this week

Sunday, April 12
College/Young Adult Spring Retreat
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study - All Ages
10:50 a.m. Worship
12:00 p.m. Praise Ringers-Student Handbells
12:15 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting
3:00 p.m. Committee on Committees Meeting
3:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision
4:00 p.m. Ladies Ensemble
5:00 p.m. Student Discipleship,
TMBN Annual Celebration

Monday, April 13
9:00 a.m.–1:15 p.m. ESL Classes
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
1:30 p.m. CEO Widows Min. Leadership Mtg.
4:00 p.m. CEO Widows Min. Food & Fellowship
6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Adult Handbells, Men's Ministry Game Night
7:00 p.m. Conversation Cafe

Tuesday, April 14
9:00 a.m.–1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
5:30 p.m. Momentum ABKA Karate
6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship

Wednesday, April 15
9:00 a.m.–1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes
9:30 a.m. ELP Teacher Planning Day
10:00 a.m. South Tulsa Preschool Playgroup
4:15 p.m. Kid's Handbells, Kid's Chimes
4:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
5:30 p.m. Preschool/Kid's Choirs, Bible Study–*Revelation of Jesus*, FIT Ladies Book Disc.
5:45 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer, Men's–*Galatians*
6:00 p.m. Student Worship/Prayer, Men's Bible Study, College & Young Adult Group, Women's–*Lead Me Holy Spirit*
6:30 p.m. Kid's Missions–RA, GA, Mission Friends
6:45 p.m. Worship Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, April 16
9:00 a.m.–1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
12:00 p.m. Weaving Ministry

Friday, April 17
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
7:00 p.m. College & Young Adults Line Dancing

Saturday, April 18
8:00 a.m. Deacon's Meeting, Gideon's Meeting
9:30 a.m. Deacon/Wife/Staff Breakfast
10:30 a.m. Ruth's Open Door Trip - Claremore

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER
April 15, 2026
Poppy seed chicken, baby-roasted potatoes, vegetable, rolls, dessert, beverage.
Adults $5.00, children *(12 & under)* **$3.50.**
Please make your dinner reservations online by Tuesday at noon. Questions? Call the church office (918) 299-0904.

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WELCOME GUESTS – We're glad you joined us! We would love to get to know you and/or pray for you. Fill out the form and submit prayer needs at southtulsa.info. If you're worshiping with us today, we invite you to stop by our Welcome Area for Guests, adjacent to the Welcome Center, after the service to meet a member of our team and receive a welcome gift.

CEO WIDOWS MINISTRY FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP – The widows of South Tulsa will enjoy dinner at Silver Skillet Family Diner (SE corner of 61st & Memorial) on Monday, April 13, at 4:00 p.m.

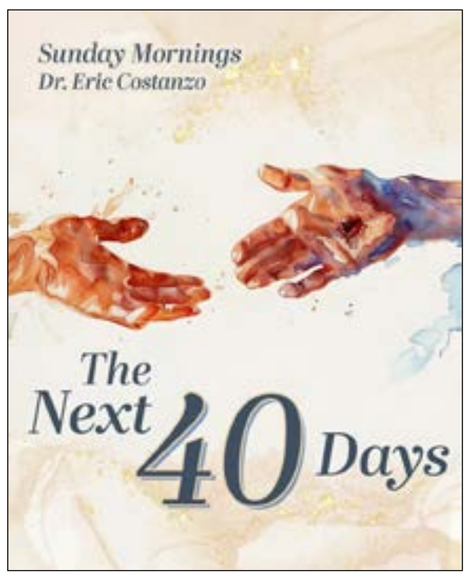
BOOTS AND JEANS LINE DANCE SOCIAL – College age and young adults, join us this Friday, April 17, in the South Tulsa Chapel at 7:00 p.m. as our own, Nathan Hughes, and his dance partner lead/teach line dancing! Don't miss the fun. RSVP on GroupMe.

RECYCLING BAGS – The Ruth's Open Door class uses plastic grocery bags to make mats and pillows for the underresourced. Around 600 bags are needed to make each mat! Empty bags can be delivered to the wooden box in the Atrium.

COLLEGE GRADUATION RECOGNITION – We will recognize college graduates on Sunday, May 17. If you or your student would like to be included, please contact Laura McFarlin at lauram@southtulsa.org, include: a photo, name of university, degree earned, and future plans. All information must be received by May 11.

DEACON'S MEETING & BREAKFAST – Saturday, April 18: Deacon's Meeting, 8:00-9:30 a.m. including ordination council for Tom Smith, followed by our Deacon and Wife Breakfast from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. NO Morning of Prayer this month.

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



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8:30 AM Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 108:1-5 Michael Ware
Rise My Soul, the Lord Is Risen
Christ Be Magnified
Welcome Seth Spoo
Old Testament Reading Lamentations 3:19-23
Prayer
Worship in Giving and Children's Offering
Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Announcements Eric Costanzo
Greeting Time
Scripture Reading John 20:11-18
Georgia Redman
Message "The Next 40 Days" Eric Costanzo
My Response *He Knows My Name*
New Commitments – New Members
Blessing

10:50 AM Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 108:1-5 Jerry Jacobs
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Jesus, Strong and Kind
Prayer & Welcome Seth Spoo
Old Testament Reading Lamentations 3:19-23
Recognition – Sandy Ashford 5-Years
Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Choral Worship *Jesus Paid It All*
Worship in Giving and Children's Offering
For the Beauty of the Earth
Celeste Rosenthal, Daymon Sherin, Bob Baker
Announcements Eric Costanzo
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The Nations

Karen Pirtle

How do you view people from around the world? I'm sure you would be surprised to know many of their stories. Recently we visited Malaysia. We were there to visit the Zomi churches and the Zomi Association of Malaysia. These are probably foreign to you just as they were to me until I was there. Zomi are a people group native to Burma, and many have left Burma because of religious persecution. The largest Zomi population outside of Burma is in Malaysia. They are there waiting, many for over 10 years, to go to a country where they will have basic rights like healthcare, education, the ability to work, etc.

The Zomi people are a Nation – a Christian Nation, and they brought the church with them when they fled. Even though Malaysia is a temporary situation, they set up solutions for success, not only for their own people but for other refugees who need help. This is what the Zomi Association of Malaysia does. They created schools for their children to learn in English so that when they get to their third country, they are ready for success. They provide healthcare, and they help with appointments with the UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees). Without this, they will not be registered to move on to their third country.

Tulsa has the second-largest population of Zomi people outside of Burma, and we are blessed to have them. My husband has been in the hospital recently, and he has had nurses, nurse techs, occupational therapists, and physical therapists from Nigeria, Peru, Puerto Rico, Thailand, Pakistan, India and a few from the Hmong people. If you think people from around the world are not part of our community, I can tell you that they are.

We loved every part of the time we spent with the Zomi people. Is it because we feel called to missions? I hope it is because Mathew 28:19 tells all of us to go. The first step into someone's life is to befriend them. They might just be your neighbor.

TMBN Annual Celebration–Tonight

The Tulsa Metro Baptist Network invites you to celebrate and worship with our network of churches on Sunday, April 12, at 5:00 p.m. in the South Tulsa Worship Center. Our Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra will join with others to lead worship, and Kevin Ezell, the President of the North American Mission Board, will be the guest speaker.

Welcome Dani Jones!

Brett, Dani, Riley, Colbie, Penny

We are excited to welcome our new Student Ministry Associate, Dani Jones! Dani and her husband, Brett, have been involved in and helped lead our church ministries, including our FIT (Families in Training) Sunday Bible Study classes and, more recently for Dani, discipleship for the girls in the Student Ministry. She has felt the call to Student Ministry and to join Seth to use her many gifts to help our students grow in the knowledge of the Lord and commit to their faith in this important season of their lives. Dani and Brett have three girls, Riley, Colbie, and Penny, and Bobby and Kamelle Jones as parents/in-laws. What a great family here at South Tulsa! Please be praying for Dani and her family as she takes this step in our Lord's ministry and join us in welcoming her into this role!

Summer Fun

Registration is open at southtulsa.org/events!

Summer Music Activity for Kids:
PreSMAK is June 1-3, 10:00 a.m. to noon for preschoolers age 3 years (by 9/1/25) – kindergarten. The cost is $30. SMAK & SMAK Jr are June 1-5, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. SMAK is for 3rd–6th grade and the cost is $50. SMAK Jr is for 1st–2nd grade and is $40.

Vacation Bible School: VBS is June 22-25, 9:00 a.m. to noon for kids who have completed kindergarten – 6th grade, and it's free!

GoodNews Journey

Brian Baldwin will be with us on Sunday, April 19, at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel. He will be sharing an update on what God has been doing through GoodNews Journey over the past year and a half. Brian served as our former Minister to Families with Students, and then as Youth Evangelism and Missions specialist for Oklahoma Baptists before launching a new ministry with the potential to impact not only Oklahoma but the nation and world. Please join us on Sunday evening to learn how Brian is empowering believers to share the Good News through evangelism and missions.

Portraits of Praise

The Kids Choirs Spring Musical is Sunday, May 3, 5:00 p.m. in the Worship Center. Join us for a musical journey through historic works of Christian art with songs from our Chimes, Handbells, and Kids Choirs.

Quarterly Conference

All members are encouraged to join us on Sunday, April 26 at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel for our Quarterly Conference. You'll be able to see our financial reports, minister updates, and more. This is a great way to stay informed and ask questions about the operations of our church.

Congratulations Sandy Ashford on 5 Years!

South Tulsa Baptist Church joyfully celebrates Sandy Ashford for five wonderful years of faithful service as our Family Ministry Assistant. Sandy works closely with our entire Family Ministry team and committee, helping coordinate the many details and communications that keep our ministries running smoothly. Known for her warm spirit, joyful attitude, and servant's heart, Sandy is always ready to help with whatever is needed. Our staff deeply appreciates her organization, efficiency, and the care she brings to every project. She co-directs our Women's Ministry and is also one of the key reasons our annual November Arts & Crafts Expo is such a success. Sandy and her husband, Craig have been members of South Tulsa for over 20 years. She truly embodies the kind of teammate every ministry hopes for, and we are grateful for the blessing she is to our church family.

Peanut Butter Drive

The Ministry Center is hosting a Peanut Butter Drive during the month of April! Help stock the shelves and bless families in our community. Peanut butter is one of the most requested items and is protein-rich and nutrient-dense. Every jar makes a difference. You can help by donating peanut butter, holding a drive in your community, Sunday School Class, or at your business. Peanut butter can be any brand – creamy or crunchy, smaller sizes (16-18 oz) are preferred. Monetary donations can also be made directly by scanning the QR. Drop off peanut butter at South Tulsa Baptist Church in the designated area or at The Ministry Center, during business hours.

last week

GIVING

MFP Actual Receipts	$3,533,096
Ministry Financial Plan	3,437,786
General Fund	80,630
Annie Armstrong YTD	19,877

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults	496
Students	65
Children	76
Preschool	65
Unclassified	10
Total	**712**

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers	35
People Helped	135
Showers	36
Hot Meals	209
Church	17

Needs: peanut butter, and canned protein.

JENKS CAREPOINT

Volunteers	47
People Helped	235

Needs: large backpacks, bed and bath linens.

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Student Choir – Easter Sunday