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Sunday Worship

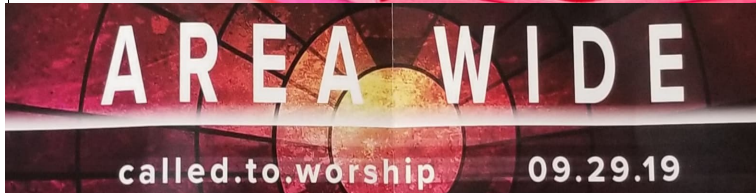
Worship / 10:30 AM

Devotional / 5:00 PM



LAST DAY FOR CLOTHES FOR GLENPOOL SCHOOLS

Clothes Needed: Adult sizes S, M, and L. Sweatshirts and sweatpants and leggings for girls. Neutral colors are fine.



Area Wide Singing

9/29: Broken Arrow is hosting an area wide signing night @6PM. Tom Hallsted twill drive the bus for anyone wanting to go. We will leave directly after the devo.



SENIOR SAINTS

Senior Saints next meeting is Tuesday, October 1st at 9:00AM in the Fellowship Hall. See Larry Killebrew for more details.



YOUTH UPDATES

10/4: The Hallsted's will be hosting Game Night for the 6th-12th grade Friday from 6-8PM

10/6: The Whittlesey's will host a devo for the youth Sunday evening. More details to follow.



LADIES MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY

When: Tuesday, October 15th at 10am

What: Continuing with Biblical friendships, Lesson 4

More: Salad luncheon to follow.



LEADERSHIP MEETING

Our next quarterly Leadership Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 20th at 3:00 PM.

Welcome
Guests

We are so happy to have you join us today! Please fill out a guest card and put into collection plate so we can have a record of your attendance. We have a cry room available if needed and an attended nursery for pre-school children and younger. One of our greeters would be happy to direct you.

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Classes for All Ages

Sunday / 9:30 AM

Sunday / 5:20 PM

Wednesday / 7:00 PM

THOUGHTS FROM BEN

The story of the Exodus is one of salvation, God's people being led into freedom out of Egyptian slavery. The stories which follow however are not as upbeat. Once Israel leaves Egypt, they are faced with the questions of not only "where" are they now but also "who" are they now. The people who had been slaves in Egypt were now freemen in a wilderness wasteland. Before they could form a nation, they had to learn what it meant to be God's people. I believe there is a reason God leads Israel about in the wilderness for so many years. A people who try to form a nation and establish new norms for behavior without understanding its own identity will quickly regret it. While no one enjoys wondering in the wilderness, sometimes a little uncomfortable chaos is necessary to help us understand what is supposed to come next. The same is true for every congregation.

In the wilderness, we learn to tell our story. Immediately on the other side of the Red Sea, Moses and Miriam began teaching the people a song which retold their exodus out of Egypt (Exodus 15). It was essential for them to understand what had just happened and be prepared to retell that story for future generations. Likewise, a church needs to appreciate its history, its story. Where have we come from? How did we get here? Who made this possible? When we learn to tell the story of God at work in our lives, we will be prepared for what God will do next.

In the wilderness, we learn to depend on God. In a desert, you lose all illusions of being able to provide for yourself. When water is given to you from rocks, you realize that you are totally dependent on God (Exodus 17). This is the same moral Paul gave to the Corinthians. "So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth" (1 Corinthians 3:7). Our church must also learn that the God who provided for our past will provide for our future.

In the wilderness, we learn to fail before we succeed. Most of the wilderness stories are sad: Miriam's leprosy (Numbers 12), Nadab and Abihu's death (Leviticus 10), Korah's rebellion (Numbers 16). It turns out we humans are stubborn folk, and it takes us a few attempts to really get on board with God's will. The wilderness is a time for failure, but also a time to learn from those failures. "Know, therefore, that the Lord your God is not giving you this good land to possess because of your righteousness, for you are a stubborn people. Remember and do not forget how you provoked the Lord your God to wrath in the wilderness (Deuteronomy 9:6-7a)." But the learning precedes the success God has in store, and God gives us opportunities to learn from our mistakes.

What awaits beyond the wilderness? If we take our time through difficult seasons, if we learn our story and tell it often, if we learn to depend on God, and if we learn from our mistakes, the promised future is prepared and worth all the wilderness waiting. "Hear, O Israel: you are to cross over the Jordan today, to go in to dispossess nations greater and mightier than you ... Know therefore today that he who goes over before you as a consuming fire is the Lord your God" (Deuteronomy 9:1-3).

ELDERS

Todd Khoury

Bill Path

Devon Prescott

Keith Riggs

David Tenison

MINISTERS

Benjamin Williams, Pulpit

Bill Hamrick, Prison

Thomas Hallsted, Youth Director

DEACONS

James Hamilton, Worship

Jeff Harris, Technology Utilization

Larry Killebrew, Senior Saints

Johnny Riggs, Member Services

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Get Involved

Find a program or area of service below and ask how you can help.

CLASSES & MINISTRIES

Nursing Home Devotions—Every 3rd Sunday at 3:30PM,

Bruce Rothell

Ladies Midweek Bible Study, Rebecca Harris & Earline Lierly,

3rd Wednesday @ 10AM

Ladies Outreach, BJ Neal & Carolyn Prescott

Young Families, Zac Tenison

Dinner every 3rd Sunday

Prison Ministry, Bill & Lenora Hamrick,

Thursday @ 10AM in the Fellowship Hall

ROCK OSUIT Campus Ministry, Bobby Hill & Michelle Canan,

Mondays @ 6PM

Mark 10 Ministry, Selene Williams & Debbie Whitchurch

Wednesday Nights: Bible Class @ 7PM

Sunday Nights: Devotional at 5PM

MEMBER REQUESTS—WORK ORDERS

If you have a request or concern, please pickup a Member Request/Order Form, fill it out, & drop it in the Office Box (located right outside the office door).

SERVING

TEACHERS & SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

Reminder that if you will be absent, please arrange a fill-in for your class or service rotation or let your deacon or co-ordinator know.

- Edwin Whittlesey, Deacon of Education:
- James Hamilton, Deacon of Worship
- Debbie Whitchurch, Children's Coordinator

**Volunteers
needed!**

- We are in need of volunteers to teach bible class for the K-2nd grades next quarter. If you would like to help, please see Debbie Whitchurch

NEW HIRE ANNOUNCEMENT

- Please join us in welcoming Jessica Khoury as the new Church Secretary!

Dennis Robinson, Inventory

Bruce Rothell, Missions & Evangelism

Richard Senn, Grounds

Zac Tenison, Young Families

Steven Wetzel, Fellowship

Edwin Whittlesey, Education

CHILDREN'S COORDINATOR

Debbie Whitchurch

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Jessica Khoury

IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

- Robbie Paulson had to have a toe amputated, she & Devon may need help in the near future.
- Todd Khoury's brother, Chad Elliott, suffered a major heart attack Monday afternoon. He had a stint placed and is now at home recovering.
- Cheryl Williamson, a friend of the Rothell's, has been diagnosed with cancer and is asking for prayers as she begins treatment.
- Linda Yost fell and is in great pain. She is hoping the medication will help.
- Mary Reeve is recovering at home from surgery earlier this month.
- Bill Hamrick is still recovering and is beginning to regain his strength. Cards are welcomed: Senior Suites 3501 West Washington St. S. Broken Arrow, OK 74012. Please check with Lenora before visiting.
- Gracie Nevarette, Kaci Martinez's sisters niece, is at home on hospice. Continued prayers are needed.
- Jesse Hickman had a successful surgery and is at home recovering.
- Diana Hickman's surgery was successful and she is now at home recovering.

Long Term Prayers Needed: Eric Vaughan (heart); Kathy Henry (breast cancer), Ruth Henry, Bob Howard (lungs), Stephanie White (pain), Alan Trimble (ALS), Barbara Vaughan, Billie English (cancer), Jackson Horvath (deformed heart), Debbie Boyer (multiple myeloma), Bailey Dodson (inoperable brain tumor), David Cashon (Pulmonary Fibrosis & lymphoma), Ralph Causby (Alzheimer), Christy Henry (Hodgkin's lymphoma), Gracie Navarette (tumor), Bob Burrus (heart valve and cancer treatment), Joshlyn Krosse (migraine & diabetes), Charlie Kymes (vocal cord cancer), Mary Watson, Melvin Spencer (multiple myeloma), Jack & Karen Myrick, Barry Haynie (liver cancer), Yolanda Bracy (pancreatic cancer),

Service Men and Women: Meagan Russell; Cory Caldwell; Lee Caldwell, Tyler Whitchurch

BY THE NUMBERS

Last Week's Contribution

\$3156

Contribution thru August

\$194,609

\$189,176

Budget thru August (34 weeks)

\$5,564 Weekly 2019 Budget

ONLINE GIVING

Members can setup donations online.

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AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 9/29:

- No 5th Sunday Fellowship Meal
- Area Wide Singing @ BA, 6PM

Monday, 9/30: OSUIT Campus, 6PM

Tuesday, 10/1: Senior Saints, 9AM

Wednesday, 10/2: Devo, 7PM

Thursday, 10/3: Prison Ministry, 10AM

Friday, 10/4: Teen Game Night @ The Hallsted's
6-8PM

Sunday, 10/6: Youth Devo @ The Whittlesey's

Monday, 10/7: OSUIT Campus, 6PM

Wednesday, 10/9: Devo, 7PM

Thursday, 10/10: Prison Ministry, 10AM

BIRTH-DAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Kay Robinson, 9/29

Ryan Edwards 10/1

Mary Watson 10/1

Rosalie O'Neal 10/2

Jennifer Wadkins 10/3

Anita Exendine 10/5

Tonya & Tony Davidson 10/6

Jason & Drew Tenison 10/6

Nicholas & Stephanie White 10/7

Marisa Wadkins 10/7

Larry Killebrew 10/7

Edmond Collett 10/7