

*Here to Worship, Nurture, and Share*



# The Duncan Christian

Volume 67, Issue 43

THE WELL  
A MINISTRY OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Thursday, October 24, 2019

## Your 2019 Directory is Here!

SIGN UP to get your portraits made!

Receive  
Complimentary Portrait Session  
Complimentary 8x10  
Complimentary Directory



You can also sign up by calling the  
Church Office 255-6116 or Paula Toler 467-2847.



## Wednesday UNite

October 30

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, October 28!**

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

PLEASE MAKE A RESERVATION IF YOU PLAN TO EAT DINNER!

(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: Loftin

NO Kids UNite (Pre-K-5th Grade) Resumes November 6

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

Adults UNite-6:00 PM led by Arnold Nelson

## 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

THIS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25  
6:35 TO 8:00 PM @ THE WELL



DINE-IN MENU: BEEF & VEGETABLE STEW,  
CORNBREAD & BANANA PUDDING  
DELIVERED MENU: HOTDOGS, CHIPS & COOKIES  
(TO ELM TERRACE)

THIS MONTH'S MEAL PROVIDED BY BOY SCOUTS TROOP  
#4434, 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

### *Need a Ride to Church on Sunday?*

Nate Johnson will be driving the church van on Sunday mornings to pick up those who are unable to drive themselves. If you'd like a ride, please call the Church Office each Friday before noon with your address and phone number.

## The Amen Corner

My recent trip to my hometown reminded me that among those I most admire are those who live their lives where they started. Not me! I hit the road at 17! Living in your hometown means living around people who knew you back when, and think they know you based on a bundle of old stuff. People are made to change: to grow, become, learn from past mistakes and come up with new ideas, visions and values. Only the saddest among us never change, but a geographical cure has been a safe way for most of us to reinvent ourselves. I admire those who do it the hard way. Now, since we're all Christians, how can we help them?

My favorite teacher, Harvey Potthoff said, "Be kind to every man you meet, he's having a hard time." Of course, Plato said it in Greek about 2,400 years before but the idea is worthy. Get to know anyone and you'll learn they have issues of all kinds that free us of envy. They usually handle it all well enough. Sometimes, it seeps out. Henry David Thoreau was on to this when he wrote, "The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation." That's at the far end of my point, but I'll still contend lots of us are working at growing past who we were and it's a daily struggle. It was for such reasons as this, Jesus said, "You have heard you must forgive your neighbor 7 times but, I say to you, forgive them 70 times 7!" Boy howdy that's hard. For some of us, it's a matter of going against our native instincts 490 times. It doesn't help to live in a world that elevates getting even and paying back and "By God, showing them!" But it's a world going to hell, so let's not let them run our show.

God's word to us is, "Cut them some slack. Accept that they're a work in progress, just like you. My son had to go to the cross for them, just like you." And to those of us still struggling, Dr. Potthoff had words for that too, "Would it not be wonderful, say if one morning you came to know – in the depth of your being – that although you cannot erase your past, you are free to go on beyond it. You can do that!" I believe that. I've done it, and more than once; just not in Clarksville!

Glad to be your pastor,  
Arnold

## FCC People & Happenings

### Coming Up...



#### Birthdays and Anniversaries

October 27 – November 2

27 – David Herndon  
Terrin Liles  
Marilyn Pixley  
29 – Christa Soesbee  
30 – Thomas Redhead  
31 – Deegan Anderson  
Spencer White  
01 – Garrett Adams  
Lynette Gibson  
Cameron Zinn  
02 – Emma Minson  
Jeanna Russell

28 – David & Cyndy Spears

### In Christian Sympathy

 Our deepest sympathy is extended to Dr. Jim Wood and family upon the death of his wife and long-time member of FCC, Dawn Wood. Dawn passed away on Sunday, October 20. A Memorial Service will be held on Tuesday, October 29, at 10:30 AM at First Baptist Church in Chickasha.

 We send our sincere condolences to Rowena Gray, Cecilia Samuels, and family upon the death of their brother, Wray Franks. Wray passed away Tuesday, October 22. Funeral arrangements have yet to be made.



### HELPERS WANTED

*to assist CWF in preparing and serving the meal for Break Bread Together*

Prep: November 4

Serve: November 5

If you'd like to help, contact Linda Hutson or leave a message with Erica in the Church Office.

Rita O'Kelley

### CHRISTMAS CANTATA PRACTICE

Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

*Come join us!*



### RADA CUTLERY SALES BEGIN This Sunday, October 27

RADA Cutlery goes on sale this Sunday, October 27. Catalogs/Order Forms will be available in the Gathering Hall, the Well, and in the Church Office. RADA offers a variety of products and the quality of the cutlery is excellent! It's not too early to start selecting Christmas gifts. The cutlery is also nice for wedding showers, birthdays and, of course, our own personal use. All orders will be received in time for Christmas!

All orders due by Sunday, November 17. Please order now! Do not pay until the first week of December when your order arrives.

### PRAISE REPORT

Our Children's Ministry is growing! Last Wednesday, 23 kids attended Kids UNite! We're so fortunate to be able to teach these kids how special they are to God and how much He loves them.

Shasta Smith

### REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

*Each day in December, add an item to a box. Donate the contents to a food bank on Christmas Eve.*

- 12/01 – Box of Cereal
- 12/02 – Peanut Butter
- 12/03 – Stuffing Mix
- 12/04 – Boxed Potatoes
- 12/05 – Macaroni and Cheese
- 12/06 – Canned Fruit
- 12/07 – Canned Tomatoes
- 12/08 – Canned Tuna
- 12/09 – Dessert Mix
- 12/10 – Jar of Applesauce
- 12/11 – Canned Sweet Potatoes
- 12/12 – Cranberry Sauce
- 12/13 – Canned Beans
- 12/14 – Box of Crackers
- 12/15 – Package of Rice
- 12/16 – Package of Oatmeal
- 12/17 – Package of Pasta
- 12/18 – Spaghetti Sauce
- 12/19 – Chicken Noodle Soup
- 12/20 – Tomato Soup
- 12/21 – Canned Corn
- 12/22 – Canned Mixed Vegetables
- 12/23 – Canned Carrots
- 12/24 – Canned Green Beans

# FCC News & Activities

PLEASE COME TO A DISPLAY SHOWER HONORING



*Shannon Motz*  
AND  
*Trevor Evans*

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

**2:00—3:30 PM**

**THE WELL**

**SELECTIONS AT TARGET & ZOLA**

[www.zola.com/wedding/shannonandtrevor2019](http://www.zola.com/wedding/shannonandtrevor2019)

*To assist in starting their new home,  
there will also be a Money Tree.*



## CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

**Sunday, October 27**

Leader: Dana Askins

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

This Saturday, October 26

9:00 AM

Gathering Hall



Menu: Pancakes, Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Fruit

Speaker: Arnold Nelson

*"God's Favorite Service"*

## BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH



Thursday, October 31

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, October 28, to sign up!*

## Community Baby Shower

Saturday, November 2

@ the Well

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Open to all expecting mothers, new parents, families, and caregivers of children 3 and younger.

**VENDORS  
REFRESHMENTS  
DOOR PRIZES**

For more info, contact Megan Monteith 252-0270  
or Stephanie Red Elk 291-6730.

## COMING EVENTS

October 27 – November 2

Sunday, October 27

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

Women of the Word Bible Study

6:00 PM

at the home of Kimberly Tilley (2211 Twin Dr., Duncan)

Monday, October 28

Women of the Word Bible Study

9:30 AM

Elk Crossing Rehabilitation Café

Tuesday, October 29

Staff Meeting, Office Conference Room

10:00 AM

Wednesday, October 30

Wednesday UNite

5:30 PM

Dinner, Gathering Hall

5:30 PM

NQ Kids UNite

6:00 PM

Youth UNite led by Trevor Evans

6:00 PM

Adults UNite led by Arnold Nelson

6:00 PM

Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6:00 PM

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM

Thursday, October 31

Bible Study & Lunch, Gathering Hall

12:00 PM

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

Saturday, November 2

Men's Net Group @ the Well

8:30 AM

Community Baby Shower @ the Well 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

**8:30—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE  
Sunday, October 27, 2019**

**Sanctuary**  
Sermon  
Arnold Nelson  
*The Whole Point of Creation*  
Luke 18:9-17  
**Scripture Reader**  
Linda Hutson  
**Communion Prayer**  
Wes Sullivan  
**Greeters Narthex**  
Janie Fitzgerald  
**Assistant Treasurer**  
Joyce Frechette  
**Communion Preparation**  
Wes Sullivan  
**Sunday School Superintendent**  
Rod Smith

**God's Love...it's Cookin'!**  
October 26 — Team Elliott

**Ministers of First Christian Church**

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  
Nursery Director

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  
Tosha Matheny  
Lacey Myers

**10:45—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE  
Sunday, October 27, 2019**

**Sanctuary**  
Sermon  
Arnold Nelson  
*The Whole Point of Creation*  
Luke 18:9-17  
**Scripture Reader**  
Randy Burum  
**Serving Elders**  
**Communion Prayer:**  
Terry Snider  
**Invocation & Lord's Prayer & Dedication of Offering:**  
Vicki Vermedahl  
**Serving Deacons**  
Beth Cowan  
Robert Cowan  
Koree Goldsmith  
David Hammond  
Glynis Johns  
Tana Latham  
Kelly Nelson  
Cecilia Richey (Head)  
Emma Wilkerson  
**Greeters**  
**Narthex**  
Guy & Marcia Harlow  
**Sanctuary Doors from G.H.**

North: Amy Ater  
South: Melinda Burk  
**Assistant Treasurer**  
Gaylon Russell  
**Communion Preparation**  
Wes Sullivan  
**Communion Clean Up**  
Cecilia Richey

**10:45—WORSHIP  
SERVING SCHEDULE  
Sunday, October 27, 2019**

**Well**  
**Message**  
Trevor Evans  
**Serving Elder:** Karl Jacobs  
**Hostess:** Holly Bailey  
**Assistant Treasurer:** Trent Cronk

**In Our Prayers**

Nursing Home

Jane Aldridge — Canoe Brook  
Sally Anderson — Elk Crossing  
Lynda Galloway — Chisholm Trail  
Charlie Hays — Elk Crossing  
Billie Phagans — Elk Crossing  
Marvene & Louie Schumacher — Wilkins

Others

Betty Eby  
Herb Lang  
Leo Newport  
Kathy Thompson  
Ronnie Thompson  
Honor Vaughn

**October 20, 2019**

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	37
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	74
10:45 AM Worship at the Well	45
Children Worship & Wonder	2
Total Worship Attendance	158
Sunday School	41
General Budget	\$ 8,103.00

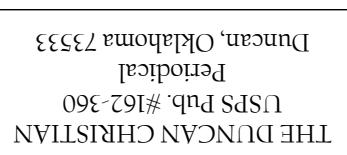
@FirstChristianChurchDuncan  
@TheWellFCC



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

Published weekly, except Thanksgiving & Christmas weeks

LABEL



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
912 W. Wallnut  
Duncan, OK 73533  
Phone: 580-255-6166, Fax 580-255-6168  
Email: erica@fcduncan.com  
Websites: fcduncan.com  
www.thewellfcc.church