

this week

Sunday, November 20

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
 10:50 a.m. Worship
 12-12:30 p.m. Library Open
 12:05 p.m. Special Called Business Meeting
 12:15 p.m. Belize Mission Thanksgiving Meal
 1:30 p.m. Christmas Dinner Theater Rehearsal
 4:15 p.m. Mixed Ensemble
 5:00 p.m. Ladies Ensemble, Creatives
 Volunteer Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship/Lord's Supper,
 Bible Skills, Bible Drill
 7:00 p.m. Advisory Council

Monday, November 21

9:30 a.m. Precept: *Covenant*
 1:30 p.m. GriefShare, Ladies Handbells
 6:30 p.m. GriefSare
 7:00 p.m. Precept: *Covenant*

Tuesday, November 22

9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program

Wednesday, November 23

Church Office Closed

Thursday, November 24

Happy Thanksgiving - Church Office Closed

Friday, November 25

Church Office Closed

Saturday, November 26

NO WEDNESDAY DINNER

November 23, 2016



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THANKSGIVING MEAL - Join us TODAY for an all-church Thanksgiving meal just after the 10:50 a.m. service. Enjoy fried turkey and all of the trimmings provided by our Belize Mission Lunch crew. Donations will be accepted via text, web, check, or cash for the meal, and the profits will go toward the Student Ministry Spring Break Mission Trip to Belize!

CREATIVES VOLUNTEER MEETING TODAY - Those interested in assisting with our worship services (words on screen, sound board, praise band, choir) please meet us in the Conference Room at 5:00 p.m. Pizza will be provided.

HELP WITH CDT - There are clipboards in each Sunday Bible Study box and at the Welcome Center with signup sheets for Christmas Dinner Theater: Table Set Up, Food Service, Waiters/Waitresses, or Prayer. Please sign up today or call the church office this week!

2017 GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP - Please pray about going to minister in Santa Maria de Jesus and Campos de Suenos in February 2017. Contact Joe Donelson or Robert Shain for more information or to be a part of this South Tulsa Baptist Mission team.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC - The Adult Choir and Orchestra present "Joy! A Suite for Christmas" on Sunday, December 11, at 10:50 a.m.

SOUTH TULSA LIBRARY - Our church library will be closed Wednesday, November 23 through Sunday, December 4 for Christmas Dinner Theater.

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

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South Tulsa Baptist Church | Christmas Dinner Theater 2016

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December 1-3 at 7:00 pm
 Free Matinee December 3 at 1:30 pm

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8:30AM Worship

Join Us @SouthTulsa
 Wake
 The Creed
Welcome
 Lead Me to the Cross
Faith Story
Greeting One Another
Message Deuteronomy 6:4-9
Response What I Know
New Commitments - New Members
Advent Sermon Series Promo
Blessing

10:50AM Worship

Youth Praise Band *Lead Me to the Cross*
 O Worship the King
Welcome and Prayer
 Ladies Ensemble *I Will Sing of Your Love*
Faith Story
Great Is Thy Faithfulness
 Doxology
God of Our Praise
Greeting One Another
You're Worthy of My Praise
Message Deuteronomy 6:4-9
Response *Once Again*
Giving Ladies Handbell Choir *Give Thanks*
New Commitments - New Members
Blessing

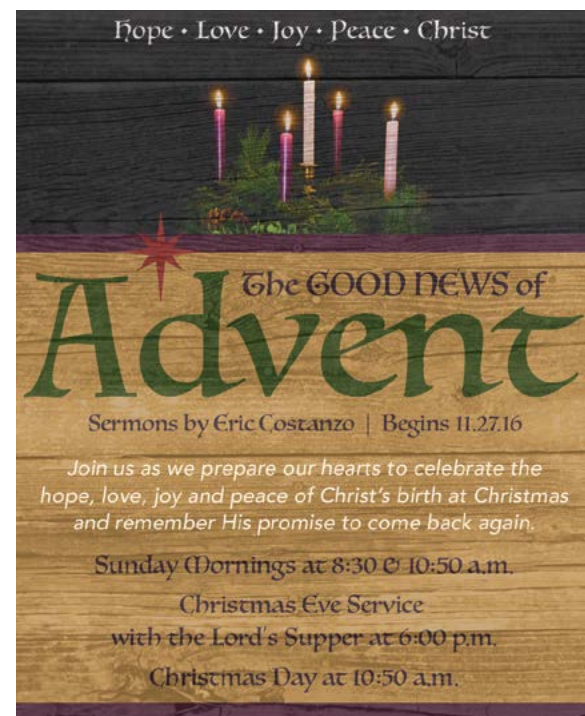
The Shema - Week 5

by Dr. Eric Costanzo

After 5 incredibly edifying weeks, we now come to the end of our journey through the Shema together. Since so much of this study has been about our homes, I collaborated with some parents of young children to make a list of **10 THINGS WE SAY TO OUR CHILDREN THAT WE WOULD NEVER SAY TO EACH OTHER AS ADULTS:**

1. Make sure and brush your teeth today.
2. Your shoes are on the wrong feet again.
3. Have you bathed recently?
4. Don't put that in your mouth!
5. You tried to flush what down the toilet?
6. Please eat your food! (We have a problem not eating...)
7. Stay in your bed! (We have trouble getting out of bed...)
8. I'm tired of stepping on your LEGOs buried in the carpet!
9. Why are you dancing like that? Do you need to go to the bathroom?
10. BECAUSE I SAID SO!

Being a Christian parent or guardian is a heavy responsibility, especially from a spiritual perspective. I believe there is no greater opportunity to help a child succeed in faith than when discipleship is practiced in the home.



Don't get me wrong, I believe the church has great value. My job depends on that! The church itself is a family like no other, as several generations journey in faith together and invest their lives in each other.

At the same time, Christian parents often make the mistake of expecting the church to train and disciple their children in faith for them. Pastors and teachers will never hold the level influence that can be leveraged in the home. The best place for the Word of God to be impressed on the hearts of adults and children is the home.

"These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates (Deuteronomy 6:6-9).

CDT Centerpieces

Christmas Dinner Theater Centerpieces, a musical snow globe with a nativity scene inside, may be purchased online for \$15. They may also be reserved and purchased in the church office. Reserved/purchased snow globes may be picked up in the Commons on Sunday morning, December 4.



Turkeys for Needy Families in Tulsa!

Each year we partner with the Tulsa Christian Ministers Alliance to provide turkeys for families in North Tulsa. Our goal is to raise \$4,000. To help, please mark your check or online gift with "turkeys" in the memo line. The turkeys will be distributed on Tuesday, December 20 at Booker T. Washington High School. Thank you for blessing others with your giving - these families need all of us!

Thinking Christian

by Dru Finley

Worthy of Worship

In 2007, Kathy Griffin earned an Emmy. Although her attempt was to be comical, her acceptance speech was shocking. She said, "A lot of people come up here and thank Jesus for this award. I want you to know that no one had less to do with this award than Jesus." She went on to say, "This is my god now!"

People will worship anything by giving it ultimate worth. There is not one single thing in this world that cannot become an idol. Tim Keller defines an idol this way, "It is anything more important to you than God, anything that absorbs your heart and imagination more than God, anything you seek to give you what only God can give."

The dangerous thing is that we are all prone to set up idols in our life. John Calvin said it best, "Man's nature, so to speak, is a perpetual factory of idols." Because the heart naturally desires to worship something, it will seek anything to put in the place of honor. The reason for this is that we were created to worship.

Because we are created to worship Him and Him alone, we must be intentional and persistent in surrendering ourselves to our Savior. Christ has freed us in order that we might remove the idols from our heart, so that we would replace them with the one deserving object of worship. The amazing reality is, we are most satisfied when we fulfill our greatest need of giving worth to the Holy God. Let us turn our heart, mind, soul, and every aspect of life to the almighty King so that the world might see His worth and shout with exuberant praise, "For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen!"

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

ON THIS SILENT NIGHT - The Preschool, Children's, Youth Choirs and Children's Choir Chimes, Children's Handbells and Youth Handbells Christmas program is Sunday, December 11 at 6:00 p.m.

Welcome *New Member*



Jennifer Bridgman, by letter



Aynabel Warren, by baptism

Special Called Business Meeting at 12:05 p.m. today to vote on Minister to Families with Students Candidate.

Prayer Needs

When you request prayer through the church office, what happens from there? Your requests are important to us. Each day our staff begins the day with prayer using our church prayer list as a guide. At the end of the day an email prayer list is sent to members of our church family who have requested the list, with the newest requests in bold. Please contact Carolyn (carolyn@stbc.net, 918-299-0904) to be included in the daily email and to submit or update your requests. Each Wednesday a printed list is distributed on the dinner tables. This list is designed for you to take home, keep in your Bible and use in your daily prayer time. The same printed list can also be found at the Welcome Center on Sundays. Please use our church prayer list to intercede for the church family and let us know results. *"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer"* (Romans 12:12).

Discover Class

New members and those interested in becoming members of South Tulsa Baptist Church are encouraged to attend a two-week class December 4 & 11 from 9:40-10:40 a.m. in the Family Room. This class is designed to give you a look into the history and heart of South Tulsa Baptist Church, and let us get to know you better. Please RSVP to the church office, 918-299-0904 by December 2 if you plan to attend.

last week

GIVING

Ministry Financial Plan.....	1,435,960
Actual MFP Receipts	1,272,497
General Fund	66,704
Building Fund	430

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults.....	556
Youth	65
Children.....	83
Preschool.....	71
Unclassified.....	10
Total	785

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES

Adult, Youth, Women's, Men's, Precept 162

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers.....	21
People Helped	328

WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE

LIVE Views	11,889
<i>(U.S. 3,068; International 8,821)</i>	
Retirement Center Ministry.....	121
<i>(11 locations)</i>	
ON DEMAND Views.....	1,898
<i>(U.S. 490; International 1,408)</i>	

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ON THE COVER

Arts & Crafts Expo