

**Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

**The Words of Preparation**

It was the duty of the trumpeters and singers to make themselves heard in unison in praise and thanksgiving to the Lord. And when the song was raised...the house of the Lord was filled with a cloud...for the glory of the Lord filled the house of God!

II Chronicles 5:13-14

**The Welcome**

*(Please sign, pass, and return the blue Friendship Register)*

**The Introit We Will Glorify**

Twila Paris, arr. Jack Schrader

*Gloria Women's Choir; Gretchen Bashforth, Director; Beverly Parschauer, Pianist*

We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb; we will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM. Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty, we will bow before his throne; we will worship him in righteousness, we will worship him alone. He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, he is Lord of all who live; he is Lord above the universe, all praise to him we give. Let all who own Christ's holy name give God the praise and glory. Let all who know his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story. Cast every idol from its throne; the Lord is God, and he alone: to God all praise and glory!

◆ **The Call to Worship** *(in unison)*

**It is good to praise you, O Lord, and make music to your Name –lifting high your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night! We sing for joy to you, O Lord; we shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation! Alleluia! Amen!** Psalm 92:10-2; 95:1

◆ **The Hymn 151** Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

*Acolytes: Lucy Donobue and Elias Donobue, Crucifer: Gloria Shelton*

*Beadle: Claire Winton*

◆ **The Prayer of Adoration**

The Honorable Tony Miller

**The Old Testament Reading** II Chronicles 6:12-15, 34-40

**The Prayer of Confession**

Lord of mercy and grace, meet us here amid our messy lives, our brokenness and our sin. Wherever we find ourselves in a “captivity” of our own making, awaken our hearts to repent. Cause us to kneel and submit ourselves before your liberating and healing power. Lord Jesus Christ, in your mercy, hear our prayers...*(in silence)*

**The Good News of Christ's Mercy**

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

◆ **The Response of Gratitude**

O to see the dawn of the darkest day: Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood. This, the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us, took the blame, bore the wrath: we stand forgiven at the cross.

O to see my name written in the wounds, for through Your suffering I am free. Death is crushed to death, Life is mine to live, won through Your

**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>On the Holy Spirit</i> , Dr. Mark Hall	E101
Cornerstone <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>The Life on the Vine</i>	E102
Covenanters <i>(Couples w/children)</i>	<i>The Life on the Vine</i>	E201
Faith and Family <i>(Parents)</i>	<i>Read the Bible in 180 Days</i>	204
Forum <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>Reviewing Choosing to Believe</i> , Bill Wiles	E200
Front Porch Team <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>The Gospel of Mark</i> , Dr. David Kern	E201
Harbingers <i>(Singles/couples)</i>	<i>God is Closer Than you Think</i>	E202
The Niche 2.0 <i>(Special needs)</i>	<i>The Bible Project</i> , Tim Clement	Kirkland Library
Pastor's Study	<i>The Reason for the Hope</i> , Dr. Jim Miller	Miller Library
Reflections <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>The Fifth Gospel</i>	E103
Shepherds <i>(Singles/couples)</i>	<i>Music as Prayer</i> , Ron Pearson	E203
Sojourners <i>(All Ages)</i>	<i>Renaissance Art &amp; Architecture</i> , Patricia Dickey	E204
The Vine <i>(Singles/couples)</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	E100
Westminster <i>(All ages)</i>	<i>The Creeds</i> , Roxie Sullivan	Tower Room
Young Adults <i>(20s &amp; 30s)</i>	<i>Devotional Classics</i>	Pastor's Study

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Today** 11/3/19

**Worship Services**

8:00 a.m., Kerr Chapel;  
8:30 a.m., Stephenson Hall;  
11:00 a.m. Sanctuary, Stephenson Hall, Great Hall - Bernsen

**Monday** 11/4/19

**Little Lambs** 10:00 a.m., Wiseman Hall  
**Monday School** 12:00 p.m., Kirkland Library  
**Overtone Rehearsal** 7:00 p.m., Bell Choir Room

**Tuesday** 11/5/19

**Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study** 6:45 a.m., Room E313  
**Precept Bible Study** 9:30 a.m., Room E100

**Wednesday** 11/6/19

**Marys and Marthas Bible Study** 10:00 a.m., E101  
**Pastor's Study** 11:30 a.m., E104  
**Downtown Theological Roundtable** 11:30 a.m., Room 206  
**Summer Book Club** 12:00 p.m., E101

**Wednesday Night Downtown**

**WNDT Dinner** 5:15 p.m., Stephenson Hall  
**Gloria Choir** 5:30 p.m., Room 308, Children's area  
**Awana, POW, Life Groups and Confirmation** 6:00 p.m., various locations  
**WNDT Classes** 6:15 p.m., various location  
**Pastor's Study: Apologetics** 6:15, E104  
**Seekers Bible Study** 6:15 p.m., E103  
**Chancel Choir Rehearsal** 6:30 p.m., Choir Room  
**PW Priscilla Circle** 6:30 p.m., Room 206

**Thursday** 11/7/19

**Hearts for the Lord** 9:30 a.m., Bernsen Reception

**Friday** 11/8/19

**Sisterhood of Widows Bible Study** 1:30 p.m., E100

**Saturday** 11/9/19

**Before the Rooster Crows** 8:45 a.m., Room E103

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS WITH THESE EVENTS:**

Today	THE BOOK, The Bible Through Time and Space
November 6	Apologetics: The Reason for the Hope
November 10	Fall Concert by the Chancel Choir
November 16	Ignatian Retreat
December 3	8:10 Gala
December 8	Advent Workshop

**THE FIRST CHURCH UPDATES**

**The Lord is merciful and gracious**, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love! (Ps. 103:8) This same Lord meets us here ---calling us into His presence to grant strength, awaken hope, prepare for service, and bring His peace. Welcome to this House of Prayer! May you sense the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ –and the warmth of this congregation that seeks to serve Him.

**Chancel Choir Fall Concert:** a week from today, Sunday, Nov. 13, 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary! Invite your friends and enjoy an evening of sacred music. Reception follows in the Atrium.

**Children's ministry is looking for a Sunday School teacher for our three-year-olds.** We are also looking for a consistent childcare workers. (This is a paid position.) If you are interested or know any college students who would be a good fit, please contact [ssavage@firstchurchtulsa.org](mailto:ssavage@firstchurchtulsa.org) or 918-301-1011.

**Live nativity auditions** for the Christmas Eve Pageant begin today for featured speaking roles and vocal solos only. Ages 4 -18 are welcome to participate. To audition, join us in the Choir Room immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

**Advent Workshop** is on Sunday, December 8. A chili lunch follows the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The workshop will be in the Powerhouse with crafting fun for all ages! If you would like to volunteer call Kiona Tyler at 918-301-1008 or [kt Tyler@firstchurchtulsa.org](mailto:kt Tyler@firstchurchtulsa.org). We need glue dots, buttons, Christmas ribbon, twine, jingle bells, clothes pins and wire hangers, if you have any of these items, please drop them in the box in the Children's area.

**Mark the Date: Tuesday night, December 3: Unleashing the 8:10 Gala.** Join us in the Stephenson Hall at 6:30 p.m. for a dinner celebrating the vision and ministry of the 8:10 Project. The mission of First Church into our community will never be the same. There's reason to celebrate and give thanks!

**THE BOOK - The Bible Through Time and Space** continues today in the Atrium. Look for the Apollo Bible! For more information contact the church at 918-584-4701.

**Summer Book Club** meets this Wednesday, October 6, at noon in Room E101. We will be discussing Heather Morris' *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*.

**Apologetics: The Reason for the Hope:** Dr. Miller leads this class every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Library. The class repeats Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m. in Room E104, and Wednesday nights at 6:15 p.m. in room E104. To reserve lunch for the Wednesday class, please contact Hannah Elliott at 918-301-1019 or [belliott@firstchurchtulsa.org](mailto:belliott@firstchurchtulsa.org).

**First Church missions** is hosting the Malawi delegates for dinner on Wednesday, November 6, at 6:00 p.m., in the Miller Library. If you would like to help us welcome our guests, please RSVP to Braigen Hubbard at 918-301-1039.

**Seekers Bible Study** meets on Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. in E103. Rev. Wambugu will lead an in-depth exploration of the Book of Mark. Come gain a new appreciation for this gospel account.

**Do You Love Christmas Music?** Of course, doesn't everyone? Would you like to add your voice to the Chancel Choir for our Christmas services this year? If so, please consider this an invitation to participate in the Choir for Christmas Music Sunday, December 22, and Christmas Eve services. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00, on November 13, 20, December 4, 11, and 18. For a modest investment of your time, you will be blessed by the experience of singing the message of the Angels: *Glory to the newborn King!* For details, contact Ron Pearson at [rpearson@firstchurchtulsa.org](mailto:rpearson@firstchurchtulsa.org) or 918-301-1013.

**NEXT GENERATION MINISTRIES UPDATE**

*For more information or questions about any of the following events, please contact Kiona Tyler at 918-301-1008 or [kt Tyler@firstchurchtulsa.org](mailto:kt Tyler@firstchurchtulsa.org) or visit our FPC website.*

**Exodus to Israel 2020**, dates are March 14 - 25, 2020. Registration closes on Sunday, November 17. A \$500 deposit is due by Monday, November 18.

**The College Bible Study** meets on Wednesdays, from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel at TU. Rev. Dan Hutchinson leads the group.

**Join the fun with our youth basketball league.** We will have two teams, Pathfinders and Exodus. Registration is now open; for more information, please see our church website at <https://firstchurchtulsa.org/basketball20192020>.

selfless love. This, the power of the cross: Son of God, slain for us. What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

◆ **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 Blessing of the Young Disciples**

The Humble Pumpkin and the Gospel

*Children in K - 2nd grade are excused to attend K2 Quest.*

**The Anthem** Whoever Would Be Great Among You Ronald A. Nelson

Whoever would be great among you, must become your servant, and whoever would be first among you, must be a slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. Matthew 20:26-28

**The Gospel Reading** Mark 9:30-37

**The Sermon** The Blessing of Getting Knocked Off Your High Horse

*.....they had been arguing with one another about who is the greatest. Mark 9:34*

**The Offertory** How Great Thou Art arr. Craig Courtney

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed; *then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee: How great thou art!* And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain.* When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art! *Refrain.*

**The Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

**The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

◆ **The Hymn** I Surrender All

All to Jesus I surrender, all to Him I freely give; I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live. *I surrender all, I surrender all; all to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.*

All to Jesus I surrender, Make me, Savior, wholly Thine; fill me with your Holy Spirit, may your heart of love be mine. *Refrain.*

All to Jesus I surrender, let this be my claim to fame! O the joy of your salvation! Glory, glory, to Your Name! *Refrain.*

◆ **The Charge and Benediction**

◆ **The Postlude** The Rejoicing G. F. Handel

◆ *Please stand*

**PARISH REGISTER**

**Prayers for Healing:** Alao Aruna, Jane Azlin, Bob Balch, Kitty Brumbaugh, Nancy Burns, Diane Cherry, Sandra Cousins, Vida Culvern, Marilyn Davis, Donna Droege, Fred Droege, Bill Dunning, Allan Edwards, Vivienne Edwards, Wandie and Mary Fitzpatrick, Eugene Gilbert, Loise Gitau, Cynthia Hill-Meriwether, Nathan Homan, Dick Horkey, Meg Hubler, Harvey Hunt, Larry Don Johnson, Charla Kitch, Ralph Kitch, Jarl Johnson, Joyce Kunkel, John Lesch, Amy Lesh, Dottie MacMillan, Jimmie Mathews, Bob Matthews, Jo Matthews, Ann McKellar, Gabriella Mungai, Pamela Neumann, Jerry Nixon, David Osterholt, Patti Parker, Penny Steinkuehler-Perkins, Don Perry, Robert Perryman, Sue Phelps, Rosemary Priest, Katherine Reid, Stephen Riungu, Carly Rivers, Zach Rivers, Jacob Rodehaver, Amy Russell, Ellen Ryan, Cissy Ssetimba, Ann D. Taylor, Barbara Thomas, Bill Thompson, Joe Wanenmacher, Sandi Willhite, Jack Williams, and Ruth Wilson.

**Celebration of Christian Marriage:** Olivia Bird and Phillip Butts were married on Saturday, October 26.

**Sympathy and Prayers to:** Mary Surface on the death of her father, James White, on October 23.

**Letters of Well-Wishing** are available for you to sign before or after the services. This week the letters go to the Denise Rounds and Elsie and David Osterholt.

**WORSHIP NOTES**

**The flowers for today's worship service in the Sanctuary** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dale and Jean Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Arch Williams, given by the Williams family.

**One of the great gifts of the church is the privilege of upholding one another in our prayers.** You're invited to complete a prayer card from your pew, and place your request in the offering plate. Pastors and members of the Guild of Intercessors will pray over your concern. All prayer requests are treated in a confidential manner.

**For those who need assistance** in the Sanctuary or Stephenson Hall, audio headsets are available from the ushers. Also available are large-print hymnals and Bibles.


**You may give your weekly offering to the Lord** electronically at [www.firstchurchtulsa.org](http://www.firstchurchtulsa.org) or text 405-276-4141.

**First Church telecasts are:** Sunday 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m., and 10:00 p.m. on Cox 3 and Channel 1003 (HD). Also now available on the church website, [www.firstchurchtulsa.org](http://www.firstchurchtulsa.org) on the "Digital Media" tab.


**First Church sermons may be listened to on the web.** Go to [www.firstchurchtulsa.org](http://www.firstchurchtulsa.org) and click on the link to Media and then Pastor's Audio Sermons.

**THE FIRST CHURCH PASTORS**

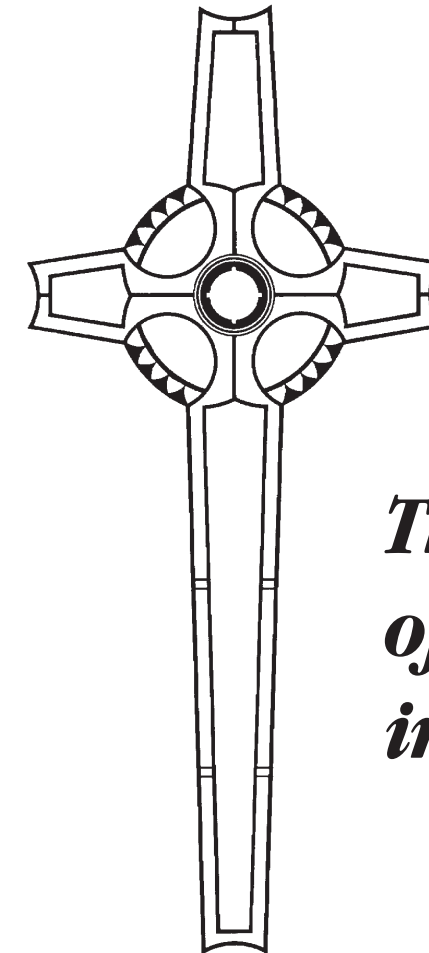
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11:00 AM  
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