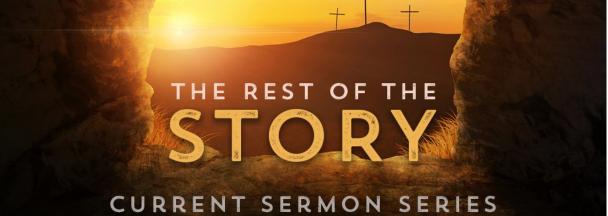


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A Word from Pastor Charlie

A New Direction

Sunday morning, we unveiled a new direction and vision for the leadership of our church. As your pastor I am committed to leading us to walk in obedience to the word of God and to be as healthy as we can be. For the last couple of years God has impressed upon my heart several things we need to do in order to accomplish this. I shared these with you Sunday morning and in case you missed it, I want to summarize them for you.

First, I believe we need to define and clarify what it means to be a church member that we might covenant together. If we were to ask the people of our church what a church member is or why membership is important, we would get a lot of different answers. The more I read through the NT, the more I see that there is not just a framework of attending church but that we are called to be a part of something. This is not to say that we don't welcome attenders, of course we do, but that the ultimate goal is not just for people to attend but to become part of the body of Christ.

Second, we need to define and strengthen the ministry of the deacon body and add new deacons in the future. Much like the first, if I were to ask you what a deacon is and what they are to do, we would get a lot of answers. We need to clarify for the church and future deacons what the ministry of the deacon is and then seek to add new deacons that they might be more effective in serving and ministering to the body of Christ.

Third, I feel that we need to appoint and implement an elder body to work alongside the pastoral staff in order to help shepherd, lead, oversee, and build-up the body of Christ. This will be the newest change but as I laid out Sunday morning from scripture, I believe it is a biblical process that will help us provide pastoral care and leadership in a more effective way to our congregation. In the coming weeks I hope to further explain what this leadership is about, to give us a clearer picture, and show why I think it will add to our overall church health.

Please be in prayer over these things, look at the scriptures for yourself, and be willing to follow as the Lord leads. I love you and look forward to how God is going to bless us in the future.



Upcoming Events & Opportunities

More Abundantly Campaign

Through nearly 2 years of the More Abundantly Campaign \$765,573.36 has been given. Over the course of three years, we hope to raise between 1 & 1.5 million toward our building fund. Currently we are on pace to raise around 1 million. We're thankful for how God is providing through your generosity.

New FBCER Apparel Available

Be sure to check out our new FBCER shirts and hats in the foyer. Prices range from \$7 to \$20 and sizes are available from Youth Small to Adult 4XL. You can pay with cash, check or debit/credit card.

Senior Adult Road Trip

On Wednesday, October 17, we are taking a road trip to the Arbuckle Mountains. We will leave the church at 9:00am and return at 3:00pm. We will visit Bedre Chocolate Factory, check out the newly remodeled Falls Creek Cabin, and eat lunch at Smokin' Joes. Sign-up in your small group, at the welcome desk, or by calling the church office.

Trunk or Treat

On Wednesday, October 31 from 6:30-7:30pm we are hosting Trunk-or-Treat for the children of our community and we need your help to make it the best it can be. Go to www.fbcelreno.com/trunkortreat2018 to find out how you can be a part of this great event.

Small Group Ministry Opportunity

We have an opportunity for your small group to help serve the college students at Redlands. Each Thursday, the Redlands BCM serves lunch and they would love to have groups provide the meal. If your small group would like to provide the meal on a Thursday this fall, please let Tyler know at kelleyt@fbcelreno.com or call (405) 262-5453.

FBCER Christmas Choir Rehearsals

Rehearsals have begun on Wednesdays from 7:35-8:15pm in the Worship Center. Come and join us! Childcare will be available for Kindergarten and down, if needed. Just let us know.

The FBCER Christmas Program will be on Sunday, December 16.

Fall Back with the High School

Fall Back is a 24-hour retreat that offers 10th-12th grade students the break they need from their busy fall season. The dates are Friday, October 19 and Saturday, October 20. A laid-back schedule and environment offer the perfect chance for students to grow in their understanding of how God is equipping them for their future. With three powerful teaching sessions by Brian Mills, engaging worship with Summit Collective, and easy-going activities, it will be an amazing weekend, getting students reconnected to God. Cost is \$40 and you can pay online, at the church, or at the door.

2018 Prayers

Three Prayers for 2018

Lord, help me to be intentional in my life by...

- 1. seeking You and Your plan.
- 2. making a difference by joining in Your Kingdom work.
- 3. engaging people with the hope of Your gospel.

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Sunday Morning Stats

	<u>September 2</u>	<u>September 9</u>	<u>September 16</u>	<u>September 23</u>
Small Groups	387	453	450	428
Worship Attendance	468	543	515	492
Offering/Tithers	\$20,801.43	\$11,607.80	\$10,837.38	\$16,649.91
Building Fund	\$1,495.89	\$1,335.00	\$55,330.06	\$2,615.00



This Month's Serve Teams

10/07/18 Nursery Team 1

Megan Davis
Debbie Gallaway
Kevin & Brandi Gibbons
Holly McKee
Alyssa Beck
Anne Beck
Wynona Fredrick
Brianna Turner

Parking Lot Team 1

Kyle Davis Bobby Mixon Danny Shepherd Julio Trejo

Welcome Team 1

Troy & Charity Barnes
N'Lisa Havener
Jason & Lacey Looper
Jennifer McCarver
Freda Moffat
Karen Nance
Tammy Perando
Kenneth & Susan Ronspiez
Adin Shafer
Marshall Tullos

Bus Driver - 10/07/18

Jodie & Teena Tech

Wednesday Team 1

10/03/18 Lori Abner Ronnie & Kathy Funck Donna Mogg Kathi Morrison Jim & Jeanette Wehmuller Vicki York

10/14/18 Nursery Team 2

Shalena Appleby Katie Bowers Elizabeth Ontiveros Audrey Spott Laura Duffy Michelle Whetstone

Parking Lot Team 2

Marcus Duffy Ronnie Ezell Ben Schraad Nick Niles

Welcome Team 2

Hope Baker
Jennifer Davis
MaryKay Hokett
Linda Howard
Kathi Morrison
Shannon Niles
Christine Orr
Monte & Sheila Preno
Tamie Reed
Renee Rutherford
Joan Tubbs
Amy Wells
Jerry Zucksworth

Bus Driver - 10/14/18

Curtis Steffler

Wednesday Team 2

10/10/18
Paul & Hope Fuell
Sue Gallaway
Malena Gonzalez
Delpha Miklautsch
Kerry Reeves
Jack & Norma Tillery

10/21/18

Nursery Team 3
Amanda Carnott
Pam Ellis
Justin & Ashley Lingo

Angela Steffen Keira Davis Ryleigh Davis Taleigh Davis

Mendy Klepper

Parking Lot Team 3

Doug Carnott Jesse Lesperance Aron Steffen Will Wedman Jerry Woodall

Welcome Team 3

Ray & Carla Apple
Jennifer Awbrey
Tanner & Abby Blagg
Kylie Koos
Bob Lee
Jessica Lee
Angela Lesperance
Donna Mogg
Sheri Nelson
Sandy Rankin
Erin Tinsley
Jamie Todd

Bus Driver - 10/21/18 Larry Davis

Wednesday 10/17/18 Fall Break

10/28/18 Nursery Team 4

Renee Blount Scotti Charmasson Kim Eisenhour Kristy Peffer Sierra Bellymule Dianna Spott Taryn Wedman

Parking Lot Team 4

Cory Charmasson Andy Corwin Ronnie Funck Jason McClure Darrin Peffer

Welcome Team 4

Dolores Brown
Karen Chadwick
Bob & Kandy Connor
Jan Ford
Allora Gordan
Rafe Goucher
Payton Haskins
Connie Hodges
Cathy Knott
Cleta Mullin
Jackie Ogilvie
Robin Robinson

Bus Driver - 10/28/18

TJ & Sheryl McCullough

Wednesday Team 4

10/24/18
Betty Boevers
Elynda Coburn
Lanae Goucher
Willard Holsted
Rick & Jenny Hopkins
Julie Huber
Jessica McClure
Tammy Perando

Wednesday 10/31/18 Trunk or Treat



Wednesday Dinner Menu

October 3 Pizza Salad Bar October 10
Chicken Strips
Fries
Green Beans
Salad Bar

October 17 Fall Break October 24 Steak Fingers & Gravy Scalloped Potatoes Salad Bar Hot Roll

October 31
Trunk or Treat

October

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	6:30pm Committee Replacement Committee Meeting \$2 Tuesday	3	4	5	6
7 Oklahoma State Mission Offering Month of Oct.	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	9am Sr. Adult Trip Arbuckle Mts.	18	19	20
		6pm Dental Clinic	No Wednesday Activities	Fall Break	Fall Back - High Sch	ool Students
21 Derek McCarver's 9th Church Anniversary 12:15pm Finance Meeting, Budget	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 10am Midweek Service			
Quarterly Bus. Conference			6:30pm - 7:30pm Trunk or Treat			

Regular Weekly Schedule (unless otherwise noted above)

Sunday

8:30am Adult Small Groups 9:30am Small Groups & Worship 11:00am Small Groups & Worship

Wednesday

10:00am Midweek Service5:30pm Dinner6:30pm Planted, Rooted, Refuge & Adult Small Groups7:30pm Christmas Choir Rehearsal