

Glimpsing God's Redemptive Work

Called to make fully-devoted followers of Jesus Christ:
Inwardly Strong
and
Outwardly Focused.

FEBRUARY 19, 2023 11:00 AM STEPHENSON HALL First Presbyterian Church of Tulsa Born by grace in 1885

Transfiguration of the Lord

Stephenson Hall, 11:00 a.m.

Words of Preparation

[Christ's] sovereignty embraces every aspect of life, not only the so-called 'sacred' but also the secular. To do all in the name of the Lord Jesus means to live and act as those who bear His name, and so to seek to live worthy of Him. It means also to act as those for whom He is Lord, and this involves obedience to His will.

Herbert M. Carson

Prelude

Rejoice

Rejoice in the Lord now and always; sing it again, we rejoice. Delight in the love He has shown us; gratefully lift up your voice. His gentleness among us will join our hearts with praise. We gather in His goodness, a family of grace.

With each breath He's given, praise the Lord. In these times we live in, we will praise the Lord. Throughout every season, I am sure we have every reason to praise the Lord.

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing, praying for all that you need. Come with a song of thanksgiving, lay your requests at His feet. His peace will fall upon us to guard our hearts and minds. In Christ who reigns eternal; The Shepherd of our lives. *Refrain*

Rejoice in the Lord now and always; tell of the good He has done. Worship the Lord to remember all of the joy yet to come. The hope that burns within us, the dark cannot destroy. With praise that's never ending, we say again rejoice. *Refrain*

Welcome

Songs of Praise Hymn of the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, guide my vision, help me see the way You see. Always Jesus, ever Jesus, Christ in all as Christ in me. Holy Spirit guide my speaking, words of grace and truth abound. Let my lips be filled with stories of the mercy that I've found.

You're the light. You're my path. You're the Shepherd of my soul. All I am, all I have, Holy Spirit, lead me on.

Holy Spirit, guide my hearing, wake my ears to words You speak. In the thunder, in the stillness, let Your voice be clear to me. Let Your voice be clear to me. *Refrain*

Holy Spirit, lead me onward, walking through the great unknown. trusting, leaning, holding, clinging, 'til the day You lead me home. *Refrain*

There is a Name

There is a Name, who reigns without contention, whose power can't be questioned or contained. With humble fame, He rules the earth and heavens, His glory knows no measure or refrain, and it's bursting past the border lines of space.

Jesus, enthroned upon the praises of our hearts. Jesus, You're the King and You're the center of it all.

There is a Name, reaching past the margins, calling sons and daughters back to Him. And as He saves, we can hear the roar of Heaven, as prodigals are coming home again. Oh the triumph of His name will never end. *Refrain*

For every eye will see, every heart will know, there is no name above the name of Jesus. Death could not hold Him down, no grave could keep Him bound, all sin and sickness bow to the name of Jesus. *Refrain*

The First Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

Elder Laurel Baird

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, you pardon all those who truly repent. Have mercy on us, for we have sinned against you. We have not kept your commands; we have not delighted in your ways. Forgive us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ and renew us by your Holy Spirit...(*In Silence*)

My Worth Is Not in What I Own My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone, but in the costly wounds of love at the cross.

My worth is not in skill or name in win or lose, in pride or shame, but in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.

I rejoice in my Redeemer, Greatest Treasure, Wellspring of my soul, I will trust in Him, no other. My soul is satisfied in Him alone.

As summer flowers we fade and die, fame, youth and beauty hurry by, but life eternal calls to us at the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might or human wisdom's fleeting light but I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross. *Refrain.*

Two wonders here that I confess, my worth and my unworthiness. My value fixed, my ransom paid at the cross. *Refrain*

The Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel: that in Jesus Christ there is forgiveness for everyone who calls upon His name. **Alleluia! Amen!**

Passing of the Peace

Joys and Concerns of the Church

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.

Blessing of the Young Disciples

The Reflection Simple Kingdom

Your kingdom is simple, as simple as love; You welcomed the children, You stopped for the one. We want to see people the way Jesus does. Your kingdom is simple, Lord teach it to us.

Your kingdom is humble, as humble as death: His King is a savior who gave His last breath. So, may we die daily, our pride laid to rest; His kingdom is humble and the broken are blessed.

Hallelujah! Hallowed be Your name! May we live and breathe Your praise. Hallelujah! Let all creation say, "oh The King of heaven reigns."

Your kingdom is coming, Your kingdom is here, alive in our waiting, at work in our tears. So, come to us quickly, forever our prayer; Your kingdom is coming, Lord Jesus come near. *Refrain*

Your kingdom is backwards, it flows in reverse. What You call a treasure this world calls a curse. The small become great and the last become first. Your kingdom is backwards; Lord teach us to serve. As it is with Your kingdom, let it be with Your church. *Refrain*

The Second Reading Colossians 3:1-17

Sermon What About Me Rev. Dan Hutchinson Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. (Colossians 3:17)

Celebration of Communion

Words of institution
Prayer of Blessing
Sharing of the Bread and Cup
The Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Song of Sending

Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me? I was lost but He brought me in; Oh, His love for me. Oh, His love for me.

Who the Son sets free, O is free indeed; I'm a child of God, Yes I am!

Free at last, He has ransomed me; His grace runs deep. While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes, He died for me.

Who the Son sets free, O is free indeed; I'm a child of God, yes I am! In my Father's house there's a place for me; I'm a child of God, yes I am!

I am chosen, not forsaken; I am who You say I am. You are for me, not against me; I am who You say I am. *Refrain*

Charge and Benediction

First Church Updates

Today

Our Letter of Well-Wishing (placed just outside the door of this space) is directed today to Dr. Kevin Brown with Asbury University in Kentucky.

This Week

Ash Wednesday, this Wednesday leads us into our Lenten journey. Come and share a soup supper at 5:30 p.m. in Stephenson Hall and join us for worship in the sanctuary at 6:30 p.m. The imposition of ashes is a most moving part of this service.

Spiritual Disciplines Retreat, Saturday, February 25, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., at Camp Loughridge, led by Rev. Julia Metcalf. Join a gathering of disciples for a quiet day to draw close to the Lord. We will spend time in prayer, reflection and rich conversation with fellow Christians growing in faith. The cost to attend is \$10 and includes breakfast and lunch. Click QR code below to register. For more information, contact Laura Stevens at *Istevens@firstchurchtulsa.org*/918-301-1019.



Mark Your Calendar

Stay Close to the Master: Wednesday nights during Lent, beginning March 1, Stephenson Hall, 6:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Sign-up today in the atrium to reserve your place. We gather for a time of worship followed by discussion around the tables. Dr. John Ortberg, who will preach here on the Sunday after Easter, offers a ten-minute video devotional, followed by questions and conversations at the tables. First Baptist Church, North Tulsa, and their pastor, Rev. Anthony Scott, will be joining us.

All-Church Retreat: Friday and Saturday, March 24-25, 2023 at New Life Ranch Frontier Cove. Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Wes Vander Lugt. Detailed information, schedule and registration will be available soon.

Ongoing Ministries

Young Adults – First Church is committed to cultivating faith within the next generation, providing a place for young adults to connect with one another and with the larger church. Find us on Facebook, Instagram at *@fpcyoungadults*, or contact Dan Hutchinson at 918-301-1040.

Internship Opportunity— Are you a college student who loves the Lord Jesus and enjoys working with youth? Next Generation Ministries is now receiving applications for its summer youth ministry internship program. For more information, contact Steve Wilson at swilson@firstchurchtulsa.org.

Presbyterian Women's February Mission project benefits the Presbyterian Disaster Resistance. Please bring items for hygiene kits: hand towels, wide-tooth combs, nail clippers, bath-sized, individually wrapped bars of soap, new single toothbrushes, and band-aids. Look for their mission box in the atrium.

Opportunities to Serve the Master

Children's Ministry opportunities – Invest your time with the youngest members of our congregation!

Two Second Grade Sunday School Classroom Assistants - Join us once a month to assist the lead Sunday school teacher in the classroom. Duties include assisting with crafts and helping with the lesson. 9:45 - 10:45 a.m.

Two Awana Substitute Leaders - Join us on Wednesday evenings 6:00 -7:30 p.m. when needed. Fill in as a group leader by moving children to activity stations and helping with scripture memory.

Infant/Nursery/Preschool 9:30 - 10:45 a.m. - Baby Rockers - Help rock babies in the infant room. Sunday School Classroom Assistant - Help the classroom lead teacher with lesson, craft and general playtime.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Sarah Savage at ssavage@firstchurchtulsa.org/918-301-1011, Rachael Tsuma at rkamaru@firstchurchtulsa.org/918-301-1006 or Erin Barnhart at ebarnhart@firstchurchtulsa.org/918-301-1004.

Chancel Choir: If you love to sing and spread the Good News through music, you're invited to add your voice to the Chancel Choir. Rehearsal: Wednesdays, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Contact Ron Pearson at rpearson@firstchurchtulsa.org/918-301-1013 or Gretchen Bashforth at gbashforth@firstchurchtulsa.org/918-301-1012.

Memorial Service Greeting Ministry: Serve as a greeter for memorial services, with approximately a one-hour commitment. Memorial services are usually on weekday afternoons and sometimes on Saturdays. If interested, please contact Kathy Wilson at kwilson@firstchurchtulsa.org/918-301-1029.

Volunteers are needed to help print the weekly bulletins. We have an opportunity for you to work with us on Thursday afternoons for 3 – 4 hours each week. If you are interested, please contact Dionna Schooley at *dschooley@firstchurchtulsa.org*/918-301-1015.

Masterwork Academy is all about the arts—of serving, of being available, of encouraging, and of being a friend. Of course, we're all about dance, art, music, theater, fitness and learning the Bible too. We're not looking for skill, we're looking for heart. If yours beats with the love of Christ and you have an weekday afternoon from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. to spare, please contact Jenette McEntire at jmcentire@masterworkacademy.org or Laura Voth, lvoth@masterworkacademy.org/918-954-1100.

Seeking writers and photographers - We have volunteer opportunities to serve in our communications area as a writer or photographer. We publish a quarterly magazine and semimonthly newsletter;

we are seeking people who would love to tell or illustrate our stories. To volunteer, contact Louann Buhlinger at lbuhlinger@firstchurchtulsa.org/918-740-7055.

Do you enjoy the gift of hospitality? Assist with First Family dinners, Pentecost Sunday and Pancake Breakfast; host dinners in your home or help with special events such as Fall Festival and Breakfast on Boston. For more information, please contact Patricia Hall at phall@firsthchurchtulsa.org/918-3001-1028.

Introducing two new choirs for children and youth! Registration is now open for both the *First Church Choristers* children's choir (for grades K-4), and the *Celebration Singers* youth choir (for grades 5-12). These choirs will sing for special events and services in the life of FPC and in the community. Join by February 26 to sing with us for the Chancel Choir Spring Concert on Sunday, April 23. Rehearsals are on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 9:30 a.m. For more information and to register contact Gretchen Bashforth at *gbashforth@firstchurchtulsa.org* or 918-301-1012 or scan the code below.

First Church Choristers (insert blue circle code) or https://firstchurchtulsa.org/event/first-church-choristersrehearsal/2023-02-26?d=2023-02-26



Celebration Singers (insert black circle code) or https://firstchurchtulsa.org/event/celebration-singers-youth-choir-rehearsal/2023-03-05?d=2023-03-05



Parish Register

Prayers for Healing: Jane Azlin, Beth Campbell, Dwight Creveling, Marilyn Davis, Paul Dick, Donna Droege, David Dunning, Mary Ann Elliott, Gaye Graeler, Cynthia Hill-Meriwether, Linda Hopkins, Mike Hopkins, Elaine Horkey, Meg Hubler, Warren Hubler, Jeannie Dickey Kelsay, Joyce Kunkel, Carmelitti LeFlore, Amy Lesh, Ann McKellar, Jan Miller, David Morgan, David Osterholt, Shari Postier, Rosemary Priest, Carly Rivers, Zach Rivers, Mary Ruddle, Susan Shults, Robert Shaw, Bill Smith, Jane Sneed, Cissy Ssettimba, Sally Stewart, Laurie Sundborg, Mike Tidwell, Susan Waldie, and Carolyn Wilcott.

With Gratitude for the Resurrection: Dambisa Hara, a member since 2022, died on February 13.

Worship Notes

The flowers in today's Sanctuary worship are given to the glory of God and in memory of Annette Vickery by Gene Vickery and family.

Services are broadcast and on Cox channel 3 (each Sunday) at 11:00 a.m., 5:00 and 10:00 p.m., on the FPC Facebook page, or FirstChurchTulsa.org/YouTube.

Please notify the church if there is a pastoral need, change of address/phone number or other important family news. Contact Kathy Wilson at 918-301-1029 or *kwilson@firstchurchtulsa.org*.

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

THIS WEEK		
	THIS WEEK	
TODAY 2/19 8:00 am 8:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Worship, Kerr Chapel Worship, Stephenson Hall Gatherings and Classes Worship, Sanctuary, Stephenson Hall and Great Hall	
Monday 2/20	,, ,	
11:30 am 11:45 am 6:30 pm	Monday School, Kirkland Library Guy's Monday Bible Study, E103 Season's Women's Gathering, Stephenson Hall	
Tuesday 2/21		
9:30 am	Precepts, E100	
Wednesday 2/22 11:30 am 11:30 am 12:00 pm 5:15 pm 6:30 pm	Pastor's Study, E104 Downtown Theological Roundtable, 204 Pathways to Hope, 206 Ash Wednesday Soup Dinner, Stephenson Hall Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary	
Saturday 2/25	Deferre the Decetes Course 5400	
8:45 am	Before the Rooster Crows, E103	
	COME, GROW YOUR FAITH! TODAY: Adult Classes, 9:30 a.m.	
Cornerstone	Minor Prophets	E102
Covenanters	Renovated: God, Dallas, & the Church	
Faith and Family	That Transforms Neuroscience: The Impact of Technolodgy on	E101
	Our Kids: "Faith"	Prayer Room
Forum	Salvation-God's Best Gift to Us	E200
Harbingers	Hearing God	B318
Morning Glory	Prayers and Bible Study	E201
New Parents	Theology and Parenting	E205
Pastor's Study 1	Faith and Physics	Stephenson Hall
Pastor's Study 2	New Testament Overview	E104
Reflections	Judges	E103
Shepherds	Old Testament Connections/Fulfillment	E203
Sojourners	Kark Barth Dogmatics	E204
UKirk	New Testament Overview	E104
The Vine	The Life You've Alwasy Wanted	E100
Westminster	Theology Brewed in an African Pot	Tower Room
Young Adults	New Testament Overview	E104