

this week

Sunday, August 10 – Promotion Sunday
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study - All Ages
10:50 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting
5:00 p.m. Night of Worship with South Tulsa
Orchestra “A Joyful Doxology,” Student
Discipleship Kickoff

Monday, August 11
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
2:00 p.m. CEO Widows Ministry Leadership Team
4:30 p.m. CEO Widows Ministry Food & Fellowship
6:30 p.m. Men’s Ministry Game Night

Tuesday, August 12
5:30 p.m. Momentum ABKA Karate

Wednesday, August 13
4:45 p.m. Student Worship Team Interest Meeting
6:00 p.m. Student Worship & Prayer Night, Men’s
Bible Study, Ladies Bible Study-*What Every
Christian Ought to Know*
6:45 p.m. Worship Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Student Ministry Parent/Leader Info Mtg.

Thursday, August 14
6:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer and Devotion
9:30 a.m. ELP Teacher’s Planning Day
10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
12:00 p.m. Weaving Ministry

Friday, August 15
Saturday, August 16
8:00 a.m. Deacon’s Meeting, Gideon’s Meeting
9:00 a.m. Morning of Prayer, Youth Evangelism
Conference
5:00 p.m. Marriage Enrichment Weekend

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SUMMER IN SAMUEL
This Week’s Reading Plan

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| ○ 8/10: 2 Samuel 14 | ○ 8/14: 2 Samuel 16:1-14 |
| ○ 8/11: 2 Samuel 15:1-12 | ○ 8/15: 2 Samuel 16:15-17:23 |
| ○ 8/12: 2 Samuel 15:13-37 | |
| ○ 8/13: Psalm 3 | ○ 8/16: 2 Samuel 17:24-18:18 |

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



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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 worshipping 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.

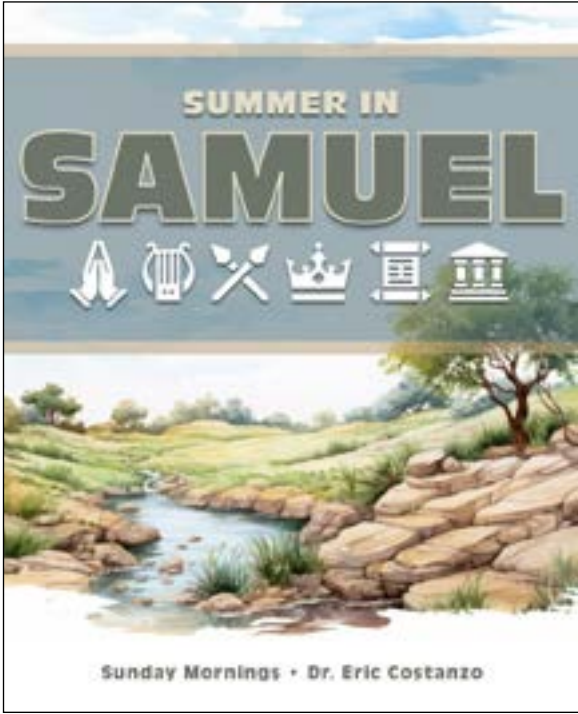
SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR JENKS CAREPOINT – We are collecting school supplies through Sunday, August 10, to help Jenks CarePoint provide for client families. Donations can be placed in the Care-Point cart in the South Tulsa Atrium or at Jenks CarePoint, M-TH 9:00 a.m.-noon. A complete list of supplies needed can be found online at southtulsa.org/events. More information 918-600-2099.

PROMOTION SUNDAY IS TODAY! – If your child has not picked up their card, they will receive their new room information at the Preschool and Kids Ministry Welcome Desks. Everyone is moving to their new classroom today, August 10!

MEN’S GALATIANS BIBLE STUDY – Beginning September 3, men will meet on Wednesday nights, 5:45-6:45 p.m., in the Conference Room for an in-depth study of Paul’s letter to the Galatians. This men’s group follows the children’s schedule on Wednesday evenings. If you have questions, please reach out to Phil DeYoung, Andy Ebert, or Kendall Jones.

CEO WIDOWS MINISTRY FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP – The widows of South Tulsa are invited to our monthly Food and Fellowship at The Brook (91st & Memorial) tomorrow, Monday, August 11 at 4:30 p.m. Dinner is “Dutch Treat.”

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



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8:30AM Worship

Call to Worship Hebrews 10:19-25
Adam Caughern
Blessed Assurance
Welcome and Announcements Phillip White,
Rebecca Johnston
New Testament Reading James 1:12-15
Prayer, Worship in Giving, Children’s Offering
Offertory *So Will I* Noah & Abigail Costanzo
All Hail King Jesus
Greeting Time
Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 12:1-10 Bob Ball
Message “Summer in Samuel” Eric Costanzo
My Response *Nothing Else*
New Commitments - New Members
Blessing

10:50AM Worship

A Joyful Doxology
Call to Worship Genesis 28:10-19 Philip Stephens
Musical Praise *Nearer, My God to Thee*
Quartet - Sean McKinney, Michael Slaughter,
Philip Stephens, Michael Ware
Blessed Assurance
Welcome and Announcements Phillip White,
Rebecca Johnston
New Testament Reading James 1:12-15
All Hail King Jesus | He is Exalted | Majesty
Prayer, Worship in Giving, Children’s Offering
Offertory *So Will I* Noah & Abigail Costanzo
Greeting Time
Psalms 117
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Blessing - *He Is Exalted*



All-Sufficient Merit

Sean McKinney

Many times, we achieve things by our merit: we may earn a promotion or position because of our qualifications, or we might deserve respect and recognition in some circles because of our accomplishments. But what do we bring to the table when it comes to our salvation?

That’s the question we’re answering when we sing “*All-Sufficient Merit*,” a modern hymn that we’ve sung together in both services the last couple months. This song is saturated with Scripture, and those first words may sound familiar - we sing them every Advent in the last verse of “*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*” by Charles Wesley. With all songs we sing when we’re gathered, we sing to the Lord with our hearts and our minds; so what are we singing in this song, and why?

Two thousand years ago, God “*made Him who knew no sin to be sin in our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him*” (2 Corinthians 5:21). Jesus – the perfect, spotless Lamb of God, the only One who could ever reach heaven on His own merit – became the once-for-all-time sacrifice to defeat our sin on the cross. It was nothing we could earn, but by God’s mercy, “*for by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not a result of works, so that no one may boast*” (Ephesians 2:8-9).

This is why we sing of the all-sufficient merit of Jesus Christ. If we follow Him as Lord, we are saved – not by anything we can do, but by the sovereign grace of God through the atoning work of our Savior. And now when God looks on us as His redeemed, He doesn’t see our sin, but instead He sees the righteousness, the merit, given to us through the blood of Jesus. Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

Worship Choir Kickoff

Come sing with us! Worship Choir rehearsals begin Wednesday, August 13 at 6:45 p.m.

Men’s Morning Prayer & Devotion

Men of all ages—including teenagers and younger boys, please join us Thursday, August 14, 6:00-7:00 a.m. in the Chapel for a time of prayer and devotion. Men meet on the second Thursday each month to pray for our church, our families, our community, our country, and the nations. A small devotional is also shared with the group. Coffee and donuts provided!

Kids Music & Missions

Begins Wednesday, September 3

Music and Missions classes meet on Wednesday evenings during the school year. Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 3. Preschool & Children’s Choirs for ages 3 (by 9/1) through 6th grade meet from 5:30-6:25 p.m. Mission classes meet from 6:30-7:15 p.m. Missions Friends is for ages 3-kindergarten; Girls in Action (GAs) is for 1st-6th grade girls; and Royal Ambassadors (RAs) is for 1st-6th grade boys. Our Music and Mission programs work to empower kids to be leaders within our church family by teaching them the fundamentals of worship through music and the meaning of God’s Word and inviting them to participate in God’s missional heart for the world. Enrollment is open – class sizes are limited, so enroll now!

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Titus2gether Women’s Mentoring

If you desire to see the women of South Tulsa encouraged and built-up in the faith, we invite you to get involved in Titus2gether. Mentoring trios consist of a mentor, mentee, and a prayer warrior. Trios are formed with prayerful consideration; however, existing mentoring partnerships are also welcome. The fall Titus2gether Women’s Mentoring Kickoff is on Sunday, August 24 from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the Music Suite. Learn more and sign up at southtulsa.org/events. Online registration ends August 18.

A Joyful Doxology

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

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, followed by ice cream in the Commons! Bring your favorite ice cream to share with the church family. Let’s make Hymns & Ice Cream a sweet evening to remember.



PROMISED - Concert

We are excited to welcome PROMISED in concert on Friday evening, August 22. Promised began in 2020 at Highland Colony Baptist Church in Ridgeland, Mississippi, when Jason Easley, Melissa Duncan, and Jennifer Leach got together around the piano to do a song for a virtual devotional during the COVID pandemic. Bring a guest and join us at 7:30 p.m. in the Worship Center.

Morning of Prayer

Join us for our morning of prayer on Saturday, August 16 at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel. We will pray for our schools, teachers, and students as a new school year begins.

Weaving Ministry

Do you have a couple of hours each week to weave mats for the homeless? The weaving ministry recycles plastic grocery bags into comfortable ground barriers, and it’s easy! No skills required. We meet on Thursdays from noon until 2:30-3:00 p.m. in room D269 above the Gym, and we take a break for fellowship and snacks. Contact Melba Witherby (mjwitherby@gmail.com) if you have questions.

Essentials of Effective Bible Teaching

You are invited to attend Essentials of Effective Bible Teaching on Wednesday, August 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Jeff Curtiss, our Sunday Bible Study Coordinator, who has over 38 years of experience teaching the Word of God, will be leading. We will discuss the basic framework of teaching and studying the Bible, and how to understand and apply God’s Word to daily life. If you have questions, please contact Jeff at sbs@southtulsa.org. Register at southtulsa.org/events.

Precept Bible Study

Daniel, Part 1

Beginning September 4, on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. in the Choir Room, join us for a study of Daniel. Threatened with death, Daniel stuck to his guns and refused to adopt a pagan lifestyle. His worldview placed God at the center, and he lived it out even under extreme pressure to change. Learn to adopt a biblical worldview and adhere to it even when it’s not the norm. Please register online; books are \$20 and may be picked up in the church office. Complete the first lesson before our first meeting.

Inside South Tulsa

Everyone is invited to attend a Wedding Shower for **Seth Spoo and Valarie Duncan** on Sunday, August 17 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the South Tulsa Commons. Please RSVP to Jennifer (918) 282-4297. The couple’s registry can be found at www.zola.com/wedding/valarieandseth.

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GIVING	
MFP Actual Receipts	\$361,841
Ministry Financial Plan	476,479
General Fund	92,916

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY	
Adults	488
Students	60
Children	91
Preschool	85
Unclassified	10
Total	734

THE MINISTRY CENTER	
Volunteers	32
People Helped	166
Showers	43
Hot Meals	150
<i>Needs: peanut butter and men’s clothing.</i>	

JENKS CAREPOINT	
Volunteers	58
People Helped	519
Students-School Supplies	232
<i>Needs: jeans, athletic shoes, children’s back to school clothing, lunch boxes, very gently used and new toys.</i>	

NEW MEMBERS	
James Glensky	<i>by letter</i>
Gwen Pierce	<i>by baptism</i>
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