

SERMON NOTES



- God demands _____
Exodus 20:3
Joshua 24:14-15
1 Kings 18:21
Matthew 6:24

• Peter walking on the water (Matthew 14:22-33)

- We live in the tension between _____ and _____ (vs. 31)
- Peter quit _____ at Jesus (vs. 30)

• Three Lessons

1. Faith takes _____
2. Jesus will not _____
3. Jesus will _____

- Matthew 6:33 - What _____ you from doing this?

FAMILY UPDATES

Members with health issues: LaFerne Caldwell, Charlotte Cook, Kathleen Corns, Ernest Dean, Harlon and Maerene Hawkins, Kathleen Holt, Alys-sa Layman, Cristin Martin, Sherry Meadors, Fran Olden, Glenna Pickel, Michael Robison, Cathy Sharpe, Ann Thurman.

Congratulations

To **Diana Walker** on the birth of her daughter, Lorenza, on January 10th. She weighed 6lbs, 14oz.

Prayer Requests

- Ernest and Wanda Dean:** our son, Ray, will be having a total knee replacement on Jan 15 and Dean will be having a fusion surgery on his knee on Jan 16. Wanda will be caring for both Ernest and Ray.
- Gussie Pitts:** wants prayers for her to make better decisions financially and spiritual-ly. Pray for the great grandchildren I have in my presence and possibly guardianship.
- Ann Thurman:** had emergency bypass surgery at St. John's hospital.

Praise

Gussie Pitts: pray for the great grandchildren in my care and I were truly blessed during the holidays. They needed so many things and the Lord answered our prayers. Thank God for those who provided for us.

Directory Updates

Susan Spears: 5154 E 30th Place, Tulsa OK 74114

Thank You

Thank you so much for ministering to our family thru the past few months of Steve's life and during the funeral. Denise Starr & The Steven Starr Family

Please Continue to Pray for Our Missionaries:

Lopez Family —Bogota, Colombia
Austin Family—Phoenix, Arizona
Saint-Amour Family—Milot, Haiti
Pabillon Family—Talisay, Philippines

Welcome Visitors



You are our honored guests. Please complete a visitor's sheet, located inside the Connection Books that will be passed during our worship service. We would also love to meet you at our Information Desk in the foyer where we can answer any questions you might have. Nursery facilities are available in the east wing of our building, and a cry room/training room with private nursing area is located in the back of the auditorium.

TODAY >

January 14, 2018

NEW SECURITY SYSTEM

If you have a key to the church building you **MUST** see **Tom Schellhorn** for a code. Our new system is monitored 24 hours a day. If you accidentally set off alarm you will need to call **Chuck Clayton, Chris Clayton** and Office (if staff is in), so that the police are not dispatched. Be alert and take extra steps to make sure we do not set alarm, while others are still in the building.

COMBINED LifeGroups

Starting January 28, on the 4th Sunday of each month, all Life Groups will meet at the building at 5:00pm. We will start with a period of singing and prayer, then move on to study time, in which we will be discussing questions related to the topic of that morning's sermon. **All members and visitors are welcome and encouraged to attend.** Nursery Services provided.

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MINISTRY UPDATES



Children's:

Bible Hour — available for 2&3-year olds and 4,5,&6-year olds in our east wing. Children will be dismissed prior to the sermon.
Bible Basics — offered to students in grades 2-6 on 1st & 2nd Sundays of each month. Room 128. Dismissed prior to the sermon.
Today's Volunteers — Nursery: **Robin A. Tomi Sue B.**
 2&3s Bible Hour: **Molly C. and Ashton B.**
 4&5s Bible Hour: **Misti B., Jaiden B., and Jordan W.**
Bible Basics (2nd-6th grade): will meet Jan 7 & Jan 14.
Sermon Notes for Kids: an interactive sheet for kids to use during the sermon can be found in the Connection Books at the end of the pew.



Food Pantry:

You may make a donation by using the 'Food Pantry' envelopes in the back of the pew and placing them in the contribution plate. Or you can donate online from our website and specify your donation is to go to the Food Pantry. We need **PAPER SACKS**. We use at least 60 bags a week.



Singles:

Monthly Activity — February, 10, 4pm in Room 123.



Small Groups:

Group Bible Study — Led by **Keenan Meadors**. Sundays at 4pm at the church building.
Life Groups — Connect / Grow / Serve. Contact an elder, a minister, or **Chris Clayton** to join a group. On the 4th Sunday of each month, all life groups will meet at the building at 5:00pm. **All members and visitors are welcome and encouraged to attend.**
Monday Night for the Master — Mondays 3:30-5:30pm. Room 122. Write cards and pray for petitions for prayers.



Security:

Class ~ Louis R. Worship ~ Owen R. and Gene A.



Women's:

Women's Bible Study — Walking In the Light Daily. Thursdays at 9:30am in Room 122.
Women's Exercise Group — Meets Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:00am in the Activity Center.



Miscellaneous:

Clothing Closet: Needs men's winter clothing. Please bring donations to the gym to the box located in the northwest corner. Charitable donation form available if you see **Patsy Hunter** or **Phyllis Russell**.
Wednesday Night Devotionals: Men, please sign up in the foyer.
Save the Date: Golden Agers Banquet, February 24 at 12:00pm. For those 60+.
Service Opportunity: Anyone wishing to help with decorating for the banquet, there will be a meeting January 17 at 6:15 in Room 123. See **Allison Babitzke** for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January and February

1/21	LTC practice begins
1/28	Life groups worship at the church building at 5pm. All members are welcome to join us.
2/4	Souper Bowl Potluck lunch, immediately following services.

BIRTHDAYS

Upcoming:

1/14	Nancy Geary
1/15	Letha Morris
1/16	Jenny Fraser
1/19	Cheala Green
1/21	Kay Imhoff, Dana Brooks, Dean Still, and James Henderson



Leadership Training for Christ: January 21.

12:00-12:45	Chorus	High School Room
1:00-1:45	Puppets	Rm. 103
1:00-1:45	Song Leading	High School Room
1:50-2:35	Bible Bowl	Rm. 123
2:40-4:00	VB Drama	Youth Room

Student Movement (6th - 12th Grade)

Devotional: Jan 21 at Crosstown from 4pm-5:30pm. After devo you and your family are welcome to meet at Zaxby's (1717 S Yale) and enjoy a meal together.
Service Project: Jan 27 at Crosstown 10:00am. Making cookies and cards for nursing home residents. We plan to deliver cookies and cards and wrap up by 3pm.
Middle/High School Girls: movie night, Feb 3 at 6:00pm at Michelle Clayton's house (840 N Columbia Ave). Let Michelle or Mary Parker know if you are coming and bring a snack or finger food to share.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Sunday
 Bible Class 9:15 am
 Worship 10:15 am
Wednesday
 Bible Class 7:00 pm

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WHERE YOU WILL FIND

- Info on events & ministries
- Our roster of elders & staff
- Sermon audio & other resources

CHURCH INFORMATION

3400 East Admiral Place
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CHURCH STATS

Sunday, January 7

Bible Class Total	116
Worship Total	215
Weekly Budget	\$9,100
Contribution	\$9925
Contribution YTD	\$9300
Difference	\$625

Wednesday, January 10

Bible Class Total	86
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AMONG FRIENDS with Robert

It's one of those verses that we all know so well that we don't even pause to read the entire passage:

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." (Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV) (I bet some of you didn't even read the verse, you just glossed over it. If you glossed over it, go back and really read it, word for word. ...I'll wait...)

The writer of Proverbs is reminding us or 'telling us' to trust in God with every ounce of our being. Jesus said pretty much the same thing when he was asked about the Greatest Commandment. He said: *Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.* (Mark 12:30 NIV)

Jesus says, love the Lord with, again, every ounce of your being. Then the writer of Proverbs, continues by saying, 'and don't put any trust in yourself or your understanding!' In other words; every day, every breath, in every heartbeat of your world, in those situations you understand and in those situations where you are dumbfounded, 'Trust God and not yourself!' He then presses the point, and says, 'in all your ways submit to God!'

So, let's recap this well-worn and familiar verse: *Trust in God in everything. Don't trust our understanding. Submit to Him.* If we live by those three simple tasks, He will make our path straight. He will clear away the rubble, He will dig up the stumbling blocks, and He will remove the curves! He will provide understanding as we trust whole-heartedly in Him.

What's my point? Today we'll have completed our first two weeks of 2018! It's usually around this time into the journey of a new year that we may start getting anxious. Maybe impatient or even frustrated or discouraged about how things are going. It's in these very days and weeks to come that we must pull out our well-worn verse, and read it one more time, fresh and anew: *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."* (Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV)

Friends, whatever may come in 2018, let's choose to lean hard on God. Life happens...financial troubles, emotional, family dynamics and there are many others. Let's trust that God's got things under control, and our task is to simply keep walking down the path He's straightened out before us.

-- Your friend,
Robert

Sunday, February 4th
Immediately following services.



Join us on the day of "The Big Game" for a fun time of food and fellowship. Please bring food according to the first letter of your last name. A-E: Salad ~ F-L: Bread & Dessert ~ M-R: Soup ~ S-Z: Soup.

~Set Up/Clean Up Responsibility: (Auditorium Bible Class & Leadership)
 Please bring enough to feed two times the number in your family attending.