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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025

World Communion Sunday

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: Romans 8: 19-27, Acts 2: 1-21

Sermon: *Coming into Our Own*

Worship & Wonder: Abram and Sarai

Evensong Worship

Monday, October 6th, at 5:15 p.m.— Chapel

DISCIPLES MEN GATHERING

You are invited to join the Disciples Men for a monthly Monday morning "Coffee Chat." Our next Coffee Chat will happen Monday, October 6th, from 6:30am to 8:30am.

It is a men's get together to meet and get to know one another. The concept is to drop by whenever it is convenient and depart when it is convenient for you.

The location is the **Yellow Dog (222 South Porter Avenue) at Porter and Eufaula**, just down from the church and across the street from Hiland Dairy. Parking is on the street and behind their shop.

Please come and join us!

LOGOS CHILDCARE ATTENDANTS NEEDED:

Do you have a heart for caring for little ones?

Our Logos Children's Ministry is looking for two dedicated childcare attendants to help care for our youngest children (pre-K and under) during our Wednesday afternoon program.

Details:

Position: Childcare Attendant (2 positions available)

Paid position

When: Wednesdays, 2:15 PM – 6:30 PM

Who: Caring for children pre-K and under

We are looking for warm, responsible, and nurturing individuals who enjoy working with young children. If you or someone you know might be interested, please contact Eula at eula@fccnorman.org or (405)329-2192 for more information or to apply.

B.I.B.L.E. SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

B.I.B.L.E. Class is resuming movies of a Biblical nature. Since we will be spending 5 weeks on Jeremiah, (not the bullfrog!) a film about his life, calling, outcome, etc. is being planned for the forthcoming future. This film is 1-1/2 hours in length—too long for a 1 hour Sunday School class. Therefore, this coming Sunday we will discuss how best to split it up, or just come one Saturday morning, bring your popcorn and get acquainted with my favorite prophet. **ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN IN.** TEENS PARTICULARLY, but, as usual, parental discretion is advisable for younger folks.

Evensong

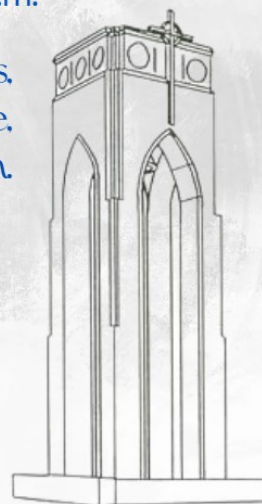
Monday, October 6th

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



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.

October 1—Study: Why does the Bible contradict itself at times?

October 8—No Youth—NPS Fall Break

October 15—Service Project: College Care Packages

October 22—Fellowship and Games

Sunday, October 26—Fall Carnival! Youth are welcome to stay after church (lunch will be provided) to help set up for the event. We will also need help with cleanup, which should take less than an hour. Youth should be done by 5 p.m. at the latest! Service hours can be earned at this event.

October 29—All Saint's Day

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

NEWS FROM DISCIPLES OF CHRIST WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

The DoCW Council met earlier this month and discussed the Central Area Disciples Women's meeting that we hosted in August. Attendance was light due to a rainy morning, but our church had twenty-four members representing us. We had lots of nice comments from those attending from other churches in the Central Area. Thank you to those of you who attended and to those who prepared, served, and cleaned up after the event.. It is always a wonderful opportunity to begin our new year. Please plan to attend the next Central Area Disciples Women's meeting on Tuesday, October 28.

Coming up on Saturday, November 8 we will have our bazaar. If you sew, knit, crochet, paint, quilt, make cards, or do any craft, now is the time to begin preparing for the bazaar. This year we have invited outside vendors. We will also have an area to donate unused craft items to sell. So if you have "stuff" leftover from a craft you no longer need, please think about donating those supplies. We'll have our usual bake sale and frozen food sale. All items can be brought to the church on Friday, November 7 after 9:00. The bazaar is scheduled from 9:00-3:00 on Saturday. We'll have two shifts for workers: 8:30-12:30 and 12:00-4:00. If you can't work a full shift, come to help whenever you can. All women of the church are invited to be part of this fundraiser.

ChARM OCTOBER ADVENTURES

Tuesday, October 14 - our charter bus will begin to load at the church at 7:30AM and will leave promptly at 8AM for our incredible Branson vacation. We will return on Friday, October 17 by 5 PM,

Friday, October 31 - 8:00am - please meet at the OK Diner for breakfast. Please RSVP to Stephanie so that she may give them a number for seating.

ChARM SHIRTS ARE IN!

If you ordered a long sleeve red ChARM shirt or a sweatshirt, they are in the office and ready for pick up. They are \$25 each.

PATHFINDERS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

The Pathfinders Class has relocated to the Conference Room. We meet every Sunday morning from 9:30 am to 10:30 am

Right now, we are on a journey through a five-film series. In this series, Miguel De La Torre exposes illusions of salvation separated from justice and reveals how Christianity is complicit in oppressive systems.

Through raw and prophetic truth-telling, he calls us to a gospel of solidarity—one that does not find comfort in hope without cost but instead learns to sit in the agony of injustice.

This series challenges viewers to reflect on their faith, asking: What does salvation mean when it is disconnected from justice? Where is God among today's crucified? How do we practice a faith that supports the oppressed rather than benefiting from their suffering?

Please email Tom (tom@fccnorman.org) for questions. Thank you!

CLEVELAND COUNTY CROPWALK

No one in this world should be hungry. That's why the CROP Hunger Walk is more than just a gathering of people in a place. We're part of a movement, taking steps and raising funds together to provide meals for those in our own community who need them - and supporting programs that create greater food security in communities all around the world.

Date: October 19, 2025

Time: 1:30pm Check-In &

2:00pm Walk Send-Off

NEW Location: Adult Wellness and Education Center, 602 N. Findlay Ave

Parking: Behind the Adult Wellness Center – Enter from Porter Ave., Norman Regional Southeast Lot

First Christian Church will donate \$25 per walker through our outreach ministry. Please sign-up on behalf of the church when registering the day of the walk. Or if you are walking in your neighborhood, please let us know so that we may donate \$25 on your behalf.

Church Calendar

October 1, 2025– Wednesday

11:30 a.m. Nancy Chess Lunch Bunch
- Das Boot Camp
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
6:30 p.m. Search Committee
7:15 p.m. CYF (9th– 12th Grade)
7:30 p.m. Choir

October 2, 2025, Thursday

9:30 a.m. Women's Fall Bible Study

October 3, 2025– Friday

6:00 p.m. Discussion II– Mamaveca

October 4, 2025– Saturday

10:00 a.m. Youth Football Car Parking
3:00 p.m. OU vs. Kent Sate

October 5, 2025– Sunday

8:40 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Church School
10:45 a.m. Worship
4:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee

October 6, 2025– Monday

6:30 a.m. Disciples Men Coffee Chat
-Yellow Dog
5:15 p.m. Evensong
6:30 p.m. Handbells

October 7, 2025– Tuesday

10:00 a.m. DoCWM Council– C.R.

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. Last week the children's lesson focused on *Trust in the Lord*. Kandice, our Nursery Coordinator, and our dedicated nursery staff ensure the children stay engaged every Sunday morning.

VOYAGE INTO DISCIPLESHIP

Children, kindergarten through 5th grade, gather 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 past Sunday, we concluded our voyage into the two creation stories in Genesis. The children created their own piece of creation in a terrarium before rehearsing for their anthem during the 10:45am worship service. The month of October brings Deborah, a judge, prophet, and leader of Israel.

LOGOS

The Logos Choir sang beautifully on Sunday morning; Thank you Christine and Jenifer for your guidance and love with our Logos children. This week, the children will decode their clues to unlock our theme and Bible story, create a beautify craft, and begin working in Worship Skills for their next musical anthem on October 26th.

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

Rejoice, You Pure in Heart (15)

Be Thou My Vision (595)

The Gift of Love (526)

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

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.

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.