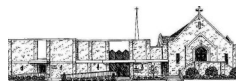


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The Duncan Christian

THE WELL
A MINISTRY OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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“Growing In Faith Together”



This is the third week of our Stewardship Campaign. If you haven't completed your pledge form for next year, we encourage you to do so. **The deadline is Thursday, November 1st.** This allows the Stewardship Ministry Team ample time to review the church's budget and allocate funds to the various ministry teams, so our church can function as it should. Your “GIFT” is very important to ensure we have adequate funds to meet the obligations of First Christian Church. Our Constitution and By-Laws require a balanced budget. We can only spend what the congregation has pledged. Therefore, it's imperative we guarantee our church will prosper in the way we all desire, as we continue in our life's journey of “Growing In Faith Together”.

The Stewardship Ministry Team

Ron Corley, Trent Cronk, Max Daughtrey, Janie Fitzgerald, A.L. Hutson, David Moore, Kelly Nelson, Paula Pace, Ron Savage, Terry Snider, Jimmy Tilley, Kimberly Tilley, & Joe Vermedahl



Wednesday UNite

October 31

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

DINNER COST: Kids through 5th Grade = FREE & Middle/High School & 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 29

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

MENU: Chili Dogs, Chips, Veggie Tray

Cook Team – Nelson

Kids UNite (Kindergarten–5th Grade) led by Shasta Smith

Video Series: “SuperBook–Time Travel Through the Bible”

Youth UNite (Middle & High School) led by Holly Bailey

Adults UNite – “Being Disciples of Christ” led by Arnold Nelson

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, October 27

8:00 AM

Gathering Hall

Guest Speaker: Haylee Root

Menu: Pancakes, Bacon,
& Scrambled Eggs



WHAT TREASURES COULD THERE BE?

On Saturday, October 27, following the Men's Breakfast, the Property Team will be going through and straightening closets in the church. Some haven't been gone through in many, many years. If you'd like to be there to see what treasures they might find, and hunt for treasures yourself, please be in the Gathering Hall at 9:00 AM. They need all the help they can get!

The Amen Corner

This morning, Richard Herndon came by the church, fresh off his road trip to Tennessee with his daughter, Erin. Sounds like they had their share of traveling hiccups, but it sounds a lot more like they had a great time. Great adventures make for great memories and I'm no stranger to such events with a darling daughter. When my daughter, Kate, was a child, we made many such excursions and made the most of them. I coveted that time together, and I've been homesick for them for a good while.

As you may know, a few weeks ago, I made the drive to Nashville for Kate's 40th birthday. It was a good trip going and all was swell there. However, Kate broke the news to me, her Uncle Rudy Landry was in the last stages of his battle with cancer and her only time to make the trip to Baton Rouge was the day after her party. Would I be willing to go, she asked. How in the wide world could I say no and why would I? The next morning, we hit the highway before the twins had time to cry about it. It was a fast trip – it was serious business on hand – but it was she and I, and there was joy in that Chevy. At some point, we had to stop because you have to eat. Ordinarily, this would be a drive through McDonald's. Instead, my darling daughter cranked up her phone and found a place in north Alabama recommended by Michael and Jane Stern, experts on Road Food. Thus, I had BBQ Chicken with White Sauce, an Alabama specialty in one of the best places for it. It was Kate's idea.

We blew past Laurel, Mississippi, location of one of my favorite TV shows, Home Town. I don't care for home fix-up shows but the hosts, Ben and Erin Napier, are enchanting. I said as much to Kate and she looked them up. "Poppy, you can get a weekly e-mail from them!" The next morning, I showed her my copy. That night, she went to see her people and I walked to get in steps. The next morning, I took her and my sinus drainage to see that remarkable Cajun for the last time. It was her idea. In my memory, I could hear him ask, "Hey Ornel, how you doin', Babe?" Then, we hit the well-known road going north and I gradually started feeling rotten. Still, near noon, Kate suggested we stop in Laurel and we visited the Napier's store. She found a diner, Lee's Coffee & Tea, with excellent Pimento Cheese Sandwiches, and we pressed on. It was her idea. When she was a kid, we stopped to visit Lincoln's home, pick blueberries, take in a Cardinal's game, and stay someplace with a pool, because a dad does such things.

This was a melancholy trip to Louisiana, but it was a gift from God. It was her idea. I got home feeling like death eating a biscuit but, as I repair, the beauty of that road trip stays with me.

Glad to be your Pastor,
Arnold

FCC People & Happenings

Thank You Notes

Dear Disciples Women of FCC,

Thank you for your generous gift to Disciples Mission Fund in September! As an employee of a DMF-supported ministry, I'm so grateful for your continued support and commitment to the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the US and Canada. Disciples are starting new churches, combatting human trafficking, and advocating for the least of these, from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth. Thank you again for your most recent gift!

In Christian Love,
Emily Martin

(Office of the General Minister & President)

To My G.L.I.C. Friends,

Thank you for faithfully bringing nourishing food every Saturday morning and letting me know of those ill, needing prayer or a card to show we're thinking of them.

Gracious Friend,

Valenne Neel (255-2307)

"It costs to follow Jesus, but it costs more not to."

Dear F.O.C.U.S. Pickle Ladies,

We brought your pickles to our assisted living residence to share, and everyone loved them! They said they were the best pickles they've ever had and have never tasted anything like them!

Thank you,

Carl & Evelyn Slifer



Coming Up...



Birthdays and Anniversaries October 28–November 3

- 29– Matt Matthews
Christa Soesbee
- 30– Thomas Redhead
- 31– Deegan Anderson
Spencer White
- 1– Garrett Adams
Lynette Gibson
Cameron Zinn
- 2– Emma Minson
Jeanna Russell

RADA CUTLERY ON SALE!

RADA Cutlery catalogs and order forms are available in the Gathering Hall and @ the Well on Sunday mornings, and in the Church Office. RADA Cutlery makes wonderful gifts! All orders will be received in time for Christmas!

All orders due by Sunday, November 18. Please order now and don't pay until your order arrives.

Ann Loftin

BOO REVIEW

THIS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

THE WELL WILL BE OPEN
11:00 AM-1:00 PM



NEEDED:

2,000 Pieces of Candy & Volunteers

The Well will be open to hand out candy to children participating in the Boo Review. Please bring candy or monetary donations to the Church Office.

United Way Needs Your Help!



Volunteers working in the United Way of Stephens County Annual Fundraising Campaign, now in it's 65th year, seek your help during these challenging economic times. Every dollar collected will help someone in our community who might be temporarily down on their luck, in need of a second chance, or seeking a glimmer of hope. If you'd like to send a contribution, please send it to P.O. Box 1632 Duncan, OK 73534.

Ed Darling

Executive Director

Going Through GRIEF Care Group

Are you grieving the loss of a partner, family member or friend?

This program is designed to provide a safe, supportive, and confidential setting facilitated by hospice bereavement volunteer, Susan Gassaway, RN, MS.

Weekly on Tuesdays — 6:30-8:00 PM

**DRH Home Care/
Chisholm Trail Hospice
2000 W Elk (Duncan)**

Newly Bereaved:

October 30 - December 18

Registration is preferred, but not required.
Call Glenn McGee at 251-8065 for info.

FCC News & Activities

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, OCTOBER 26
6:35 TO 8:00 PM @ THE WELL



THIS MONTH'S MEAL PROVIDED BY LOVE IN ACTION, HOSTED @ THE WELL.

****LAVANA'S CHAIR WILL NOT BE OPEN THIS MONTH****

"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

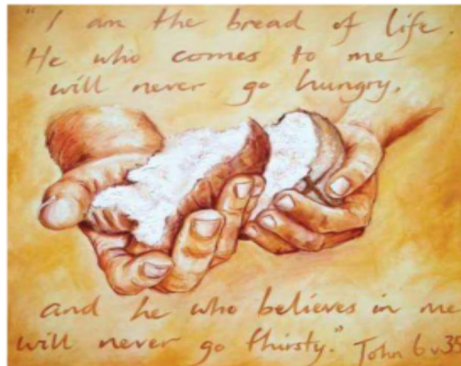
On March 25, 2011, The Well/FCC hosted the first J.O.H.N. 6:35 Free Dinner and served 75 members of the community. Our numbers have continued to grow, serving about 275 meals each month and 80 of those go to Elm Terrace. We opened the ministry to the ecumenical community and have been blessed to have so many other followers of Christ join in the effort to serve others like Christ taught us.

The last Friday of the month is one of my favorite nights and I'd rather imagine it's the same for the dedicated volunteers that come each month to serve. Over the last 7 years, we've built relationships with many of our guests that come to eat and it's so rewarding, not only for us, but for them as well.

In order to keep this amazing ministry going, we need your help supporting J.O.H.N. 6:35 with monetary donations. It's a great way to end the year, by helping us continue serving others.

A BIG thank you to all those who give their time serving month after month and to those who volunteer to make desserts when we need them.

Elizabeth Collins



CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

Sunday, October 28

Leader: Dana Askins

Story: *The Ark and Tent of God*



BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH

Thursday, November 1

12:00 PM – Parlor

Study: *The Gospel of Mark*

Led by Arnold Nelson

Lunch: \$7.00

Please call the Church Office by Noon on Monday, October 29, to sign up!

COMING EVENTS

October 28–November 3

Sunday, October 28

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

Monday, October 29

Tai Chi, Fellowship Hall	10:00 AM
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Tuesday, October 30

Women of the Word Bible Study, Elk Crossing	9:30 AM
"The Believer's Authority" led by Kimberly Tilley	
Tai Chi, Fellowship Hall	10:00 AM

Wednesday, October 31

Wednesday UNite

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Youth UNite @ the Well, led by Holly Bailey	6:00 PM
Adults UNite, led by Arnold Nelson	6:00 PM
Study: "Being Disciples of Christ"	
Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

Thursday, November 1


Tai Chi, Fellowship Hall	10:00 AM
Bible Study/Lunch in the Parlor	12:00 PM
"The Gospel of Mark" led by Arnold Nelson	

**8:30—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE
Sunday, October 28, 2018**
Sanctuary
Sermon
 Arnold Nelson
Bartimaeus: A Man of Vision
 Mark 10:46-52
Scripture Reader
 Marty Askins
Communion Prayer
 Marty Askins
Greeters Narthex
 Janie Fitzgerald & Carl Slifer
Assistant Treasurer
 Jim Shipman
Communion Preparation
 Marty Askins
Sunday School Superintendent
 Trent Cronk

**10:45—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE
Sunday, October 28, 2018**
Sanctuary
Sermon
 Arnold Nelson
Bartimaeus: A Man of Vision
 Mark 10:46-52
Scripture Reader:
 Debbie Savage
Serving Elders
 Communion Prayer:
 Debbie Savage
 Invocation & Lord's Prayer &
 Dedication of Offering:
 Jason Smith
Serving Deacons
 Max Daughtrey
 Carol Eubanks
 Allie Garrett (Head)
 Donna Marks
 Richard Marks
 Anthony Scott
 Gary Scott
 Karen Scott
 Paula Toler
Greeters Narthex:
 John & Carol Eubanks
Sanctuary Doors from G.H.
 North: Billie Phagans
 South: Kathy Monkress
Assistant Treasurer:
 David Herndon
Communion Preparation
 Marty Askins
Communion Clean Up
 Allie Garrett

**10:45—WORSHIP
SERVING SCHEDULE
Sunday, October 28, 2018**
Well
Message
 Jared Smith
CliffsNotes: The Bible
 Genesis 1:1—Revelation 22:21
Serving Elder: Delyn Cronk
Hostess: Shasta Smith
Assistant Treasurer: Trent Cronk

God's Love...it's Cookin'!
 October 27 — Team Elliott


HOSPITAL NOTES
 Sally Anderson
 DRH (Room #208)

Ministers of First Christian Church
 Pastor Arnold Nelson, Jr.
 Staff Secretary Erica Hancock
 Business Secretary Reba Ford
 Organist Patty Jennings
 Sanctuary Choir Director Kevin Zinn
 Praise Leader @ the Well Jared Smith
 Head Custodian Frank Timmins
 Custodian Stephen Stapp
 Kitchen Hostess Elizabeth Collins
 Daycare Director Gwyn Gamblin
 Nursery Director Lacey Myers

October 21, 2018

8:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	37
10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary	55
10:45 AM Worship @ the Well	45
Children's Worship & Wonder	7
Total Worship Attendance	144
Sunday School	38
General Budget	\$ 11,942.17
Capital	\$ 20.00
World Outreach	\$ 20.00
Local Benevolent Offering	\$ 50.00



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