

this week

Sunday, October 9

8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:00-9:30 a.m. Library Open
 9:00 a.m. Early Sunday Bible Study Group
 9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study, Discover Class
 10:50 a.m. Worship
 12:00 p.m. Youth Handbells
 12-12:30 p.m. Library Open
 12:00 p.m. Belize Mission Meeting, Ordination
 1:30 p.m. Christmas Dinner Theater Rehearsal
 4:00 p.m. Mixed Ensemble
 5:00 p.m. Ladies Ensemble
 6:00 p.m. The Judeo-Christian Faith, Bible Drill, Bible Skills
 7:00 p.m. Guatemala Team Report

Monday, October 10

6:45 a.m. Mentors 33 *The Series*
 9:30 a.m. Precept: *Covenant*
 1:30 p.m. GriefShare, Ladies Handbells
 6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Adult Handbells
 7:00 a.m. Precept: *Covenant*

Tuesday, October 11

9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
 10:00 a.m. Mothers in Prayer
 6:15 p.m. GROW: R-Team

Wednesday, October 12

9:00 a.m. MOPS, ELP Planning Day
 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Library Open
 1:30 p.m. Empty Nesters 1 Ladies Prayer
 4:15 p.m. Children's Handbells
 4:30 p.m. Children's Chimes
 4:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
 5:30 p.m. Children's Choir, Youth Choir, Ladies BS-*Entrusted*, Ladies BS-*Bad Girls*
 5:45 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer
 5:45-6:45 p.m. Library Open
 6:30 p.m. Mission Friends, GA, RA, Student Bible Study
 6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir
 7:30 p.m. Orchestra

Thursday, October 13

9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program, Precept: *Isaiah 1*
 10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
 6:30 p.m. Music Ministry Ladies Night Out
 7:00 p.m. Precept: *Isaiah 1*

Friday, October 14

9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
 6:00 p.m. RA Campfire

Saturday, October 15

8:00 a.m. Deacon's Meeting

WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU

October 12, 2016

Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, vegetable, salad, dessert and beverage.

Adults \$5, children \$3.50, family max \$18.

Please call the church office, 918-299-0904 to make your reservations by Tuesday at noon.

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October is Pastor Appreciation Month - During October the Personnel Committee encourages the congregation to demonstrate their love and appreciation for our pastor and his family, Eric and Rebecca Costanzo, by showering them with notes and gift cards to thank them for all they do. A basket, located at the Welcome Center, has been provided for your cards/gifts. ~*Thank You!*

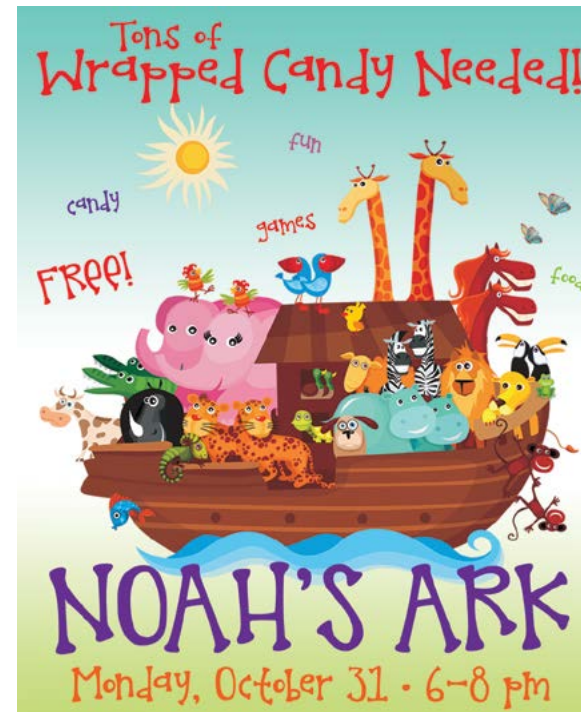
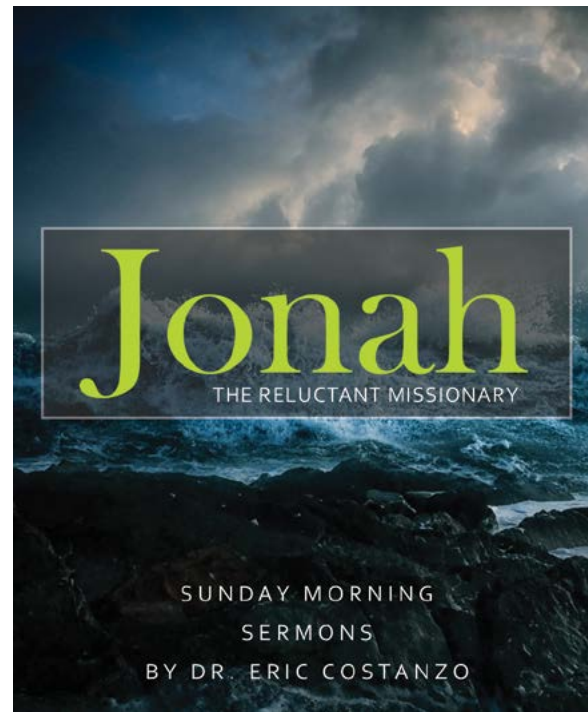
Music Ministry Ladies Night Out - Enjoy an evening of food, fun and fellowship as we play bunko and meet new friends together on Thursday, October 13, 6:30-9:00 p.m., at the home of Rebecca Costanzo with co-hostess Martha Rogers. Soups will be served. Please sign up in the Sanctuary Choir room if you're attending, can bring a salad, bread or a dessert, or want to ride the bus. The bus will leave at 6:10 p.m. from the church parking lot (west side).

Bible Skills, Drills and Thrills and Bible Drill - Begins today, October 9! Through games, crafts, recreation and music, 1st - 3rd graders will learn the books of the Bible, the divisions, Bible verses, Bible stories and 5 Key Passages. They will also practice finding verses in their Bibles. Bible Skills, Drills and Thrills will meet in D265 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

4th - 6th graders will learn names and sequence of the 66 books, 10 key passages and 25 Bible verses this year. Bible Drillers will meet in D269 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Dinner Theater Rehearsal - Today 1:30-2:30 p.m. Review Scenes 1, pages 1-6; Review Music and Choreography; 2:30-4:00 p.m. Block all of Scene 2, 1964, pages 6-13; Rehearse music from Scene 2, "Jingle Bells," "Sleigh Ride," "Heirlooms."

(For more information about upcoming events please go to southtulsa.org)



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8:30AM Worship

You're Worthy of My Praise
Meet with Me

Welcome and Prayer

Testimony Kade Goforth

Testimony Parker Goforth

10,000 Reasons

Greeting One Another

Message Jonah 4:1-2

Response *As the Deer*

Blessing

10:50AM Worship

Sanctuary
God of Grace and God of Glory

Welcome and Prayer

Testimony Kade Goforth

Testimony Parker Goforth

Choral Worship *All Because of the Wonderful Cross*

Greeting One Another

Holy Is He

Message Jonah 4:1-2

Response *Purer In Heart, O God*

Worship in Giving *Jesus Paid It All*

Blessing

That's Just the Way It Is, Pt. 1

by Dr. Eric Costanzo

Children are often taught there is a twofold reality to life and the choices we make. If we make good and healthy choices, work hard, do things in the correct order, and treat others according to the Golden Rule, things will generally work out in a positive way. On the other hand, we are taught, bad choices, idleness, impetuosity, and disrespect will bring about destructive results. In most circumstances, this dualistic view will hold up.

But not always.

Sometimes, the most rotten people find success at the highest levels. Many times, their success is actually a result of their rottenness. Conversely, there are many people who, for all intents and purposes, have stayed on the straight path and found destruction anyway. There are no guarantees either way.

Jonah was living in this tension at the end of the book. All of his plans had failed. He had endured painful and repulsive circumstances. Worst of all, his enemies were now experiencing good things and not facing any consequences for their evil. Jonah felt like a victim, not a victor. He felt used, not useful. He felt he was punished for his good deeds, while the Ninevites were

rewarded for their evil deeds. From Jonah's perspective, life was anything but fair.

Many of us can relate.

If anyone understands injustice on the deepest level, however, it is God Himself. Jesus, who lived on earth in perfect goodness, and around whom all of Scripture is based, is the ultimate example of a righteous person who got what the wicked deserve. He is the ultimate reminder that making all the right decisions does not guarantee success and popularity.

The faithfulness of Jesus and the disobedience of Jonah remind us of the same thing: a life pleasing to God is not easy and not always "fair." **Luke 9:23:** "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me."

Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma

South Tulsa Baptist Church will host the Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma in concert on Thursday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m. These men represent music ministries of Southern Baptist Churches from all around our great state. The 150 voice choir and 30 member instrumental ensemble will present traditional anthems, hymn arrangements and original songs commissioned for the group. The group is under the direction of Dr. Randy C. Lind, Worship and Music Specialist for the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma. There is no admission charge and a love offering will be taken. "Tickets" are available at the Welcome Center to be used to invite family, friends, and neighbors to attend.

Mandatory Belize Mission Meeting - Today at noon in the Youth Room.

Belize Mission Lunch

Join us on Sunday, October 16 at noon for the Belize Mission Lunch. Help our Student Ministry raise money for their annual spring break mission trip to Belize. The menu will be barbecue brisket, pulled pork, bologna and sausage with all the trimmings!

Thinking Christian

by Dru Finley

Eternal Horizon

As a kid, one thing I wanted to be when I grew up was a pilot. I was fascinated with planes, primarily Navy jet fighters. My favorite was the F/A-18 Hornet, due to the Blue Angels squadron.

In order to fly a pilot must pay attention to several things, one of which is primary, the horizon. The artificial horizon is the one the pilot will always come back to. Focusing on the horizon allows the pilot to see if he is right-side up or upside down, and if he's upside down then he's got serious problems.

Christians have a horizon to focus on, they just need to remember to look at it! Paul tells us, "Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth" (Colossians 3:1-2). Our heavenly status should be the guidepost for all our thinking and acting. In other words, this reality should become the horizon that we focus on.

The way we "set our minds on things above," is to "let the word of Christ dwell in you richly" (Colossians 3:16)! If our life is to remain level through all circumstances, then we must learn to focus, think, and dwell on His Word! So, set your eyes on the "horizon," and realize that even through the bumps of life you can enjoy the flight because you know that the final destination is eternal paradise with your Savior!

(Read Dru's full article at southtulsa.org or watch the video under the resources tab.)

Women's Ministry

Ladies, join us on October 16 as we gather together from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel and get better acquainted with Rebecca Costanzo! We will do this over light refreshments and in an informal setting. Rebecca has graciously agreed to answer some of our inquisitive questions. Child care for preschoolers will be available, please email bjwohl@cox.net the names and ages of children attending by Wednesday, October 12. We hope to see each and every one of you! Let's fill the Chapel!

New Members



Tom & Carolyn Lee, by letter



Jack & Joanne Southall, by baptism

Guatemala Mission Trip Report

Join us tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to celebrate with our September mission team just returning from Guatemala. Light refreshments will be served.

For an update from Stephen and Lee Anne Griffin, our newest missionary associates in Guatemala, go to our website: southtulsa.org under the Missions/International Missions/Guatemala page.

Deacon Nominations

Members of South Tulsa Baptist Church are asked to prayerfully submit names of those persons whom they feel should serve as deacons in 2017. Deacon Nomination forms are available at the Welcome Center and tables in the Worship Center. Completed forms are due by October 30.

The Discover Class continues today at 9:40 a.m., in the Family Room for new members and those interested in becoming members of South Tulsa Baptist Church.

Inside South Tulsa

Terry and Diana Riddle announce the birth of their new grandson, Ryan, born to Matt and



Sara Riddle on August 18 in Leesburg, VA. He weighed 8 lbs 1 oz and was 20 inches long!

last week

GIVING

Ministry Financial Plan 1,035,776
Actual MFP Receipts 845,505
General Fund 66,076
Building Fund 2,010

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults 500
Youth 75
Children 90
Preschool 74
Unclassified 10
Total 729

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES 306

Adult, Youth, Women's, Men's, Precept

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers 26
People Helped 187

WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE

LIVE Views 2,175
(U.S. 1,535; International 640)
Retirement Center Ministry 131
(11 locations)
ON DEMAND Views 696
(U.S. 491; International 205)

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ON THE COVER

Brothers