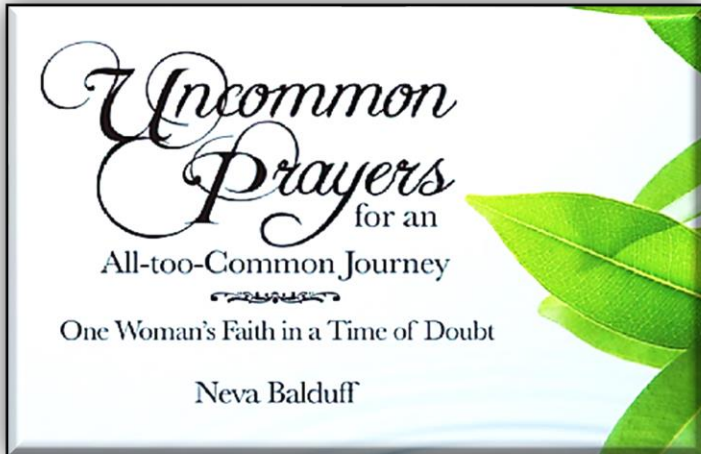


# Ponca City Christian

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Seeking, Serving, Sharing  
September 15, 2024



## ↔→ CONQUERING ↔→

Lord, help me find something  
for him to do.  
He's restless and depressed.  
This kind of life is so new for him,  
it causes him distress.  
For fifty-three years he's gone to work  
nearly every day.  
He has this "work-ethic" quirk—  
he knows no other way.  
He grew up in a time  
when a man was judged by his job.  
He was considered in his prime,  
even if his health was robbed.  
Now he's having to re-identify himself  
without his work,  
but he'll do it—or at least he'll try,  
for he's not one to shirk any task,  
no matter how hard it may be.  
He'll find a new way to relate  
to himself and to you and to me.  
He won't accept as fate  
this unexpected change that has come.  
He'll deal with it in his own way.  
If there are ways to cope, he'll find some—  
and he'll conquer it day by day.

### Giving in Review

As of August 31, 2024

Income Received YTD	\$200,547.39
Actual Expenses YTD	\$181,920.57
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$204,383.57

### Service Attendance ~ September 8, 2024

In Person: 59      Live Online: 26  
Social Media Hits: 80

### Sunday, September 15 ~ Service Information

James 3:1-12

*"From the same mouth comes a blessing  
and a cursing."*

Sunday School @ 9:30 ~ Fellowship Time @ 10:30  
Services @ 8:30 & 11:00

## NEW STUDY ON THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

If you have a thirst for unlocking the hidden depths of John's Gospel, please join the Sojourners' study of The Gospel of John: A Beginner's Guide to the Way, the Truth, and the Life by New Testament Scholar Amy-Jill Levine. This newly published video/discussion series will begin Tuesday, September 17, at 4 p.m. on ZOOM.

Differing sharply from the three synoptic Gospels, the Gospel of John offers us a new language—of being born anew, of living water, of wind and spirit, of the "I am"—that enhances how we understand the divine, how we experience the world, and how we participate in the mystery of faith.

We hope you'll join us in this encounter with the Scriptures.

For a ZOOM invitation or more information, please contact Andrea Morriss, [andrea@morriss.us](mailto:andrea@morriss.us) or call 580.765.6260.



Empower & Equip is our one-day leadership development event for Oklahoma Disciples. This in-person event will be held **Saturday, November 16th at Forest Park Christian Church in Tulsa.**

Guided by the theme, "**Empower & Equip for an Ever Evolving Church**" the event will offer

- "Best Practices" with 8 workshops on vital ministry topics for elders, deacons, board members, children's and youth leaders and other lay leaders
- Lunch to continue the conversation in community
- A powerful worship experience with guest preacher Rev. Kelley Becker, senior minister of Disciples Christian Church, Bartlesville.

Find the schedule, workshops, and registration info [HERE](#).