

this week

Sunday, November 18

8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:00-9:40 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
 12:00-12:30 p.m. Library Open
 12:00 p.m. All-Church Thanksgiving Belize Lunch, Student Handbells
 1:30 p.m. Christmas Dinner Theater Rehearsal
 4:00 p.m. Mixed Ensemble
 5:30 p.m. Financial Peace
 6:00 p.m. Student Discipleship, Revelation, Christian Art
 7:00 p.m. Advisory Council

Monday, November 19

11:00 a.m. Homebound Committee Meeting
 1:30 p.m. GriefShare, Ladies Handbells
 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

Tuesday, November 20

9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
 12:00 p.m. Ruth's Open Door Weaving

Wednesday, November 21

Church Office Closed

Thursday, November 22 - Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day, Church Office Closed

Friday, November 23

Church Office Closed

Saturday, November 24



*They sang with praise
 and thanksgiving to the Lord:
 "For he is good: his faithful love
 to Israel endures forever."*

Ezra 3:11



NO WEDNESDAY DINNER

November 21, 2018

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 Good News about
 Jesus in our
 community and
 around the world

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TICKETS FOR SALE - You may purchase Christmas Dinner Theater tickets in the Commons each Sunday, beginning at 9:00 a.m., online at southtulsa.org/music-events anytime or in the church office during the week. The Christmas Dinner Theater is November 29-December 1 at 7:00 p.m., reserved seating only. Tickets are \$15 each for dinner and the musical drama. There is also a free matinee on Saturday, December 1, 1:30 p.m. You will also need reserved tickets for this production. Come and buy tickets for yourself and a friend and be a part of this exciting outreach ministry!

CHRISTMAS DINNER THEATER REHEARSAL - Sunday, November 18, 1:30-4:00 p.m. ALL CAST, Entire play MEMORIZED, add sound.

DRIVE-THRU CHRISTMAS PAGEANT - December 7-9, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Baptist Children's Home in Owasso (12700 E 76th Street N, Owasso). Learn more at obhc.org/owasso/christmas.

LITTLE YELLOW CARDS - Yellow witnessing cards and other gospel tracts are available on the track rack by the church library. The cards are now being distributed in Sweden and Thailand!

STUDENT ICE SKATING - Hey Students! We are taking off to Downtown Tulsa to enjoy some ice skating on Sunday, December 2. Join us at the church before 5:00 p.m. We will be driving our buses to the BOK Center. Cost is \$10. Bring some extra money for hot chocolate! We will be back at the church around 7:30 p.m.

A CHILD IS BORN - The Preschool, Children's, Youth Choirs and the Children's Choir Chimes, Children's Handbells and Youth Handbells Christmas program is on Sunday, December 9, 6:00 p.m.

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

**Give Thanks
 GIVE
 FOOD**

NOVEMBER FOOD DRIVE FOR
 THE MINISTRY CENTER

Please bring non-perishable food: canned meat or fish, canned vegetables and fruit, and peanut butter (24 oz or less). Food can be dropped off along the Jesus wall.	To make things more interesting, we're making it a competition. Who will show the most compassion and give the most? Preschool & Children Students Adults
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**AN ADVENT
 JOURNEY
 TO THE
 NATIVITY**

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8:30AM Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 118:19-24
 Mary Lee McMinn
Today Is the Day
Living Hope
Your Great Name
Prayer and Welcome Debbie Steen
Greeting One Another
Scripture Reading Preston Wolff
Message Ephesians 6:10-17 Matt Wolff
Response Cornerstone
Good Morning South Tulsa
New Commitments - New Members
Blessing

10:50AM Worship

Good Morning South Tulsa
Call to Worship Psalm 100 Shirah Grant
People of Praise, Rejoice! Mixed Ensemble
Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Prayer and Welcome Rebecca Lee
Greeting One Another
Come Into His Presence
My Tribute
Choral Worship *God of Our Praise*
Doxology
Giving *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*
 Ladies Handbell Choir
Scripture Reading Preston Wolff
Message Ephesians 6:10-17 Matt Wolff
Response *Be Strong in the Lord*
New Commitments - New Members
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Walking By Faith

Karen Pirtle

"For we walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7).

What does that mean? It means, if we give whatever we are struggling with or wandering through the wilderness with to God - throwing up our arms in surrender, and asking Him to use it to change our lives, He will honor our request. He will build a faith in us that teaches us to let go and trust Him with our heart, soul and life.

In 1 Kings 17, we see Elijah announcing to King Ahab, a severe national drought was coming. Immediately after, God told Elijah to leave and hide. He spent three years in the Kerith Ravine. The Hebrew word for Kerith means, to completely cut off. Elijah was cut off, separated, alone. But God wasn't setting Elijah aside, He was setting him apart.

It was during this time that he learned to trust God's provisions through the ravens bringing food twice a day, and fresh water to drink from the stream; God never let him down. He was working in his life all along.

Wherever you are in this journey of walking by faith, seek Him. Often it is in that place of isolation and separation when we are utterly dependent on God to sustain us, that we see Him take our pain, our loss, our hopelessness and use it for His glory.

He is preparing us to be a light of hope in a world that desperately needs to see Him.

What if we were to give in to His will, and take life one day at a time, instead of trying to have everything figured out? We could rely on Him to provide for us, and strengthen our faith through all of life's journeys.



Student Ministry

Perspectives

Perspectives on the World Christian Movement is "the single best discipleship course to open our eyes to God's work in the world and God's call on our lives" according to JD Greear. This 15-week life and learning opportunity will meet on Tuesdays beginning January 15, 2019 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Your eyes will be opened to the heart and purpose of God, and how you can take part in His work all over the world. A fantastic array of pastors, theologians, international missiologists and mobilizers will challenge and inspire you with their personal

experiences that show how big God is, and how much He desires that all come to know Him. Whether you are single, married, a student, a homemaker, a professional or retired, Perspectives will bless and challenge your life and direction. The first 30 people from South Tulsa who sign up will get a \$50 scholarship, and sign up before December 15 for a \$25 discount! You can sign up for the Tulsa class online at www.perspectives-tulsa.org. For questions, contact Adam Greer at adambgreer@gmail.com. Scholarships and childcare available.

ALL CHURCH

THANKSGIVING LUNCH

Celebrate Thanksgiving with the church family and bless our students going on the Belize Mission Trip over Spring Break. The best part is you don't have to bring a thing! Enjoy a complete fried turkey dinner with all of the trimmings! Donations will be accepted and will benefit the Belize Mission Trip. Join us immediately following the 10:50 a.m. worship service.

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Caring for Others

Everyone is broken in some way or another. Losses, crises, and painful life events show our brokenness and drive us to Jesus for healing and hope. On the cross, Jesus bore our griefs and carried our sorrows. In Him we find the healing we need. Stephen Ministers bring hurting people to Jesus' cross to find healing and hope. The Stephen Ministry motto is "Christ caring for people through people." Stephen Ministers care for the person - God cures. If you are interested in becoming a trained Stephen Minister, please contact the church office at 918-299-0904.

Help with Christmas Dinner Theater

There are clipboards in each Sunday Bible Study box with sign-up sheets for various Christmas Dinner Theater needs. You may also call the church office during the week to request the area you desire to work. This is a great opportunity to meet and get better acquainted with other church members. Areas to serve: Table Set Up, Food Service, Waiters/Waitresses, Table Clean Up, and Prayer.

Advisory Council - Tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the Commons Area

SOUTH TULSA BAPTIST CHURCH PRESENTS

A PLACE TO CALL Home

Christmas Dinner Theater 2018

November 29 ~ December 1
Dinner & Show at 7:00 p.m.

FREE Matinee
December 1 at 1:30 p.m. (no dinner)

RESERVED SEATING ONLY | TICKETS \$15
Tickets on sale at southtulsa.org/music-events

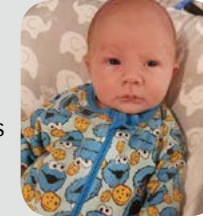
Inside South Tulsa



Congratulations to Zack and Charly Hudson and family on the birth of Nathan on November 11. Nathan weighed 6 lb 10 oz.

Colin James

Stephen Hart was born October 20 in Annapolis, MD. Parents are Megan and James Hart, proud grandparents are Terry and Diana Riddle.



Pick Up Food

Someone is needed to pick up the food donations from Reasor's near 21st and Yale each Monday and then deliver the food donations to the Ministry Center (312 S 33rd West Ave, Tulsa). Any vehicle will accommodate the donations. If you could serve in this way, please email Alice at alice@ministry-center.org.

Missions Moment

Guatemalan Dream Center, Mario Miño

We rejoiced to have another visit from our good friends from South Tulsa Baptist Church. They have been a tremendous blessing to our ministry and to the community of Santa Maria de Jesus. Our hearts are always touched to see their love and God given energy! In just three days, they built two homes, held a VBS at the largest public school, conducted a much needed medical clinic and blessed all of our volunteers with a very generous food basket!

South Tulsa also came with another specific purpose in mind, to officially ordain Mario as the pastor of the Campos de Sueños Church! All the children rejoiced with us on that special day! We are thankful for this privilege and for a new stage in our ministry! Please pray for us as we reach out in a bigger way to the parents! Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and support! Please pray especially for our personal finances since many of our initial supporters have not been able to continue to give. We appreciate you so much!

last week

GIVING

Ministry Financial Plan	\$1,389,289
Actual MFP Receipts	1,407,953
General Fund	47,603
Capital Reserve (New Day)	1,839

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults	516
Students	73
Children	109
Preschool	81
Unclassified	10
Total	789

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES 230

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers	23
People Helped	239

JENKS CAREPOINT

Volunteers	25
People Helped	186

WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE

LIVE Views	4,629
<i>(U.S. 3,043; 13 Retirement Centers with 133; International 1,453)</i>	

ON DEMAND Views	2,205
<i>(U.S. 1,470; International 735)</i>	

NEW MEMBERS

Kevin & Brittany Roddy by statement

MINISTRY STAFF

Dr. Eric Costanzo, <i>Pastor</i> eric@southtulsa.org	Debbie Steen, <i>Minister to Families with Preschoolers</i> debbie@southtulsa.org
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ON THE COVER Fredene Grant and friend