thank You Notes

Dear Church Members,

Thank you for your prayers for me during my recent back surgery. They mean so much to me. I love you because you are followers of Christ, but I also love you because Kevin loves you. I always enjoy worshipping with you all. I haven't been to public worship in months! I miss it so. I'm progressing each day. Thanks to Patty Jennings for her words of encouragement. It meant so much to us. Kevin shares the newsletter with me each week. I always enjoy reading it. Please continue to pray for me. God is with me, who could ask for more? God bless and keep each of you as you labor for Him.

Sincerely,
Nell Zimm



G.L.I.C. & Christian Friends,

Thank you so much for the wonderful meals. They've been such a blessing! Thank you for all of your prayers as well. We look forward to being back with you all soon.

Carol & John Eubanks

In Christian Sympathy



Our deepest sympathy is extended to Rita O'Kelley and family upon the passing of her sister, **Doylene Grimm**, on Saturday, September 26. A Celebration of Life service will be held at First Christian Church of Crescent, OK on Thursday, October 22.



Help Support the
DHS Football Team!



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help feed the Duncan High School Football Team on **Thursday, October 22. Prepping will begin at Noon.** If you'd like to show your support by helping with this dinner, please contact the Church Office at 255-6116.

HELP WANTED

Cook team members for Wednesday UNite are needed! If you'd like to be part of a cook team, please call the Church Office (255-6116). Even if you're already on a cook team and would like to be a helpful part of another, let the office know!

CWF EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, October 8
9:30 AM
Parlor

TOY DONATIONS NEEDED

The FCC Daycare is in need of new or gently used toys. If you have any to donate, please call the Daycare at 255-6808 or bring them to the Church Office. If you don't have any toys, monetary donations are appreciated!

LOCAL BENEVOLENT
OFFERING
TO BE RECEIVED
THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

REMINDER

Please be aware of the Kitchen Guidelines and CDC Food Guidelines when using the Church Kitchen. If you do not have a copy, they are posted in the kitchen. Please read them thoroughly before you begin prepping or cooking.

Thank you!
FCC COVID-19 Committee

FCC News & Activities



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

- ★ Shout out to **Robert O'Kelley** and **Anthony Scott** for lending out their muscles to move the old Daycare office desk into Tosha's office on Friday. You are both appreciated!

CABINET MEETING NEWS

Tuesday, September 29

In Tuesday evening's Cabinet Meeting, Dana Askins and Suzy Bruner, announced the Fellowship Committee would host a Potluck Dinner following the 10:45 AM worship services on Sunday, October 11. This is in recognition of Pastor Appreciation Sunday. In deference to COVID-19 concerns, meals will be served using safe conditions and seats will be spaced to allow for social distancing.

NURSERY WORKERS STILL NEEDED

Applications are available
in the Church Office.

*Typical workdays are Sunday mornings
during Worship and Wednesday
evenings during Wednesday UNite.*



CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

Cancelled until further notice.

COMING EVENTS

October 4–10

Sunday, October 4

Good Morning Service in the Sanctuary	8:30 AM
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary	10:45 AM
Contemporary Worship @ the Well	10:45 AM

Tuesday, October 6

Staff Meeting, Office Conference Room	10:00 AM
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Wednesday, October 7

<i>Wednesday UNite</i>	
Dinner, Gathering Hall	5:30 PM
Kids UNite – not meeting until further notice	
Youth UNite @ the Well	6:00 PM
Adults UNite, Gathering Hall	6:00 PM

Thursday, October 8

CWF Executive Committee Meeting, Parlor	9:30 AM
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To be received this Sunday, October 4

This offering funds the mission of the Disciples of Christ to become a pro-reconciling and anti-racist church. Our efforts to promote healing, relationships, and restoration in the whole family of God are enlivened by funds from this offering. It provides programs for leadership development, curriculum for dialogue and learning, and partnerships within the Church and our communities.

8:30—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE
Sunday, October 4, 2020
Sanctuary

Sermon
Arnold Nelson
Should the Master Back Away.
Matthew 21:33-46
Scripture Reader
Charles Young
Communion Prayer
A.L. Hutson
Serving Deacons
Cyndy Spears
David Spears
Assistant Treasurer
A.L. Hutson

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Scripture Reader
Kathy Snider
Serving Elders
Communion Prayer:
Rebecca Minson
Invocation & Lord's Prayer &
Dedication of Offering:
John Minson
Serving Deacons
Head Deacon: Randy Shaw
Robert Cowan
David Herndon
Donna Shaw
Assistant Treasurer
David Herndon

10:45—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE
Sunday, October 4, 2020
Well

Message
Darryl Ross
Eternity
Serving Elder: Darryl Ross
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

God's Love...it's Cookin'!
October 7 – Team Pace

In Our Prayers
Bob Bailey
Friend of Pat Holloway Dixon
Kylie Bailey
Steve Bolt (battling cancer)
Son of Gene & Jo Fuller
Charlotte Campbell
Cousin of Gloria Hetherington
Carol Eubanks
Morris Fuller (battling cancer)
Son of Gene & Jo Fuller
Jay Griffin (pneumonia & COVID-19)
Brother of Kay Herndon
Paula Sue Hightower
Mother of Joy Galloway
Jim James (COVID-19)
Step-Father of Cyndy Spears
Tommy Martindale (starting Chemo)
Friend of Kim & Nan Kimberley
Clement Mpofo
Helen Sullivan (recovering from hip surgery)
Ronnie & Kathy Thompson
Nell Zinn (recovering from back surgery)
Mother of Kevin Zinn

STAFF OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Minister Arnold Nelson, Jr.
Staff Secretary Erica Hancock Bennett
Business Secretary Reba Ford
Organist Patty Jennings
Sanctuary Choir Director Kevin Zinn
A.V. Manager, Sanctuary Richard Herndon
Alyssa Wisdom
A.V. Manager, Well Bruce Bailey
Praise Leader @ the Well Jared Smith
Kitchen Hostess LaDonna Brown
Head Custodian Frank Timmins
Custodian Stephen Stapp
Daycare Interim Director Audrea Clark
Daycare Co-Director Meranda McClennen
Daycare Assistant Director Maddie Bacon
Daycare Programs Manager Tosha Matheny
Nursery Director Lacey Myers

September 27, 2020
8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary 31
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary 40
10:45 AM Worship @ the Well 34
Nursery 5
Online Sanctuary Worship 297
Online Well Worship 144
Total Worship Attendance 551
General Budget \$ 2,700.86
Capital \$ 20.00
Local Benevolent Offering \$ 8.00



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