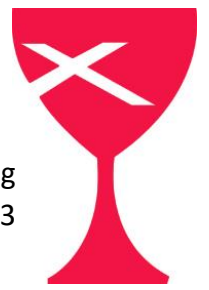


# Ponca City Christian

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## Devotional Christian

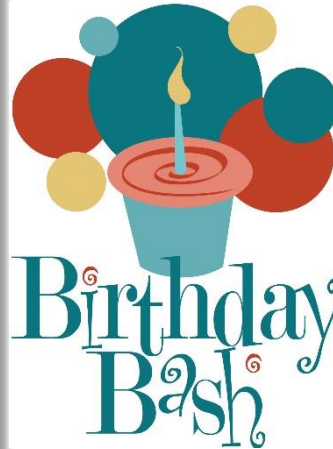
### John 1:29-42 Jesus is the Lamb of God

In this passage, we can see an echo of one of God's most significant promises – that He would send a Savior to bring redemption and deliverance to His people. We can also see how Jesus was divinely appointed to fulfill this mission, as a sacrificial Lamb with grace and mercy in mind. We are reminded of God's willingness to forgive us – even those who might be blind or lost in their faith – through Christ's example. Finally, we can feel hope restored in our lives when we look at this incident as a testament to God's power and strength.

So today, let us pause for a moment and thank God for sending His perfect Lamb to bring us redemption and hope. May we always remember that Christ will never leave us nor forsake us no matter what our troubles may be. Let us open our hearts so that He can work wonders within them and guide us towards true freedom from captivity. Amen!

### Prayer:

Heavenly Father, we come to You today with grateful hearts for sending us Your perfect Lamb. We thank You for Jesus and His sacrifice on the cross which brought us redemption and hope. We pray that You would open our hearts to receive the grace, mercy and forgiveness that can only come through Christ. May we never forget that He is always with us, no matter what our troubles may be, and will never leave us nor forsake us. Help us to surrender ourselves entirely to You so that we can experience true freedom from captivity in this life. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen!



## Birthday Bash

PLEASE JOIN US IN CELEBRATING  
RALPH BEATY'S 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2023  
2-4 PM  
VIA CHRISTI VILLAGE  
(MAIN BUILDING, FIRST FLOOR)  
1601 ACADEMY ROAD  
PONCA CITY, OK

It's been a long time coming, but it's finally here. Come help us celebrate everybody's Birthday in 2023. The Birthday Dinner will be held right after the 11:00 service on January 22nd. Will there be cake you ask? Of course, there will be CAKE and MUCH MUCH MORE!

## Marland Place update

On Thursday, FCC provided four volunteers, including Pastor Stephen, to staff a nursery for foster kids, while their foster parents attended mandatory training. A good time was had by volunteers and six children under age 4! Our next Marland Place nursery will again be on the Marland Place campus, Thursday, March 9, 5:30-7:30. Contact Becky Davis if you are interested in helping. Watch this space for other ways for FCC to support our budding Marland Place partnership!

Lovingly in Christ,  
Becky Davis

### Giving in Review

As of December 31, 2022  
Budgeted \$327,120  
Received \$290,744

### Kay County, OK COVID Risk Level

