

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 31

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

Wednesday, November 1

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

Thursday, November 2

12:00 pm Disciples Women

Monday - Thursday

4:45 pm Friendship Feast

Monday - Sunday

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

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

October 29 Brad Beaty
October 29 Aydan Mayse
November 2 Becky Davis
November 2 Angie Novotny
November 4 Robert Corbin

UPCOMING ANNIVERSARIES

November 3 Donetta & Dale Hicks
November 3 Lynda & Richard Himbury

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Frances Coonrod
Tech Team: Karen Adams
 William Adams

Deacons

Bob Erner
Bobby Wilson
Pat Hicks

Tellers

Ruth Brace
Jeri Waller

SERVING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Elder: Lois Corbin
Tech Team: Karen Adams

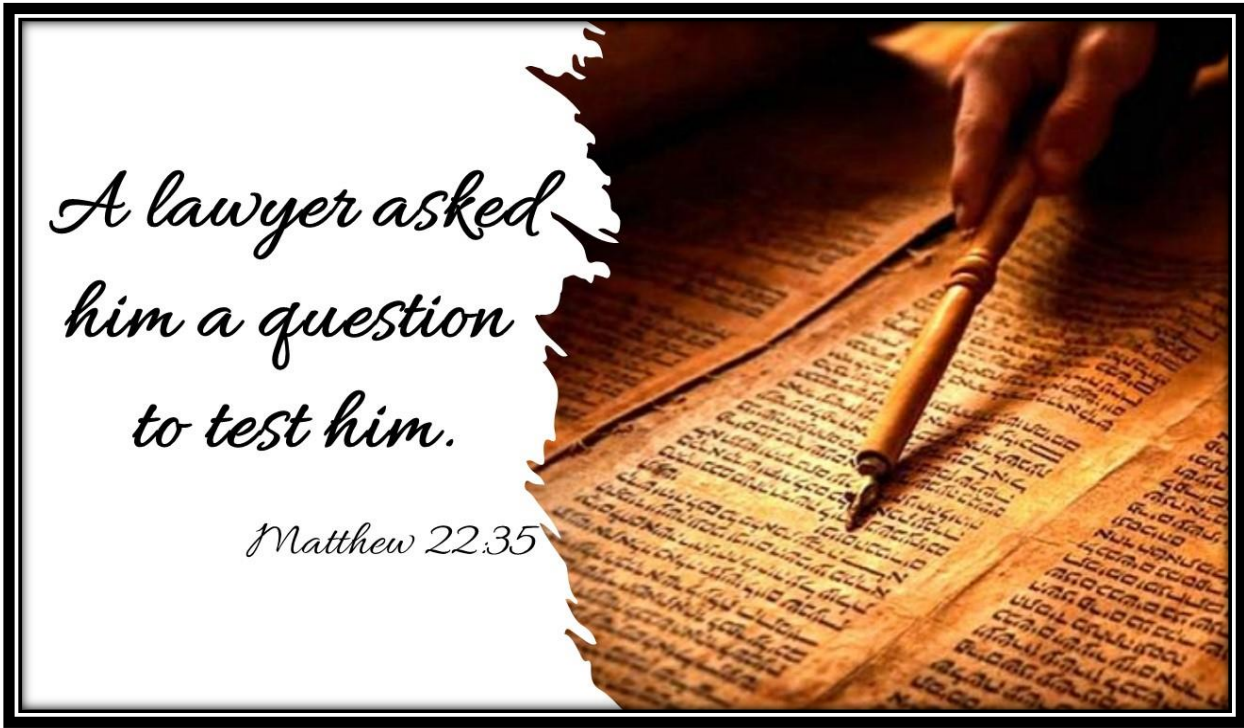
Deacons:

Ruth Brace
Jeri Waller
Christy Thompson

Tellers:

Gabby Gregg
Christy Thompson

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.



First Christian Church



(Disciples of Christ)

**October 29, 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
CONNIE VAN AUDALL, GUEST ACCOMPANIST**

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WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Prelude	Connie Van Ausdall
Welcome and Announcements	Pastor Stephen
* Call to Worship	Frances Coonrod, Elder
L:	Allow the love you have for God to guide you in your worship this day.
P:	Our love of God has drawn us to this time and place. Our love causes our voices to rise in song and in prayer.
L:	Allow the love you have for God to guide you in your life this week.
P:	Our love of God gives us confidence to live as servants. Our love spreads to all of God's children, our neighbors and friends.
L:	Let our love be celebrated. Let our love be renewed.
P:	Now we worship, now we give, now we receive - all by the grace of God.
* Invocation	Frances Coonrod
* Opening Hymn	"I'll Praise My Maker" Number 20

HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Chancel Choir	"Holy Spirit, Come and Fill Us"	Joseph M. Martin
Psalter Reading	Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17	Frances Coonrod
Hymn	"The Gift of Love"	Number 526
Scripture	Matthew 22:34-46	Pastor Stephen
Sermon	"A lawyer asked him a question to test him."	Pastor Stephen

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Invitation to Discipleship and Reflection	Pastor Stephen
<i>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.</i>	

* All who are able, please stand.

Prayers for God's Creation	Pastor Stephen
Stewardship Campaign	On the Screen
Invitation to Christ's Table	Pastor Stephen
Hymn of Preparation	"More Love to Thee, O Christ" Number 527 (1, 2)
Offering Invitation	Frances Coonrod
Offertory	Connie Van Ausdall
* 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	"I've Got Peace Like a River" Number 530
* Benediction	Pastor Stephen
Do not hesitate to live each moment as though it is an opportunity to love.	

Postlude	Connie Van Ausdall, Accompanist
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