

Ponca City Christian

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Seeking, Serving, Sharing
October 22, 2023



Devotional Christian

Matthew 22:15-22

15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. 16 So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. 17 Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" 18 But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? 19 Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. 20 Then he said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" 21 They answered, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." 22 When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

In this passage, Jesus is confronted by two groups of people who have very different views on politics and religion. They were both plotting against Him and wanted Jesus to say something that would either offend the people or the authorities. In Jesus' divine wisdom He turns the narrative and shocks them with His response. We should respect the Caesar's and obey the law, and we should give to God our hearts, our minds, and our souls.

Prayer

Dear Lord, help us stay devoted to
You above all else! Amen.



Gremlins were spotted at Marland Place making off with all the socks! With all kids' underwear, sizes 2-8. With all the baby diapers, all sizes! Help stop

this travesty. Be a good witch and bring your contribution of kids' socks, underwear, and diapers to the Marland Place Box by the office, by Halloween! Don't be scary! Be a smiley pumpkin for our Foster Kids! The Great Pumpkin will thank you. ~Becky Davis



Disciples Women are selling shelled pecans again this year! \$13/lb. The order deadline is Sunday, October 22nd. Contact the office to place an order.



FRIENDSHIP FEAST MINISTRY BAKED POTATO FUNDRAISER

Friday, October 27, 2023
4:30 pm to 7:00 pm at:
First Christian Church
210 North 5th Street

Sides: Shredded cheese, sour cream, butter, diced ham, taco meat. Adults \$8.00 (in advance) \$10 (at the meal) Children (4 - 12) \$3.00
(Carry Out Available)

Giving in Review

As of August 31, 2023

Income Received YTD	\$197,906.24
Actual Expenses YTD	\$217,726.89
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$219,000.00