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SCOUT SUNDAY

Sunday, February 10, is Scout Sunday. Scout Troop 79 will host its annual Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale that morning in Fellowship Hall. Serving will begin by 8 am and continue until 11 am. Come and support our Scout Troop and enjoy some great Boy Scout pancakes!



Congregational Meeting - February 24, 2019

There will be a congregational meeting following each service to vote on the Leadership Council approved 2019 Budget. Please make plans to attend one of the meetings that day.



The evening news almost always contains at least one story of hurricanes, tornados, flooding, wild fires, refugees or people suffering from other disasters around the world. That's when Week of Compassion offers resources to those in need.

WEEK OF COMPASSION SPECIAL OFFERING



Week of Compassion works through a remarkable network of church partner organizations and partnerships that insures that Disciples' response to humanitarian needs in the world is efficient, effective and faithful. Through these partnerships, Discples are able to join a tapestry of caring that brings helps and hope to hurting people in every corner of the world.

Our offering will be combined with offerings from around the world to provide relief to individuals and communities who can never recover without help. Our Donations can create recovery "MORE THAN WE CAN IMAGINE".

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FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES



Journeyland (K-2) Teacher and Helper needed

Children this age learn most about God through the relationships they form in the church. It would be great if someone would make an ongoing commitment to these bright, fun loving, not-yet-reading children. Easy to follow curriculum is available.

Fun and Fellowship resumes Wednesday, February 13, 5:30 – 7:00. Pastor Rob and Morgan will be leading the Wednesday night children's program until we have a new Family Life Director. Other adult volunteers are still needed. Please see the sign up on the Christian Education Bulletin Board, or talk to Morgan Gregory. As you are able, you are invited to support our program financially. The recommended donation per child, per week is \$5.00, or \$40 per child for all 10 weeks. If this is a hardship for our family, but would like your child to attend, please just come. Payment is not required.

Worship and Wonder could use more storytellers and greeters, even if you can only commit to one or two times. Please talk with Janee or Morgan. If you would to learn how to be a Storyteller, please talk to Janee.

The Annual Youth Bake Sale is coming soon! Be on the lookout for info on how you can get involved.

CHAOS! The CHAOS Youth program start date is to be determined and will be released as soon as possible.

Church Camp information has been published, and registration will open on line February 1 at: <http://www.okdisciples.org>. The church will once again provide scholarships for up to half the cost for one camp per child. If this is a hardship, please talk to Pastor Rob. Cost information will be available when registration opens. Adults, would you like to serve as a counselor?! Or camp nurse? If so, talk to Michael Davison with the region about opportunities.

Camp	Grade Completed	Dates	Where
Discovery	2-3	June 21-23	Central
Junior	4-5	June 17-21	Central
Chi Rho	6-8	June 3-7	Oakridge
CYF Conference	9-12	June 24-28	Central
Mission Camp	8-12	July 7-13	Texas
Grand Camp	K-5 and Grandparents	July 9-11	Camp Christian

There will be a Camp Sunday later this Spring to collect everything necessary to go, and to get you excited!! Watch for details.

Save the Date - March 3, 2019

Please save the date for a wedding shower for Thaddius and Tia Hattendorf on Sunday, March 3, 2019 at 2:00 pm in the Parlor. They are registered at Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Baby Blessing - March 10, 2019

On Sunday, March 10, 2019, there will be one service of worship at 10:45, with Sunday School at 9:30. We will have a baby blessing that day for Harper Wren Bowlware and ?????.

MY HOW TIME FLIES

As I stood in front of my microwave this morning "warming up a cup of my coffee," I watched the seconds as they ticked away. The thought came to me this is my life ticking away. What a revelation! We don't think of seconds as being very important. But they tick away into minutes, hours, days, weeks, months, and years. I sat down with my computer and started figuring. A 70-year-old has live approximately two billion, two hundred seven million, five hundred and twenty thousand seconds. While you were reading that last sentence, about five seconds of your life passed, and you can never go back and decide to use them differently.

As small as they are, seconds are precious because they are a creation and gift from God. How we use even these tiny time increments is important because our heavenly Father has a plan for each and every life. Since we are to live it for His purpose and will, we must consider how He would have us spend not just years, hours, days, but even seconds. The time to decide how we should spend them is now, before anymore of our life passes away.



Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN MINISTRY

The apostle Paul urges us, "Be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil." (Eph. 5:15-16). In other words, he is instructing us to take advantage of every opportunity the Lord gives to us.

The heavenly Father is the one who opens the door for us to serve Him in a variety of ways, but if we neglect these chances, there is no guarantee that we will have a second chance. That is the reason why we must become aware of how we're using time. Are we wasting it or redeeming it according to God's will?

Till next "time" God's peace and blessings upon you,

Sandy J.
Stephens Leader

2019 DAY AT THE LEGISLATURE



Day at the Legislature

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2019

#1 We live in the most incarcerated country in the world and Oklahoma ranks 1st in the country for incarceration rates.

#49 We live in an incredibly educated nation, yet Oklahoma's public schools are ranked 49th in the nation for education.

What does it mean to be 1st and 49th? How does it impact the people of the state? How can the faith community unite together to improve these stark numbers?

Join us for the 36th Annual Oklahoma Conference of Churches Day at the Legislature **Monday, February 25th, 2019, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm** at the Oklahoma State Capitol Building in the 4th Floor Rotunda.

Check-in and registration opens at 8:30 am
Register online at okchurches.org

A WORD FROM PASTOR ROB

"Be still, and know that I am God!" Psalm 46:10

Listening is one of the hardest things asked of us. Okay maybe not the hardest, but it is difficult.

Alone, or with others, listening isn't always our first impulse.

We have our screens, and our phones, and our big screened phones.

It truly is amazing how much technology we carry in our pocket or purse.

Phones connect us, the internet connects us, FB Messenger connects us.

We are connected. A lot. A great deal. All. The. Time.

But are we listening?

Some of the times, our words get in the way;

our thoughts distract us;

our 'connections,'

bombard us.

Into the watery chaos of our lives, God speaks order.

Weaving Holiness into the very fabric of our existence God provides purpose.

Are we listening for God's voice?

Can we feel God's touch upon the hue of our skin?

Do we speak with loveless tongues that are empty or preoccupied?

Do we hear the Divine within?

Within ourselves?

Within our Neighbors?

Oh God, Help us to listen for you.

Help us to listen to our neighbors.

Oh God, help us to know your touch upon our flesh, and your power within our bones,
help us to be in relationship with you AND our fragmented world.

Help us Oh God,

to be still and know that you are God.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

We invite you to be a part of our Caregiver's Support Group at Southern Hills Christian Church. We meet every third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Parlor/Conference room. The group includes Stephen Ministers and Leaders in a "Care and Share" experience, emphasizing a listening ear to provide

whatever support you need.

Our next gathering will be at 7 pm, February 19.

We hope you will join us. There are no requirements for attendance. Come by and check out the group.

DEEPENING SPIRITUALITY

"ABIDE IN ME" - LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOL 2019



Topics: Justice • Disciples Roots • Inclusivity

There will be three opportunities for workshops, with participants choosing from the topics of justice, Disciples roots, and inclusivity. Presenters are from local, regional, and general church ministry organizations, providing a full and vibrant day of learning options.

Registration

The cost for the event is \$35 per person. If you attend, SHCC will reimburse you for this cost. Childcare will be provided free for those in 5th grade and below; please indicate your childcare needs when you pre-register. Youth in grades 6-12 are encouraged to participate in the event.

<https://okdisciples.org/lts-2019/>

"Abide in Me" is the theme of our 2019 Regional Leadership Training School. It will be held February 23, 2019! This popular annual event will offer education, worship, fellowship, and renewal for those in ministry in Oklahoma congregations.

Guest Speaker: DOC General Minister & President Rev Terri Hord Owens

Our preacher for the day is Rev. Teresa "Terri" Hord Owens, the General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). She will speak on the theme "Abide in Me", based on John 15:4-5.

⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

FCC Edmond Hosting

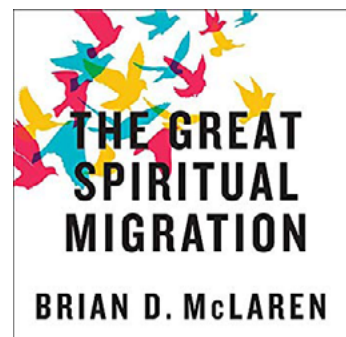
First Christian Church in downtown Edmond (201 E. 2nd St. • Edmond, OK 73034) is hosting the 2019 Leadership Training School from 9 am - 4:15 pm. You are encouraged to enjoy lunch on your own at one of Edmond's many great restaurants during the 2-hour lunch break. Parking AT FCC is available north and east of the building.

Schedule of Events

9:00 am Welcome & Hospitalitea
9:30-10:30 Block A Workshops
10:30-10:45 Transition to Sanctuary
10:45-12:00 Worship (Sanctuary)
12:00-2:00 pm Lunch on Your Own
2:00-3:00 Block B Workshops
3:00-3:15 Transition
3:15-4:15 Block C Workshops
4:15 Traveling Mercies

LENTEN JOURNEY SERIES

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, is on March 6. This year we are proposing a 4-week Wednesday night program to accompany you on your Lenten journey. You are invited to participate on **March 13 & 27; and April 3 & 10** in a video and discussion series covering the Great Spiritual Migration based on a book by Brian McLaren. Each session will begin with a light supper for both children and adults at 5:30 and then all programs (children will have their regular classes) will begin at 6:00 and will conclude before 7:00. Choir practice will follow at 7:00 as usual.



ONE SERVICE - SUNDAY, MARCH 10

As we begin Lent, on Sunday, March 10, 2019, there will be **one service of worship at 10:45. Sunday School will be at 9:30.** Please be aware that we "spring forward" that day for Daylight Savings Time.

During Worship we will have a **baby blessing.** If you or someone you know would like to participate in the baby blessing, please contact the front office for more information

Immediately following the service, join us for a **Fellowship Meal** in Fellowship Hall. (More details to be announced)

FROM THE SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR A SETTLED PASTOR

The Search Committee for a Settled Pastor is excited to have the Rev Dr. Rob Crawford as our interim minister and we look forward to sharing ministry with him during the coming months.

The next phase of our process requires the completion of a Church Profile that will be given to the Regional Office to post the position nationally. We want information we include in this profile to

reflect the current opinions of our church. So, during March, we will ask you to complete a Buzz Poll (available in paper and electronic versions). This will give us some of the information we need to describe our church to potential applicants. We want your input about what you desire in a settled pastor so that we can find that person for you. We appreciate your support and your prayers as we continue the process.

Ordinary Lives – Extraordinary People #thestoriesofjesus

Lent --- 2019

March 6th Ash Wednesday – April 21st Easter Sunday

Stay tuned for more info!

DISCIPLES 101 - CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

Ever wondered how the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) started? Ever wonder why "Disciples of Christ" is always in parentheses? Curious about the Church Jesus came to establish and how it evolved after his death? Ever wondered what the Reformation or the Restoration were all about? Then we have a class for you! During five Sundays in Lent (March 10th through April 7th) we will have a special class during the Sunday School hour focused on the following topics:

- Sunday March 10th: Foundations of Faith, from Jesus up to the Reformation
- Sunday March 17th: The Reformation Period
- Sunday March 24th: The Restoration Movement and beginnings of the DOC, the 1800s
- Sunday March 31st: The formation of a denomination, 1900s through today
- Sunday April 7th: Women in Disciples History (in Fellowship Hall)

This class is for anyone interested in church history, but especially for new members who have never been through an introductory Disciples class, or anyone who is thinking about becoming a member of Southern Hills. The first four classes will be taught by Lisa Wynn (and held in the chapel), and the final class will be a special presentation on Women in Disciples History, taught by Professor Lisa Barnett, PhD, from Phillips Seminary (and held in Fellowship Hall). All ages (including youth) are welcome. We need to have an estimate of class size in order to determine how to set up the room, so please sign up at the table in the gathering area, or speak directly with Lisa Wynn, or email her at ljwynn@cox.net.

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Location Key:
 BK Boka Keene
 BV Bradford Village
 C Chapel
 CR Conference Room
 P Parlor
 S Sanctuary
 YR Youth Room
 GA Gathering Area
 FH Fellowship Hall
 TR Toddler Room
 WW Worship & Wonder

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 2:00p food prep	2 7:30 - 8:15 Free Breakfast
3 9:00 Traditional Worship (S) 9:15 Worship & Wonder 10:15 Sunday School 11:15 Contemp Worship (S) 3:30 Communion Service (BV)	4 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 6:00p Plarn Workshop (BK) 6:30 Cub Scouts	5 Newsletter Published 7:00p Scouting BSA	6 10:00a Bible Study (BK) 11:00 Overeater's Anon (C) 5:30 p Praise Team (S) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00 Comm/Tech Mtg (BK)	7 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 5:30p Intercessory Prayer Group (C) 6:00p Girl Scouts (P)	8 2:00p food prep	9 7:30 - 8:15 Free Breakfast
10 Scout Sunday 8:00a Pancake Breakfast (FH) 9:00 Traditional Worship (S) 9:15 Worship & Wonder 10:15 Sunday School 11:15 Contemp Worship (S) 3:30 Communion Service (BV)	11 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 12:00p WOW Book Club 6:00 Big Theological Questions (The Patriarch) 6:00 Plarn Workshop (BK) 6:30 Cub Scouts 6:30 CDC Meeting (S)	12 Newsletter Deadline 6:00p Lectio Divina (C) 7:00 Scouting BSA 7:00 Outreach (BK)	13 10:00a Bible Study (BK) 11:00 Overeater's Anon (C) 5:30p Fun & Fellowship (FH) 5:30 p Praise Team (S) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	14 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 5:30p Intercessory Prayer Group (C) 7:00 Stephen Min. (P)	15 2:00p food prep	16 7:30 - 8:15 Free Breakfast
17 Week of Compassion Offering 9:00a Traditional Worship (S) 9:15 Worship & Wonder 10:15 Sunday School 11:15 Contemp Worship (S) 3:30 Communion Service (BV)	18 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 6:00p Plarn Workshop (BK) 6:30 Cub Scouts	19 Newsletter Published 12:30p DW Fidelity/Charity (P) 6:00 Lectio Divina (C) 7:00 Caregiver's Support (P) 7:00 Scouting BSA 7:00 Breakfast Planning Committee (BK)	20 10:00a Bible Study (BK) 11:00 Overeater's Anon (C) 12:00 Plarn Workshop (BK) 5:30 Praise Team (S) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	21 Staff In-service Day 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 5:30p Intercessory Prayer Group (C) 6:00p Girl Scouts (P)	25 22:00p food prep	23 7:30 - 8:15 Free Breakfast Leadership Training School (FCC Edmond) 7:00 Scouts Blue & Gold Banquet
24 Week of Compassion Offering 9:00a Traditional Worship (S) 10:00 Congregational Mtg. (S) 9:15 Worship & Wonder 10:15 Sunday School 11:15 Contemp Worship (S) 12:15 Congregational Mtg. (S) 12:30p Elder's Meeting (P) 3:30 Communion Service (BV) 4:00 Leadership Council (C)	25 OCC Day at the Legislature 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 6:00 Big Theological Questions (The Patriarch) 6:00 Plarn Workshop (BK) 6:30 Cub Scouts	26 Newsletter Deadline 6:00p Lectio Divina (C) 7:00p Scouting BSA	27 10:00a Bible Study (BK) 11:00 Overeater's Anon (C) 12:30p WOW Lunch Group (TBA) 5:30p Praise Team (S) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	28 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 5:30p Intercessory Prayer Group (C) 7:00 Stephen Min. (P)		

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Service Times

Sunday 9:00 am - Traditional Service

Sunday 10:15 am - Sunday School

Sunday 11:15 am - Contemporary Service

Sunday 3:30 pm - Communion at Bradford Village

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

IMPORTANT DATES

- 1/24 - Intercessory Prayer Group - 5:30 pm in the Chapel
- 1/28 - PLARN Workshop - 6:00 pm in the Boka Keene Room
- 1/28 - Big Theological Questions - 6:00 pm at the Patriarch
- 2/10 - Scout Sunday & Pancake Breakfast
- 2/11 - WOW Book Group - 12:00 pm in the Chapel
- 2/12 - Outreach Committee - 7:00 pm in Boka Keene
- 2/13 - Fun & Fellowship Resumes - 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall
- 2/19 - Weekend Breakfast Planning - 7:00 pm in Boka Keene
- **2/21 - Staff In-Service Day**
- 2/23 - Leadership Training School - 9:00 am at FCC Edmond
- 2/24 - Elder's Meeting - 12:30 in the Conference Room
- 2/24 - Leadership council Meeting - 4:00 in the Chapel
- 2/25 - OCC Day at the Legislature

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ATTENDANCE

Sunday School 1/27	80
9:00 AM Traditional 1/27	108
11:15 AM Contemp. 1/27	61
3:30 PM Bradford 1/27	13
Total Worship 1/27	182
Sunday School 2/03	82
9:00 AM Traditional 2/03	123
11:15 AM Contemp. 2/03	42
3:30 PM Bradford 2/03	14
Total Worship 2/03	179

PRAYERS

Marie Byrkit; Susie Park; Elsie Knight; Alice Smith; Joe Jones; Verna Manning; Bob Hoemann; Michael Bohn, David McWilliams; Ruth Harness; Kelly Kea