Greetings in Christ! We are so glad to have you worshipping with us this morning. We are a community that seeks to lift high the name of Jesus and to serve the common good. If you are here for the first time, we pray that you will sense the presence of Christ and the warmth of this congregation.

If you do not have a church home, we would love to welcome you! Please contact Patricia Hall (918-301-1028 or *phall@firstchurchtulsa.org*). For general information, you can follow the QR code.



Parish Register

Prayers for Healing: Nifemi Aruna, Jane Azlin, Adelle Beathe, Joy Brewer, Steve Brill, Pat Brown, Roy Cail, Lara Elias-Campbell, Neil Cluck, Randy Corelli, Dwight Creveling, Marilyn Davis, Judah DeSpain, Donna Droege, Cecil Drummond, Gaye Graeler, Rita Graeler, Cynthia Hill-Meriwether, Elaine Horkey Joyce Kunkel, Judith Land, Carmelitti LeFlore, Amy Lesh, Ann McKellar, Jon Mercer, Jan Miller, Jim Miller, Elsie Osterholt, Judy Pollard Doyle, Shari Postier, Lyle Proffitt, Helen Quiring, Carly Rivers, Mary Ruddle, Jo Carolyn Rushing, Cyndi Russell, Jane Sneed, Cissy Ssettimba, Bob Swofford, Larry Tromp, Marcia Tromp, Susan Waldie and Dayne Weierbach.

Sympathy and Prayers to: Tom Sherrill on the death of his daughter on January 28.

Worship Notes

Services are broadcast 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 you have 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.

The flowers that adorn the Sanctuary today: Given to the glory of God and in honor of our siblings and families by Dwight and Jan Creveling.

Our Letter of Blessing today goes to Beryl Bolo and Jane Sneed.

Thank you for your faithful support of the ministries of First Church! Weekly tithes and offerings to the Lord may be given electronically at *firstchurchtulsa.org*, text 405-276-4141 or by using the QR code below.



First Church Updates

The FPC Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, February 18, at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting will be to present a new officer for congregational vote.

We are wrapping up Stewardship Season! If you have not already, please turn in your pledge for 2024! Thank you for taking the local church seriously and giving of your very best to the Lord Jesus Christ. In this transition time, your support in prayer and giving is vital.

Pastoral Prayer – Join us as we pray for the pastoral transition. If you're interested in receiving a weekly prayer prompt, please text *@pastorfpc* to "81010".

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 Rev. Julia Metcalf at 918-301-1030.

Realm on-line Directory – If you are not logged on to Realm and would like to make some or all of your contact information accessible to all members, please contact Kathy Wilson at *kwilson@firstchurchtulsa.org* or 918-301-1029.

Presbyterian Women's February mission is Lindsey House, which provides transitional housing and programs for newly homeless mothers with children. PW will be collecting money to make Easter baskets for the children who live there. Please place donations in the donation box in the reception area on Sundays or mail your check to the church with PW Mission noted on the memo line.

We're hiring – are you gifted in reaching out to new people and helping them get connected within the life of the church? Do you feel comfortable shepherding others as they consider their faith journey and membership with First Church? FPC is accepting applications for Director of New Member Outreach. To learn more contact Duff Points at 918-301-1018 or apply at *Employment Opportunities – First Church Tulsa*.

Thanks to the congregation's generosity, \$1,660 was raised for the Gift Back program and \$2,271 was raised from the Chili Cook-off. Thank you for your support with these ministries.

Events This Week

Parenting Brown Bag Book Discussion – February 8, 25, March 7, 28, April 11, 25, and May 9 - Bring your lunch and discuss with other parents *Thrivers: The Surprising Reasons Why Some Kids Struggle and Others Shine by Michele Borba*. Learn the answers to questions such as: Is my child struggling or thriving? What is the difference between a "striver" and a "thriver" mindset? And many more. Led by Sarah Savage, Director of Children's Ministries in room E100 from 11:30 am. to 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Downtown

Dinner at 5:15 p.m. in Stephenson Hall Classes at 6:15 p.m.

Tolkien and the Christian Life: Join Rev. Dan Hutchinson for an exploration into the biblical and theological themes that arise from the world and writings of J.R.R. Tolkien.

How To Read the Bible (Hermeneutics): John Shelton teaches an inductive methodology that emphasizes studying books of the Bible as wholes and context. Students will gain confidence to approach all genres of scripture and to see the plain meaning of the text; the class meets in room E100.

From Surviving to Thriving In Your Relationship – Join Rev. James Estes and Dr. Tom Philp in room E103 for a four-week exploration of four core characteristics of a thriving marriage.

Seekers Bible Study – Rev. Wambugu Gachungi leads an indepth study of the Sunday morning sermon scriptures. Come and enjoy praying together, studying the Bible, and engaging in lively questions and discussions.

Spiritual Retreat: Led by Rev. Julia Metcalf on Saturday, February 10 in the Lodge at Camp Loughridge. Come join a gathering of disciples for a quiet day to draw close to our Lord Jesus Christ and to fill your cup with the overflowing graces of our Lord by spending time in solitude and silence, Lectio Devina and imaginative prayer, along with reflection and conversation. The cost for this event is \$10 and includes breakfast and lunch. Click the QR code to register.



Prayer in the Chapel: Join together from 10:40-10:55 on the second Sunday of each month for prayer during this time of transition.

Souper Bowl of Caring: Next Sunday, February 11, First Church Youth Ministries are asking each member of First Church to donate \$1 to help fight hunger and poverty in Tulsa. We will have youth at the exits after each worship service to collect donations. All donations will go to Helping Hand Ministry.

Mark Your Calendar

Mission Informational Meeting: To learn more about our **summer mission trips**, join us for lunch next Sunday, February 11, following the 11:00 a.m. worship services. We will meet in room E104.

Watercolor Through Lent: Wednesdays February 14 – March 27, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in the Tower Room. This creative art class will be led by Mary Lee Weaver and will use traceable images to create beautiful watercolor cards combined with biblical teachings based on the book *The Ignatian Workout for Lent* by Tim Muldoon. No previous art experience needed. Cost is \$20 and includes all supplies. Click QR code below to register.



Ash Wednesday Service: February 14, 6:30 – 7:30 in the Sanctuary. A family friendly service where we receive the ashes and begin our journey through Lent with the words, "From dust you have come, and to dust you will return. Stay close to the master."

FPC Young Adults: Make fast friends through our fun get-to-know you games and activities. Kids welcome. Snacks included! Sunday, February 18, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., Goose and Gander Offices, 1640 E. Third Street, Suite C, Tulsa, OK 74120. Please RSVP through the QR code below.



Mark Your Calendars with these events:

February 11 February 11 February 14 Youth Sunday Super Bowl of Caring Ash Wednesday

COME, GROW YOUR FAITH! TODAY 2/4 8:00 am Worship: Kerr Chapel Worship: Stephenson Hall 8:30 am 11:00 am Worship: Sanctuary, Stephenson, Great Hall Monday 2/5 10:00 am Little Lambs, Wiseman Hall Men's Monday Bible Study, E103 12:00 pm Tuesday 2/6 9:30 am Precepts Bible Study, E100 Men's Bible Study, E313 7:00 am Wednesday 2/7 5:15 pm Wednesday Night Dinner, Stephenson Hall Awana, POW, Amass Exodus 6:00 pm 6:15 pm Adult Classes Thursday 2/8 9:30 am Hearts for the Lord Bible Study, E313 Saturday 2103 8:30 am Before the Rooster Crows, E103 9:00 am Spiritual Retreat, Camp Loughridge

Adult Sunday School Classes for NEXT Sunday, 2/11 at 9:30 a.m.

Cornerstone	The Story	E102
Covenanters	Drive Thru History: Acts to Revelation	E101
Faith and Family	14 Talks by Age 14	Prayer Room
Forum	Who is This Man, John Ortberg	E200
Foundations	Romans	E104
Harbingers	The Reason for God, Timothy Keller	E202
Morning Glory	Prayer and Fasting	B318
Reflections	Characteristics of Christian Love	E103
Shepherds	Study of the Apostles Creed	E203
Sojourners	Soul Keeping, John Ortberg	E204
The Vine	1 John 1, 2 and 3	E100
Westminster	Who Is This Man, John Ortberg	Tower Room
Young Adults/Ukirk	Discovery Bible Study	E201
Young Parents	Guest Speaker	E205