

# this week

## Sunday, June 28

8:30 a.m. Worship  
 9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study - All Ages  
 10:50 a.m. Worship  
 12:15 p.m. Transportation Committee Meeting  
 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship - Psalms Sing,  
 Family Ministry Committee Meeting,  
 Student Discipleship  
 6:00 p.m. Advisory Council, Young Adult Group-  
 Men's Bible Study

## Monday, June 29

10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels  
 6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Men's Ministry Game Night

## Tuesday, June 30

5:30 p.m. Momentum ABKA Karate

## Wednesday, July 1

10:00 a.m. Preschool Playgroup, Meals on Wheels  
 5:00 p.m. Kids Camp Parent/Camper Meeting  
 6:30 p.m. Ensemble Rehearsal, Young Adult  
 Group Bible Study-*Unfiltered*

## Thursday, July 2

10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day  
 12:00 p.m. Weaving Ministry

## Friday, July 3

Saturday, July 4 - Independence Day

## NO WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER

July 1, 2026

## Summer in PSALMS

Sunday, June 28 – Psalm 24

Sunday, July 5 – Psalm 32



*“The earth is the Lord’s,  
 and everything in it, the world,  
 and all who live in it;”*

~ Psalm 24:1



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## more

**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](http://southtulsa.info). If you're worshipping 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.




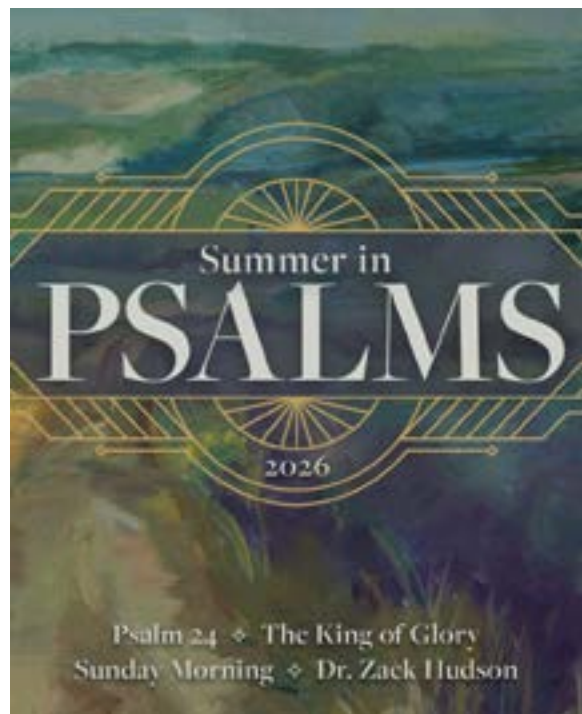
**ADVISORY COUNCIL** - The Advisory Council meets tonight (6/28) at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

**PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUP** - Preschoolers and their caregivers are invited to come and enjoy summer fun and friendship in our Indoor Playground and Sonshine Room! Children will participate in playtime, a read aloud story, and creative hands-on activities. Summer dates are: July 1 & 15, and August 19, from 10:00-11:30 a.m. We hope to see you there!

**FROM HERE TO ETERNITY** - The Forever Family Sunday Bible Study class is starting a new study on July 12 called, "From Here to Eternity." The study will examine what happens to us after we take our last breath, with in-depth looks at Heaven and Hell. The study will run through the end of August." Please join us at 9:40 a.m. on Sundays in Room B122.

**BRIDGE BUILDERS LUNCHEON IN JULY** - Our Bridge Builders will not meet on Tuesday in July for our monthly luncheon. We will celebrate our country's 250th birthday with the whole church family on Sunday, July 5, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. We hope you join us on the back lawn for our Summer Family Gathering - Celebrating America 250!

 **DOWNLOAD THE APP** - Do you have the South Tulsa App? Scan the QR to download.  
 (For more information about upcoming events, please go to [southtulsa.org](http://southtulsa.org).)



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## 8:30 AM Worship

**Welcome and Prayer** Julie DeYoung  
**Call to Worship** Colossians 3:16-17  
*Great Things*  
*Give Us Clean Hands*  
**New Testament Reading** Matthew 24:30-31  
**Worship in Giving and Children's Offering**  
*Revelation Song*  
**Announcements** Phillip White  
**Greeting Time**  
**Scripture Reading** Psalm 24 Amber Hermes  
*All Hail the Power (Psalm 24)*  
**Message** "Summer in Psalms" Zack Hudson  
**My Response** *Just As I Am (I Come Broken)*  
**New Commitments - New Members**  
**Blessing**

## 10:50 AM Worship

**Welcome and Prayer** Julie DeYoung  
**Call to Worship** Isaiah 40:28  
**Choral Worship** *From the Ends of the Earth*  
*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*  
**New Testament Reading** Matthew 24:30-31  
*Revelation Song*  
*I Stand Amazed in the Presence*  
**Worship in Giving and Children's Offering**  
*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*  
**Announcements** Phillip White  
**Greeting Time**  
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## Caring for the Stranger Among Us

Kara Lee

God's heart has always beat for the outsider – the refugee, the poor, the forgotten, and the displaced. Today, that may include refugee families rebuilding their lives, immigrants adjusting to a new culture, the homeless in our cities, or neighbors quietly struggling to survive. Scripture reminds us that caring for them is not optional; it reflects the very character of God.

In Leviticus 19:34, the Lord commands: "The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt." God calls His people to remember their own dependence on mercy. Compassion grows when we remember we, too, are recipients of grace.

Jesus makes this even more personal in Matthew 25:35, "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in." When we welcome refugees, serve the homeless, or assist the needy, we are serving Christ Himself. Our kindness becomes worship.

The early church understood this. Acts 4 describes believers sharing their possessions so "there were no needy persons among them" (Acts 4:34). Their generosity was not driven by obligation but by love overflowing from transformed hearts.

That same spirit of generosity and compassion continues today through local churches and ministries that serve those in need. I love being part of a church who has a heart for the strangers among us, and who gives so generously in order that many can be served through Jenks CarePoint and The Ministry Center. Caring for those in need at both centers involves more than providing food and clothing. Opportunities are also provided to learn English, navigate paperwork, find employment, apply for housing, and connect with community resources. Sometimes what is needed is simply an offer of

friendship and a listening ear. Small acts, done in Christ's name, carry eternal significance.

Compassion can feel costly or inconvenient, but God sees every effort. Galatians 6:9 encourages us, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

May we reflect the mercy we have received. May our homes, churches, and hearts be open. And may the world see Jesus through the way we love the least, the lost, and the last.

## Celebrating America 250



### Summer Family Gathering

Join us on Sunday, July 5, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. as we gather on the back lawn with church family and our community to honor the Lord and celebrate America's 250 years of independence! We'll enjoy great food, special music, fellowship, and lots of fun! The church will provide an All-American dinner: hot dogs, watermelon, baked beans, and chips, plus birthday cake for dessert! We'll have plenty of activities and music for the adults. Kids will have fun with a foam party, face painting, temporary tattoos, and sidewalk chalk. Bring your own lawn chairs, blankets, pop-up canopies for shade, bug spray, sunscreen, etc. Kids may need a towel, water shoes, and clothes that can get wet. Begin inviting others to join us for this wonderful evening.

## Missions Garage Sale

On Saturday, July 11, the church is having a Garage Sale for Missions, and everyone can help! Clean out your closets and attics to gather all the great things that you no longer need. Donations can be delivered to the church beginning Tuesday, July 7. If you love to sort and organize, help us on Friday, July 10. The setup will begin at 2:30 p.m., and you are welcome to help when you're available. If you love a good barter, bring your best sales pitch, and help on Saturday, or simply stop by the Gym to shop from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All proceeds will go to our Mission Fund.

## Getting to Know You

### New Members of South Tulsa



Welcome to Kevin Witzke who recently joined the church!

Kevin grew up in the Dallas Metroplex area and after graduating

from high school he moved to Tucson where he attended the University of Arizona. He moved to Tulsa in 1984 and has lived here ever since. He has a daughter and three grandchildren who live in Owasso and he enjoys spending time with them often.

He is currently employed at NORDAM and works as a member of the supply chain team. He has worked with them in various roles for just over 32 years. He enjoys playing golf with his son-in-law and friends. He says even though he's not very good, he just enjoys being outdoors and playing the various golf courses around Oklahoma.

Kevin is looking forward to getting involved in a Bible Study class soon and says he has always considered South Tulsa Baptist Church his church home since he gave his life to Christ here and was baptized in the Chapel. He adds, "It has always had a special place in my heart over the years and it's nice to be back home again."

## Psalms Sing Tonight

Join us in the Chapel tonight at 5:00 p.m. as we sing psalms and worship the Lord together.

## Kids Camp

Kids Camp is Monday through Thursday, July 20-23, at Frontier Cove in Adair, Oklahoma for kids who have completed 3rd-6th grades. Throughout the week, we study Scripture, learn about missions, and have a blast with all the camp activities! This year our theme is "Defined: Who God Says I Am." The cost is \$200. Register at [southtulsa.org/events](http://southtulsa.org/events). The Parent/Camper Meeting is Wednesday, July 1 at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

### Young Adult Ministry

## Rock Band Karaoke Night

Rock Band Karaoke Night is back at the White's house on Friday, July 10 at 6:30 p.m. Sing, play, or just sit back and enjoy the show! Bring a snack to share. Don't miss the best karaoke experience in the state! RSVP on GroupMe.

## Congratulations Chris Fransisco!

Once again, our own Chris Fransisco has received a "Best Cook" award at Falls Creek. Chris travels to Falls Creek each summer and prepares meals for our students and sponsors all week. This is the 38th



year that she has been recognized with a Falls Creek award. Congratulations Chris!

### Volunteers Needed for Our

## Golf Cart Ministry

Our golf cart ministry needs volunteer golf cart drivers for our Sunday morning services. Our drivers welcome and provide rides to members and visitors who may want assistance or to simply save a few steps to the church entrance. At present, volunteers are scheduled to drive one Sunday approximately every 4 to 6 weeks. For more information, please contact Jim Hill at [jhill-okla@cox.net](mailto:jhill-okla@cox.net) or (918) 409-5059.

### Volunteers Needed for Our

## Greeter Ministry

Volunteers are needed to help greet on Sunday mornings. We especially need help just before the 8:30 a.m. service. Four door greeters are scheduled per service. Our desire is for greeters to serve once a month or every 6-weeks. Please contact Betty Jo Wohl ([bjwohl@cox.net](mailto:bjwohl@cox.net)) if you can help.

## last week

### GIVING

MFP Actual Receipts . . . . . \$4,328,810  
Ministry Financial Plan . . . . . 4,366,191  
General Fund . . . . . 80,153

### SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults . . . . . 459  
Students . . . . . 60  
Children . . . . . 80  
Preschool . . . . . 71  
Unclassified . . . . . 10  
Total . . . . . 680

### THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers . . . . . 38  
People Helped . . . . . 163  
Showers . . . . . 47  
Hot Meals . . . . . 208  
Church . . . . . 8  
*Needs: rice, beans, and corn.*

### JENKS CAREPOINT

Volunteers . . . . .  
People Helped . . . . .  
*Needs: kids summer clothing and shoes.*

### WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Jonathan Sweaney . . . . . pending baptism

### MINISTRY STAFF

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### ON THE COVER

Falls Creek Student Summer Camp