

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

COME, GROW YOUR FAITH!

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Adult Sunday Morning Classes for NEXT Sunday, meeting at 9:30

Bible Walk <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>Revelations</i> , Class led	E101
Cornerstone <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>Believe</i> , Class led	E102
Covenanters <i>(Couples w/children)</i>	<i>Godspeed</i> , Tom Philp	E201
Faith and Family <i>(Parents)</i>	<i>The Whole Brain Child</i> , Dr. Kyle Wester	West Parlor
Forum <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>Little Known OT Stories</i> , Dr. Ryan Moore	E200
Front Porch Team <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>Exploring the Old Testament</i> , Dr. David Kern	BC Recpt
Harbingers <i>(Singles/couples)</i>	<i>Godspeed</i> , Class led	E202
Mariners <i>(Seniors)</i>	<i>C.S. Lewis on Prayer</i> , Kay Ward	E104
The Niche 2.0 <i>(Special needs)</i>	<i>The Bible Project</i> , Tim Clement	Kirkland Library
Pastor's Study	<i>C. S. Lewis Essays</i> , Dr. Jim Miller	Miller Library
Reflections <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>Pastoral Epistles</i> , Class led	E103
Shepherds <i>(Singles/couples)</i>	<i>Mark for Everyone</i> , Steve Caldwell	E203
Sojourners <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>Attributes of Jesus</i> , Susan Lawrence	E204
The Vine <i>(Singles/couples)</i>	<i>Godspeed</i> , Class led	E100
Westminster <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>Godspeed</i> , Class led	Tower Room
Young Adults <i>(20s & 30s)</i>	<i>Soul Keeping</i> by John Ortberg, Class led	Prayer Room

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today 11/04/18 **Worship Services:** 8:00 a.m. in Kerr Chapel; 8:30 a.m. in Stephenson Hall; 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary, Stephenson Hall, and the Great Hall, BC.
Alpha. 5:00 p.m. Powerhouse.
Chancel Choir Concert. 5:00 p.m. Sanctuary

Monday 11/05/18 **Monday School.** Lunch 11:30 a.m. Study: noon. Kirkland Library.

Tuesday 11/06/18 **Tuesday Morning Men's Fellowship Study.** 6:45 - 7:45 a.m. E313.
Precept Bible Study. 9:30 a.m. Room E100. A study of *1 Timothy - The Church, the Pillar and Support of the Truth.*

Wednesday 11/07/18 **Men's Bible Study.** 6:45 - 7:45 a.m. Room E101.
Marys and Marthas Bible Study. 10:00 a.m. Room E101.
Pastor's Study. 11:30 a.m. Room E104. *(Please make your reservations online)*
Yoga Class. Noon. 1st Floor Reception, BC. Open to all.
AWANA, WNDT, Financial Peace University, Confirmation. 6:00 p.m. Various locations. Check at Welcome Desk.
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Gloria Choir rehearsal, 5:30 p.m., room 308
Atrium Art Artist Talk, Whitney Forsyth, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Miller Library
Chancel Choir Rehearsal. 6:30 p.m. Choir Room.
Atrium Art Exhibit, Reveal – Artist Talk, Whitney Forsyth

Thursday 11/08/18 **Hearts for the Lord Bible Study,** 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. KRC. This Bible study is for Christian women of all ages and denominations. Bring your friends!
PW Project Day. 9:30 a.m. Room 400

Friday 11/09/18 No events
Saturday 11/10/18 **Before the Rooster Crows.** 8:45 a.m. Room E103.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS WITH THESE EVENTS:	
November 4	Chancel Choir Concert, 5:00 p.m., Sanctuary
November 8	Thank Gathering 12:00 p.m. at Inverness
November 18	45th Annual organ concert by Ron Pearson
November 19	All-City Thanksgiving Service at First Baptist Church, Tulsa
November 22	FPC Thanksgiving Day Worship Service and Luncheon.
December 2	1st Sunday in Advent. Communion: all services and in homes as requested.
December 23	Christmas Music Sunday.
December 24	Christmas Eve Worship at 3:00, 5:00, 7:30, and 10:30 p.m.
December 25	Christmas Day Worship at 11:00 a.m.

THE FIRST CHURCH UPDATES

Thanks for adding to the joy of worship in this Commitment season. If you're visiting First Church today, we hope you'll sense the presence of Christ among us here, and catch our desire to take God's "Covenantal Love" seriously. We believe the Lord makes a daring promise to His people (a covenant!), including an invitation to collaborate with what He's doing in the world. First Church members are encouraged to be intentional in our giving of treasure, time, and talent.

The 8:10 Mission Endowment Campaign continues! We're approximately \$675,000 away from "burning the mortgage" and enabling the revenue generated from the 8:10 building to be released for mission and ministry in metro Tulsa. Every dollar you give is doubled, thanks to a matching gift from the Stephenson Family Foundation. We pray for every member to support this mission effort!

Emerson scarves! Do you knit, crochet, sew? We have approximately 30 sixth graders who will so appreciate a hand-crafted scarf created by you or someone you know who would enjoy creating a scarf. The information about this ministry is available at the Atrium desk. Please bring your scarf to the Atrium desk on the first Sunday in December. Your time and effort will bring warmth and show the love of Jesus Christ to one of our Emerson sixth graders!

You are invited to an Artist Talk Event on Wednesday, November 7 starting at 6:30 p.m. Whitney Forsyth will lead a special presentation examining the inspiration behind the exhibition and how her personal journey as an artist led her to this vibrant chapter in her career.

FPC BLOOD DRIVE On Sunday, November 18, at 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Not open during 11:00 am Worship Hour) Located in the gym in the Bernsen Center.

Guild of Intercessors Armed Forces Prayer List - Update for Veterans Day. If you have loved ones on active duty, please contact Monte Prater at 918-446-6418 or monteprater@aol.com or Sandy Curtis at 918-742-6249 or sd.curtis@cox.net.

Music Lovers! You are invited to the Chancel Choir concert, Favorite Choruses from Great Oratorios, today at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, followed by a reception in the Atrium.

Openings on staff: we are pleased to announce that Dionna Schooley has been called to serve as the Assistant to the Co-Pastors. First Church is currently seeking two full-time roles: 1) Ministry Assistant for Pastoral Care and, 2) Ministry Assistant for Discipleship and Communications. For more information, please contact Duff Points at dpoints@firstchurchtulsa.org, 918-301-1018.

Mark your calendars: Thanksgiving Worship, Thursday, November 22, 11:00 in the Kerr Chapel. Immediately following the worship, the Deacons will host a Thanksgiving dinner in Stephenson Hall. To make your reservations, contact Cathy Mitchell at (918) 584-4701.

Citywide Thanksgiving Worship: Come together on Monday, November 19, for community worship and thanksgiving with the pastors of Asbury United Methodist, First United Methodist, First Presbyterian Church and First Baptist Church being held at First Baptist Church Worship Center 403 S. Cincinnati Ave from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

NEXT GENERATION MINISTRIES UPDATE

For questions or to make a reservation for any of the following events, please contact Kenna Hill (918-301-1008 or khill@firstchurchtulsa.org).

8 Dates: November 9th 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. Come relax, renew, and refocus with other parents. Then head out on the town for a date night. Childcare and dinner is provided for your child for only \$2.00. Reserve your spot by November 5th. Visit the FPC website to sign up.

Grade Lunches: Kindergarten November 11th and 4th Grade November 18th. Visit the FPC website to sign up

The Words of Preparation

The word "Messiah" and the word "Christ" mean the same thing. Messiah is the Hebrew and Christ is the Greek for the "Anointed One". A king was made king by anointing and the Messiah was God's Anointed King. It is important to remember that Christ is not a name; it is a title. Sometimes the Messiah was thought of as a king of David's line, but more often he was thought of as a great, super-human figure crashing into history to remake the world and in the end to vindicate God's people.

William Barclay, *On Mark's Gospel*

The Welcome

(Please sign, pass, and return the blue Friendship Pads)

The Call to Worship

The earth is the Lord's and everything in it. So lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in! Who is this King of glory?

The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!

As the Apostle Paul declares: God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself. For as the Scriptures affirm: He is the King of Kings, and Lord of lords – victorious forever and always! Let's stand in honor, sing our joy, **and let us worship God!**

◆ **The Hymn** Victory in Jesus HARTFORD
Acolytes: Will Scheiper, Matthew Kendrick, Benjamin Kendrick

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory, how He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me. I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning, then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever. He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood. He loved me ere I knew Him and all my love is due Him, He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about His healing, of His cleansing pow'r revealing, how He made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see. And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit," and somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory. *Refrain.*

I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory, and I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea; about the angels singing, and the old redemption story, and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory. *Refrain.*

◆ **The Prayer of Adoration** Chris Tham

The Old Testament Reading Isaiah 52:7-15

The Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, hear our prayer of confession: we call you "Lord" and "King" but often find ourselves second-guessing your rule. We sing "Crown Him with Many Crowns" but are reluctant to talk about you to

our friends. We hasten to call upon you when in need, but speak to you less frequently when all is well. Good Lord, forgive us. Open our eyes to see you for the Glory, the Joy, and the Beauty that you are. Open our hearts to receive you: Prophet, Priest and King. And give us the good sense to serve you in every possible way we can -- now, forever, and always. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers. . . .(in silence)

The Promised Forgiveness

Friends, embrace this good news with all of your hearts: in Jesus Christ there is forgiveness – for all who call upon Him! **Alleluia! Amen!**

◆ The Response To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things he has done; so loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth bear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory: great things he has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes -- that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *Refrain*

◆ The Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

The Anthem Worship 101 Singers

PreK-K: I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

1st-4th Grades: Father, Lead Me Day by Day arr. John Schroeder
Gretchen Bashforth and Carol Tipton, directors; Doris Herald, pianist

The Blessing of the Young Disciples What Kind of a King Would You Want?

The Hymn DIADEMATA

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne. Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save; his glories now we sing who died and rose on high, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

The Gospel Reading Mark 8:27 – 9:1

The Sermon The Hinge Upon Which the Entire Gospel Swings Dr. Jim Miller
Jesus said, "Who do you say that I am?" Mark 8:29

The Prayer of Dedication

The Offertory Rejoice, The Lord Is King arr. Mack Wilberg

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore: *Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!* The Lord, the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love; when He had purged our stains, He took His seat above: *Refrain.* His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell to Christ the Lord are given: *Refrain.* Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord and Judge shall come and take His servants up to their eternal home: *Refrain.* Amen!

The Joys and Concerns

The Preparation for Prayer All The Way My Savior Leads Me Nancy Walters

Ashtley O'Banion, soloist

All the way my Savior leads me; what have I to ask beside? Can I doubt his tender mercy, who through life has been my guide? Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in him to dwell! For I know what-e'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well. All the way my Savior leads me, cheers each winding path I tread, gives me grace for every trial, feeds me with the living bread; though my weary steps may falter, and my soul a-thirst may be, gushing from the Rock before me, Lo! A spring of joy I see. All the way my Savior leads me, O the fullness of his love! Perfect rest to me is promised in my Father's house above. When my spirit, clothed immortal, wings its flight to realms of day, this my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way.

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

- ◆ **The Hymn 422** God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending BEACH SPRING
- ◆ **The Charge and Benediction**
- ◆ **The Postlude** A Trumpet Call Gilbert Martin

THE PARISH REGISTER


Prayers for Healing: Jane Azlin, Glenn Brumbaugh, Nancy Burns, Eleanor Carmack, Diane Cherry, Coleman Coates, Sandra Cousins, Marilyn Davis, Fred Droege, Carol Dunning, Allan Edwards, Vivienne Edwards, Margaret Fisher, Fred Fulkerson, Eugene Gilbert, Ken Graeler, Mary Hight, Margaret Hiserodt, June Holmes, Nathan Homan, Dick Horkey, Meg Hubler, Larry Don Johnson, Ralph Kitch, Joyce Kunkel, John Lesch, Jimmie Mathews, George Matson, Ann McKellar, Gabriella Mungai, Pamela Neumann, Patti Parker, Kim Pedersen, Don Perry, Robert Perryman, Sue Phelps, Katherine Reid, Stephen Riungu, Jacob Rodehaver, Amy Russell, Cissy Ssetimba, Calvin Swindell, Dan Thomas, Bill Thompson, Chris Traband, Laura Vickery, Elaine Vinson, Joe Wanenmacher, Sandi Willhite, Jack Williams, Jean Williams, Janetta Williamson and Ruth Wilson.

With Gratitude for the Resurrection: Richard Wright, a member since 2011, died on October 31, 2018.


Letters of Well Wishing are available for you to sign before or after the services. This week the letters go to Congregation B'nai Emunah and Temple Israel.

WORSHIP NOTES

The flowers for today's worship service in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, Margaret Jean Stanley Glenn and William W. Drisko
Donated by Rick and Janet Drisko and family

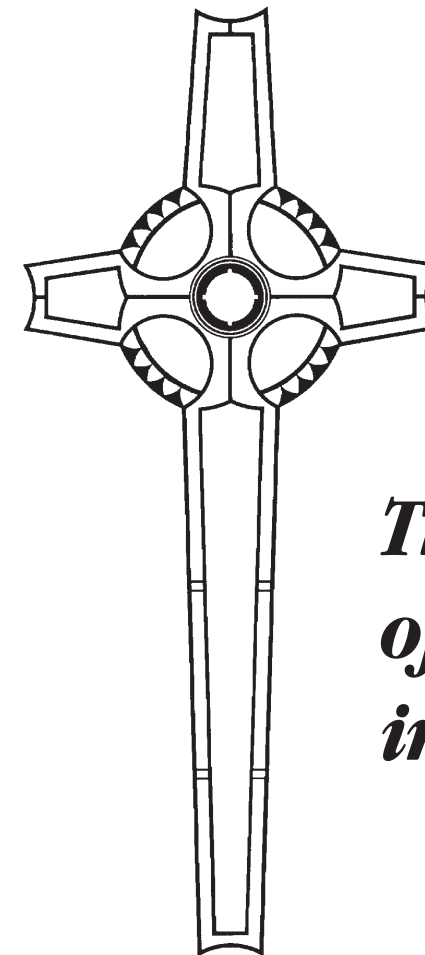


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