

Ponca City Christian

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Seeking, Serving, Sharing
March 13, 2022



Images of Lent

As we approach the celebration of Easter, we must first pass through the days of reflection during the season of Lent. This series of images bring the story of the final days of Jesus to the forefront of our meditations as we ponder the intersection of the ministry of Christ and our own experiences.



Luke 22:20 And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

The cup that was shared between Jesus and the apostles was filled with wine that had been pressed some time earlier. It had come from grapes that grew on a vine tended by people who had no idea that the wine they were making that season would become part of a symbol of the new covenant that would bring people into a deeper relationship with God for centuries to come.

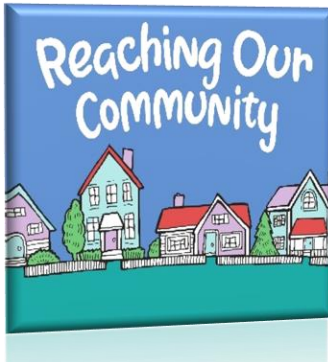
That particular wine was not what made that moment special. Nor are the elements for communion that are used today sacred on their own. It is when we partake of them with intention that they take on the character of sacred elements. Their sacred nature does not come from their substance, but from our awareness.

As we live through this time of deeper intention of reflection, allow your perspective to shift to an awareness of the sacred in everyday observations. See the beauty of God's creation that surrounds you. Allow the simplest elements of your environment to illicit moments of wonder as you ponder the intricacies of creation.

-Pastor Stephen

Why I love this church...

"I love FCC because of the ways it takes care of people. While taking care of FCC members is REALLY important, it is the outreach to our neighbors in need that makes me love FCC most:



Friendship Feast,
Friendship Garden,
Friendship Bikes,
Benevolence,
Coats for Kids, and
general community
involvement."

- Mike Morriss

Friendship Bikes



Great Day of Service

The t-shirts are in! If you signed up to participate in the Great Day of Service, be sure to see Stephen on Sunday to get your t-shirt. You can also stop by the church during the week if you are not able to make it on Sunday. A few people still need to sign their extra shirts in multiple sizes if you would like to participate, but haven't signed up. volunteer forms. Signing the form is required to participate in the work outside the church. We do have a few extra shirts in multiple sizes if you would like to participate, but haven't signed up.

Sunday, March 13 Service Information

"Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you."

Luke 13:31-35

Chapel Service @ 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School @ 9:30 a.m.
Sanctuary Service @ 11:00



***Play. Pray. Study.
Serve. Worship.***



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| <p>Discovery Camp June 17-19 Completed grades 2-3 Cost: \$205 Central Oklahoma Camp</p> | <p>Junior Camp June 20-24 Completed grades 4-5 Cost: \$210 Camp Christian</p> |
| <p>Chi Rho Camp June 6-10 Completed grades 6-8 Cost: \$325 Oakridge Camp</p> | <p>CYF Conference June 20-24 Completed grades 9-12 Cost: \$325 Central Oklahoma Camp</p> |

If you're interested in any of the above summer camps stop by the office for a Camp Registration Guide or call Brenna to have a copy emailed to you. Registration is from February 2nd to May 1st. FCC will cover half of the camp cost for members and children of members!