

this week

Sunday, October 29

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
 12:00-12:30 p.m. Library Open, Youth Handbells
 1:30 p.m. Christmas Dinner Theater Rehearsal
 4:00 p.m. Mixed Ensemble
 4:30 p.m. Missions Committee Meeting
 5:00 p.m. Ladies Ensemble
 5:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
 6:00 p.m. 3 Circles, Sermon Bonus Features, Bible Drill, Bible Skills Drills & Thrills, Student Gathering - Volleyball
 6:45 p.m. Quarterly Church Conference

Monday, October 30

8:45 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 9:30 a.m. Precept *Philippians*
 1:30 p.m. GriefShare, Ladies Handbells
 6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Adult Handbells
 7:00 p.m. Precept *Philippians*

Tuesday, October 31

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
 6:00 p.m. Noah's Ark

Wednesday, November 1

8:30 a.m. ELP Camp Kinder
 8:45 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Library Open
 11:00 p.m. Homebound Committee Meeting
 4:15 p.m. Children's Handbells
 4:30 p.m. Children's Choir Chimes
 4:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
 5:30 p.m. Children's Choir, Student Choir, Ladies Bible Study-*The Explicit Gospel*, ESL
 5:45 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer
 6:20 p.m. Student Worship
 6:30 p.m. RA, GA, Mission Friends
 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
 7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, November 2

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 9:30 a.m. ELP, Precept *1 Peter*
 10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
 6:30 p.m. Music Ministry Ladies Night Out
 7:00 p.m. Precept *1 Peter*, Men's Basketball

Friday, November 3

8:45 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
 9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program

Saturday, November 4

WEDNESDAY DINNER

November 1, 2017

Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, vegetable, salad, roll, 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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WELCOME ROCKIE NASER - Rockie is a speaker, evangelist, author, and prayer warrior. She has earned a Bachelor's degree in Biblical Studies and a Masters of Theology (Th.M.) in Evangelism and Discipleship. She has spoken on radio stations, in conferences, and seminars across the nation and internationally. She currently serves as the Director of Women's Ministry at First Baptist Broken Arrow.

MUSIC MINISTRY LADIES NIGHT OUT - November 2, 6:30-9:00 p.m., at the home of Sharolyn Sorrels. Enjoy French cuisine, fun and fellowship as we play bunko. Please bring a dozen cookies and the recipe to exchange. Sign up in the Sanctuary Choir room if you can come and if you would like to ride the bus leaving from west side of church at 6:00 p.m.

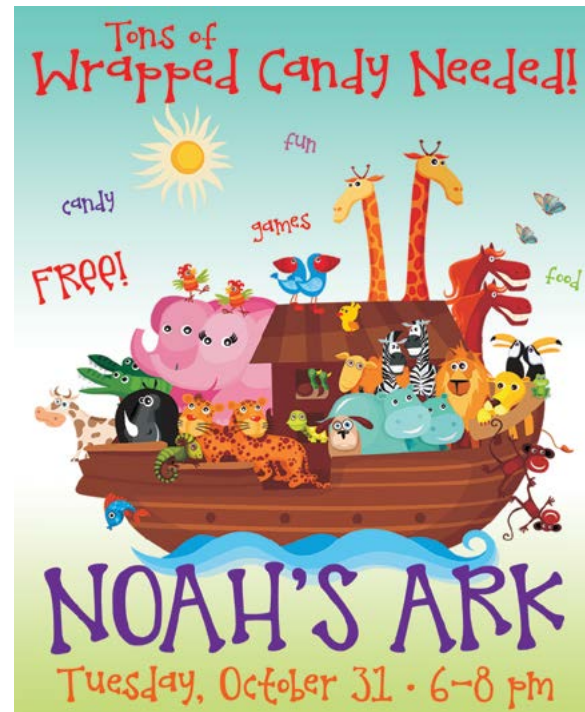
BASKETS FOR SILENT AUCTION - The 10th Annual Arts & Crafts Expo and Basket Silent Auction is Saturday, November 11, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Basket donations will be taken through Wednesday, November 1. Please email Sandy and Regina with any questions at stbcartsncrafts@gmail.com.

GRIEFSHARE: NEW SESSION BEGINS NOVEMBER 6 - You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Groups meet at 1:30 and 6:30 p.m. on Mondays in the Conference Room.

FOOD DRIVE - The Student Ministry is leading a fall food drive for the Ministry Center. Please bring non-perishable food (peanut butter, canned meat, canned vegetables, soups, etc.) to the marked tubs near the entrances of the church. Thank you for helping feed the hungry in Tulsa.

CHRISTMAS DINNER THEATER REHEARSAL - 1:30 - 2:45 p.m. ALL CAST scenes 1-4; 2:45 - 4:00 p.m. ALL CAST scenes 5-7 speaking parts, singing and choreography, Finale.

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



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8:30AM Worship

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Sing, Sing, Sing

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Prayer and Welcome Eric Costanzo

Greeting One Another

Scripture Reading Erin Zimmerman

Message Mark 16:14-20

Faith Story Rockie Naser

Response *It Is Well with My Soul*

New Commitments - New Members

Blessing

10:50AM Worship

JoinUs@SouthTulsa

O Worship the King

Prayer and Welcome Eric Costanzo

Greeting One Another

Crown Him King of Kings

Choral Worship *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

Solo - Jack Rogers

I Love You, Lord

Giving *In This House* Mixed Ensemble

Scripture Reading Erin Zimmerman

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Guatemala Mission Trip

by Debbie Steen

God allowed us the privilege to join His work in two towns. First, we traveled to Escuintla where families live and work on the dump. They are finding items that can be recycled. Small block houses are being built that provide shelter. A building has been finished that is used as the clinic. Our construction team worked on leveling the ground for a church. An eye clinic was held with every person being seen first by a member of our evangelism team sharing the GOOD NEWS. The VBS team went to the local school, sang songs, shared Bible stories and helped the children make a craft. Our two days at the dump were hot and smelly, but full of joy and the love of Jesus. This piece of land by the dump is called "The Land of Hope." God is moving in a mighty way to bring hope to the hopeless.



Next, we went to Santa Maria and Campos de Suenos, "Field of Dreams." Only five years ago, the land was just an empty field located in the slums. Now, a beautiful building stands tall proclaiming "Jesus is Lord." Each day people came to know the Lord as the gospel was shared at the eye clinic. The construction team did repairs at Campos and built a house. Food and home items were given at the "house blessing." Teams made home visits training families on how to use a water filter bucket to provide clean drinking water. The gospel was proclaimed and many accepted Christ. Each morning the VBS team shared with hundreds of children at the school. In the afternoon, over 300 children received a hot meal and took part in the children's program. The children never run out of smiles, laughter and hugs. We go to bless others, but truly we are the ones that are blessed. Consider your part. Can you pray? Can you go? Will you sponsor a child to go to school or to be fed? Cards can be found at the information desk on sponsorship opportunities. Join the blessing.

The Reason We Give

Malachi 3:10 says to "bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in my house, and prove (test) me now says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

The reason we give to our church is not to receive anything from God; although this verse says we will receive a blessing. About four years after we were married, we sat down and made a conscious decision to tithe to our church from our gross income. It was a deliberate act of faith believing it was what God wanted us to do. It does not involve just giving our money to God but also giving our time and energy to Him

through the ministry of the Church. The account of the Macedonian Christians in **2 Corinthians 8** has always been our foundation for giving our money and time to God through the church. It tells how the Macedonian Christians gave to the Chris-

tians in Jerusalem at a time when they were in poverty themselves. However, their giving was preceded by a great desire to help - ³ I testify that, on their own, according to their ability and beyond their ability, ⁴ they begged us insistently for the privilege of sharing in the ministry to the saints, ⁵ and not just as we had hoped. Instead, they first gave themselves to the Lord, then to us by God's will. The part about first giving themselves to the Lord is the key for giving to Him. We do not believe that we can give anything out of our pocket until we give to Him out of our hearts. For us the blessings of God are not financial but spiritual. We have received so much more than any financial gain can possibly provide.

So, if you are not tithing to the church, we challenge you to take a step of faith and trust God. Take Him at His word in Malachi and see how great His blessings are.

CHRISTMAS DINNER THEATER TICKETS ON SALE TODAY IN THE COMMONS OR ONLINE AT SOUTH TULSA.ORG

Pastor Appreciation

The Personnel Committee would like us to celebrate, encourage, and demonstrate our love and appreciation for Eric and Rebecca by showering them with cards, notes, gift cards, etc. to thank them for all they do. A basket, located at the Welcome Center, has been provided for your cards/gifts. ~Thank You!

GUATEMALA MISSION REPORT - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 AT 6:00 P.M.

Thank You

Thank you church family for encouraging us with prayer, food, visits, cards and love during this difficult season in our lives. Thank you for allowing me to be away to honor my father, Dick Wolff, in his final days here on this earth. We are blessed to serve beside each and every one of you! - Matt Wolff and Family

Belize Mission Thanksgiving Lunch

Join us Sunday, November 19 in the Fellowship Hall at noon for our Belize Mission Thanksgiving Lunch. Bless our students going to Belize to serve over Spring Break by placing in the basket what you would spend on a nice lunch out.



A Mighty Fortress is Our God

The most visible event of the Reformation, according to tradition, took place on October 31, 1517, when Martin Luther (1483-1546), a monk and university professor, nailed the 95 Theses to the church door in Wittenberg, Germany. Luther was concerned with papal abuses and the selling of indulgences in the Roman Catholic Church, along with what he considered to be faulty understandings of justification by faith, biblical authority, and other important doctrinal matters.

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," also known as the "Battle Hymn of the Reformation," was written by Luther (both text and melody) a few years later. This hymn will be used in both worship services this morning. The choral arrangement, arranged for the 500th anniversary of this event, offers an aural glimpse of Luther's hymn through history: from the opening blows of Luther's hammer, to the Renaissance rhythms of Luther's original version (sung by a solo voice, representing Luther standing alone,) to harmony and counterpoint based on J.S. Bach's harmonization 200 years later, to modern day material that is, nevertheless, based on Luther's original rhythms and melodic intervals.

The text, based on Psalm 46, reminds us that we can join with past believers in singing, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God!" For a very thorough writing on this subject, go to our pastor's website, www.ericcostanzo.me and under categories, select "Lutheranism."

Operation Christmas Child Begins

Today our Orphan Ministry kicks off Operation Christmas Child. Empty boxes and brochures with packing directions are available in the Commons. Fill the shoeboxes with toys, hygiene items and school supplies to be delivered to children in need around the world. Each one provides the opportunity to share the Gospel with children when they open their shoebox gifts. Bring the filled boxes (with \$9 donation for shipping inside) back to church on November 12 when we recognize Orphan Sunday.

last week

GIVING

Ministry Financial Plan 1,239,941
Actual MFP Receipts 1,009,875
General Fund 56,689
A New Day at South Tulsa 8,772

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults 497
Students 72
Children 88
Preschool 60
Unclassified 10
Total 727

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES 201

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers 27
People Helped 282
Medical Clinic 8

WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE

LIVE Views 3,679
(U.S. 2,372; 11 Retirement Centers with 121; International 1,186)
ON DEMAND Views. 1,027
(U.S. 685; International 342)



Daylight Savings Time Ends Next Sunday, November 5

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