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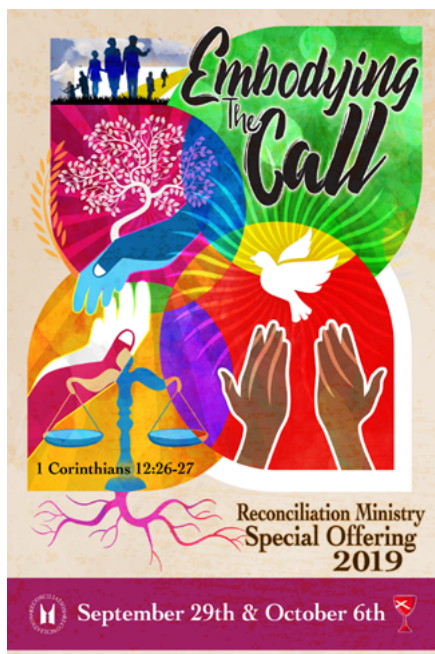
Edmond Pride 2019 Worship

Live. Love. Be

Join us for the inaugural Edmond Pride ecumenical worship service at Southern Hills Christian Church on Friday, October 11th at 6:30pm. On the eve of the 2nd annual Edmond Pride, Rev. Jay Williams and other metro area clergy and local church leaders who are supportive of the LGBTQIA+ community, will gather to lead a celebration of the Edmond Pride 2019 theme: "Live. Love. Be." This worship experience will be inclusive of all people, while drawing from the experiences of differing Christian traditions. Elements of the service will include singing, liturgy, and prayer. This will be a family friendly service with our "pray-ground" in the sanctuary, as well as child care in the nursery. All people of faith or no faith are invited.

The worship service itself should last about an hour, and then immediately following will be a reception in the pumpkin patch!

RECONCILIATION SPECIAL OFFERING



The Reconciliation Special Offering is used to fund our Church's mission imperative to become a pro-reconciling and anti-racist church utilizing experiential education, inclusive worship and intentional dialogue. Our efforts to promote healing, relationship and restoration in the whole family of God are enlivened by funds from this offering. Through it we are able to provide programs for leadership development, curriculum for dialogue and learning, and partnerships within the Church and our communities.

Reconciliation Ministry is your mission of embodiment to love one another as Christ loves us. Your generosity fuels our granting programs, youth and young adult leadership development, and Regional and General Ministry outreach toward building beloved community through advocacy, intentional conversation and action. Your giving enlivens our Churchwide witness and presence as the one body of Christ in the communities where we live and serve! Thank you for your generosity!

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

REV. SARAH COMBS
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Welcome! Kye Tran, born September 30th to Alysa and Tomy Tran. Proud big sister is Ava. Excited grandparents are Cathy and Kim Guyer. A rose on the table honored this arrival in worship on October 6th.

FUN & FELLOWSHIP, WEDNESDAYS 5:30 - 7:00 BUS RIDES AVAILABLE!



All children and youth are invited for Wednesday evening programming as we share a meal, have some fellowship, and converse about faith. In addition to the newness of adding youth back to Wednesdays, we also have some volunteers who want to help by offering van rides for children and youth who need a ride to be able to join the fun and fellowship. To help with material preparation and let us know if a ride is needed, please register your students at <http://bit.ly/2OEHPiX>.

Worship in the Patch!

Fun & Fellowship will meet in the pumpkin patch on October 23rd for our 5th Annual All-Church Worship in the Patch. The youth and children are invited to wear their Halloween costumes for activities from 5:30-6pm, after which we will join with the rest of the congregation for a meal, followed by a worship service in the Pumpkin Patch! Bring your lawn chairs and blankets!

Upcoming Family Life Dates

Team Work Sunday is September 29th. Save the date to unload pumpkins after church!

Christmas Play Rehearsal, 4-6p. Rehearsals start September 29 for children and youth who want to be a part of the play on December 8. Meet in the Sanctuary at 4pm on each of these Sundays:

- October 13
- October 20
- November 3
- November 10
- November 17
- December 1
- Saturday, December 7, 9a - 12p

Children & Youth Work in the Patch, October 13, 11am -4pm Come help with the largest fundraiser for children and youth programming by working a day in the pumpkin patch.

Trunk or Treat, October 27, 4-6 pm - It's back! Sign up your trunk or drop off treats in the bucket outside the Family Life Office.

SERVICE TO OTHERS

HAVE YOU NOTICED LATELY?

When God sent His Son to earth He did not intend for Him to be a superstar. Jesus came to serve. Since we are His disciples, we are to follow His wonderful example and serve this lost and hurting world. Do you remember the story about Zaccheus the tax collector? Although he was very rich he was hated and rejected because he was a tax collector. He realized there was something missing in his life. He had heard about this man named Jesus so because he was so small in stature he climbed up in a tree. As Jesus passed this man in the tree, He recognized his need. In our life there are many people like Zaccheus --- needy, empty, lonely and searching for hope. But, too often we are so preoccupied with our own activities that we don't even notice them.

Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem to carry out the most important act in history; our redemption. Yet He stopped to spend time with a spiritually needy man, Zaccheus. What is so important that it keeps you and me from giving people your time and attention?



Christ caring for people through people

**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Although Zaccheus was a sinner Jesus didn't say, "Clean up your act, and then I will come to your house." We are called not to fix people, but to share the beautiful gospel of Christ.

How are you doing at serving those around you? Maybe it is time for all of us to slow down enough to see who might be in need. The Lord places all kinds of opportunities in our path, but if we are not attentive, we will miss them. Sometime we just need to pause, pray, and open our eyes.

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

Sandy Jehle
Stephen Leader

TO ALL WEEKEND BREAKFAST VOLUNTEERS

As you know, we received grant money from the Oklahoma Disciples Foundation a few months ago to help purchase a new freezer for the kitchen. A followup report to the Foundation is due in December. One of the things that is needed is a satisfaction survey of the visitors and the volunteers. We have completed one for the visitors and now the volunteers are to be surveyed. I will be handing out surveys the next two weeks after both services. Please complete the survey and return to me or bring it to the Church office before October 20.

Thanks very much for your help,
Georgia Shaw



WEEK OF COMPASSION

Hurricane Dorian has completely devastated the lives of people living in the Bahama islands and the best way to respond to this terrible devastation is to give to 'Week of Compassion'. Simply make your check out to SHCC and write "WOC - Dorian" in the memo line. Your gifts will provide relief for those in need.

SEARCH COMMITTEE POLL RESULTS

Hello Congregation from your Settled Pastor Search Committee!!

Thank you so much to the 70 individuals who participated in our Buzz Poll that was designed to help us determine exactly what skills you most wanted in our Settled Pastor. The complete results are available in the church office. Here are the top 3 in each of the Skill Clusters:

Outreach/Teaching Ministries

1. Teaching
2. Mission in the Local Community
3. Evangelism

Pastoral & Worship Ministries

1. Proclamation of the Word
2. Spiritual Development of Members
3. Hospital and Emergency Visitation

Membership Development/Administrative Ministries

1. Administrative Leadership
2. Congregational Fellowship
3. Planning Congregational Life

We will use this information along with the demographic data to help complete The Congregational Profile required by the Regional Office to open the position for applicants. Our timeline requires the submission of this document by the end of October and we do expect to meet that goal. The Region will have the month of November to get the position opened and we will begin receiving applications after Christmas. We will review those applications and select a preliminary group for telephone interviews and then will narrow the field to the ones we want to interview in person. If you know of someone we should consider, please give any one of us that name and we will add the name to our list. We appreciate your comments and questions. We are working for you to find the best pastor for Southern Hills Christian Church. Keep us in your prayers.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

OCTOBER DISCIPLES WOMEN CENTRAL AREA MEETING

Central Area Meeting

October 22, 2019
9:30 Coffee & Fellowship
10:00 Meeting
Noon Lunch

First Christian, Norman

220 S. Webster
For Reservations:
Janet Curtis 405-413-5257
Janetcurtis.45@gmail.com

Deadline for Reservations:

October 15th, 2019

(Please have one person call with reservations for church group)
Lunch is \$8.00. Checks made out to First Christian Norman.

DISCIPLE WOMEN

The next SHCC Disciples Women meeting will be at 1:00 PM, Monday, October 21, in the home of Georgia Shaw, 2408 Bent Trail Road, Cell: 405-471-4463. All SHCC women are invited.

WOW BOOK GROUP

The WOW Book Group will meet on Monday, **October 14, 12:00 pm** in the Chapel. All SHCC women are invited to attend.

PUMPKINS HAVE ARRIVED!

Pumpkins have arrived, and sales are under way. If you have not yet signed up for a shift in the pumpkin patch, see Kurt Sampley on Sunday in the Gathering Area to get involved. He will be signing people up before and after services. During the week, you may also call John in the front office (341-0766) to schedule a shift. Shifts are available from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm, and 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.



A second load of pumpkins arrives Sunday, October 13 round 4:00 pm. Please make plans to come and help out if you are able.

Funds raised from the sale of pumpkins go to support Habitat for Humanity, Oklahoma Central Camp and Conference Center in Guthrie, SHCC Disciples Men, and SHCC Children and Youth Ministries.

WORSHIP IN THE PATCH

Bring your chairs and blankets, and Join us October 23rd at 6:00 pm for our 5th Annual Worship in the Patch. The Pumpkin Patch provides a wonderful venue for this all-church, all-ages, event. This special service begins with a time of fellowship over a meal served in the Pumpkin Patch. A time of worship featuring music by the SHCC Praise Band will follow.



PUMPKINFEST

Start getting those costumes ready because on Sunday, October 27th, from 4-6pm in our front parking lot, Pumpkinfest is returning! We will have games, a bounce house or two, Trunk-or-Treating, music, and more! Free pizza and bottled water will be provided by CDC! Bring your kids, your family, your friends, your neighbors for a fun filled afternoon!



This is a wonderful community outreach opportunity that is only successful through the efforts and support of our amazing congregation, **so all through October we will be collecting bags of individually wrapped candy; look for the collection box in the gathering area!** We will also need people to come bring their trunks, and help at the games and activities, so please let ign up outside the Family Life Office. Contact Sarah with questions.



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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

- 10/11 - Edmond Pride Opening Worship - 6:30 pm at SHCC
- **10/13 - Second load of Pumpkins Arrive at 4:00 pm.**
- 10/14 - WOW Book Group - 12:00 pm in the chapel
- 10/21 - Disciple Women's meeting at the home of Georgia Shaw at 1:00 pm
- 10/23 - Worship in the Patch - 5:30 pm in the Pumpkin Patch
- 10/27 - Pumpkinfest Trunk or Treat- 4-6 pm in the front parking lot.
- 11/04 - Leadership Council - 4:00 pm in the Chapel
- 11/17 - Alternative Christmas

ATTENDANCE

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| Sunday School 9/29 | 65 |
| 10:45AM Combined 9/29 | 125 |
| 3:30 PM Bradford 9/29 | 10 |
| Total Worship 9/29 | 135 |
| Sunday School 10/06 | 67 |
| 9:00 AM Traditional 10/06 | 82 |
| 11:15 AM Contemp. 10/06 | 51 |
| 3:30 PM Bradford 10/06 | 10 |
| Total Worship 10/06 | 143 |

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PRAYERS

Marie Byrkit; Elsie Knight; Alice Smith; Joe Jones; Ruth Harness; Bud Kahmar; Julie Kruse; Amber Marcha; Dennis Marcha; Valerie White; Shirley Bibb; Evelyn Elliott's Son; Mary Lou Pendleton