this week

Sunday, July 20

8:30 a.m. Worship 9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study - All Ages 10:50 a.m. Worship 12:15 p.m. Discover South Tulsa Class 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship, Student FWD 6:00 p.m. Advisory Council

Monday, July 21

9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes 10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels 6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Men's Ministry Game Night

Tuesday, July 22

9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes 9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program Summer School 5:30 p.m. Momentum ABKA Karate 6:30 p.m. College Tuesdays Together

Wednesday, July 23

9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes 6:00 p.m. Student Pickleball at Haikey Creek Park, Men's Bible Study

6:15 p.m. Student Ministry Meeting - Leaders, Teachers, Parents, Adults Only

6:30 p.m. College & Young Adults Book Study, Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, July 24

College Ministry Float Trip 9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program Summer School 10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day 12:00 p.m. Weaving Ministry 5:15 p.m. ELP Leadership Team Meeting

Friday, July 25 9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program Summer School

Saturday, July 26 8:00 a.m. Gideon's Meeting

SUMMER IN SAMUEL

This Week's Reading Plan

O 7/20: 2 Samuel 1 • 7/21: 2 Samuel 2 • 7/22: 2 Samuel 3 O 7/23: 2 Samuel 4 O 7/24: 2 Samuel 5 O 7/25: Psalm 8 O 7/26: 2 Samuel 6

The Reading Plan is available on a printed bookmark at the Welcome Center.

"For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity" lives in bodily form, and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority." ~ Colossians 2:9-10



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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 worshiping 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.

DISCOVER SOUTH TULSA IS TODAY - If you are 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 July 20 in Fellowship Hall at 12:15 p.m. Lunch will be provided. It's a wonderful time to learn more about our church, meet some of the staff, ask questions, and let us get to know you better.

ADVISORY COUNCIL IS TONIGHT - The Advisory Council will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall following our evening worship service in the Chapel.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME STYLE SHOW - The annual Back-to-School Style Show and Brunch is on Saturday, August 2, at the Renaissance Hotel. The Silent Auction begins at 9:00 a.m. and the Style Show & Brunch at 10:30 a.m. Tickets are \$40. Proceeds benefit the children and families at Baptist Children's Home Owasso Campus. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to obhc.org/baptist-childrens-home-style-show/. Under "Event Information" - check "I was invited by a host," then use the dropdown menu to find the "South Tulsa" tables and choose a host.

EXTENDED TIME OF RESPONSE - If you have decisions you wish to share, need prayer, have questions, or would like to join the church, please meet with a minister in the Church Office reception area after the service.

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



Sunday Mornings + Dr. Eric Costanzo





8:30 AM Worship

Call to Worship Philippians 2:5-11 Brian Easterwood Praise Lion and the Lamb Prayer and Welcome Eric Costanzo, Julie DeYoung New Testament Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:15-24 Faith Story - Britney Grayson, Kenya Operate Worship in Giving and Children's Offering Grace Flows Down **Greeting Time** Scripture Reading 1 Samuel 26:5-12 Message "Summer in Samuel" Eric Costanzo My Response Isn't the Name **New Commitments - New Members** Blessing



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10:50 AM Worship

Baptism - Anna Bennett, Derrius Hilburn Call to Worship Philippians 2:5-11 Brian Easterwood Choral Worship All the Praise Praise Him! Praise Him! O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing Prayer and Welcome Eric Costanzo, Julie DeYoung **New Testament Reading** 1 Thessalonians 5:15-24 Faith Story - Britney Grayson, Kenya Operate Worship in Giving and Children's Offering **Offertory** 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus Daymon Sherin, Bob Baker **Greeting Time** Scripture Reading 1 Samuel 26:5-12 **Message** "Summer in Samuel" Eric Costanzo My Response Isn't the Name **New Commitments - New Members** Blessing - Step by Step



In the Stillness

Alexa Rios, Student Ministry Summer Intern In the stillness of the forest we are reminded of God's

greatness. As I reached Wheeler Peak, I saw God's presence in creation. As the sun rose and spilled into the sky, I was in awe of its beauty, and I began to think of how nature has a quiet way of teaching us how to worship God. It was a reminder that

God made each and every one of us in His own image. This got me thinking about how many of us take our existence for granted, or how often we

don't give the Lord thanks for the simple things in life. Oftentimes, our flesh deceives us into thinking that we are not worthy of having a relationship with God.

Kids Camp

As I see His creation, I am reminded that God sent His own beautiful son, Jesus, to die on the cross for us so we could live freely in his presence. Psalm 19:1 says, "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands." The same God who created heaven and earth awaits us to join Him in a holy relationship. Just as nature worships the Lord, we too are called to worship and serve Him. Nature does not hurry, worry, or doubt; it simply exists in harmony with the Creator's design. By observing it, we learn that true worship isn't just about words or rituals, but about living with awe, gratitude, and a heart turned toward God in every moment. Every creation displays the splendor of our God. We were all made beautifully and fearfully by Him. Every day, I am thankful for Jesus and His presence around us.



Today we welcome Britney Grayson of Kenya Operate, one of our International Missions Partners. She and her husband, Micah Wilfong, have been serving in Kijabe, Kenya since 2020. Join us tonight at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel to hear how Kenya Operate shares the love of God by providing specialty pediatric surgical care and training to the next generation of Christian pediatric surgeons for the continent of Africa.

Student Ministry Meetings

JULY 23 (Wednesday, 6:15 p.m., Student Room) - Meeting with Student Ministry Adult Leaders and Parents ONLY. (Students will be playing pickleball, 6:00-8:00 p.m.)

JULY 27 (Sunday, 5:00 p.m., Student Room) - Meeting with Parents and Students.

A Joyful Doxology

Enjoy an evening of instrumental praise as we join together to worship with the South Tulsa Orchestra on Sunday, August 10, at 5:00 p.m. in the South Tulsa Worship Center.

Back-to-School Supplies for Kids

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We're collecting school supplies until 8/10. Bring donations to bin in the Atrium or to Jenks CarePoint. Find the list of supplies online or directly from our Amazon Wish List at a.co/dMxUpJZ southtulsa.org/ events





Quarterly Church Conference

All members are encouraged to join us next Sunday, July 27, at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel for our Quarterly Conference. You'll be able to see our financial reports, minister updates, and more. This a great way to stay informed and ask questions about the operations of our church.

Hymns & Ice Cream

Please join the South Tulsa Choir and Orchestra in the Worship Center on Sunday, August 17, at 5:00 p.m. for a delightful evening of singing cherished songs of our faith and enjoying a bowl of ice cream! Bring your favorite ice cream to share with the church family. Let's make Hymns & Ice Cream a sweet evening to remember.

Furniture Fest

International Community Outreach (ICO), a missions organization doing international student ministry at TU, OU, OSU, ORU, and NSU is sponsoring Furniture Fest 2025. Many international students arrive in Tulsa with no furniture and limited resources. Furniture Fest helps meet this need while building relationships and showing the love of Christ. Consider donating furniture and mattresses (stain-free) in good condition and suitable for students moving into small apartments. Pickups start on July 26 and happen every Saturday through August 16 (depending on location). Please schedule a pickup at icotulsa.org. Questions? Call/text Eddie at (580) 304-5366. Gifts are tax-deductible. Thank you for loving international students in Jesus' name!

Women's Bible Study What Every Christian Ought to Know

Ladies, please join us on Wednesday evenings, beginning August 6, 6:00-7:00 p.m., for a 13-week study in Room C247. What Every Christian Ought to Know by Adrian Rogers with Steve Rogers addresses essential truths like prayer, the Holy Spirit, resisting temptation, finding God's will, as well as the authority of the Bible and how to understand it better. Books may be purchased upon registration for \$10.50. Please sign up at southtulsa.org/events.

Bridge Builders Luncheon



Please join us for or Bridge Builders Lu on Tuesday, August 11:15 a.m. in the Cl month, our focus w Saving Grace. You

blessed hearing from our guests: Je walt, Tom Ray, Jack Selby, and Doug enjoy wonderful music with Philip St and Sherry Remy. Let us know you're by signing up online at southtulsa.or

Ways to Serve

IN OUR KIDS MINISTRY

Sunday School Teachers for the next school year - specifically a 4th grade helper, two 3rd grade teachers, and two 2nd grade teachers. These can be a full-year commitment or a two-month rotation basis, so you can remain connected to your personal Sunday Bible Study Class.

Kids Missions Teachers (GAs and RAs). These classes meet on Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:15 throughout the school year (August-May).

To volunteer, please contact Rebecca Johnston (rebecca@southtulsa.org).



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Adults 44	5
Students	2
Children74	4
Preschool	
Unclassified1	
Total 69	0
THE MINISTRY CENTER	
Volunteers	5
People Helped 17	
Showers	
Hot Meals	
Church Service14	
Needs: mac & cheese, canned corn, and	
peanut butter	

JENKS CAREPOINT

Volunteers
People Helped 342
Students-School Supplies 156
Needs: school supplies, children's back to
school clothing and athletic shoes.

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