

April 09, 2024



Did you know the FBCOKC Kids Ministry is leading worship this Sunday? It will be a fun time for the kids, their families, and our church.

I remember the first time I led worship at our church. It was the summer of 2013 when I was the children's and music intern. I was able to help plan my first worship service and then I led worship. It was an exhilarating experience. I was so nervous, but I knew this church would stand behind me. Just like you did when I preached for the first time at the end of February this year. This church has always been a place where kids and youth can grow into their talents and grow spiritually without fear of being looked down upon since they were kids. I have always admired that.

The kids will be doing the welcome, leading songs, reading scripture, praying, and even preaching! These kids are utterly amazing. The courage they have to do this is astounding! These kids have gifts given by God and they want to use those talents to lead our church in worship and I think there is no better thing to do than just that.

When I decided we were going to have the kids lead, I wanted their input on the service. The songs that will be sung are their favorite songs we sing during worship. I loved getting to hear their favorites and their input on how we should do the service. The kids were so engaged in the creative process, because they know it is not just a worship service for them, but it's a collective worship service to praise God. The hearts these kids have for the Lord is amazing. The conversation last Wednesday about worship led to baptism and I barely had to answer the questions. The older kids were able to talk to the younger kids about their experiences and what it meant for them. I was able to sit back and listen to the kids doing the mission of our church. Love God ~ Love Others ~ Make Disciples. These kids are amazing, and I am sure you will be amazed on Sunday.

I pray you come with an open heart and mind to service. The kids will be nervous, and their parents might be nervous too. I know it is always worrisome when a kid is given a mic, but it will be a wonderful experience all around. These kids will feel seen and heard by this church family while praising God and giving Him the glory and there is nothing more important than that.

Faithfully, Ariel

Let the little children
come to me
and do not hinder them,
for to such belongs
the
kingdom
of heaven.

Matthew 19:14 (ESV)

FIRST FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS



PRO ART PROJECT

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 17TH
6-7PM

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FBC KIDS

CARE4OKC

SOCK DONATIONS NEEDED

**Please place donations in Care4OKC box near South door.



Strength In What Remains Behind

*A Concert of Remembrance and Hope ~ featuring **Trenody** for choir and orchestra by Nancy Hill Cobb*

Conducted by Stephanie Keegan-Moring
University of Oklahoma DMA student



April 19, 2024, 7:30 p.m. ~ 1201 N Robinson Ave, OKC
Free Admission ~ Reception with composer following



Kids Off Broadway Auditions
Sunday, April 28th
1pm
FBCOKC Theatre

SAVE THE DATE

Kids Off Broadway

Back to the 90s

30th Anniversary
June 10-14



FBC OKC

PICKLEBALL With Friends



1ST & 3RD FRIDAYS
6:00 PM

FBCOKC GYM
Please park on the south side & call Pam for entry.

More Information :
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FIRST FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

CARE4OKC WORK DAYS

Please consider joining us to hang clothing for the clothing closet. This is a great opportunity to grow closer together and serve your community!

April 13th from 10am-12pm

April 27th from 10am-12pm



FBCOKC Men in the Wichitas



World Mission Opportunities

UGANDA INFORMATION MEETING, APRIL 21st

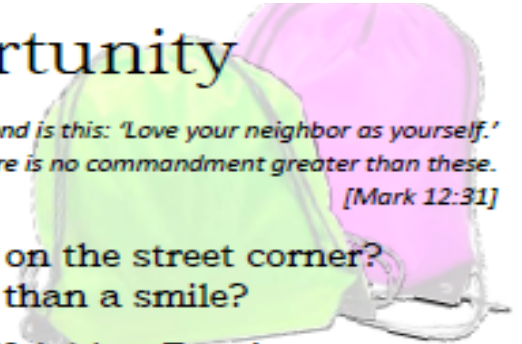
Everyone interested in the possibility of joining our mission trip to Uganda is invited to a Uganda information meeting after worship on Sunday, April 21st. The meeting will take place in the conference room across the hall from the church office. Come learn the details regarding service opportunities, dates, costs, and more.



New Ministry Opportunity

NEIGHBOR BAGS

*The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'
There is no commandment greater than these.
[Mark 12:31]*



Rarely have cash when you see someone with a sign on the street corner?
Wish you had something you could give them, other than a smile?

We are beginning a new ministry called Neighbor Bags!
(Could they be called Blessing Bags? Yes, it's the same idea!)

For the month of March, we will collect basic items identified as most needed by the Homeless Alliance. Once assembled, these bags will be available in The Commons for you to take and keep in your car. So, the next time you see someone in need, you can hand them this reusable drawstring backpack filled with items they can use.

Items to donate:

- Lip balm
- Deodorant
- Socks
- Protein bars
- Tuna to-go kits / packets (no cans, please)
- Rehydration powder packets (e.g., Gatorade, Pedialyte)
- Band-aids / first aid kits
- Reusable water bottles
- Feminine hygiene products



Example items can be found on our Amazon Wish List:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/CFRU4LOZZGKJ?ref=wl_share

Note: Right now, we are only collecting these items. No monetary donations at this time, please.

