

this week

Sunday, August 16
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study – All Ages
10:50 a.m. Worship
4:00 p.m. Adoption/Foster Care Committee Mtg., Music Committee Mtg., Missions Committee Mtg.
5:00 p.m. Sunday Evening Worship – Psalm 89
6:00 p.m. Advisory Council

Monday, August 17
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Men’s Ministry Game Night

Tuesday, August 18
9:00 a.m. ELP Open House/Meet the Teacher
10:00 a.m. ESL Registration
5:00 p.m. ESL Registration
5:30 p.m. Momentum ABKA Karate

Wednesday, August 19
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels, Preschool Playgroup, ESL Registration
5:00 p.m. ESL Registration
6:00 p.m. Student Ministry Parent & Volunteer Meeting, Student Worship
6:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, August 20
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
12:00 p.m. Weaving Ministry

Friday, August 21
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
10:00 a.m. Kindred Spirits Brunch la Madeleine

Saturday, August 22
8:00 a.m. Gideons Meeting

NO WEDNESDAY
FELLOWSHIP DINNER

August 19, 2026

Summer in PSALMS

Sunday, August 16 – Psalm 100
Sunday, August 23 – Psalm 115



“Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;”
~ Psalm 100:4



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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 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.



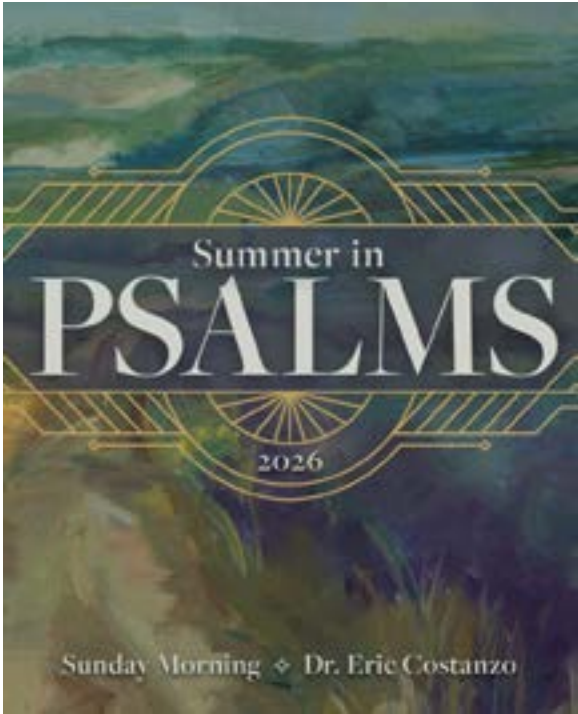
TITUS2GETHER WOMEN’S MENTORING – Be encouraged and built up in the faith through Titus2gether. Mentoring trios consist of a mentor, mentee, and a prayer warrior. The fall kickoff is Sunday, August 23, 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the Choir Suite. Register by August 17, southtulsa.org/events.

DISCOVER SOUTH TULSA – If you’re a new member or have been visiting and would like to find out more about the church, we invite you to attend the next Discover South Tulsa class on Sunday, August 23. Lunch is provided at 12:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The class will allow you to learn more about our church history, meet some of the staff, and ask questions. If you’d like to attend, please contact Cindy at cindy@southtulsa.org or 918-299-0904.

BRIDGE BUILDERS LUNCHEON – Our next luncheon is Tuesday, September 1, 11:15 a.m. in the Chapel. Everyone is invited to come enjoy the Bluegrass Gospel music of the Parkhill Pickers.

COLLEGIATE WEEK – South Tulsa Young Adults took 39 people to Falls Creek for Collegiate Week! It was an incredible week of worship, biblical teaching, and opportunities to grow in faith and community. It was encouraging to see the Lord working in so many hearts throughout the week. As they return home, the prayer is that they will take what they’ve learned back to their campuses, live out their faith, and be bold for Christ wherever God has placed them.

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



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8:30 AM Worship

Welcome and Prayer Laura McFarlin
Call to Worship Psalm 96:1-3 Laura McFarlin
House of the Lord
New Testament Reading Colossians 3:15-17
Worship in Giving and Children’s Offering
Christ Our Hope in Life and Death
Announcements Zack Hudson
Greeting Time
Scripture Reading Psalm 100 Yana Sherdis
All Earth, with Joy | Doxology
Message “Summer in Psalms” Eric Costanzo
My Response *Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me*
New Commitments - New Members
Blessing

10:50AM Worship

Welcome and Prayer Laura McFarlin
First Grade Bible Presentation
Call to Worship Psalm 96:1-3 Eric Costanzo
Choral Worship *May the Peoples Praise You*
Becky Riggs, solo
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
How Firm a Foundation
New Testament Reading Colossians 3:15-17
Christ Our Hope in Life and Death
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Commanded

Jesse Johnston

This year, the church at the Ministry Center has been going through the Gospel of Matthew. From the call of the disciples to the Great Commission, Jesus gives His disciples numerous commands. Over the years of following Jesus, the disciples learn more and more about the nature of their Rabbi. They learn Jesus was a man with authority. In Matthew 7:29, they see that Jesus taught with authority, unlike the teachers of the law. In Matthew 8, the Centurion recognizes Jesus’s authority to heal his servant just by speaking. Later in Matthew 8:23-27, Jesus displays His authority over creation by calming a storm. Again, in Matthew 9:6, Jesus claims His authority when He says, “*The Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.*” Jesus is clearly one with authority.

The commands of Christ are different than the commands of this world. Jesus’s commands invite us into God’s Kingdom purposes, and they cause change in us when we are obedient. This is clearly on display in the most recent story we went through at the Ministry Center. In Matthew 14:22-33, we see Jesus’s authority over nature again as He walks upon the waters of the Sea of Galilee. His disciples are struck by fear from the sight of their teacher walking on the water. In this moment of fear, Jesus’s actions display His authority and the purposes of His commands. Peter calls out to Jesus, asking Him to command him to walk on the water. Jesus responds with the command “come.” It is clear in this instant that the commands of our Lord enable us to do more than we could on our own. The theologian Fredrick Bruner puts it this way, “The commands of Jesus are enabling grace rather than only forbidding law.”

The commands of Christ call us to conform ourselves to the likeness of our Master. The strength of Christ is on display in us through our obedience to His commands. By the grace of Christ, we are commanded to share in and be transformed by His authority.

Kids Music & Missions

Begins Wednesday, September 2

Music and Missions classes meet on Wednesday evenings during the school year. Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 2. Preschool & Children’s Choirs for ages 3 (by 9/1) through 6th grade meet from 5:30-6:25 p.m. Mission classes meet from 6:30-7:15 p.m. Mission Friends is for ages 3-kindergarten; Girls in Action (GAs) is for 1st-6th grade girls; and Royal Ambassadors (RAs) is for 1st-6th grade boys. Enrollment is open – class sizes are limited, so enroll now, southtulsa.org/events.



CEO Widows Ministry

Apple of His Eye

Widows of South Tulsa, please join us on Saturday, September 12, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a light lunch, fun, and fellowship! Please bring a favorite recipe and any kitchen hint or hack you use when cooking for one. Please RSVP at southtulsa.org/events by September 9.



SEPTEMBER 20, 5:00 PM
LAUNCH | WORSHIP | CHALLENGE

GROWING IN
CHRISTLIKENESS AS
THE FAMILY
OF GOD

DISCIPLESHIP
Groups

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New Weekday Bible Studies

Beginning in September

Women’s Book Study BECOMING A VESSEL GOD CAN USE

Beginning September 2, on Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 p.m. in Room C247. *Becoming a Vessel God Can Use* by Donna Partow is a ten-week journey that offers hope, laughter, and transformation to women who long to discover new confidence and significance. Learn how God accomplishes extraordinary things through ordinary people who believe God can and will use them – imperfections and all. Books are \$17 and can be purchased when registering at southtulsa.org/events.

Bible Study JOB BIBLE STUDY

Beginning September 2, on Wednesdays, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., in room C245 (above Fellowship Hall), join us as we learn about the character of God by studying Job, one of the greatest men of faith that ever lived. Despite devastating personal and financial losses, Job trusted his Redeemer even when it appeared that every-one was against him. Taught by Jeff Curtiss.

Men’s Bible Study

1 CORINTHIANS

Beginning September 2, men will meet on Wednesday nights, 5:45-6:45 p.m., in the Conference Room for an in-depth study of Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians. This men’s group follows the children’s schedule on Wednesday evenings.

Precept Bible Study REVELATION (Part 1 of 4)

Beginning September 3, on Thursdays, 1:15-3:15 p.m. in the Choir Room, join us for a study of *Revelation: Jesus’ Message to the Church*. Chapters 1-3 of Revelation contain God’s messages to the seven churches of Asia. See how His messages recorded by John so long ago still speak to the church today. Books are \$25 and may be picked up in the church office. Complete the first lesson before our first meeting. Register online at southtulsa.org/events.

Precept Bible Study JOSHUA

Beginning September 14, on Mondays, 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the Choir Suite, Mary Sommers will lead the Precept Upon Precept: Joshua Bible study. Books are \$22 and available at the church office.

Financial Peace University

Begins September 20 « Sundays from 4:00-6:00 p.m. « South Tulsa Conference Room

In this nine-week course, you’ll learn how to pay off debt, invest for the future, and give generously. Dave Ramsey has been teaching commonsense, biblical money principles for almost 30 years. And they work. The cost is \$80 per family. Partial scholarships are available upon request. You will receive FPU materials and online resources. Space is limited. We’re encouraging couples to attend together. Child-care is available by registration. Please register by September 14, southtulsa.org/events.

Three Readings of Psalm 89

Tonight, August 16, 5:00 p.m., Chapel

Our three readings of Psalm 89 will help us see God, His Creation, His Character, and His Kingdom through lenses that will open up the Scripture in a fresh way for all of us.

Volunteer

Weaving Ministry Opportunities

Each Thursday at noon, the ladies in the Weaving Ministry take plastic grocery bags and make sleeping mats and pillows for those in need. They’d love to have you join them as they serve the community!

last week

GIVING

MFP Actual Receipts \$486,411
Ministry Financial Plan 595,588
General Fund 64,933

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults 483
Students 69
Children 78
Preschool 75
Unclassified 10
Total 715

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers 30
People Helped 152
Showers 35
Hot Meals 252
Church 18
Accepted Christ 1
Needs: canned veggies/beans, peanut butter.

JENKS CAREPOINT

Volunteers 64
People Helped 463
Received School Supplies to date 972
Needs: diapers sizes 4, 5, 6, gently used toys.

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ON THE COVER

Young Adults – Collegiate Week at Falls Creek