

SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP, LEARN & FELLOWSHIP

8:30 am Worship in the Chapel
 9:30 am Sunday School Classes
 Adults:
 Inquirers (in person and ZOOM) (1st floor)
 Challengers (in person) (3rd floor)
 Children:
 2nd – 6th Grade (2nd floor)
 10:30 am Fellowship Time (coffee & donuts)
 11:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary



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THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, October 3

9:00 am Workday (Tuesday Guys)
 10:30 am Bible Discussion
 4:00 pm Sojourners Adult Ed. Class (ZOOM)

Wednesday, October 4

1:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
 3:15 pm Wildcat Wednesday!
 4:45 pm Beginner Bells
 6:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 5

Noon Disciples Women

Monday - Thursday

4:45 pm Friendship Feast

Monday - Sunday

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous
 (Saturdays @ noon and 7)

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

October 2 Beverly Poet
 October 2 Janice Richter

UPCOMING ANNIVERSARIES

October 2 Casey & Chad VanHoesen

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Lynda Himbury
 Tech Team: Karen Adams

Deacons

Vicki Braden
 Diann Benson
 Krista Valentine

Tellers

Angie Novotny
 Sandy Pendergraft

SERVING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

Elder: Marshall Basham
 Tech Team: Karen Adams

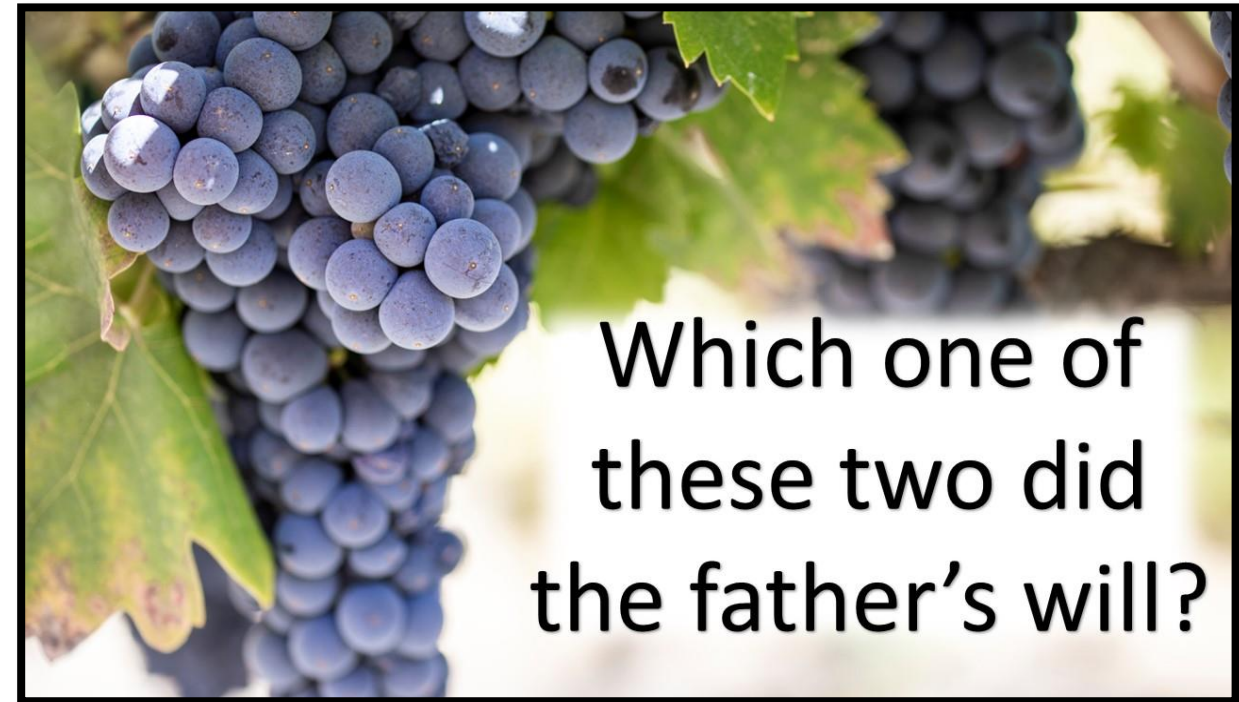
Deacons:

John Adams
 William Adams
 Angie Novotny

Tellers:

Todd Sheffield
 Bobby Jorgenson

Parents, you are welcome to use the 2nd floor classrooms if your children need to take a break from worship. Changing tables are available in the bathrooms outside the classrooms. Activity bags are located in the basket by the post in the center aisle.



Which one of
 these two did
 the father's will?

First Christian Church



(Disciples of Christ)

October 1, 2023
 11:00 am

*A warm welcome is extended to all,
 especially those who are worshipping here for the first time
 or who have returned after an absence.*

Your presence enriches us and this time of worship.

REVEREND STEPHEN JOHNSON, SENIOR PASTOR
 AMY BOATMAN, MUSIC DIRECTOR

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WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Prelude	Amy Boatman
Welcome and Announcements	Pastor Stephen
* Call to Worship	Lynda Himbury, Elder

L: Even though we do not have the answers to all of life's questions, we come to this place of worship joyfully offering our praises to God.

P: We can worship with joy because we know that having all the answers isn't required to be people of faith.

L: We trust in the Holy Spirit to guide us in a deeper understanding of what it is to be children of God and to be followers of Christ.

P: May this time of worship draw us closer to God, closer to one another, and closer to all of creation. Praise be to God!

* Invocation	Lynda Himbury
* Opening Hymn	"Majesty, Worship His Majesty" On the Screen

HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Chancel Choir	"Christians Come, Gather at the Table"	Besig/Price
Psalter Reading	Psalms 25:1-9	Lynda Himbury
Hymn	"Trust and Obey"	Number 556
Scripture	Matthew 21:23-32	Pastor Stephen
Sermon	"Which one of these two did the father's will?"	Pastor Stephen

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Invitation to Discipleship and Reflection Pastor Stephen

If you would like to make a public confession of Christian faith or express interest in being baptized, you are invited to come forward at this time. Pastor Stephen is happy to schedule a time to meet with you if you would like to talk about this or about becoming a member of First Christian Church of Ponca City.

Prayers for God's Creation	Pastor Stephen
Invitation to Christ's Table	Pastor Stephen

Hymn of Preparation	"In Remembrance of Me"	Number 403
Offering Invitation		Lynda Himbury
Offertory		Amy Boatman
* Doxology		Number 46

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

* Prayer for the Offering and Communion Elements	Lynda Himbury
Words of Institution	Pastor Stephen
Congregation Response:	

**By eating this bread and drinking this cup,
we proclaim Christ's death,
celebrate Christ's resurrection,
and await Christ's coming again.**

The Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Partaking of the Elements	Pastor Stephen
Prayer of Thanksgiving	Lynda Himbury

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

* Closing Hymn	"Have Thine Own Way, Lord!"	Number 588
* Benediction		Pastor Stephen

Continue living out your faith,
turning to Christ, believing in God,
and trusting in the Spirit.

Postlude	Amy Boatman, Accompanist
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* All who are able, please stand.