

this week

Sunday, October 20

8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:00 a.m. Early Sunday Bible Study Group
 9:00-9:40 a.m. Library Open
 9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study
 10:50 a.m. Worship, Baptism
 12:00-12:30 p.m. Library Open
 12:15 p.m. Deacon/Widow/Widower Lunch
 1:30 p.m. Christmas Dinner Theater Rehearsal
 4:00 p.m. Mixed Ensemble
 5:00 p.m. Ladies Ensemble, Bridge Builders
 Council Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship, Student Discipleship
 7:00 p.m. Advisory Council

Monday, October 21

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 1:30 p.m. GriefShare, Ladies Handbells
 6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Adult Handbells, Men's
 Ministry Ping Pong

Tuesday, October 22

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
 12:00 p.m. Ruth's Open Door Weaving
 5:15 p.m. Exercise/Stretch Class
 5:30 p.m. Momentum Karate
 7:00 p.m. Young Adult Group

Wednesday, October 23

9:00 a.m. ELP Teacher Planning
 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Library Open
 4:15 p.m. Children's Handbells
 4:30 p.m. Children's Chimes
 4:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
 5:30 p.m. Student/Preschool/Children's Choirs,
 Citizenship Class, Ladies Bible Study -
Breathe, Financial Peace
 5:45 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer
 5:45-7:00 p.m. Library Open
 6:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
 6:20 p.m. Student Worship
 6:30 p.m. Children's Missions (RA, GA, MF)
 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
 7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, October 24

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
 10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
 7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

Friday, October 25

9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program

Saturday, October 26

9:00 a.m. Exercise/Stretch Class

WEDNESDAY DINNER

October 23, 2019

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

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

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



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DAYSPRING VILLA - October is our month to support DaySpring Villa Women and Children's Shelter with PRAYER and donations. Needed this month: paper towels, disposable bowls, plates and silverware, liquid laundry detergent, kitchen dish towels, bath towels and wash cloths, women's underwear any size, and disposable diapers. Items may be dropped off in the designated bin in the Atrium.

A LUNCHEON IN YOUR HONOR -The Deacon Body will recognize the Widows and Widowers of South Tulsa Baptist Church at a luncheon today in the Fellowship Hall at noon.

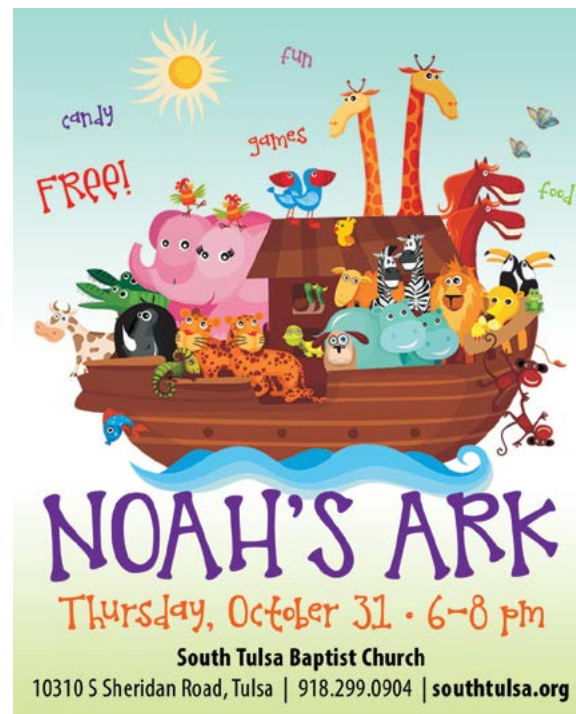
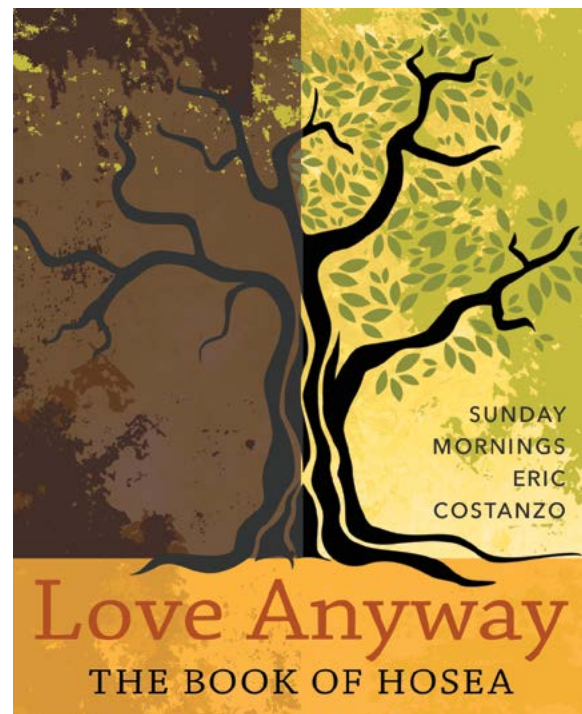
THEMED BASKETS FOR AUCTION - The Arts & Crafts Expo is on Saturday, November 2. The Basket Silent Auction is always a big part of our show. Sunday Bible Study groups, families or individuals may create a themed basket to donate. The baskets will be auctioned online during the Arts & Crafts Expo on November 2. All proceeds benefit the Student Ministry Mission trip to Belize next Spring. If you need assistance or have questions, please contact Sandy Ashford at 918-812-7035.

ITEMS NEEDED - *At the Ministry Center:* children's shoes and pants (all sizes), and men's shoes. *At Jenks CarePoint:* Girls' jackets, any sizes toddler through teens.

CHRISTMAS DINNER THEATER REHEARSAL - Sunday, October 20, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Block scene 7 - Children's Program/Church, page 33-35, *Nativity Medley*; 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Block scene 8 - Mercantile/Doc Robinson's House, pages 36-40, *Seek Me*; Review *Lean, Lean, Lean* choreography.

GIRLS IN ACTION - GA is collecting blankets (new or gently used) for the Ministry Center as our Mission Challenge project. Donations can be delivered at GA or to the church office.

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



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8:30AM Worship

Announcement Countdown
Call to Worship Psalm 121:1-8
 Alice Bones
Lift My Eyes
 Holy, Holy, Holy
Prayer and Welcome Matt Wolff
Worship in Giving/Children's Offering
Build My Life
Greeting One Another
Scripture Reading Lori Vernon
Message Hosea 8:1-4
 Love Anyway: The Book of Hosea
My Response *Broken Vessels*
New Commitments - New Members
Blessing

10:50AM Worship

Announcement Countdown
Baptism - Erin Kenney
Call to Worship Psalm 95:1-7 Noah Costanzo
Holy Ground
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Prayer and Welcome Rebecca Lee
Greeting One Another
Standing on the Promises
His Strength Is Perfect
Choral Worship Psalm 24
I Worship You, Almighty God
Worship in Giving *Be Thou My Vision*
 Bob Baker, Carol Ross, Celeste Rosenthal
Scripture Reading Lori Vernon
Message Hosea 8:1-4
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Being Thankful

Kara Lee

Although Thanksgiving is still more than five weeks away, it is never too early to think about being thankful. The subject of thankfulness has, in fact, been on my mind a great deal in recent months. I began reading a book over the summer that challenges the reader to list the things for which they are thankful, with a goal of finding 1,000 reasons to give thanks. Determining to accept the challenge, I began my list. I am thankful for children and grandchildren, for family and friends, for health and prosperity, for opportunities and successes, for love and laughter. My list goes on and on, for I am very blessed.

We are told in 1 Thessalonians 5:18 to give thanks in all things, not just the good things, so I tried to add some less-desirable items to my list. However, I struggled to find an attitude of thankfulness in the midst of difficulties.

Soon after, I was given the opportunity to see what it truly means to "give thanks in all situations" during a conversation with a client at CarePoint. The woman I was speaking with had come with her family from Nigeria to the United States in order for her daughter to receive life-saving surgery for a brain tumor. The daughter had undergone two surgeries to remove the tumor. Complications had led to additional physical and psychological problems, requiring the mother to be on alert and to provide care 24-hours a day. To further complicate matters, the parents have no means to support the family as they wait for approval to work in the United States.

As I ended our conversation, I asked the mom how I could best pray for her and her family. She responded that she did not want to ask the Lord for anything, because He had been so good to them, but only to offer thanks for giving her and her daughter a full night's rest for the first time since the surgeries.

I pray that I might have a heart of gratitude like that mother, that I might learn what she knows; how to give thanks in all circumstances.

Pastor Appreciation

The Personnel Committee is encouraging our church family to celebrate our wonderful pastor and his family in special ways during the next few weeks. The congregation can demonstrate their love and appreciation for Eric and Rebecca with a word of thanks and encouragement and by showering them with cards, notes, gift cards, etc., to show our appreciation for all they do. A basket, located at the Welcome Center, has been provided for your cards/gifts.

Belize Missions Lunch

Join us next Sunday, October 27 at noon in the Fellowship Hall and support our students going on the Belize Mission Trip. Menu: barbecued meats, baked beans, potato salad, and dessert.

Arts & Crafts Expo

November 2, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Don't miss our Women's Ministry Arts & Crafts Expo with over 60 vendors! Mike's BBQ food truck will be on site, and over a dozen wonderful baskets will be auctioned. All proceeds go to our Student Mission Trip to Belize! Did you know that last year the Expo generated around \$5,000 that off-set the cost of the Belize Mission trip? Come and do some holiday shopping and support a great cause.



Women's Ministry

Defending Dignity

BRUNCH - November 9, 10:30 a.m. to noon
Jesus had the reputation for keeping disgraceful company. Surely, God in the flesh would've preferred making connections with those whose lives were a tad less messy. However, Jesus unapologetically explained, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Today, things can feel very cozy as we sit next to and greet those who surely have their act together. However, often those we are called to love, serve and reach with Jesus' message are outside of the "cozy."

Join us in Fellowship Hall for a wonderful brunch as we welcome Andrea Graver, director of Defending Dignity and Susan Cox, director of DaySpring Villa. They will share how their ministries serve women living and working in an industry where they are sexually exploited and often victims of trafficking right in our area! The cost for the brunch is \$5, all of which will be donated to Defending Dignity. Preschool childcare will be available by reservation. Please make your reservation at southtulsa.org/special-events#dignity.

Operation Christmas Child

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child boxes have arrived. You can locate the boxes on tables outside the office conference room AND across from the Preschool Welcome desk. If your family would like to participate, please assemble a box and fill with personal care items, school supplies, clothing, accessories, plus a "wow" toy. Remember, it all needs to fit in the shoebox and the lid be able to shut. Last year South Tulsa Baptist filled 150 boxes. Let's go for 200 this year! Last but not least, a \$9 donation needs to be enclosed with the box or paid on-line to Samaritan's Purse to take care of the shipping cost. ALL BOXES NEED TO BE RETURNED TO THE DISPLAY TABLES BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17. Thank you for sending the love of Jesus to vulnerable children. For more information go to samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Israel Study Tour

Our Israel tour is planned for August 23 - September 4, 2020. If you are interested in going or would like more information, contact Cindy in the church office at cindy@southtulsa.org or 918-299-0904.

Giving Electronically

Online giving has been available at South Tulsa since 2008. Recently the Stewardship Committee upgraded our solution to make electronic giving even easier and more secure. Today, we are inviting you to prayerfully consider using this electronic solution. Giving can be done via text, mobile giving on your phone/tablet or from your computer. Securely sign in with your phone number or email address and give it a try. You can choose to give one time or to create an account and give routinely or set up a recurring payment. Our Stewardship Committee has negotiated low fees and offers the option to include the fees with your transaction. If you give via bank transfer, there is a small charge of 50 cents for the transaction. To get started go to southtulsa.org and click on GIVE button at the top of the page. If you need assistance with this new solution or have questions, don't hesitate to reach out to Cathy (cathy@southtulsa.org), Brandi (brandi@southtulsa.org), or Dave (dave@southtulsa.org) in the office.

Stephen Ministry

October is Stephen Ministry Month

People often ask "What is a Stephen Minister?" One way to explain it is that Stephen Ministers are the "after people." Stephen Ministers are there...

...after the phone call you hoped you'd never get.

...after the relationship ends.

...after the doctor says, "I'm sorry."

Stephen Ministers are ready to come alongside you to provide comfort and support for as long AFTER as needed. A new training class will be starting soon. Stop by after the service for more information.

last week

GIVING

Ministry Financial Plan \$1,110,432
Actual MFP Receipts 985,113
General Fund 71,278

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults 502
Students 68
Children 94
Preschool 85
Unclassified 10
Total 759

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers 25
People Helped 220

JENKS CAREPOINT

Volunteers 14
People Helped 174

WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE

LIVE Views 1,741
(U.S. 1,116; 12 Retirement Centers with 148; International 477)

ON DEMAND Views. 567
(U.S. 378; International 189)

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ON THE COVER Fall Family Gathering