

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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SERVING TODAY

Elder: Frances Coonrod
 Tech: Karen Adams

Deacons Tellers
 Cliff Poet Jerry Helems
 Donetta Hicks Ted Impson
 Pauletta Beaty

SERVING SUNDAY, APRIL 28

Elder: Lester Freeman
 Tech: Karen Adams

Deacons: Tellers:
 Doug Hart Sandy Pendergraft
 Jacque Hart Bobby Jorgenson

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, April 23

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

Wednesday, April 24

3:30 pm Council Meeting

Monday - Thursday

4:45 pm Friendship Feast

Monday - Sunday

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

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

April 21 Amy Waggoner
 April 24 Julie Sheffield

UPCOMING ANNIVERSARIES

April 24 Linda & Ed Halverson

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 in the basket by the post in the center aisle.



First Christian Church



(Disciples of Christ)

April 21, 2024
 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

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WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements Pastor Stephen
* Call to Worship Frances Coonrod, Elder

L: Welcome to this place where words are important
but actions also have great meaning.

P: **We come here to not only have conversation about faith
but we come to live out our faith in community.**

L: Together we minister to one another and to the world
through providing opportunities for worship, learning and service.

P: **As a church community, we nourish mind, body, and spirit.
Let us celebrate in worship the many opportunities we have
to strengthen our relationship with God as we grow in community.**

* Invocation Frances Coonrod
* Opening Hymn "Alleluia! Hear God's Story" Number 330

HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Psalter Reading Psalm 23 Frances Coonrod
Hymn "Help Us Accept Each Other" Number 487
Scripture 1st John 3:16-24 Pastor Stephen
Sermon "We know love by this." 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

* All who are able, please stand

Hymn of Preparation "Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us" Number 231
Offering Invitation Frances Coonrod
Offertory
* 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 Frances Coonrod
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 Frances Coonrod

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

* Closing Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians" Number 494
* Benediction Pastor Stephen
Continue living out the ministry of Christ
in your expressions of love for others.

Postlude

The flowers are from Kim Stauffer in
celebration of Arlene's birthday!