



## 8:30AM Worship

**Announcement Countdown**  
**Call to Worship** Isaiah 12:2-6 Kim Hayes  
*How Great Thou Art*  
*Tremble*  
**Prayer and Welcome** Matt Wolff  
*Is He Worthy*  
**Giving Moment** - Brandon Brister, BCM  
**Children's Offering**  
**Scripture Reading** Bill Harrington  
**Message** Acts 5:12-20 Eric Costanzo  
ekklēsia: The Essential Church in Acts  
**My Response** *Jesus Paid it All*  
**New Commitments - New Members**  
**Blessing**

## 10:50AM Worship

**Announcement Countdown**  
**Call to Worship** Colossians 3:12-17  
Kenneth Miles  
*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*  
*O Worship the King*  
**Prayer and Welcome** Rebecca Lee  
**Giving Moment** - Brandon Brister, BCM  
*Redeemed*  
*There's Something About That Name*  
**Children's Offering**  
**Message in Song** *We Will Feast in the House of Zion* Kelsey Powell Carter, David Powell  
**Scripture Reading** Bill Harrington  
**Message** Acts 5:12-20 Eric Costanzo  
ekklēsia: The Essential Church in Acts  
**My Response** *Grace Greater than Our Sin*  
**New Commitments - New Members**  
**Blessing**



## Back to School

Debbie Steen

Who would have thought that when we weren't

able to return to school after Spring Break that we would still be struggling with the question of going back to school in August? Certainly not me! As a retired public school teacher, my heart goes out to teachers and families everywhere who are trying to navigate what this 2020-2021 year is going to look like. As your Minister to Families with Preschoolers and Director of the Early Learning Program, I have spent long hours reading CDC information and praying for discernment and direction in how South Tulsa Baptist's weekday program should adjust. The Early Learning Program is a ministry to 165 children on Tuesday/Thursday with a Friday option for older classes. We have amazing teachers who are called to teach preschoolers in a Christian environment. The love of Jesus is shared every day.



I am happy to report that our Early Learning Program will start school on Thursday, August 20 full to capacity. The staff of 31 teachers have met and

started planning for students. Appointments have been made for parents and children to come and meet their teachers. Have we had to change some of our procedures and protocols for the safety of the children, parents and staff? You bet! Will there be bumps in the road as we move forward? Of course. I share all of this with you to ask you to join us in praying for our ministry opportunities this school year. Please pray for God's hand of protection over these little ones and their families. May **Deuteronomy 32:2** be true for all our teachers, *"Let my teaching fall like rain and my words descend like dew, like showers on new grass, like abundant rain on tender plants."* Thank you for being our prayer partners.

## Philip & Mary Ann Stephens Celebrate 30 Years

### of Music Ministry at South Tulsa

Join us as we celebrate Philip and Mary Ann Stephens who have led our Music Ministry for 30 years. Philip serves as our Minister of Music



and Mary Ann as Music Ministry Associate. Each Sunday they serve our church faithfully and lead us in worship. They are

truly ministers first as their heart for ministry touches so many lives in our church family. The Lord has blessed our Music Ministry through their leadership which impacts so many areas of our church - from the 3-year-old choir to our senior adults. The Personnel Committee has recommended a love offering be collected to show our appreciation for their dedication. If you would like to contribute to the love offering, please mark your online gifts or checks to Love Offering - Music. A basket is at the Welcome Center if you would like to bless Philip and Mary Ann with a note or gift card. The Stephens will be recognized in both services on Sunday, August 23. Join us as we celebrate this special day with them.

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE  
HONOR AND CONGRATULATE

*Philip & Mary Ann Stephens*

FOR 30 YEARS OF AMAZING  
MUSIC MINISTRY & EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE  
AT SOUTH TULSA BAPTIST CHURCH

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2020**

8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Worship Services

*watch the services online at southtulsa.live*

Cards and gifts of appreciation may be placed in the basket  
at the Welcome Center or mailed to the church.



# Missions Moment

## Guatemala, Annie Thurber

Hello Church Family! What a crazy year it has been! So much has changed in Guatemala due to this pandemic, and it has been a time to let things go, get creative, and pivot. In



this season of change, I have used this time to prayerfully develop a new game plan! My good friend and I are chasing a dream we have talked about for quite some time. We both have a strong desire to equip women to attain self-sufficiency through job opportunities. With this purpose in mind, we created a new social business startup called Abeja Flowers, where we create and deliver unique flower bouquets each week! Through these employment opportunities, we trust that God will meet the needs of women, filling them with hope and renewal. We are in the very beginning stages of building the foundation of this business and have plans to begin hiring soon! To meet the needs for the rest of 2020, expanding this business and sharing the light of Christ to communities in Guatemala, we need to raise \$6,500. Would you consider partnering with us through prayer and support? I am so grateful for my South Tulsa family and the love, prayers, and support you have shown me over the years. It's an honor to do life among the Guatemalan people, striving to honor the Lord and share His love and mercy with others. I would not be here without you. Here is how you can donate: 1) Give through South Tulsa by designating "MA-AT" in the memo line 2) Give [online](#), designate "MA-AT" 3). Paypal [annieinguatemala@gmail.com](mailto:annieinguatemala@gmail.com). 4) Venmo @Annie-Thurber.

## Feeling Loved

The celebration of my retirement left me feeling very loved, humbled and blessed. Your generosity shown through cards, gifts, love offerings, phone calls and especially your kind words is greatly appreciated. Chris Fransisco and the Hospitality Committee did an awesome job adapting the reception to be physically

safe yet beautifully presented at the same time. It was a very bittersweet moment as I have loved my job and have been equally blessed by the friendships that have been made during my church work. Staff members over the last 36 years have become close friends as have those who have volunteered to serve, especially on the Stewardship Committee. I am grateful for the opportunity to be a part of South Tulsa Baptist Church and to remain an active member.

~ Cathy McCourt

## THANK YOU!

Thank you South Tulsa Baptist Church for generously giving to Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children (OBHC)! This year we set a goal to raise \$25,000 for the OBHC in Owasso. So far, \$20,734 has been given! Thank you Pastor Eric and staff for your leadership, support and promotion of the Back-to-School Style Show, and to the family who generously matched donations given last weekend. On Saturday morning, 58 people gathered in the Chapel for a delicious breakfast and to view the virtual Style Show. You may still give ONLINE or via an offering envelope, designating "OBHC, Owasso Campus." You may view the 2020 Back-to-School Style Show, at [obhc.org/StyleShow](http://obhc.org/StyleShow).



Thanks for showing your love and faithfulness to the children and families in the care of OBHC! ~ Judy Miles and Doug White, OBHC Trustees

## last week

### GIVING

Ministry Financial Plan . . . . .	\$463,423
Actual MFP Receipts . . . . .	408,738
General Fund . . . . .	56,575

### WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE

LIVE Views . . . . .	6,165
<i>(U.S. 4,468; 7 Retirement Centers with 79; International 1,618)</i>	
ON DEMAND Views. . . . .	1,194
<i>(U.S. 796; International 398)</i>	



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Women's Mentoring Program

## Titus2gether

On Saturday Women's Ministry will introduce a new program - Titus2gether. Ladies of all ages are commended in Titus chapter 2 to encourage and teach one another what is good. The

Lord has equipped us with our own unique testimony and life experiences that can be used to commend

His works and train up the next generation in the Lord. If your heart is to see the ladies of South Tulsa encouraged and built up in the faith, then please come to the Titus2gether informational session in the South Tulsa Choir Room on August 22 from 10:00-11:00 a.m. The mentoring program is open to ladies age 12 and older. Contact Melodi McCarver for more information. Please sign up online [southtulsa.org/women#titus](http://southtulsa.org/women#titus).

## Preschool Care

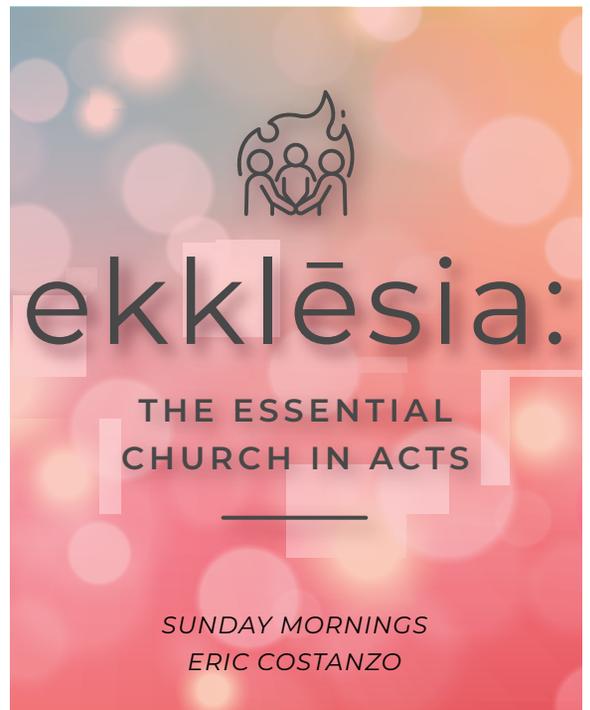
Our preschool childcare classes are available by reservation for babies through threes during the 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. worship services. We would love to care for your little ones while you participate in corporate worship. Please make a reservation for your child online <http://southtulsa.org/ps-registration>.

**NEEDED AT JENKS CAREPOINT - BACKPACKS, NOTEBOOK PAPER, SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS MARKERS, CRAYONS, PENCILS, GLUE STICKS**

## Sunday Night

Join us for our Sunday night discussion of Acts and *Letters to the Church* by Francis Chan on August 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel or by Zoom ([us02web.zoom.us/j/83425244450](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83425244450)).

Advisory Council is at 7:00 p.m. August 16 in Fellowship Hall or by Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/86129263622>).



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ON THE COVER  
OBHC - Style Show Watch Party