

The logo features a stylized plant with three leaves: two light blue and one green, positioned above the word "Christ".

# edmond**church**of**Christ**

TO THIS YOU WERE CALLED

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BECAUSE CHRIST SUFFERED FOR  
YOU, LEAVING YOU AN EXAMPLE

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THAT YOU SHOULD  
FOLLOW IN HIS STEPS

1 PETER 2:21



SUNDAY SERMON SERIES

## This is Us

*Discipleship is  
Our Calling*

Matthew 16:24-26



JANUARY 11, 2026

Jesus calls us to take up our crosses and follow him. Discipleship is about moving closer to Christ and Christlikeness.

8:15am

Welcome	Randy Roper
Song Leader	Daniel Tripp
Songs	
Prayer	Michael Figueiredo
Songs	
Communion	David Denton
Offering	
Songs	
Matthew 16:24-26	Douglas Dowell
Song	
Sermon	Randy Roper
Invitation Song	
Closing Prayer	Clint Garrett
Announcements	Patrick Rayner

10:40am

Story Time	Kent Risley
Welcome	Randy Roper
Song Leader	Jason Dean
Songs	
Prayer	Steven Washko
Songs	
Communion	Tim Graefe
Offering	
Song	
Matthew 16:24-26	Josh Watson
Song	
Sermon	Randy Roper
Invitation Song	
Closing Prayer	Aaron White
Announcements	Patrick Rayner

# NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LET US KNOW YOU ARE HERE** – Use the church app or QR code at the bottom of the page to sign in.

**NURSERY** – Seeker Class      **BIBLE HOUR** – Pathfinders Class

**WARM WELCOME** – Coffee, tea and fellowship before Bible class (in the foyer near the circle drive)

**PANTRY** – individual oatmeal packets, peanut butter & jelly, chef Boyardee, rice, Banquet Meals, Hormel Complete Meals

**BLOOD DRIVE** has been moved to Jan. 25, from 10:30am-1:30pm in the gym.

**LTC PRACTICES** will start on Jan. 11.

**2026 BIBLE READING PLANS** are still available in the foyer and on our website.

**REHAB - MARIE KEE, CARLENE CAMPBELL**

**HOSPICE - GEORGE MATHESON, KIETH McKEE**

**CONTINUED PRAYERS**

Glendell Norman, Mary Carney, Sharon Britt, Judith Risley, Mike Rhoades, Mason Metheny, Susan Tanner, Betty Maston, Linda Lutze, McKenzie Cutshall, Doyle & Sue Martin, Wanda Roper, Bob & Jeanette Reichardt, Butch Nichols, Allen Arnold, Betty Bridwell, Malcolm Milligan, Zoey Courtright, Bill Blalock, Janet Barton, James Lauderdale, Sue Hawkins, Arie Marshall, Misael Márquez, Sharon Vaulner, Hope Jernigan, Rick Johnson, Richard Blankenship, Connie Bettes, Beverly Young, Michael Tribbey

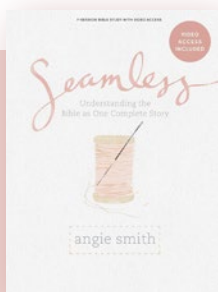
**THOSE IN THE MILITARY**

Richard Romick, Clayton Williams, Bradley Martin, Alex Young, Alison Young, Cade Mashburn, Cody Bowman, Blake Horton, John Halcli, Tyler Manharth, Myles Campbell

**SYMPATHY TO**

The family of **ESTALITA ASHBY**.

**TANDY WITHERSPOON** in the death of her mother. She was the grandmother of **RYAN WITHERSPOON** and the great-grandmother of **ADELYNNE & BENJAMIN**.



**WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY**

**WEDNESDAYS @ 10AM, PARLOR**

New series will start on Jan. 14, using the book, "Seamless, Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story," by Angie Smith (available on Amazon). All ladies welcome, babysitting provided. Contact Brenda if you have questions.

**GIVING OPTIONS FOR OFFERING**

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**CHECK IN**





## Discipling Recognition & Shepherd Recommendation

Please submit names of people in the congregation who are actively discipling you and others, so the shepherds can acknowledge and thank them. From those names, consider also recommending men to potentially serve in the eldership.



## One Voice

**January 11**

**6:00pm, Chapel**

### Praise God & Learn New Songs

"...so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Romans 15:6



## Marriage Encounter

**February 13-15**

Embassy Suites - Tulsa, OK

Grow closer to God, your spouse, and your church family through Marriage Encounter. Married couples of all ages and stages are welcome. Discounted Cost: \$225 per couple



## Wonderfully Made

**January 25**

**5:00, Auditorium**

Join us as we thank God for the children He blessed us with last year. Stay for pie & cobbler in the Quad afterwards.



## Pie & Cobbler

**January 25**

**Quad**

A church-wide fellowship following Wonderfully Made. Sign up in Bible class to bring something to share.

## JANUARY 11

5:00pm	Enchiladas
5:30pm	Devotional in the Quad
6:00pm	Various Activities
7:00pm	Conclusion

# SUNDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

## ROOM

Quad  
Foyer  
Chapel  
210  
211  
Youth Room  
Gym

## ACTIVITY

Help clean up after the meal  
Children's Ministry Projects & Communion Packets  
One Voice  
Foster & Adoption Group  
Shared Experience – Dominoes  
Shared Experience – Video Games  
Shared Experience – Yard Games

## CHILDREN'S SCHEDULE

6:00pm	Nursery 3 years - 1st grade, Playtime in Bible Hour Room 2nd - 6th Grades, meet in Room 204
7:00pm	Pick up 3 years - 1st grade in Bible Hour Room Pick up 2nd - 6th grades in north Foyer

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Jan 11	Enchiladas, Devotional & Activities	Feb 8	Flex: Class Devotionals & Parties
Jan 18	Cook Out, Devotional & Activities	Feb 15	Pulled Pork, Devotional & Activities
Jan 25	Flex: Wonderfully Made, Pie & Cobbler Fellowship	Feb 22	Baked Ziti, Devotional & Activities
Feb 1	Breakfast, Devotional & Activities		



MISSION UPDATE

# Alamo, Texas



Hello Edmond brothers and sisters,

We pray that God grants you the strength to continue your work in the Lord.

Know that the Church of Christ here in Alamo, Texas, was very happy to receive the gifts you sent for the children. Year after year, the children here look forward to it.

They were successfully delivered, with smiling faces and very happy hearts upon receiving them. From the bottom of my heart, thank you very much – Gustavo Garcia

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**6:00pm  
Chapel**

**Jan. 11**

**Feb. 1**

**Apr. 19**

# STOP ~~STRESSING~~ & START *Winning* WITH MONEY

## **Financial Peace University** **Starts January 11**

6:00 pm, Room 208

### ***9-week course***

Learn better ways to handle money from 1/11 thru 3/8.  
Childcare provided.

### ***Memberships start at \$79***

Register online (required),  
several options to choose from.  
Great for couples or individuals.







# MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

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**Embassy Suites  
Tulsa, OK**



John & Marci Frias  
Edmond Church of Christ

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SUNDAY SERMON SERIES

JAN 11 - MAR 22

# This is Us

## *Our Core Values & Beliefs*

As the epic love story of God and His church continues to unfold, we pause to consider who we are as a community of faith in this current cultural moment. Join us as we discover deeper meaning in the beliefs and values that shape our identity and inform our calling in this world.

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|--------|---------------------------------|
| JAN 11 | Discipleship is Our Calling     |
| JAN 18 | Serving is Our Joy              |
| JAN 25 | Baptism is Our New Birth        |
| FEB 1  | God's Word is Our Foundation    |
| FEB 8  | Truth in Love is Our Posture    |
| FEB 15 | Christ is Our Focus             |
| FEB 22 | Prayer is Our Priority          |
| MAR 1  | Glorifying God is Our Purpose   |
| MAR 8  | Making Disciples is Our Mission |
| MAR 15 | Connection is Our Goal          |
| MAR 22 | Heaven is Our Home              |



# READING GOD'S STORY IN 2026

This plan takes the material of the Bible and organizes it to flow in chronological order. Since exact dating of some materials or events is not possible, the chronology simply represents an attempt to give the reader the general flow and development of the Bible's grand story. Some passages are placed according to topic (e.g., John 1:1-3 in Week 1, Day 2; and many of the Psalms). There are six readings for each week to give you space for catching up when needed.



Download a reading plan from our website or pick up a plan in the lobby.



 **YouVersion**

Follow this plan in the YouVersion Bible App.



# WONDERFULLY MADE

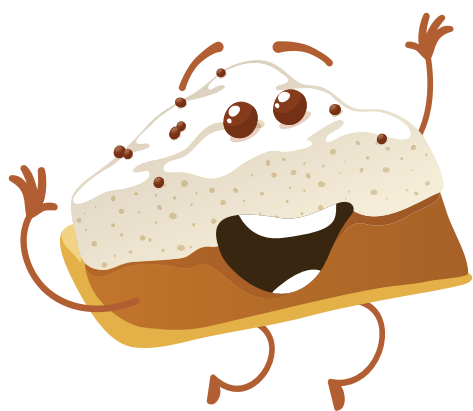
Baby & Child Blessing

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# PIE & COBBLER NIGHT

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**Our Blood Institute**

# BLOOD DRIVE

**Sunday, January 25**

**10:30am – 1:30pm**

**GYM**

**To schedule an appointment,  
visit [obi.org](http://obi.org).**

**See Doug Dye for more details.**





# DISCIPLING RECOGNITION & SHEPHERD RECOMMENDATION

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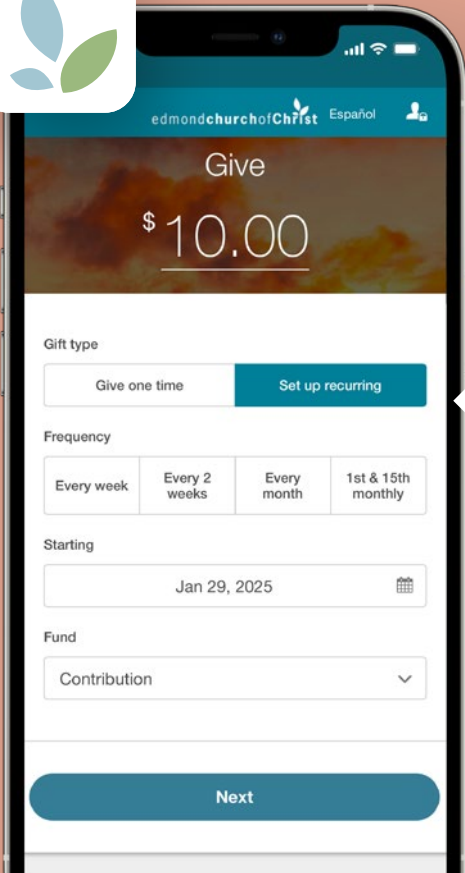
**Details of this process and submission forms will be available January 11.**

# GIVING OPTIONS

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CLICK HERE TO GIVE ONLINE



## MOBILE GIVING THRU THE APP



Give once or set up  
recurring gifts.

Click the button above to try it.





PSALM 126:3

The Lord has done

# GREAT THINGS

for us, and we are  
filled with joy.



JOIN US IN PRAYING THIS DAILY PRAYER:

"Lord, you have done **GREAT THINGS** in the past.  
Please continue to do **GREAT THINGS** in our day."

Visit our prayer page to lift up others in prayer or to  
submit a prayer request of your own.

[CLICK HERE TO VISIT THE PRAYER PAGE](#)

# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

## SUNDAY

Bible Classes 9:30 am  
AM Worship 8:15 & 10:40 am  
Stream Live 10:40 am  
SNFM or Flex-Sunday Gathering at 5:00pm

## WEDNESDAY

Early Bird Bible Class 5:00 pm  
Bible Class for all ages 7:00 pm



[youtube.com/edmondchurchofchrist](https://youtube.com/edmondchurchofchrist)

## MINISTRY STAFF

Sam Day	Kent Risley
John Frias	Jeremy Robertson
Brenda Gordon	Randy Roper
Kevin Rayner	Tony Sepulveda
Patrick Rayner	Laura Williamson
Michael Reese	

## MISSIONARIES

Email any of our missionaries from our website.  
[EdmondChurchOfChrist.com/People/Missionaries](https://EdmondChurchOfChrist.com/People/Missionaries)



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IN ON SUNDAYS**

## SHEPHERDS

Blaine Allenbach	Brent Keck
Tom Breninger	Lyle Kelsey
Brad Buxton	Jack Lowry
Andy Dean	Kyle Mauck
Jim Goodin	Merritt Roberts
Sylvan Gordon	

## ATTENDANCE REPORT

WORSHIP (Total)	1054
On-Site	990
Online	64

## 2026 GIVING

	SUNDAYS	COMMISSION SUN.
Given Last Sunday	\$ 50,762	\$ 3,494
Given thru Last Sunday	\$ 50,762	\$ 3,494
Plan thru Last Sunday	\$ 49,349	\$ -
Annual Plan	\$ 2,418,124	\$ 472,583

BIBLE CLASS	
Preschool	58
Grades K-6	100
Grades 7-12	85
Adults	605



IN  
**SEARCH**  
OF THE LORD'S WAY ®

**WATCH SEARCH ONLINE** [www.searchtv.org](http://www.searchtv.org)

## WATCH EVERY SUNDAY

7:30am KOCB-TV Channel 34 (OKC, OK)

Presenter: Phil Sanders

**JANUARY 11 - "Do Works Matter?"**

*In Loving Memory of...*



## **Estalita Ashby**

**1937-2025**

Estalita was born on December 10, 1937 in Red Rock, OK, to James "Buck" and Bernice Batt. In 1957, she graduated from Ponca City High School and married her high school sweetheart, Harrel Dean Ashby. They were blessed with two daughters, Terrill and Julie.

Estalita was a loving wife, caring mother and exceptional grandmother. She loved taking care of her family and always made sure they knew how much they meant to her. Estalita and her family were long-time members at Edmond Church of Christ. As her health declined she was unable to attend but kept a close relationship with her Heavenly Father.

In the early 1970's, she founded "Star Modeling Agency" in Lawton, OK. She modeled in print and commercials for several stores and enjoyed meeting new people. She and Dean were active in the Edmond chapter of the Jaycees and YMCA. Her most important role was as homeroom mother and Bluebirds leader for her girls as they grew up.

Later in life, Estalita was blessed with three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was a wonderful grandmother and did something unique to make special memories with each of them. Estalita was known to be an excellent cook. She could whip up a gourmet meal for eight on a moment's notice for family and friends who were always welcome at her table.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Harrel Dean Ashby; and brothers Terry Batt and Jimmy Batt. She is survived by her daughters Julie Easterly and Terrill Province; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sisters Linda Ward and Sharon Dawes; and a host of nieces and nephews whom she treasured.

Estalita will always be remembered for her innate charisma, vivacious spirit, love for family, and zest for life. This legacy will live on in the memories of her loving family.



**LEAVE A NOTE FOR THE FAMILY**

*In Loving Memory of...*



## **James Thomas Cail**

**1938-2025**

*"You never know when Jesus is comin' back, so eat the dessert first!"*

Dr. James Thomas Cail II was born in 1938 in Walters, OK, to Elmer Roy and Ila Marie Cail. He spent his last days surrounded by family who loved and admired him. He was the oldest of five (Bobby, Betty, Bo, and Don) and is preceded in death by his parents and brother Bobby Roy. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Judith Ann (Zirkle), as well as their children Dr. James Thomas (Trey) Cail III, Dr. Mindy Cail, Dr. Elizabeth McElroy, their beloved grandchildren, extended family, and many wonderful friends.

He was a lifelong lover of education—a passion that was clearly contagious—notching his first major success as the fourth-grade spelling champion of Waurika grade school. At Purcell High School he went to Boys State, was a leader in band and speech, an award winner in debate, sang in an award-winning quartet (one of the first to be racially integrated), and had the special distinction of being the slowest player on the football team. Yet, despite missing about half his senior year due to extracurricular activities, he attained the rank of Valedictorian for the class of 1956.

James was the first in his family to attend college, spending his first two years at Central Christian College in Bartlesville and then finishing at Abilene Christian College. He paid his way through school by driving the bus and, to our great benefit, working as a fry cook at the Dixie Pig. His talent for cooking favorites like burgers, biscuits, pancakes, and pies served to nourish many a hungry guest's body and soul, underpinning his exceptional gift for hospitality throughout his days.

After college, James served several years as a preacher at Itasca, TX. Although he decided full-time preaching was not for him, his time with that colorful cast of characters taught him much and expanded his trove of delightful, homespun stories. He found his professional home at Oklahoma Christian College, starting as the Director of Admissions. OCC was good to James; not least that this is where he met his sweetheart Judy. He 'set his cap' for her, 'marrying up' on June 4, 1965. In 1969, OCC sent the couple to Waco so James could wrestle a Doctorate away



from Baylor University. James returned to OCC in 1971 as a Professor of Psychology, a position he held until his retirement in 2003. At Oklahoma Christian University, the auditorium where he held court and nurtured countless young minds now lovingly bears his name.

James just couldn't stay away from service to the church. While a doctoral student in Waco, he 'backslid' into preaching and teaching, this time at the Bynum and Columbus Avenue Churches of Christ. While teaching full-time, James did double duty by ministering at the Village, then Quail Springs Church of Christ. There he held the various positions of Associate Minister, Counseling Minister, church bond salesman (great cooking aids salesmen well), and song leader.

He was a man of faith as well as science, with a particular passion for behaviorism. As a wise counselor to many, he harnessed psychological principles to empower others through scientifically proven methods. We hold countless quotes in our hearts dearly from people who report that he saved their hope, their marriages, their parent-child relationships, their very lives. He was an early advocate of approaching parenting through straightforward, effective techniques rather than seeing children as problems that need to be beaten into submission. His counseling was delivered with his characteristic folksy charm, relatable stories, and a healthy dose of humor—also making James a popular choice for after-dinner speeches and marriage and family seminars (all of which he called 'dog and pony shows').

Somehow, miraculously, he found time for these callings in between golf games. He loved all things British, participated (rather poorly) in Scottish country dancing, grew roses and tomatoes, and became a renowned baker of ugly-crust pies. He loved hunting for treasures such as pocketknives, arrowheads, antiques, and most notably, a staggeringly large collection of Blue Willow dishes.

Bonus fun facts: He earned several hole-in-one trophies and played in a pro-am golf tournament, even besting the pro he was paired with. His childhood nickname was Beefsteak. His pies once sold for \$1000 each at an OC fundraiser. He really loved the OU Sooners, and he really hated the prevent defense. He was a champion at mumblety-peg... and if you know what that is, you probably shouldn't tell your kids about it.

James, Dad, Pappy—We love you more than goldfish. Thanks for comin' to see us.