

# this week

**Sunday, October 5** - ONE in Christ Jesus

9:15 a.m. Sunday Bible Study - All Ages  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
2:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Committee Meeting  
3:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Financial Peace, Student Handbells  
4:20 p.m. Mixed Ensemble, Ladies Ensemble  
5:00 p.m. Special Called Business Meeting/  
Church Vote, Evening Worship, Kids Sunday  
Nights, Student Movie Night

**Monday, October 6**

9:00 a.m.-1:15 p.m. ESL Classes  
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels  
6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Adult Handbells, Men's  
Ministry Game Night  
7:00 p.m. Conversation Cafe

**Tuesday, October 7**

9:00 a.m.-1:15 & 6:00 p.m. ESL Classes  
9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program  
11:15 a.m. Bridge Builders Luncheon  
5:30 p.m. Momentum ABKA Karate  
6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship

**Wednesday, October 8**

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 Every Christian Ought to Know,  
College & Young Adults Group, Worship Band  
6:30 p.m. Kids Missions - RA, GA, Mission Friends  
6:45 p.m. Worship Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

**Thursday, October 9**

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  
6:30 p.m. Music Ministry Ladies Night Out

**Friday, October 10**

9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program  
6:00 p.m. FIT Ladies Event  
7:00 College & Young Adults Bob Ross Night

**Saturday, October 11**

8:00 a.m. Gideon's Meeting  
11:00 a.m. Ruth's Open Door Class Fellowship

## WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER

October 8, 2025

*Mexican - build-your-own taco salad, rice,  
chips, queso, guacamole, dessert, 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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## more

**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](http://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.

**NEW CHURCH WIFI** - We are updating our Wifi Network for increased coverage, speed, and security. If you are normally connected, you'll need to get reconnected to our new network. You'll notice new networks named "GUEST@STBC" (our public Wifi), and "LEADERS@STBC" (our teacher Wifi). The passwords are the same as before. As a reminder, our public, GUEST@STBC Wifi password is stbc10310.

**OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH** - October is a time set aside to honor and give thanks for our pastor and his family, who give, care, and serve us and our community in remarkable ways. Let's demonstrate our love and appreciation for Eric and Rebecca with words of thanks and encouragement in the coming month. A basket is available at the Welcome Center for your notes, cards, or gift cards.

**SAVE THE DATE! MISSION LUNCH, OCTOBER 26** - Make plans to join us after church for a wonderful barbecue lunch. Donations will be accepted and will go to funding upcoming mission trips.



**OKLAHOMA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY** - Are you an OBU alumnus? Do you have a student or loved one at OBU (now or in the past)? Please let us know so we can share important information with you about an exciting opportunity. Just scan the QR or click [HERE](#).

*(For more information about upcoming events, please go to [southtulsa.org](http://southtulsa.org).)*



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## 10:30AM Worship

**Baptism** Gustavo Pinto

**Responsive Reading** Psalm 95:1-7a

Jesse Johnston

*10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)*

*The Solid Rock*

**Prayer** Phillip White

**Welcome** Kim Hayes

**Devotional Thought** Zack Hudson

**Musical Praise** *I Set My Hope on Jesus*

*Be Still, My Soul*

**Worship in Giving and Children's Offering**

**Offertory** *Then Sings My Soul*

Sean & Lara McKinney, Bob Baker

**Announcements** Kim Hayes

**Greeting Time**

**Message** "Four Prayers from Scripture"

Eric Costanzo

**1. David's Prayer of Praise -**

1 Chronicles 29:10-13

**2. The Prayer of Jehoshaphat -**

2 Chronicles 20:5-12

**3. The Prayer of Nehemiah -**

Nehemiah 6:9

**4. Jesus' Prayer for Unity -**

John 17:20-23

**My Response** *Your Name, He Hideth My Soul*

**New Commitments - New Members**

**Blessing** - *He Hideth My Soul*





# GO

Karen Pirtle

In RAs and GAs, we are learning about Hiram Bingham, the first missionary to the Hawaiian Islands in 1820. We have learned how he created a written language and then started schools to teach the people how to read and write in the Hawaiian language, all the while sharing the love of Christ. In 1824, the Hawaiian King, Kamehameha, traveled to England to meet the British King and died of measles. Bingham remembered Kamehameha saying he wanted five more years to himself, and then he would become a Christian. Having died before he ever met Christ, Bingham thought, “How clear it is that education and civilization without a firm belief in God’s Word will accomplish little or nothing for the lost.” It was then that he started translating the Bible into the Hawaiian language, and revival swept through the Hawaiian Islands.

As followers of Christ, we are all called to share our faith, but not everyone is called to “go,” and the call can look different now because the world looks different.

I visited our brother Johnny and his family in China and have watched how he ministered to the people group he was called to. When they could no longer stay and moved back to the US, I was again blessed to be part of a team to travel with him to where the diaspora people group is now. He ministered the same there as he did in their home country.

I have been part of the training that he helped develop and lead called WIN (Welcoming International Neighbors). Johnny now does all of this as a Mesa Global Missionary, while shepherding and supervising over 40 other missionaries who are spread out over the continent, engaging the least-reached peoples and places of North America with the Good News of Jesus. Mesa Global is one of our Mission Partners. Because the world is not like it used to be, and for the diaspora now living in our country who may never step into a church, many are called to “GO” to them. If you would like to support Johnny in this ministry, go [online](#) and choose the dropdown Mesa Global.

# Morning of Prayer

Join us in the Worship Center on Saturday, October 18 at 9:00 a.m. as we gather for our monthly Mornings of Prayer.

# Good News Sunday

October 12, 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.

We’re challenging our entire church family to pray for and invite family, friends, neighbors, and others who do not have a church home to join us for worship services that will be heavily focused on calling people to begin or return to a right relationship with Jesus Christ. Guests will be blessed by our welcoming atmosphere, our music, and a simple and clear gospel message with a call for response. Those who attend will see and hear from believers of all ages in our church, using their gifts to praise the Lord and sharing about the transformation the Lord has brought into their own lives. We’ll hear God’s Word in multiple languages and various ways. It will be an incredible day, and we are asking the Lord to move in powerful ways. Ask the Lord to lay on your heart the person or persons for whom you will pray daily and perhaps invite to join us on October 12. Pray that God will be glorified, that we will see hearts changed and lives restored on Good News Sunday!



# Deacon Nominations

Members of South Tulsa are asked to prayerfully submit names of those persons whom they feel should serve as deacons in 2026. Deacon nomination forms are available today at the Welcome Center and the tables in the Worship Center, or can be filled out [online](#). Completed forms are due October 12.



# Bridge Builders Luncheon

Plan now to attend our next Bridge Builders Luncheon, “Moments to Remember” on Tuesday, October 7. Lunch begins at 11:15 a.m. The music will be wonderful with Michael Ware leading, and you will enjoy hearing testimonies from five special ladies. Make your reservations at [southtulsa.org/events](#).

# Men’s Morning Prayer and Devotion

Men of all ages, please join us Thursday, October 9, 6:00-7:00 a.m. in the Chapel. We meet on the second Thursday of the month to pray together and a small devotional is also shared with the group. Coffee and donuts provided!



# Constitution & Bylaws Vote Tonight

The Constitution and Bylaws Task Force, along with the Advisory Council, bring for approval an updated version of our Constitution and Bylaws to the members of South Tulsa Baptist Church. Members, please plan to attend a “special called business meeting” for a short presentation and vote tonight, October 5, during our 5:00 p.m. service in the Worship Center. 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.

College & Young Adults

# Bob Ross Night

Take a break from your routine and join us for Bob Ross Painting Night on Friday, October 10! Open to college students and young adults, this event is the perfect chance to unwind, have fun, and paint along with easy, step-by-step instructions inspired by the legendary Bob Ross. No painting experience is needed! The cost is only \$10 and includes all supplies, but you must sign up by October 8 – RSVP on GroupMe. Let’s paint some happy little trees and make some happy little memories!

New Sunday Bible Study Group

# Young Professionals

Begins Sunday, October 12 | 9:40 a.m.

Join us each Sunday in Room C242 for a brand-new Bible study class designed specifically for young professionals. This is a great opportunity to connect with other young professionals, grow deeper in God’s Word, and be encouraged for the week ahead. We’d love for you to be part of this new beginning!

# Love and Gratitude

Thank you church family for your kind and thoughtful expressions of sympathy at the passing of my brother, Jimmy Lehew. All, especially your prayers, were greatly appreciated.  
~ Judy Miles

# last week

## GIVING

MFP Actual Receipts . . . . . \$1,011,869  
Ministry Financial Plan . . . . . 1,100,974  
General Fund . . . . . 79,159

## SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults . . . . . 60  
Students . . . . . 72  
Children . . . . . 94  
Preschool . . . . . 76  
Unclassified . . . . . 10  
Total . . . . . 712

## THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers . . . . . 36  
People Helped . . . . . 160  
Showers . . . . . 43  
Hot Meals . . . . . 125  
Church Service . . . . . 14  
*Needs: blankets and towels.*

## JENKS CAREPOINT

Volunteers . . . . . 57  
People Helped . . . . . 402  
*Needs: men’s and children’s jeans, blankets, men’s new underwear S/M/L.*

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

James & Ellen Watson . . . . . *by statement*

## MINISTRY STAFF

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