

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)
 Fellowship Time (coffee & donuts)
 10:30 am Worship in the Sanctuary
 11:00 am



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THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, July 11

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

Monday - Thursday

4:45 pm Friendship Feast

Monday - Sunday

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

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

July 15 Ann Deming
 July 15 Pat Gray

UPCOMING ANNIVERSARIES

July 11 Karen & John Adams

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Ron Kreger
 Tech Team: Karen Adams
 Bobby Jorgenson

Deacons

Vicki Braden
 Diann Benson
 Krista Valentine

Tellers

Ruth Brace
 Jeri Waller

SERVING SUNDAY, JULY 16

Elder: Marshall Basham
 Tech Team: Gabby Gregg
 Bobby Jorgenson

Deacons:

Angie Novotny

Tellers:

Gabby Gregg
 Christy Thompson



Come to me,
all you that are
weary.

First Christian Church



(Disciples of Christ)

July 9, 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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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 of the center aisle.

WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Prelude	Connie Van Ausdall
Welcome and Announcements	Pastor Stephen
* Call to Worship	Ron Kreger, Elder
L: Let us come together into this place of worship without the worry of meeting expectations.	
P: We come as we are, people of real life doing the best we can, hopefully succeeding, but sometimes falling short.	
L: Let us come together into this place of worship without expectation of what we will hear or see.	
P: We come with ears to hear and eyes to see, open to receive whatever the Spirit chooses to reveal.	
* Invocation	Ron Kreger
* Opening Hymn "Come and Find the Quiet Center"	Number 575

HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Psalter Reading	Psalms 145:8-14	Ron Kreger
Hymn	"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"	Number 95 (1,3,4)
Scripture	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30	Pastor Stephen
Sermon	"Come to me, all you that are weary."	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>	
Prayers for God's Creation	Pastor Stephen
Invitation to Christ's Table	Pastor Stephen
Hymn of Preparation "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"	Number 540 (1-3)
Offering Invitation	Ron Kreger

* All who are able, please stand.

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	Ron Kreger
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	Ron Kreger
GOING FORTH TO SERVE	
* Closing Hymn "Softly and Tenderly"	Number 340
* Benediction	Pastor Stephen
May the blessing of God carry you through your days in the experience of knowing God's love and grace.	
Postlude	Connie Van Ausdall, Accompanist

The flowers are from Karen Backhaus in celebration of her daughter Julie's birthday.