

this week

Sunday, August 20

8:30 a.m. Worship
 8:40-9:40 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, Baptism
 4:30 p.m. Women's Ministry Team Meeting
 5:15 p.m. Touchpoint Ministry Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Scot Cameron Concert
 7:00 p.m. Advisory Council

Monday, August 21

8:45 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
 1:30 p.m. GriefShare
 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

Tuesday, August 22

9:00 a.m. ELP Open House

Wednesday, August 23

8:45 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Library Open
 4:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
 5:45-6:30 p.m. Library Open
 5:45 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer
 6:00 p.m. GA Leader's Meeting
 6:20 p.m. Student Worship
 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal, Car Show Mtg.
 7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, August 24

9:30 p.m. Early Learning Program
 10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
 7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

Friday, August 25

8:45 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
 9:30 p.m. Early Learning Program
 11:00 a.m. Pat Smith Memorial Service

Saturday, August 26

11:00 a.m. Students Back-to-School Splash
 5:00 p.m. FIT Talent Show & Game Night

WEDNESDAY DINNER

August 23, 2017

Chicken spaghetti, bread, 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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CHILDREN'S CHOIR LEADERSHIP PLANNING MEETING - Wednesday, August 30, D-268-269, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Children's Choir will begin on Wednesday, September 6, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

PRECEPT BIBLE STUDIES - PHILIPPIANS, *How to Have Joy* (9 lessons) Mondays 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Choir Room beginning September 11. The workbook is available in the church office for \$21. **1 PETER**, *How to Stand Firm When Tested* (12 lessons) Thursdays 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Choir Room beginning September 7. The workbook is available in the church office for \$27. Please contact Patrick Lovelace at patricklovelace@cox.net, 918-286-3226 for more information or to enroll in a Precept study.

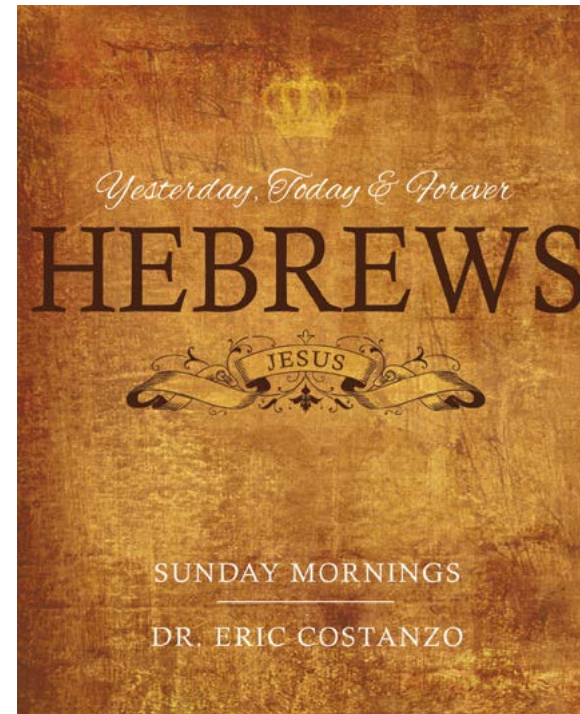
WOMEN'S MINISTRY DAY TRIP #3 - Our last trip is to Bentonville, Arkansas and Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art on Saturday, September 9, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Sign-up now in the Commons or online at southtulsa.org/wevents.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BIBLE ART JOURNALING - Our last workshop of the year is September 21, from 6:30 - 8:15 p.m., in Fellowship Hall. If you have questions or want to register, please contact Denise Curtiss, at denise77@cox.net.

A NEW DAY GOLF TOURNAMENT - September 23, 8:00 a.m. at the South Lakes Golf Course in Jenks \$75, benefiting A New Day at South Tulsa. Register online, southtulsa.org/special-events.

SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, October 1, 2017 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. for a special Women's Ministry evening event "Wonderstruck." More info coming soon.

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



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8:30AM Worship

77 Seconds @ South Tulsa
Victory in Jesus
Whom Shall I Fear (Psalm 27)
Prayer and Welcome Eric Costanzo
Ezra Project Conclusion Revelation 22
Jesus Loves Me
Hosanna
Greeting One Another
Scripture Reading Erin Zimmerman
Message Hebrews 7:18-25
Response *As the Deer*
New Commitments - New Members
Blessing

10:50AM Worship

77 Seconds @ South Tulsa
Tenth Anniversary Recognition - Dave Bender
Baptism Foster Curry
Worthy Is the Lamb
Worthy of Worship
Prayer and Welcome Eric Costanzo
Greeting One Another
Holy Is He
Ezra Project Conclusion Revelation 22
Choral Worship The Anchor Holds
 Solo - Scot Cameron
I Stand in Awe
Giving *Eternal Life* Scot Cameron
Scripture Reading Erin Zimmerman
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Reflections from the EZRA Project

by Matt Wolff

This week has been so encouraging as we united together to accomplish the reading of God's Word through the EZRA Project. On Monday, looking at the sign-up sheets, we still had several spots to fill to complete our human chain of readers. I witnessed an excitement within our church as we began to read God's Word. Seeing others take the challenge and plow through the difficult names showed us all that we could do it. Reading for 15 or 30 minutes out loud, we could do that! A momentum began to build. Even though our schedules and our personal agendas were interrupted, how blessed we were to see each person continue the reading.

We were reminded by great stories of how generations before have seen God work and move beyond their belief or understanding. We laughed together through difficult or even awkward passages. We were warned about generations who have turned away from the Lord and saw difficult days. And perhaps the greatest reminder of all, that God's grace is always available when we humble ourselves and seek His face.

There is always an awareness of God's presence when we read His Word. It is a reminder that this life has a deeper purpose and meaning than our busy schedules. I'm reminded that much of life is not about accomplishments or abilities, but about total dependence on God.

Hopefully, this week was a reminder to return to His Word in a deeper way. I pray it will ignite a vulnerability to the Spirit and confident belief that God is still at work.

"My Word that comes from my mouth will not return to me empty, but it will accomplish what I please and will prosper in what I send it to do" (Isaiah 55:11).

Thank you to everyone who participated this week. I hope the EZRA Project has impacted your walk with our Lord. We could not have done it without you. We are stronger together as the body of Christ.

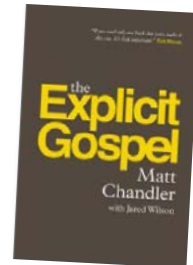
Connie Faurot

For more than two decades, Connie Faurot has served literally thousands of children and families through the ministries of South Tulsa Baptist Church and throughout our community. It is bittersweet for all of us indeed to announce Connie's retirement from her full-time position in our church. We are so thankful that Connie and Dick will remain an active part of our church, and we will never know the full extent of Connie's impact in God's Kingdom work this side of heaven. We love you Connie! -Pastor Eric

Please join us on **Sunday, October 1 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Commons for a special reception to honor Mrs. Connie for her years of service as Minister to Families with Children.

Women's Bible Study The Explicit Gospel

Ladies, join us for a 7 week fall Bible Study by Matt Chandler beginning on Wednesday, September 20 from 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. in room D165/166, child care provided. Please let Debby Arnold (darnold@capmgtco.com, 918-639-5777) know if you wish to attend so a workbook can be ordered for you.



{Getting to Know You}

New Members of South Tulsa



Meet the Foreman Family
The Foremans joined our church on June 4. Ray and Becky both grew up in Norman.

They moved to Tulsa one year ago this month. They worked with the International Mission Board for a year and lived in Romania during that time. Ray and Becky have been married for 15 years.

Ray is the President of a local bank.

Becky stays busy with their five children.

Parker is a 9th grader. He plays football and loves to fish.

Elizabeth is an 8th grader and she loves going to school. She's a member of the National Junior Honor Society.

Timothy is a 5th grader and has been playing soccer for six years. One of his favorite things is playing jokes on people.

Benjamin is in 3rd grade and he also enjoys playing football and fishing.

Molly is in Pre-K. She is very sociable and thinks that every person is her best friend. She also enjoys playing soccer.



Man Cave

When you hear the term "Man Cave" you think of a room full of guy toys, TVs and food, a place where a guy can be a guy and be around other guys. This is only part of what Man Cave is about. More importantly, men need to encourage one another to a greater commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ. Paul says in **1 Corinthians 16:13**, "Be alert, stand firm in the faith, be courageous, be strong." We believe acting like men means to act like Jesus, and Man Cave is about spending time with other men to cultivate friendships that will encourage a closer walk with Christ. Join us for a Men's Ministry Man Cave, Thursday, August 31 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We'll be watching the OSU vs TU game and having pizza. Please sign up online at southtulsa.org/men, the cost is \$5.

Children's Music and Missions Enrollment

Our Children's Choir theme this year is All Creation Sings, "Let everything that breathes praise the Lord. Hallelujah!" Psalm 150:6 CSB. It seems so simple. If you can breathe, you can sing praises to the One who gave you breath. Children's Choir is available for every child from ages 3 years - 6th grade. We encourage parents to take advantage of this Bible teaching arm of the church.

You may pre enroll your child at the table near the Preschool Welcome Center. Children's Choir begins on Wednesday, September 6, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Also stop by the enrollment table for Children's missions! Mission Friends, Royal Ambassadors and Girls in Action meet on Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:15 p.m. beginning September 6, for kids 3 years old - 6th grade.

Inside South Tulsa

BRAD AND FAITH FERGUSON

CELEBRATE 50 YEARS - The flowers at the front of the Worship Center today have been given in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

SCOT CAMERON
in concert with the
South Tulsa Choir and Orchestra
Sunday, August 20, 6:00 pm
An offering for Scot will be taken that evening.

14TH ANNUAL
★ SOUTH TULSA ★
Car Show & Food Drive
Incredible cars and fun for the whole family
Rain Date: Sept. 24
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
3:00-6:00 PM
Bring canned goods & non-perishable FOOD FOR THE MINISTRY CENTER
Register at southtulsa.org/car-show

last week

GIVING

Ministry Financial Plan.....	502,943
Actual MFP Receipts	372,845
General Fund	71,221
A New Day at South Tulsa.....	7,655

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults.....	531
Students.....	88
Children.....	94
Preschool.....	89
Unclassified.....	10
Total	812

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers	26
People Helped	319
Salvations.....	1

WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE

LIVE Views	23,073
<i>(U.S. 15,297; 12 Retirement Centers with 127; International 7,649)</i>	

ON DEMAND Views.....	852
<i>(U.S. 568; International 284)</i>	

NEW MEMBERS

Foster Curry.....by baptism

MINISTRY STAFF

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ON THE COVER
Dave Bender with Sara and Noah Layne

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