

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: Jane Azlin, Adelle Beathe, Joy Brewer, Steve Brill, Pat Brown, Roy Cail, Lara Elias-Campbell, Neil Cluck, Randy Corelli, Dwight Creveling, Marilyn Davis, B. J. Dollahon, Judy Doyle, 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, Shari Postier, Lyle Proffitt, Helen Quiring, Carly Rivers, Mary Ruddle, Cyndi Russell, Jane Sneed, Cissy Ssettimba, Bob Swofford, Larry Tromp, Marcia Tromp, Susan Waldie, and Dayne Weierbach.

Sympathy and Prayers to: Kirt Bankston on the death of his mother, Linda Sue Bankston, on February 29; to Charlene Gaddy on the death of her sister, Nita Lattie on March 2; to Chris Crane on the death of his grandfather, and to Chip Edwards on the death of his mother-in-law.

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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...).

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 are given to the glory of God and in memory of Gordon McCune and Margaret Blair McCune by Anne McCune.

Our *Letters of Blessing* today go to Kirt Bankston and Charlene Gaddy.

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

We are wrapping up Stewardship Season! If you have not yet turned in your pledge card for 2024, the Stewardship committee looks forward to receiving it. In this transition time, your support in prayer and giving is vital.

Our Annual Congregational meeting is set for next Sunday, March 17, at 9:30 a.m. in Stephenson Hall. Rev. Hutchinson will offer his “State of First Church” message, a number of reports will be shared, and the “Year-in-Pictures” will be viewed.

Pastoral Prayer: Join us as we pray for the pastoral transition. To receive 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.

Presbyterian Women’s March mission project is supporting Presbytery Disaster Assistance by collecting items for hygiene kits. They will be collecting the following: hand towels, wide-tooth combs, nail clippers, individual bars of soap, toothbrushes, (single) and band-aids. Please place gifts in the donation box in the atrium on Sundays or mail your check to the church, payable to Presbyterian Women.

Calling all Greeters and those interested in being a Greeter! Tamra Bird our Greeter Chair is gearing up for Holy Week and we need your help! Please contact Patricia Hall phall@firstchurchtulsa.org or 918-310-1028 if you are interested in serving!

Interested in Ushering? An Usher has the spirit and heart to serve people. They help the service run smoothly by presenting a joyful and courteous attitude, making others feel welcome and comfortable; they provide visitors with help finding restrooms, nurseries; they hand out bulletins, and provide other information regarding the church. If this is you, please contact Dick Campbell at rlcampbell@cox.net or Scott Swanson at rscottswanson@gmail.com.

Easter Lilies: On Easter Sunday, bright white lilies will adorn the church building. As each flower silently trumpets the Resurrection, it also serves to remind us of the life of someone who was, or is, special to a church member. If you wish to honor someone by contributing to the lily fund, click the QR code below by March 18.



The Board of Deacons organizes a brunch for the singers, ringers and instrumentalists participating in the Easter morning worship services. Food is dropped off at the atrium entrance by members of the congregation on Easter morning between 7:30 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. To sign up to bring a dish, which should be in a disposable container and serve at least 8, please visit the table in the atrium on March 10 or 17 or use the QR code. For more information or questions, please contact Kathy Wilson at 918-301-1029 or kwilson@firstchurchtulsa.org.



Events This Week

Seasons Women's Gathering: Tomorrow, March 11, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the Miller Library - Come Join us in our next session of *We Saved You a Seat: Finding and Keeping Lasting Friendship* as we learn to discern where we need to set healthy boundaries in our friendships while loving well. Bring along a friend!

Wednesday Night Downtown Gathering: Wednesdays through March 27, at 6:15 p.m., in Stephenson Hall, dinner at 5:15 p.m. **Journey Through the Wilderness:** Come together for a time of worship, contemplation, pastor-led reflection, and table conversations about following the Lord in an unknown season in the wilderness. Though we face challenges, we are reminded time and again that God is faithful and trustworthy. This week's topic is The Challenge of Patience (Numbers 21:1-20) "What do you do when you fell alone?"

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

Upcoming Events

Holy Week Prayer Vigil: Thursday, March 28 at 9 p.m. through Easter Sunday, March 31 at 7 a.m. The prayer vigil is a continuous chain of prayer that begins on Maundy Thursday and continues until sunrise on Easter Sunday to stand with Jesus through his suffering, crucifixion, burial and resurrection. Sign up for a thirty-minute slot to ensure an unbroken prayer chain by clicking on the QR code below. A registration table will also be in the atrium on March 17 and 24.



Holy Week at a Glance: Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, March 24, with our standard services at 8, 8:30, and 11:00 in the Great Hall. Stephenson Hall will be combined with the Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m. On the Thursday of Holy Week, there is a seder meal at 5:00 p.m. and a service of shadows at 7:30 p.m. Friday,

we meet in the chapel at noon to hear the Seven Last Words of Jesus from the cross. On Easter morning, you are invited to the camp at 6:30 a.m. for our annual sunrise service before our standard services at 8:00, 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

SEDER MEAL WITH REGISTRATION LINK NEEDED

Mark Your Calendars with these events:

March 17	Annual Congregation Meeting
March 28	Seder Meal
March 28	Maundy Thursday Service
March 28	Holy Week Prayer Vigil Begins
March 29	Good Friday Service
March 31	Easter Sunday

**Next Sunday, March 17 there will be no adult
Sunday School classes!**

**The entire first church family is invited to
the Congregational Meeting at 9:30 a.m. in
Stephenson Hall.**

COME, GROW YOUR FAITH!

TODAY 3/10

- 8:00 am Worship: Kerr Chapel
- 8:30 am Worship: Stephenson Hall
- 11:00 am Worship: Sanctuary, Stephenson, Great Hall

Monday 3/11

- 10:00 am Little Lambs, Wiseman Hall
- 12:00 pm Men's Monday Bible Study, E103
- 6:30 pm Season's Women Gathering, Miller Library

Tuesday 3/12

- 9:30 am Precepts Bible Study, E100
- 4:00 pm Men's Bible Study, E313

Wednesday 3/13

- 10:00 am Watercolor Through Lent, Tower Room
- 5:15 pm Wednesday Night Dinner, Stephenson Hall
- 6:00 pm Awana, POW, Amass Exodus
- 6:15 pm Adult Classes
- 6:30 pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room

Thursday 3/14

- 9:30 am Hearts for the Lord Bible Study, E313

Saturday 3/16

- 8:30 am Before the Rooster Crows, E103

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Join us at 9:30 a.m. in

Stephenson Hall for the Annual Congregational Meeting

The First Church Pastors

Daniel Hutchinson, M. Div., *Interim Senior Pastor*

James Estes, M. Div., *Associate Pastor*

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