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PEOPLE & EVENTS

AT FIRST CHURCH

SHINING IN THE SPOTLIGHT

In February's issue of *TulsaPeople* Magazine, two of First Church's younger members were featured in the article, "Adopted Culture." Lucy and Eli Hodges, children of Chuck and Jeane Anne Hodges, were pictured in attire reflective of their home countries (South Korea and Vietnam respectively). The article gave a brief glimpse into the lives of the Hodges family as well as their adoption process through Dillon International Inc. The agency has helped children find families since 1972 and has placed more than 5,500 children into US homes. To read the article, visit tulsapeoplemagazine.com.

WISEMAN LENTEN SPEAKERS

Please join us in the Sanctuary each Wednesday at noon as we listen to this year's Wiseman Lenten Speakers. We offer a lunch for a small fee in Wiseman Hall immediately following the service for interested attendees. Reservations are not necessary.

February 20 Rev. Mateen Elass

Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Edmond, OK

February 27 Rev. William E. W. Robinson

Ph.D. Student at Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, VA

March 5 Dr. Douglas Fletcher

Pastor (currently on sabbatical), Westlake Presbyterian Church, Austin, TX

March 12 Rev. Fr. William M. Christ

Pastor, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Tulsa, OK

INQUIRING ABOUT FIRST CHURCH?

We are a church that wants you to find your place. We are offering an Inquirers' Class beginning **Sunday, March 3**, for those interested in learning more about First Church or in joining the church. We discuss First Church, what it means to be a Presbyterian, and other questions about faith and service to God.

To discover how you can grow in both faith and service, call Outreach and Growth Director Linda Campbell at 584.4701, ext. 248.

FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

On **February 27**, First Church welcomes David and Teesha Laflin, illusionists that are eager to spread their love of Jesus to all ages. Bring your family and friends and join us in the Great Hall for this extraordinary event.

David and Teesha Ministries exists to share the message of Jesus Christ in a clear, direct, and effective manner by using the art of illusion. Their desire and passion is to be used by God to lead people to a personal and intimate relationship with Him.

Dessert will be served at **6:30 pm** (\$4 per person or \$10 for the entire family) and the show begins promptly at 7:00 pm. Sign up on February 17 or 24 in the Narthex or outside of the Great Hall!

CANCER MINISTRY TRAINING WORKSHOP

Individually, or as members of our church family, most of us have been touched by cancer. As a first step in building a Cancer Ministry at FPC, the Board of Deacons and Stephen Ministry are sponsoring a day of training to equip us as a body of believers to be of both Spiritual and Practical assistance to cancer patients and their families. This ministry is critical to their health, well being, and recovery!

Cancer Ministry Training Workshop will Focus on:

What's a person really going through mentally, emotionally and spiritually when they are diagnosed with cancer?

How can we impart hope and encouragement?

Why is faith so important to health, healing and recovery?

Do's and don'ts of hospital visitation.

Prevention information.

Cancer-fighter recipes.... and much more.

Date: **Saturday, March 1**

Place: Lewis Conference Center Hall, Bernsen Building

Time: 8:30 am to 5:30 pm

Meals: Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided

Sign-up: Register today as space is limited. Complete the form in your bulletin.

Childcare: If you will need childcare please call Sara at (584.4701)

Training provided by Cancer Treatment Centers of America



Calendar of Events for February 17 - March 8

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| Sunday, February 17: | Prayer Room opens; Rm 204 First Family Dinner; 12:15 pm; Great Hall |
| Wednesday, February 20: | Lenten Wiseman Series; 12:00 pm; Sanctuary |
| Friday, February 22: | Women's Retreat; Heart O' the Hills Conf. Center in Tahlequah |
| Tuesday, February 26: | Session Meeting; 6:30 pm; Wiseman Hall |
| Wednesday, February 27: | Lenten Wiseman Series; 12:00 pm; Sanctuary David and Teesha Laflin Program; 6:30 pm; Great Hall |
| Saturday, March 1: | Cancer Treatment Workshop; 8:30 am; Lewis Conf. Center |
| Tuesday, March 4: | Deacons Meeting; 6:30 pm; Wiseman Hall |
| Wednesday, March 5: | Book Club; 11:30 am; Room 206 Lenten Wiseman Series; 12:00 pm; Sanctuary |
| Friday, March 7: | World Day of Prayer Evenings at the Bernsen; 7:30 pm; Great Hall |

LAST CALL FOR FIRST CHURCH WOMEN'S RETREAT!

It is not too late to join us at the First Church Women's Retreat! It is February 22-24 at Tahlequah's Heart O' the Hills Conference Center. It will be a weekend filled with fun, study, and fellowship. Rev. Romney Nesbitt, artist, creativity coach, and published author will help us draw closer to Christ through creative endeavors. For more information, call Dionna Schooley ASAP! You do not want to miss out on this incredible event!

SAVE THE DATE!

CELEBRATION OF FAITH Saturday and Sunday evenings, April 5 and 6 with the theme, *Jesus: The Heart of the Gospel*. Dr. Dale Bruner is returning to present expositions from the Gospel of John.

STRENGTHEN YOUR MARRIAGE April 25-27; FPC hosts a marriage retreat at Camp Loughridge. Dr. Stephen Treat, highly regarded Christian marriage counselor from Philadelphia, leads our sessions. Details on the way, but save the date!