

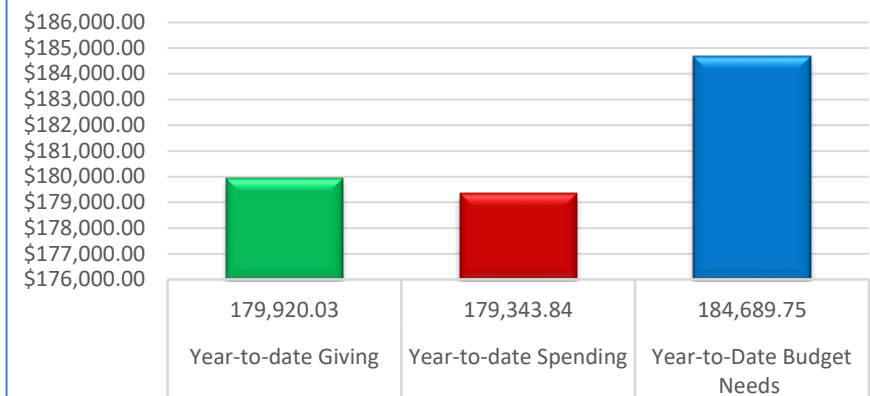
## Connections Team Update

SUMMERTIME IS HERE! The Connections Team is still bringing all the fun this summer! You won't want to miss out! Thanks to all who brought ice cream and toppings for our ice cream social on Sunday. The next 1st Sunday luncheon will be July 7. We will be having a potluck! A link was sent out by email to sign up to bring something to this luncheon or you can call the church office. The next Donut Sunday will be July 21. Go ahead and mark your calendars for the annual FCC church picnic which will be September 29! More details to follow later! Stay cool 😎

Jana Frey

Connections Team

### FCC Financial Update



### FCC Attendance

June 23 – 126

Average June Attendance – 150

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# The Tie That Binds

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Growing in Faith

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Hello Church Family!

I am excited to announce a new class that I will be leading, starting on June 30 at 9:30 AM and running through August 4. This class is designed to take us deeper into the themes and scriptures we are exploring in our current sermon series, Scripture for Life. Each week we will further unpack the themes and ideas we find in God's Word for the week.

Whether you are new to Bible study or have been studying scripture for years, this class will offer something for everyone. We will engage in discussions, practice various Bible study techniques, and seek to understand how the Bible can guide us in our daily lives. I hope you will join us for this journey into God's Word. Let's grow in faith together as we dive into the life-giving scriptures that transform and renew our hearts and minds.

*Ronnie*

FCC is hiring a Custodian! 20-25 hours/week, flexible hours and hourly pay! If you or someone you know is interested, send resume and references to [fccguthrie@coxinet.net](mailto:fccguthrie@coxinet.net)



“Not Just a Potluck”  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Luncheon!

Sunday, July 7  
following worship

Check your email for the  
link to sign-up!



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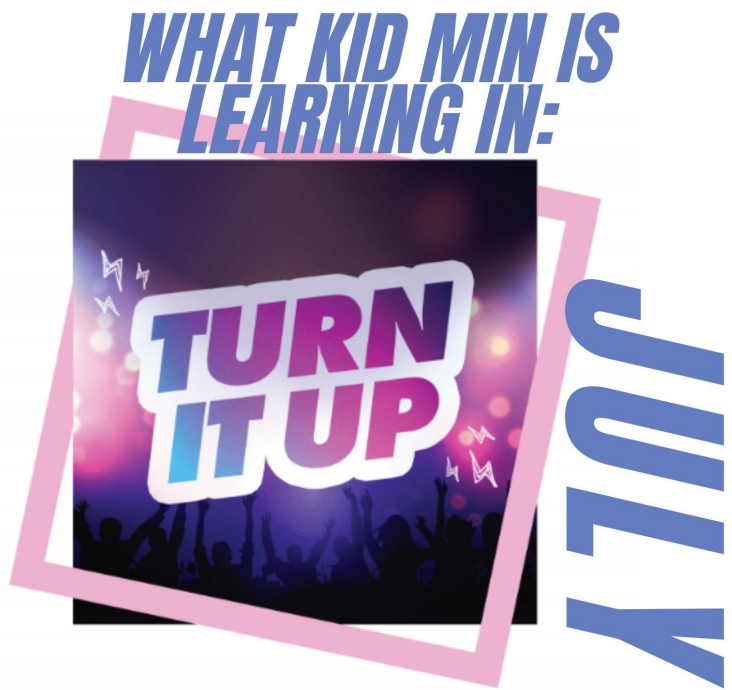
KAREN ALLEN, Associate Minister

# Kid Min Minute

# Keeping Up With Karen



Throughout the month of July, the kids will be learning about David and some of the ways he trusted God through his most difficult times. If you'd like to continue these lessons beyond Sunday morning, make sure you have joined our Kids@FCC Facebook group for weekly Bible reading plans that go alongside what we learned that Sunday, family devotionals for ideas on how to keep the discipleship going at home, or what to talk to your kids about to help them stay current in what we are learning if you couldn't make it Sunday morning.



What do you do when you hear your favorite song? Turn it up, of course! While we might love blasting our favorite music, we can also learn how to turn up God's voice in our lives. In this four-week series, kids will follow some key moments in the life of David, the famous musician, poet, and king, and they'll learn about some of the ways David trusted God during some difficult times in his life. Through each story, we'll learn God is with us when we feel weak, God helps us overcome big things, God comforts us when we're afraid, and God helps us live in harmony.

I'm midway through the first half of my Sabbatical and I truly am so thankful for the time off to rest and recuperate. I intentionally planned my meniscus knee surgery during my time away so I would be diligent in letting it heal correctly, without the temptation of running around the church or doing various activities.

It is certainly different being on this side of the coin when it comes to medical procedures. I have visited many of you, delivered meals and checked on you throughout the years and it is one of my favorite things to do. I have been amazed at what a difference it makes in lifting up your spirit when someone texts or calls to check in on you or drops off a Sonic drink or a meal for your family when you aren't feeling 100%. I dare to say that the "Care Ministry" our church offers is among the best around and the length to which people go to check on each other, pray for one another and tend to needs is amazing! I hope that if you've ever had a medical situation or needed some extra love following a difficult situation that you have felt the love of our church family. I know our family has been beyond blessed this past week and a half by numerous people reaching out.

If you are looking for a way to get involved in our church and haven't found your niche yet, I encourage you to consider being on the Meal Ministry Team, Bereavement Team, or just be diligent in reading the weekly "Prayer List" in the "News and Events" and texting or calling on those who need encouragement. It takes so little time to check in on someone and for them, it may be the best moment of their day. I'm seriously considering a "Sonic Delivery Team" (or pick your favorite restaurant) as an added ministry. I had someone stop by Sunday to drop off a Sonic Gift Card at our house, then someone else dropped off a Sonic drink on Monday and those acts of kindness were so unexpected but so refreshing.

I am not the best at letting others care for me, but I am realizing that the joy I get in giving to others who are homebound or sick, is the same joy others are feeling in caring for our family. I hope if this is something that brings you joy, you will reach out and let us know how you would like to serve as part of our Care Ministry Teams.

### SUMMER CAMP!

I return to the office on Sunday, July 7. Beginning, Monday, July 8 we are hosting our own FCC Summer Camp at Twin Cedars (formerly known as Central Oklahoma Camp and Conference Center). I know lots of plans are underway and Ronnie, Staci, Natalie and Shana are busy putting the finishing touches on it. We have 31 campers registered and a host of volunteers. I hope you will be in prayer for the preparations and especially pray during that week as we find ways to bring children and youth closer to God through camping and serving.

There will be a special opportunity to connect with us at Camp on Wednesday, July 10. At 6 p.m. we are hosting a worship service and cookout for everyone to participate in. Worship will begin at 6 p.m. on the Conference Center lawn, followed by a cookout with hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, s'mores and drinks. This is open to all ages! We will end at 7:30 p.m. and our youngest group of campers (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders) will leave camp that evening to head home, while our 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Graders will stay until Friday morning. We hope you will make plans to come out and enjoy this evening of worship and fellowship. The Camp address is #1 Twin Cedar Lane, Guthrie, OK 73044.

Once again, I'd like to say "thank you" for this extended time off. While it is extremely hard for me to shutdown my "work brain," it has been refreshing to relax at home and know that everything is being handled. I appreciate the Staff, Elders, Board, Team Leaders and others who are filling in while I'm away. I promise to come back refreshed and ready to hit the ground running!

In Christ's Love,

*Karen*

**TURN IT UP**

<b>WEEK 1</b> God, you're <b>with me</b> when I feel weak.	<b>WEEK 2</b> God, you help me <b>overcome</b> big things.	<b>WEEK 3</b> God, you <b>comfort me</b> when I'm afraid.	<b>WEEK 4</b> God, help us live in <b>harmony</b> .
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"Sing to the Lord with grateful praise; make music to our God on the harp."  
Psalm 147:7 (NIV)

To find out more, scan this code!



# ***YOUTH NEWS***

7th: YOUTH EXTRA Bailey reading,  
Taylor M & Kenzie serving  
14th: Colten reading, Daelon & Colten serving  
21st: YOUTH EXTRA Aiden reading,  
Abigail & Hadley serving  
28th: Lily R reading, Emalyn & Anna serving

*Worship*  
Sundays

First Christian Church

**Youth  
summer**

**JULY 2024**

**Playtime**

Tues. 2nd 8:30pm-10pm 4th of July party @ Carey's  
Mon. 8th-Fri 12th Church Camp  
Wed. 10th 6pm-8pm All church cook-out @ camp  
Thurs. 11th 6pm-8pm Youth in OKC TBA  
Thurs. 25th 4pm-6pm Waterslide & Snowcones  
Sun. 28th 4:30pm-6pm Popcicles at the Park

SAVE THE DATE: Aug 11th Noon-4 \$30 (park & lunch)  
Road Trip: WakeZone Aqua park

## The latest news from Mother's Day Out:



Summer MDO is already halfway over. We have so many fun things planned for July including more field trips to the park, Level up Arcade, Kingfisher swimming pool, and A Novel Idea Bookshop. As summer is coming to a close, we are starting to look towards Fall semester. If you would like to enroll your child in MDO for the fall, now is the time to do it. Classes fill up fast!

We are implementing many new and exciting things and could use your help. I have built an AMAZON wish list for our program. We have so many things we would like to add to help enrich our kids and support our teachers. If you feel led to give, please click on the QR code below to see some of our current needs/wants. We appreciate your support!

Samantha Hilbers  
Director, FCC Mother's Day Out



## **Prayer Requests**

**We pray for our church family:** Stan Wieczorek and family in the death of his sister Mary Schaar, Rodney Stewart (hospitalized), Harvey Jarnagin, Sarah Powell, Jamie Johnston, Alicia Carey, Harvey Jarnagin, Marie Lynch, Pam Williams, Karen Allen, John Shore, Rylea Cowart, Lauren Porterfield, Bill Bowles, Steve Ochs, Gene Owen, Arnold Burkett, Sarah Schlueter, KC Griffin, Jane Stewart, Diane Biggs, Carson Ireton, John Riddle, Gerald Whitfield, Dennis Lynch

**Our church family currently in rehab, assisted living, or nursing home:** Elmina Lynch, Cynthia Baker, Mickey Eckley, Dorothy Smith

**We pray for our friends and family members:** Karen Lear, Lillian Butler, Jamison Lee, Natalie & Niko Pena, Tilson Zamora, James Bailey, Gordon Sennhenn, Norman (Butch) Myers, Flora Overstreet, Laura Porter, Kirsten Shore, Lindsey Williams, Rachel Smith, Lawson Kirkland, Pam Timmons, Asher Houston, Jacob Bayless, John Kellogg, Sharon Russell, James Stowe, Vickie & David Brown, Renee Leathers, Ronnie Jenkins, Nehemiah Hernandez, Lloyd Roettger, Gary Nelson, Denise Stills, Alice Shore, Rodney Tauer, Ed Hacker, James Liles, Camden Zehall, Mary Beth Gilliland, Tillie Hartman, Cathy Carter, Barb & Kara Sawyer, Crystal Grilley, Linda Beedle, Charlotte Cascio, Teal Esmeyer, Hendrix Beutler, Mike Bell, Jodie Flury, Blake Alaniz, Tonya Dawn McCulloch, Mary Wheeler, Penelope Ivey, Teresa May, Elsie Steinbeck

**And our military all over the world:** Patrick Hardin, Sonny Crick, Court Machtloff, Bonnie Epperson, Jonah Friese, T.J. Wilson, Matt Byce, Braxton Canning, Nate Ames

# Congregational Meeting June 30 following worship to approve the 2024-2025 Board



## First Christian Church of Guthrie

2024-2025 Board and Standing Committees

Rev. Ronnie Fields, Senior Pastor

Karen Allen, Associate Minister

### OFFICERS OF THE BOARD (1 yr. term)

Chair	Wayne Elder
Vice Chair	Lesley Cotton
Secretary	Bonita Johnston
Treasurer	Peggy Momsen

### MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS (1 yr. term)

Christian Education	Desi Rice and Stephanie Tucker
Connections	Jana Frey and Jan Bayless
Property	John Allen and Bill Mahan
Outreach	Wayne Elder and Krista Smith
Stewardship	Nick & Paige O'Connell
Worship	Stacey Johnston

### ELDERS Term Expires:

Ball, David	2025
Momsen, Peggy	2025
Hardin, LaMoyne	2025
Pierson, Brian	2025
Cotton, Lesley	2026
Doles, Darl	2026
Hanna, Steve	2026
Timmons, Brittany	2026
Davison, Susan	2027
Elder, Wayne	2027
Frey, Jana	2027
Simpson, Mike	2027
Wieczorek, Stan (Caring Elder)	2025

### DIACONATE (3 yr. term) Term Expires:

Bayless, Jan	2027
Benton, Chrissy	2027
Blakemore, Kristi	2026
Blakemore, Kyle	2026
Canning, Mike	2026
Carey, Alicia	2025
Carey, Kevin	2027
Carey, Janie	2026
Caughman, Jerry	2026
Davenport, Deanna	2027
Doles, Carol	2026
Ergang, Justin	2027
Fields, Shana	2027
Fields, Ron	2027
Frey, Kevin	2025
Griffin, Linda	2027
Hacker, Andy	2026
Hardin, Don	2026
Hubbard, Dakota	2026
Hubbard, Debbie	2027
Jarnagin, Brian	2026
Jarnagin, Brittney	2026
Jones, Vicki	2026
Kemper, Kevin	2025
Kemper, Robin	2025
Linker, Nicole	2027
Lyons, Calee	2026
Mahan, Barbara	2025
Mahan, Bill	2025
McLain, Bill	2027
McLain, Jessica	2027
O'Connell, Nick	2026
O'Connell, Paige	2026
Porter, Sam	2026
Porter, Sherry	2026
Price, Clara	2027
Rice, Desi	2025
Rice, Jason	2025
Schroder, Chris	2025
Schroder, Tammy	2025
Severson, Tammy	2025
Simpson, Kelly	2025
Smith, Krista	2025
Stowe, Charlie	2027
Timmons, Corey	2026
Torres, Brittany	2026
Tucker, Stephanie	2025
Wieczorek, Stan	2026
Willis, David	2027

### PASTORAL RELATIONS (3 yr. term) Term Expires:

Simpson, Kelly	2025
Kirschstein, Carolyn	2026
Redman, Jed	2027

### STANDING COMMITTEES

#### SCHOLARSHIP (2 yr. term) Term Expires:

Mays, Lindsay	2025
Hudson, Janet	2026
Morris, Karla	2026

#### MEMORIAL (2 yr. term) Term Expires:

Carey, Janie	2025
Hubbard, Debbie	2026
Mahan, Barbara	2026

#### TRUSTEES (3 yr. term) Term Expires:

Kemper, Kevin	2025
Fincher, Christie	2026
Jarnagin, Brittney	2027

#### PERSONNEL (3 yr. term) Term Expires:

Johnston, Stacey	2025
Redman, Carissa	2026
Gumerson, Gregg	2027
Carey, Alicia	2027

## DIG IN to the Word...Bible Study with us!



We have an ongoing group of people who do Bible studies together on the YouVersion Bible app. If you want to join the group and discussion, download the app, send a friend request to Karen Allen and she will invite you to each study.



24-Jun	How to Study the Bible	5 Days
25-Jun	How to Study the Bible	5 Days
26-Jun	How to Study the Bible	5 Days
27-Jun	How to Study the Bible	5 Days
28-Jun	How to Study the Bible	5 Days
29-Jun	Delights and Disciplines of Bible Study	4 Days
30-Jun	Delights and Disciplines of Bible Study	4 Days
1-Jul	Delights and Disciplines of Bible Study	4 Days
2-Jul	Delights and Disciplines of Bible Study	4 Days



upcoming

*Birthdays*

### JUNE

- 25 – Curtis Ketch
- 29 – Jacki Cowan
- 30 – Terry Hinkle

### JULY

- 1 – Patsy Crick
- 3 – Greg Friese
- 4 – Mikayla Johnston
- Nick O'Connell

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

### JUNE

- 27 – Thomas & Janet Hudson
- 28 – Jerry & LaHonda Ball
- Mike & Kelly Simpson
- 29 – Tim & Jennifer Hibner
- 30 – Don & LaMoyne Hardin

### JULY

- 1 – Kevin & Jana Frey
- 2 – KC & Linda Griffin