

JULY,
2019

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

301 North Third Avenue, Durant, Ok 74701

A NOTE FROM DELL

Dearest friends in Christ,

It has been a remarkable year in the life of the church with highs and lows, joys and sorrows. All made sweeter with the comforting care of our family of believers and the support of Pastor Shelton. I am amazed by all our projects and programs: the return of the children's programming, the Bell Choir, the continuing of Thunder Alley, hosting the university music department concerts in the fall, the restoration and installation of the stained glass windows in the baptistery, refurbishing the sound system, cleaning out the upstairs classrooms, and the beautiful Christmas and Easter services.

It's been an honor to serve as Board Moderator and I look forward to assisting John Redman as he assumes that duty.

Thanks be to God for his many, many blessings,

Dell

IN OUR SHARED PRAYERS....

Maudie Anderson, Joyce Bennett, Brandolyn Dunn, Ann Flanagan,
Rosemary Riddle, Ruth and Terry Shelton

MOMENTS FOR FELLOWSHIP ...

Maudie Anderson... celebrates 94th birthday. She remains in Calera Manor, #408. Please stop by for a short visit or send a short note or card so she'll know she is missed and not forgotten!



Happy Birthday,
Maudie!

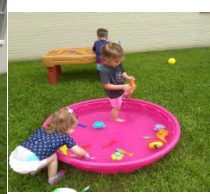
Ann Flanagan... has been doing so much better (even staying alone at night). She has returned to church and we hope to see a lot more of her.

Rosemary Riddle - is so much better - hope to see her at our Summer Sing and luncheon tomorrow. She just celebrated a BIG birthday- doesn't look a day over 50!!! I'm so envious.

July 21st Dell McLain will once again fill our pulpit. Make plans now to welcome and support him--he always does such a good job.

SUNSHINE SCHOOL

Summertime Fun Camp will end July 24th. New carpet will be laid in all the classrooms for the new semester



TOYS!

WATER!

FRIENDS!

FOOD!

FUN!

July, 2019

ELDERS SERVING AT THE TABLE

July 7th - McLain, C. Kirkpatrick

July 14th - Skaggs, E. Redman

July 21st - Corbett, J. Redman

July 28th - C. Kirkpatrick, McLain

COMMUNION PREPARATION

Cindy, Charlene

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for my beautiful Bible. I read it often and will continue to do so on this next journey of my life. This means so much to me and I will do my very best to make you all proud!

Blake Buchanan

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please keep the participants in the 2019 General Assembly in prayer as they travel, learn, worship, fellowship and discern direction in the Christian Church (*Disciples of Christ*) in Des Moines July 20-24.

Please pray for Pastor Andy as he works on his Doctorate degree in Tulsa. Have you ever thought of what it would be like to return to school and begin trying to concentrate on those books again? I can't even imagine what this would be like after all these years. He very definitely needs all our prayers and he is greatly missed here at FCC.

Jean McLain fell last week and injured a vertebrae in her back. She should be released from the hospital today. We talked with her yesterday from Church and she sounded like she was in good spirits, but not so sure that's all true! Please keep her in your daily prayers for a speedy recovery and comfort. She so wants to be back in Durant so she can help with Meals on Wheels.

We celebrated our Independence Day Sunday with our Summer Song Fest followed by our traditional Potluck lunch in Fellowship Hall. Dell and Billie set up the Summer Sing - everyone enjoyed singing all of the traditional songs we grew up with. Janelle Hammel was our special guest at the piano and Chance Eubanks sang a special solo for us (*what would we do without this guy?*) We had lots of guests that joined us for this "Summer Fun Day"--if you missed this day, you missed a very special day at First Christian.



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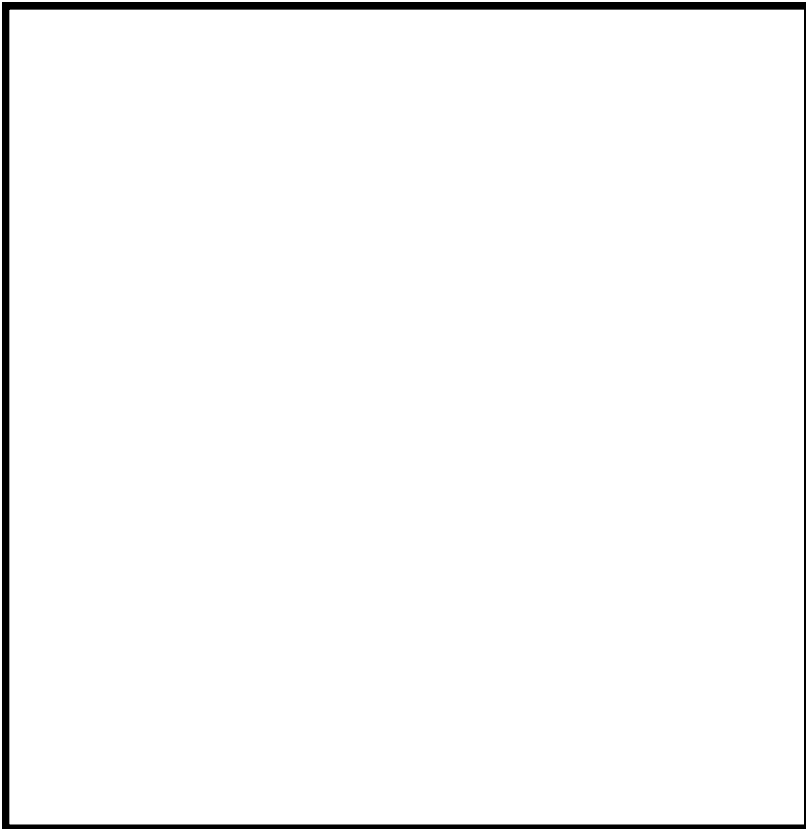
SOUP KITCHEN

EVERY SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

FROM 1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM

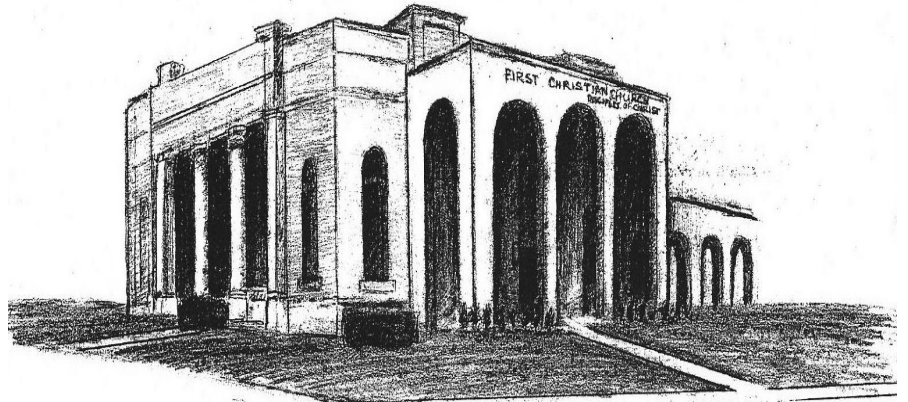
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