

2019-2020 BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEES
THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) OF GUTHRIE, OKLAHOMA
 Senior Pastor, Rev. Ronnie Fields Associate Minister, Karen Allen

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD (1 yr. term)	
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ELDERS: (3 yr. term)	EXPIRES
Anderson, Sarah (Caring Elder)	2020
Ball, Jeff	2022
Carey, Janie	2021
Cotton, Lesley	2020
Frey, Jana	2020
Hardin, LaMoyné	2021
Holtz, Linda	2020
Johnston, Stacey	2022
Pierson, Brian	2021
Warner, Bill	2022
Wieczorek, Stan	2020
Williams, Dave	2021

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE (2 yr. term)	EXPIRES
Frey, Kevin	2022
Holtz, Linda	2020
Wiss, Julie	2021

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE (3 yr. term)	EXPIRES
Coburn, Judy	2020
Griffin, Linda	2022
Herbert, Dorothy	2020
Hubbard, Debbie	2021
Johnston, Sharon	2021

TRUSTEES: (3 yr. term)	EXPIRES
Pierson, Brian	2020
Tontz, Len	2021
Wrede, Ron	2022

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (3 yr. term)	EXPIRES
Bowles, Paula	2021
Hudson, Janet	2021
Mays, Lindsay	2022
Wieczorek, Stan	2020

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMM. (3 yr. term)	EXPIRES
Davison, Susan	2022
Redman, Jed	2021
Wilkerson, Ken	2020



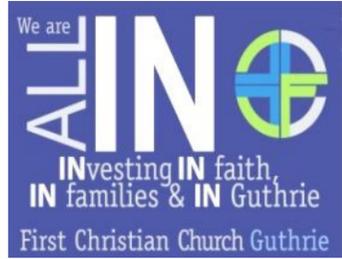
DIACONATE: (3 yr. term)	EXPIRES
Ball, Abigail	2022
Ball, Tanner	2022
Bench, Nick	2020
Bench, Shana	2020
Blakemore, Kristi	2020
Blakemore, Kyle	2020
Bowles, Bill	2020
Bowles, Paula	2020
Carey, Alicia	2022
Carey, Mekaila	2020
Carey, Staci	2022
Fields, Shana	2021
Fields, Ron	2021
Frey, Kevin	2022
Griffin, Linda	2021
Gumerson, Gregg	2020
Hacker, Dawn	2022
Hanna, Gretchen	2021
Hanna, Morgan	2022
Hanna, Steve	2021
Holtz, Tom	2021
Hubbard, Debbie	2022
Lynch, Dennis	2021
Mays, Lindsay	2021
McLain, Bill	2021
McLain, Jessica	2021
Redman, Carissa	2020
Redman, Jed	2020
Reynolds, Cindy	2020
Rice, Desi	2022
Rice, Jason	2022
Roettger, Lloyd	2020
Rucker, Jerry	2022
Schroder, Chris	2022
Schroder, Tammy	2022
Severson, Alexis	2022
Severson, Tammy	2022
Smith, Krista	2022
Turner, Courtney	2020
Wilder, Barbara	2021
Wilder, Ron	2021
Wiss, Julie	2022

(42 total as follows: 2020 = 13, 2021 = 12, 2022=17)

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Ronnie's Report

As I write this I am reflecting on a great week at camp with 55 4th & 5th graders from across the state. There are things that we do that bring us immense joy, that bring us closer to God, that make us thankful to be alive. Both my wife and son made comments about how happy I am when I am at camp. And I have to admit camp is my jam (i.e. one of my favorite things). Which makes me wonder, what brings you joy? In what ways do you serve God and others that helps you come alive? If you haven't found it, keep trying, keep serving until you do. I promise you won't regret it!

I am so thankful to be part of a church that allows it's staff to participate and support our camping ministry. So many ministers credit their camping experience as the place they first heard their call to ministry. At the very least, the people I know look back on camp as a profound place of spiritual growth. There are few places a youth can go that compare to a church camp experience and we have one of the best in our own backyard.

Grace and peace to you my friends, *Ronnie*

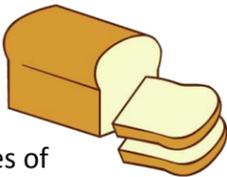


Thank you for sending us to Chi-Rho and Discovery Camp! We had so much fun and can't wait to go back next year!
Makenna & Gabby Bench

There will be a brief Congregational Meeting to vote on the 2019-2020 Church Board on Sunday, June 30 following worship.

Ronnie will be leading a 6-week **Book Study** Wednesday evenings from 6-7 p.m. at the church. It will run from June 26 through July 31. The books we will study are *Love Wins* by Rob Bell and *Erasing Hell* by Francis Chan. Growth only comes when we are challenged and this will be a growing opportunity. All ages of adults are welcome! See you this Wednesday!

FCC Bread Ministry Needs YOU!



We are looking for volunteers to bring two loaves of bread for our Sunday morning guests. As a part of this ministry, you would be on a schedule to provide bread once a quarter. Loaves can be homemade or store-bought. If you would like to participate, please make a note on your attendance card or call the church office. THANK YOU for serving!

On June 30 we will have our patriotic service for 4th of July. Be sure and wear your red, white and blue!



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Our love and sympathy go to: Jamie & Stacey Johnston in the death of Jamie's sister, Marissa Rhodes. **Hospitalized at this time:** Richard Walter and Judy Wallar. **We pray for our church family:** Jonathan Yancey, Cruz Tontz, Gaylee McCoy, Mike Carey, Charlie Ball, Sherry Canning and Ron Owen. **Our friends and family:** Caleb Morris, Janetta Hibbler, Cynthia Clark, Dana Blackledge, Annetta Hailey, Ruth Thompson, Bob Hanna, Ron Weir, Bayler McKellar, Pierson Wolf, Carl Underwood, Joe Yarbrough, Debbie Fillmore, Judy Roetker, Wesley Hixon Norvall Madden, Mike Ivins, Stephanie Lowrance, Kayla Thetford and Les Steenveld. **Our military all over the world including:** Stetson Martin, Kenneth LeGrande, Garret Canning, T.J. Wilson, Brent Walton, and Matt Byce.

thank you

To all of you who helped in Lloyd's Memorial Service thank you so much. Thank you to those who prepared and served the wonderful meal to his family; to Ronnie, Karen, Cathy for honoring with words and song and to Shana for taping it for us to view anytime. To Smith-Gallo for all they did to help us through this time of sorrow and for the picture review of Lloyd's life, you made it so much easier for us that day. Also, thank you for those who sent cards and made telephone calls. We also thank everyone who donated to the church in Lloyd's memory. Thank all of you so very, very much. We love and appreciate our church family. *The Lloyd Cox Family*



Sunday Worship	138
Sunday School	17
Communion to Shut-Ins	4



6/23/2019
\$2,233
Year-To-Date Receipts: \$147,802
Year-To-Date Expenses: \$160,883

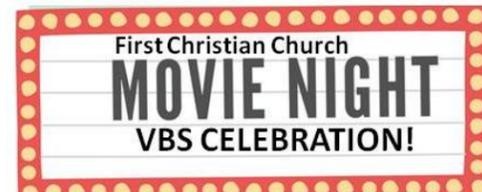
Special Gifts for the Month of June:

General Fund
In Memory of Lloyd Cox
By Gregg Gumerson & Rikki Metcalf
Mike & Janie Carey
Ron & Linda Wrede
In Memory of Philip Moseley
By Gregg Gumerson & Rikki Metcalf
Ron and Linda Wrede
In Memory of Doyle Webb
By Ron & Linda Wrede
Lawrence & Judy Coburn
Gregg Gumerson & Rikki Metcalf
In Memory of Sharon Keirns
By Gregg Gumerson & Rikki Metcalf

Memorial Fund
In Memory of Lloyd Cox
By Mickey Weathers
Ruth Underwood
Clara Ketch
Jim & Alma Hopkins
Carl & Diane Biggs
Ken & Becky Wilkerson
Carolyn Silvers & Family
In Memory of Lloyd Cox, Doyle Webb and Philip Moseley
By Sammy & JoAnn LeGrande
In Memory of Philip Moseley
By Richard Walter
Mickey Weathers
Ken & Becky Wilkerson
In Memory of Doyle Webb
By Mickey Weathers

Bereavement Fund
In Memory of Doyle Webb and Sharon Keirns
By Sherry Canning
In Memory of Philip Moseley & Lloyd Cox
By Lawrence & Judy Coburn

Children's Ministry
In Honor of Bobby & Susan Davison
By Ron & Linda Wrede



VBS Drive-In Night
Pick up your free ticket in the church office!



June 30 @ 7:30 p.m.

Keeping Up With Karen



Last Wednesday, the Connections and Outreach Team met and I want to share a little more about a couple of the events they are working on because they are going to be so much fun.

The first is "Christmas in July," which is debuting in today's Newsletter! It is going to be a super-fun Sunday with lots of twists and turns to brighten up our mid-summer worship. We will have Christmas music, décor, cool treats, giveaways, a "summer" Santa, stockings to fill and a "ho, ho, ho" lot more to make that day fun. Word has it that if you watch our Facebook page you may even see some "Snow" leading up to it over the next few weeks... as in "free SNOW cone" days out in front of the church, as we promote this fun Sunday!

We hope you will begin thinking of a fun twist on a summer-time food that can be made to look Christmas-like. Pinterest has a ton of fun ideas – like "smores" made to look like melted snowmen, or strawberry Santas! Christmas in July will be July 21 at 10:30 a.m. We will also have our regular 3rd Sunday donuts but with a "snowball" flair!

The second event we planned is a "Meal Prep" and "Dine and Dash" event. This will be Aug. 11 from 2-4:30 p.m. and basically involves a chance to do some meal prepping as we head into fall and back-to-school. This event is for everyone but requires pre-registration so we can plan appropriately for food purchasing. On this first event, registration will be limited to 20 families (meaning a "family" can be one person, a couple, or a household of eight people, etc.).

We will offer five different meals and you can do all five meals or pick from the list which meals work best for your family. You will order meal sets by 2, 4, 6 or 8 people. We will have each dish priced based on servings. Then, on "meal prep" day everyone will work different stations prepping different dishes until we complete the quantity of dishes people have ordered. When we are finished everyone will have their families "pre-ordered" quantity to take home. All of these meals are freezer-style meals that will be in aluminum containers or freezer bags that can be used for later dates and easily pulled out and thawed in the refrigerator and cooked for an evening meal.

The "Dine and Dash" portion of the day will be the wrap-up to the event because we know we will all be too tired to cook afterward so while one group cleans up, we'll send two other groups of "cooks" on a dinner scavenger hunt to grab us some dinner and we'll end with a quick meal back at the church. The dinner will be from 4:30-5 p.m.

Along with this event, I will share a spreadsheet of meal ideas, which I learned was extremely popular during our team meeting. It is a spreadsheet I use for meal planning that has 30-plus meal ideas on it and the ingredients required to make the meals, which allows for easy grocery shopping.

Finally, the last thing I want to mention is that many have asked about a Branson Trip for the Fall and it has definitely been a struggle for me trying to decide what to do. Over the past couple years we have had dwindling numbers for the trip and it has been hard to find new things to see and do there. We have taken 10 consecutive trips to Branson and I have felt like this is the year we may need to take a year off and let it rest. With that said, I still feel like there is value in traveling with our Retired Fellowship Group and want to plan a list of one-day trips or even an overnight adventure if we can find one or two. A couple things I am looking at include a trip to Magnolia Market, a Peach Orchard or Watermelon Festival, a Fall Foliage Tour, a trip on the train to Fort Worth, a tour of the National Weather Center in Norman, and any other ideas you may have! Please let me know your thoughts!

See you Sunday at Summer Cinema!

Karen

Swim Party for 3rd thru 6th Grades!

All 3rd (and going into 3rd) through going into 6th graders are going swimming at the Carey's! Join us for a fun afternoon of swimming!

Meet us out at the Carey's house at 2 pm or if your child needs a ride out there, we will meet at FCC parking lot and depart together on the bus by 1:45 to be out there swimming by 2! We will swim from 2-4. Pickup is at 4 at the Carey's or we'll meet you in the FCC parking lot at 4:15. Please let me know if you plan to meet me in the parking lot or at the pool so we know where and when to look for parents! If you are meeting us at the pool, be advised that the bridge to Staci's house is down to one lane so plan a few extra minutes for travel time. Bring a towel, sunscreen, and whatever else your child needs for a fun afternoon of swimming! I will have some snacks and drinks for the kids too! 3rd - 6th grade friends are welcome too!

JULY Birthdays of the Month

- 1- Patsy Crick
- 3- Jackson Daigle
John Daigle
Larry Pepper
Greg Friese
- 4- Jennifer Guinn-Mannas
Mikayla Johnston
- 6- Jerry Ball
Susan Davison
Jamie Pena
- 7- Mike Canning
Addisen Gill
- 8- Ashley Davison
Alexis Davison
Scott Ward
Sammy LeGrande
- 9- Virginia Bostwick
- 10- Kyle Blakemore
- 12- Rita Stowe

- 13- Susan Martin
Steve Hanna
Dennis Ochs
- 14- Khloe Walker
Dale Storm, Sr.
- 16- Janna Pierson
- 17- Pam Henning
Hallie Ross
- 18- Jenna Hudson
- 19- Pat Purviance
- 20- Lindsey Ball
Stacey Johnston
- 21- Sharon Holden
- 22- Carson Wilder
Emily Spencer
- 23- Brian Johnston

- 24- Anna Frey
Stacy Russell
- 25- Colin Simpson
Cindy Reynolds
- 26- Randy Ellis
Jean Ann Canning
Linda Griffin
Hunter Betchan
- 27- Diana Dewart
Becky Wilkerson
June Patrick
- 29- Lakyn Redman
Vivian Blakemore
Jason Cotton
- 30- Mike Carey
Logan Payne
- 31- Caroline Roettger
Donna Koch

- 17- Jason and Lesley Cotton
Gary & Jane Weeks
Virgil & Lesley Rodgers
Coy & Kim Betchan
- 20- Tommy & Sharon Johnston
- 23- Scott & Joanna Thompson
- 25- Donovan & Lacey Hardin
- 28- Marsh & Nancy Powell
- 29- Andy & Dawn Hacker
- 31- Roy & Vicki Jones



- 1- Kevin & Jana Frey
- 2- K.C. & Linda Griffin
- 7- Kendall & Amanda Shults
David & Tara Hood
- 9- Wheeler & Von Coburn
- 11- Mike & Janie Carey
- 14- Jimmy & Judy Wallar
- 15- Tom & Linda Holtz

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Christmas is coming... and FCC has some exciting things in store! Ok so Christmas is a few months away, but we are celebrating Christmas in July! Check out all the upcoming events that will surely get you in the Christmas spirit:



Christmas in July

Win a trip to Branson and a \$50 gas card
5 nights (December 27, 2019 – January 1, 2020) at the Wyndham Mountain Vista Branson for up to 10 people in a deluxe condo!

Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20
Available now thru 10:15am on July 21

Bring on the NEW YEAR! In Branson

Drawing to be held July 21

This resort is just 3 miles from the Branson strip, and includes a game room, indoor pool and hot tub, children's playground and more!

Proceeds benefit our General Fund - Connections & Outreach Ministries

Need NOT be present to win

Christmas in July

We're starting our Christmas Stocking Drive in July!

July 14 & 21 we will be collection new pairs of socks for our Christmas Stocking Outreach Program benefitting Guthrie Public Schools

Bring packages of children, youth and/or adult sized athletic socks or donate \$5 and we will purchase socks on your behalf

Joint project of the Connections & Outreach Teams

Wear red and green or if you're really feeling festive wear your favorite Christmas Sweater!

Christmas in July

Sunday July 21

Come sing Carols

Enjoy holiday treats

Bring your best twist on a Summer Christmas treat for our after-church fellowship

A visit from Santa

Enter to win a trip to Branson

Bring socks for our stockings

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>Repeating Sunday Events: (unless otherwise indicated) 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 6 p.m. Youth</p>	<p>1 Psalm 26-31</p> <p>Add all your spare change to a donation jar.</p>	<p>2 Psalm 32-35</p> <p>9 a.m. – Mother’s Day Out</p> <p>Tell a coworker that they are doing a great job.</p>	<p>3 Psalm 36-39</p> <p>6 p.m. – Book Study No Choir</p> <p>Leave out fresh water for animals and birds.</p>	<p>4 Psalm 40-45</p> <p>Office Closed No MDO</p>  <p>Hand out small American flags.</p>	<p>5 Psalm 46-50</p> <p>Vow to only say kind and positive things today..</p>	<p>6 Psalm 51-57</p> <p>Organize a neighborhood treasure hunt.</p>
<p>7 Psalm 58-65</p> <p>9:30 a.m. – Kids & youth to Braums</p> <p>Give a family member a message.</p>	<p>8 Psalm 66-69</p> <p>Buy something from an independent retailer.</p>	<p>9 Psalm 70-73</p> <p>9 a.m. – Mother’s Day Out</p> <p>Leave good coupons near items in the grocery store.</p>	<p>10 Psalm 74-77</p> <p>3 to 5 p.m. – Youth Bowling 6 p.m. – Book Study 7 p.m. – Elders Meeting No Choir</p> <p>Make an extra meal to take to a friend or neighbor.</p>	<p>11 Psalm 78-79</p> <p>9 a.m. – Mother’s Day Out</p> <p>Donate a fan to someone without air conditioning.</p>	<p>12 Psalm 80-85</p> <p>Call or visit a neighbor who lives alone.</p>	<p>13 Psalm 86-89</p> <p>Surprise someone with a picnic lunch.</p>
<p>14 Psalm 90-95</p> <p>Bring socks for stockings Our Goal is to collect 250 socks!</p> <p>Turn off your cell phone for an entire day. Focus on your family.</p>	<p>15 Psalm 96-102</p> <p>Leave a generous tip for your wait staff.</p>	<p>16 Psalm 103-105</p> <p>9 a.m. – Mother’s Day Out MDO Waterslide Day! 3:30 p.m. – Youth Waterslide</p> <p>Donate items you no longer need in your closet.</p>	<p>17 Psalm 106-107</p> <p>6 p.m. – Book Study No Choir</p> <p>Buy ice cream for someone else.</p>	<p>18 Psalm 108-114</p> <p>9 a.m. – Mother’s Day Out</p> <p>Leave activity books and crayons in waiting area.</p>	<p>19 Psalm 115-118</p> <p>Host a free lemonade stand.</p>	<p>20 Psalm 119:1-88</p> <p>Leave a jar of wishing pennies by a fountain.</p>
<p>21 Psalm 119:89-176</p>  <p>10 a.m. – Donut Fellowship Noon - Christmas in July Reception 12:30 p.m. – Christian Ed. Meeting 4 to 6 p.m. – Leadership Training</p> <p>Visit a zoo and thank the workers for what they do.</p>	<p>22 Psalm 120-132</p> <p>7 p.m. – Men’s Night @ Tap Room</p> <p>Pack lunches and hand out to homeless people.</p>	<p>23 Psalm 133-139</p> <p>9 a.m. – Mother’s Day Out</p> <p>Tell your parents why you are thankful for them.</p>	<p>24 Psalm 140-145</p> <p>2 to 4 p.m. – 3rd thur 6th Graders Swim Party 6 p.m. – Book Study 8 p.m. – Youth Night Swim</p> <p>Call your cousins or send them a card.</p>	<p>25 Psalm 146-150</p> <p>9 a.m. – Mother’s Day Out</p> <p>Praise a child to his or her parents.</p>	<p>26 Proverbs 1-3</p> <p>Hand out bottles of cold water to outdoor workers.</p>	<p>27 Proverbs 4-6</p> <p>Youth Jamaica Mission Trip Begins 3 p.m. – Women’s Day Out to Eischens</p> <p>Invite friends over for a BBZ..</p>
<p>28 Proverbs 7-9</p> <p>Youth Jamaica Trip →</p> <p>Send an email to your aunts and uncles.</p>	<p>29 Proverbs 10-12</p> <p>Youth Jamaica Trip →</p> <p>Bring extra sunscreen to the pool.</p>	<p>30 Proverbs 13-15</p> <p>Monthly Newsletter Mailed 9 a.m. – Mother’s Day Out</p> <p>Youth Jamaica Trip →</p> <p>Send a “thinking of you” card to your father-in-law.</p>	<p>31 Proverbs 16-18</p> <p>6 p.m. – Book Study</p> <p>Youth Jamaica Trip</p> <p>Visit an animal shelter.</p>	<p>Notes:</p>		