

this week

Sunday, September 7
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study - All Ages
10:50 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Constitution & Bylaws Q&A
3:00 p.m. Student Choir Rehearsal
3:30 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal, Stephen Ministry Supervision Meeting
4:00 p.m. Committee on Committees Meeting, Student Handbells
4:20 p.m. Mixed Ensemble, Ladies Ensemble
5:00 p.m. Evening Worship, Kids Sunday Nights, Student Discipleship

Monday, September 8
9:00 a.m.-1:15 p.m. ESL Classes
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
1:30 p.m. Jubilee Belles Ladies Handbells
2:00 p.m. CEO Widows Ministry Leadership Mtg.
4:30 p.m. CEO Widows Food & Fellowship
6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Adult Handbells, Missions Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m. Conversation Cafe

Tuesday, September 9
9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
5:30 p.m. Momentum ABKA Karate
6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship

Wednesday, September 10
9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes
4:15 p.m. Kids Handbells, Kids Chimes
4:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
5:30 p.m. Preschool/Kid's Choirs, Highlights of OT
5:45 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer, Men's Galatians
6:00 p.m. Student Worship, Men's Bible Study, Ladies-What Ever Christian Ought to Know, College & Young Adults Group
6:30 p.m. Kids Missions - RA, GA, Mission Friends
6:45 p.m. Worship Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, September 11
6:00 a.m. Men's Prayer and Devotion
9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program
10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
12:00 p.m. Weaving Ministry
1:00 p.m. Precept-Daniel 1
6:00 p.m. Gideon's Meeting with Dinner

Friday, September 12
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program

Saturday, September 13
8:00 a.m. Gideon's Meeting

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WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER
September 10, 2025

Mini meatloaf, twice-baked potatoes, green beans, salad, rolls, dessert, and beverage.

Adults \$5.00, children (12 & under) \$3.50.

Please make your dinner reservations [online](#) by Tuesday at noon. Questions? Call the church office (918) 299-0904.



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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.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDIES - Join us for a Bible Study on Wednesday night! A group meets for Bible Study and Prayer in the Fellowship Hall at 5:45 p.m. A men's study of Galatians meets, 5:45-6:45 p.m., in the Conference Room. The Highlights of the Old Testament is from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in room C245 (above Fellowship Hall).

THE PARABLES OF JESUS - A master storyteller, Jesus crafted stories that were relatable while hiding the truth from those who didn't have ears to hear. Come discover the mysteries of the Kingdom as we study the 20+ parables of Jesus. What truths was Jesus revealing to some and concealing from others? How can we apply these timeless truths to our lives today? All are invited to join us for our new study at 9:40 a.m. on Sundays in the Pastor's Conference Room. Come check us out!

CEO WIDOWS MINISTRY FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP - **Monday, September 8, 4:30 p.m.** Caring for Each Other Widows Ministry invites all widows to dinner (Dutch treat). In September, it's at Jason's Deli on the NE corner of 61st and Memorial. Come fellowship with us.

SOUTH TULSA PHOTOGRAPHY TEAM - We are seeking individuals who enjoy taking photos to serve on our church photography team. If you would be interested in serving or learning more about serving on the team, please contact Kim Hayes at kim@southtulsa.org.

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



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8:30AM Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 72:18-19
Jeremiah Slaughter
Jehovah
Welcome Sean McKinney
Old Testament Reading Genesis 12:1-3
Prayer, Worship in Giving, Children's Offering
The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)
Greeting Time Michael Slaughter
Video Announcements Julie DeYoung
Scripture Reading Matthew 6:9-15
Georgia Redman
Message "On Earth as it is in Heaven"
Eric Costanzo
My Response *I Speak Jesus*
New Commitments - New Members
Blessing

10:50AM Worship

Baptism Jonah Tabor and Maitai Smith
Call to Worship Psalm 72:18-19 Marnie Copeland
Musical Praise *Sing and Be Not Silent*
The Lord's Prayer
I Sing the Mighty Power of God
Prayer and Welcome Sean McKinney
Old Testament Reading Genesis 12:1-3
Jehovah
Worship in Giving, Children's Offering
Offertory *Worthy of Worship*
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Grace, Grace, God’s Grace

Phillip White

I love the words and tune of the hymn *Grace Greater Than Our Sin* (Johnston, 1910). It has such a great cadence, and those that learned it as a child can probably hum its chorus in their head from memory:

*Grace, grace, God’s grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God’s grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin!*

When I think of God’s grace, my mind goes back to my salvation and how His grace covers me. While my own deeds would never be able to pay the price of my sin, Jesus’ redemptive power and His blood shed on the cross can and has paid for it. I’m reminded of Christ’s saving grace through the continuous process of sanctification, but now as my walk and relationship deepens, I’m also more aware of how His grace extends to my life in the small details as a child of God. *“Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness”* (Lamentations 3:22-23).

He shows grace to us every day, in every part of our lives. A common example for us Tulsans: “The traffic is terrible, I just want to get home. Isn’t this road supposed to be widened already?” You probably have a scenario that is similar to this that you’ve personally experienced. A layoff at work, missed job promotion, difficult neighbor, expensive grocery bill... in these instances, could it have been God’s grace that led you to that moment? What did He protect you from, or what is He teaching you because He loves you? I like the phrase “sometimes God doesn’t give us patience, but opportunities to be patient.” How is He refining you, not as a punishment, but because He is showing you unimaginable grace? We serve a good Father, and He wants the best for us.

I’ve stopped believing in coincidence the more I’m involved in ministry. While a fallen world will always breed tragedies and sin of every kind, our God’s grace is plentiful and freely given – even in the most unsuspecting ways.

Constitution & Bylaws Update

The Constitution and Bylaws Task Force, along with the Advisory Council, bring an updated version of our Constitution and Bylaws to the members of South Tulsa Baptist Church for approval. There will be two opportunities to ask questions. The first Q&A will be Sunday, September 7, at 12:15 p.m. in the Chapel, and the second is on September 14 at 4:00 p.m. in the Chapel. You may pick up a proposed draft of the document in the church office or view it online at southtulsa.org/const or in Church Resources on the app.

Financial Peace University

Sundays 4:00-6:00 p.m. Begins September 21 South Tulsa Conference Room
In this nine-week course, you’ll learn how to pay off debt, invest for the future, and give generously. Dave Ramsey has been teaching commonsense, biblical money principles for almost 30 years. And they work. The cost is \$80 per family. You will receive FPU materials and online resources. Space is limited. We’re encouraging couples to attend together. Childcare is available by registration. Register by 9/19, online at southtulsa.org/events.



Men’s Morning Prayer & Devotion

Men of all ages, please join us Thursday, September 11, 6:00-7:00 a.m. in the Chapel for a time of prayer, a short devotion, and coffee and donuts. Men meet on the second Thursday of each month to pray for our church, our families, our community, our country, and the nations. We hope you will plan to join us.

Missions Moment

Stephen & Lee Anne Griffin, Guatemala Casa Nueva Vida Breaks Ground!
The Casa Nueva Vida Restoration House, the Guatemalan ministry for homeless men with addiction, has officially broken ground! The first phase is the dormitory, which can house up to eight men who have undergone a formal rehabilitation program and professed their faith in Christ. Bedrooms, bathrooms and a small living/kitchen area are on the second floor, while three large vocational workshop areas are downstairs. If you are skilled in a trade, keep in mind that in the future, we will be looking for leaders who can pass along that skill to these men. We’d love for you to join us!



Congratulations to Oliver Mills who was baptized last Sunday, August 31.



Suicide Prevention and Family Safety

Join us next Sunday, September 14, for a luncheon seminar sponsored by our Stephen Ministry in the Fellowship Hall at 12:15 p.m. Learn about how to talk to someone who is thinking about suicide, the characteristics of our Veterans that put them at greater risk for suicide, resources in our area for mental health support, suicide from a Biblical perspective, and interventions we see in Scripture. Free gun locks will be available. Childcare is available for preschoolers (babies-K). Please bring a lunch for your preschooler. Register by 9/7 online at southtulsa.org/events.

CEO Widows Ministry

Autumn Joy

Fashion, Fellowship, and Food

The widows of South Tulsa are invited to gather on Saturday, September 20, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in Fellowship Hall for Autumn Joy! Enjoy a fashion show, wreath-making demonstration, and a chili/soup cook-off contest. Please RSVP by 9/15 at southtulsa.org/events, and let us know if you want to enter a pot of chili or soup in the contest.

Music Ministry

Bunco Night

The first Music Ministry Ladies Bunco Night of the season is Thursday, September 18, at 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Room! To attend, please sign up on the sheet at station one outside the Choir Room.

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GIVING

MFP Actual Receipts \$658,956
Ministry Financial Plan. 759,787
General Fund 104,155

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults 446
Students 63
Children 94
Preschool 74
Unclassified 10
Total 687

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers 35
People Helped 135
Showers 31
Hot Meals 102
Church Service 9
Needs: blankets, men’s and women’s new underwear.

JENKS CAREPOINT

Volunteers 45
People Helped 202
Needs: men’s and children’s jeans, sheets, blankets, towels.

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