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SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2025

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

8:40 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Church School

10:45 a.m. Worship

*Worship will also be livestreamed
at 10:45 a.m.*

Scripture: Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16 & Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Sermon: *Faith in the Faithful One*

Worship & Wonder: Family Sunday

Evensong Worship

Tuesday, September 2nd, at 5:15 p.m. – Chapel

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st IN CELEBRATION
OF THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY.

The Church Office will reopen on Tuesday,
September 2nd at 8:00 a.m.

WOMEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDY

Listening and Learning--a Fall study for women beginning on September 11 through November 20. Thursday mornings, 9:30 to 11 in the Chapel. We will pay attention to scriptural phrases and the people around you, listening and learning as we step from information and reformation, seeking transformation.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION GROUP BEGINS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

The Spiritual Formation Group meets monthly on the second Saturday, from 9 am to 10:30 am, in the FCC Chapel and Conference Room. Starting in September (the 13th) and running through May—for a total of nine months—the group explores various spiritual practices such as contemplative prayer, hospitality, simplicity, and creating a personal rule of life. It also emphasizes ways to incorporate these practices into daily living. Please email Tom (tom@fccnorman.org) for questions and to reserve your spot, by August 31st. Thank you!

2025-2026 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

New membership directories are available to pick up in the church gallery or by the church office.

DISCIPLE MEN COFFEE

Date change - Monday, (changed due to Labor Day)
September 8, 2025 – 6:30 am to 8:30 am – Yellow Dog Coffee

Evensong

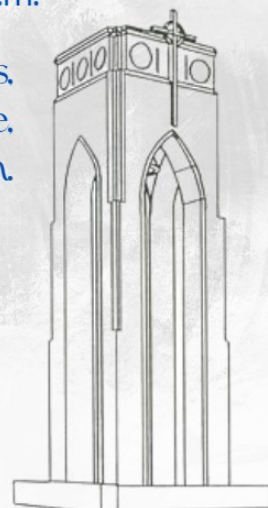
Tuesday, September 2nd

5:15 - 5:45 p.m.

A vespers with Taizé songs,
scripture, prayerful silence,
and communion.

Join Us!

Sanctify the day, prepare for the next



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS



Jeff Yanch is a Canadian transplant to Oklahoma. He's been here for 10 years and is now a US citizen. He is married to Stacy Minnick and has two sons: Zac and Luc. Jeff works in the IT field.

His journey of faith and spirituality has been long with many bumps in the road. The acceptance he has received by every member of First Christian Church, and members of other Disciples of Christ churches, has allowed him to slowly accept spirituality back into his life. He's very excited and grateful to join such an amazing group of people!



Ava Davis is 16 years old and goes to Norman North High School, as well as the Oklahoma Aviation Academy.

MOUNTAIN OF FOOD OFFERING UPDATE

Thank you for your generous donations totaling \$6,277. The Mountain of Food offering is our local offering that has always provided needed assistance to those experiencing hunger in Cleveland County.

The gifts the church provides are used to purchase gift cards for food, clothes, or gas. The cards are distributed by staff at Food and Shelter, Inc. who are able to give to those with the greatest need. Thank you for your generous support, now and in the past.

YOUTH GROUP

Check the youth list email, Facebook, GroupMe, and the iMessage group text for meeting information. Please contact Shannon if you have any questions!

Chi Rho is for youth in 6th-8th grades and CYF is for youth in 9th-12th grades.

All Chi Rho and CYF youth are welcome to join us for any and all events, and friends are always welcome!

School Year Schedule

Chi Rho Service Night—4:00 p.m.

Chi Rho Free Time—4:45-5:15 p.m.

Chi Rho Meeting—5:15-6:30 p.m.

Youth Meal (Chi Rho and CYF)—6:30-7:15 p.m.

CYF Meeting—7:15-8:30 p.m.

August 27—Photo Scavenger Hunt

September 3—Study on Saul/Paul

September 10—Service Project for Food and Shelter

All Chi Rho and CYF youth must have a registration on file by the first meeting in August! Visit <https://fccnorman.shelbynextchms.com/external/form/13cde659-783d-4d92-9157-9bfd113a1d85> to fill out the registration form.

IN THE CHURCH FAMILY...

Marilyn Durbin has been released from Norman Regional Hospital.

Larry Crymes is in Norman Regional Hospital.

DISCIPLE STANCE CLASS COMING SOON

The Disciple Stance class, a three-week introduction to the beliefs and practices of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) will take place September 14th, 21st and 28th at 9:30 a.m. in the Pathfinders Room. The class is for those who have been visiting or recently joined, or who would like a refresher course about the Disciples of Christ Church in general and the mission and ministries of First Christian Church in particular, along with its worship practices, its observance of baptism and communion, and its polity and organization. The class will be led by Rev. Dr. Steve Graham & Elder Bart Hanna.

You do not need to make a reservation for the class; simply come to the Pathfinders Room Sunday the 14th at 9:30, or if you cannot make the first class, then feel free to come on the 21st or 28th. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the church office.

ChARM ADVENTURES:

Friday, August 29 – 8:00am – Take the Church bus to Sonny's for breakfast or drive your own vehicle and meet us there. Please RSVP either way.

Saturday, September 6 – 6:00pm - OU vs. Michigan Football Game Watch Party at the Gasaway's Home. 4704 Manor Hill Drive in Norman. Please bring a snack to share. Please RSVP.

Thursday, September 11 – 10:45am – ChARM Day in Tecumseh! Let's wear our ChARM shirts please. Please RSVP for your seat on the bus.

Friday, September 26 – 8:00am – Take the Church bus to Sunny Side Up in Moore for breakfast or drive your own vehicle and meet us there. Please RSVP either way.

Monday, September 29 – Noon – 5th Monday Potluck Lunch in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Dutch Albert is our speaker!!!

BRANSON HERE WE COME...

The final payment for our October 14 – October 17 Branson Trip is due on or before September 1. If you have any questions or would like to join the trip, please contact Stephanie in the Church office.

Church Calendar

August 27, 2025– Wednesday

2:45 p.m. Logos
4:00 p.m. Chi Rho Service Night
(6th-8th Grade)
5:15 p.m. Chi Rho (6th-8th Grade)
6:30 p.m. Youth Meal
7:15 p.m. CYF (9th– 12th Grade)
7:30 p.m. Choir

August 29, 2025– Friday

No NPS/MDO

8:00 a.m. ChARM Breakfast– Sonny’s

August 30, 2025– Saturday

12:00 p.m. Youth Game Day Car Parking
5:00 p.m. OU vs. Illinois

August 31, 2025– Sunday

8:40 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Church School
10:45 a.m. Worship

September 1, 2025– Monday

Labor Day

Church Office Closed

No NPS/MDO

September 2, 2025– Tuesday

10:00 a.m. DoCWM Council– C.R.
5:15 p.m. Evensong

INFANTS – PRE-K FROLIC WORSHIP



Our attendants who care and teach the infant–Pre-K children continue to create a safe and nurturing environment while introducing them to faith through story, play, games, and crafts complementing the weekly Bible story.

Sunday, the children created a craft that they could use to retell the story of Jesus Walking on Water – their crafts floated on water. The preschoolers also rang the bell on Sunday morning, and they did a wonderful job.

VOYAGE INTO DISCIPLESHIP

Voyage Into Discipleship welcomes all children, kindergarten through 5th grade, every Sunday to set sail from the third floor in the children’s education area at 9:30am. Our Voyage currently takes us through the creation stories as children learn about the importance of caring for God’s creation. This Sunday, August 31st, all of the children will create art using recycled items, affirming the importance of recycling and keeping the earth free of litter as we finish our voyage through the first creation story in Genesis 1.



We were delighted to welcome the children back to Logos last week. With this year’s theme, Agents in Action, we look forward to a season of growth, discovery and joy as the children and adults learn and share together. We have extra handbooks if needed, and the magnets have been ordered.

WORSHIP PODCAST

The morning prayer, anthem, scripture, and sermon are now available each week in podcast form. Simply search Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, or Spotify for “First Christian Church of Norman.” You can also listen right in your browser at podcast.fccnorman.org.

ACCESSING LIVESTREAM WORSHIP

Sunday 10:45 worship will be livestreamed so you can watch or listen from your computer, tablet, or smartphone. Simply search Facebook for “First Christian Church of Norman” or, if you aren’t on Facebook, point your browser to <http://live.fccnorman.org> for links to stream on YouTube and other social media platforms. If you are not able to watch live, the video will be available for later viewing. To access the church homepage please visit <http://fccnorman.org>.

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY

Faith Alive

Great is Thy Faithfulness (86)

Called as Partners in Christ’s Service (453)

Sunday Worship will be both video and audio
livestreamed at 10:45 in the morning

STEWARDSHIP

Thank you for your faithful stewardship that makes possible the excellent work of the church in its many ministries of outreach, education, worship, care, and fellowship. As a reminder, you may send your contributions to the church in one of several ways...

*Checks can be mailed to the church at 220 South Webster Avenue, Norman, OK 73069.

*Calling the church office (329-2192) and charging on a debit or credit card.

*Setting up a recurring weekly or monthly payment from a checking, savings, debit or credit card.

*Givelify—you can give from your computer or mobile device by visiting <http://give.fccnorman.org> to donate online or search your device’s app store for the Givelify app.