

## SERMON NOTES

**BELIEVE**  
THINK. ACT. BE LIKE JESUS.  
**2018**

### “Love Matters”

#### 1. Love has a \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 John 4:11-12
- Galatians 5:19-23

#### 2. Love has a \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

#### 3. Love has \_\_\_\_\_

- John 18:22-23

#### 4. Love has a \_\_\_\_\_

- John 13:34-35

## FAMILY UPDATES

**Members with health issues:** Larry Addington, LaFerne Caldwell, Charlotte Cook, Kathleen Corns, Ernest Dean, Melva Foreman, Harlon Hawkins, Denise Henderson, Kathleen Holt, Alyssa Layman, Cristin Martin, Sue Martin, Sherry Meadors, Letha Morris, Fran Olden, Glenna Pickel, Joanie Roberts, Michael Robison, Willie Rose, Paul Schellhorn, Cathy Sharpe, Ann Thurman, Terry West.

### Responses

**Keenan Meadors:** asking for God to help him reach many students and administrators that he will be working with this school year with the Gospel.

### Prayer Requests

**Larry Addington:** recovering from back surgery.  
**Shirley Buchanan:** rehab and other complications from hip surgery.  
**Alma Davis:** recovering from pneumonia.  
**Michele Kidd:** broken arm.  
**Letha Morris:** is home.  
**Glenna Pickel:** at Rolling Hills Care Center in Catoosa, Room A3.  
**Terry West:** is home; pray ongoing rehab.

### Prayer Requests for Friends and Family

**Tom Conklin:** father; health; heart  
**Shirley & Lynn Hoppes:** granddaughter, Ember Rapp, surgery expected mid August, still working on bottle feeding.  
**Julie Kamalakis:** husband, Jason Kamalakis, treatment for scarring on the back of his eye.

### Prayer Requests from Food Pantry Guests

**Tina:** for family; her daughter is in DHS custody; **Maryann:** daughter, Cleo Newberry, lost custody of her two sons; **Carl and Samuel.**

### Prayers from Our Missionaries

**Wayne Pabillon:** Praise for Let Starting Talking Program that came and worked. Prayers that they will have successful follow up with those who came and participated.  
**David Lopez:** Pray for the future leaders of the Church, our health to stay strong to keep doing our work, and for our future plans in missions and for our families.

### Sympathy

Our hearts and prayers go out to the **Dwight Scott** Family on his passing on August 15 from lung cancer.

### Invitations

**Hope Harbor Open House, Silent Auction, and Annual Fish Fry:** September 29 from 10:30am-12:30pm at 15025 E 380 Road, Claremore, OK 74017 and  
**Hearts for Hope Gala:** November 3, 2018. RSVP @ [www.hopeharborinc.org](http://www.hopeharborinc.org)  
**Owasso School of Biblical Studies:** Fall Semester September 1-December 15. There is no tuition for these classes, but there might be resources suggested for a course which the student can purchase. See the bulletin board for more information.  
**One Voice ~ OKC Area-Wide Worship:** Sept 30 from 6-8pm in Hardeman Auditorium, inside the Garvey Center at OC University. Dessert and fellowship follow.

### Directory Updates

**Julie and Jason Kamalakis:** moved to a new apartment, 8109 E 93rd St, Apt 1807, Tulsa OK 74133

TODAY >

**August 19 2018**



### A Prayer for Our Students, Teachers, and Families

Lord, thank you for the unique gifts of every child as they transition into a new school year. Fill each student with fresh enthusiasm and a heart that is excited to learn and grow. Cover them with your enduring love, give them confidence and grace, and equip them with the strength. Bless their teachers with wisdom, understanding, and a heart to serve. Bless the families, students and teachers they embark on this journey together! Amen!



In the last 6 months we have served over 10 tons of food through the food pantry and the average cost has been \$.49 a pound. How far will your dollar go at the grocery store? Can you buy meat for \$.49 a pound? What about fresh produce? Please consider giving \$10 or \$20 a week to support the Food Pantry here at Crosstown. Your dollar will go much further by giving, so we can buy food through Food Bank.

We spend about \$1,000 a month to supply food for 165 people, of all ages including veterans. Praise God for all the hearts that have been touched by this ministry, both members who work and those who are served. To give monetarily, please use the envelopes in the pews and place in the contribution plate or give to Phyllis Russell or an Elder.



**AMONG FRIENDS with Robert**

It seems like it was yesterday when you could hear the last school bell ring letting you know that summer had officially begun. You trade in your backpacks full of books for suitcases full of swimsuits and sunglasses. The sun's been out and the weather has been hot, even if it was for a short while this summer. Church Camp, VBS, and summer vacations have come and gone. But we've reached that time of the year when many if not most of the students in the area have already started the new school year. Boy, summers seem to get shorter each year.

Moms and dads may be done with school, but the thought of sending a child off to their first day of elementary, middle school, high school, or even college can be very frightening. Schools today are a battleground of sins and temptations. Will they remember everything we've taught them about friends, relationships, drinking, etc.?

**Message to the kids/teens:** This is a new year. A time to start fresh and start over. It's easy to get sucked into all the temptations that can be found on a college or high school campus. Satan is prowling like a lion ready to devour you (1 Peter 5:8). But remember who you are. Remember that you wear the name of Christ proudly. Paul wrote in 1 Cor. 11:1 to "imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ." Remember that our attitude and our personality should always imitate Christ's attitude. There will be times where it will be hard to do the right thing and you'll find yourselves between a rock and a hard place, but just remember "if God is for us, who can be against us?" (Rom. 8:31). Remember that you have a family of Christians that are here for you whenever you need them. Don't be afraid to admit you need help.

**Message to the parents:** It's impossible to know everything that goes on while your child is at school. But the best thing you can do is give them a daily reminder of the Lord they serve. Pray with your children each morning before school. Read scriptures with them about temptations and how to overcome them. Write a scripture on a piece of paper or a napkin and put it in their lunch. If their mind is constantly on the Lord, guess who will be on their mind when a problem arises.

**Message to the congregation:** It is not just the parent's responsibility to raise these children in the "training and admonition of the Lord" (Eph. 6:4). As a flock of God's people we are to look after each other. We are to all set an example in "word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity." (1 Tim. 4:12) Let us all take the responsibility to make sure that everyone continues to grow spiritually. It takes a village to raise a child. Whether you want to admit it or not, every child in this congregation is your own. Remember what it was like to be young? Do whatever you can to help these students succeed.

-- Robert --



**~Wednesday Summer Series  
Speaker for August 22  
Grant Sullivan  
Pulpit Minister at North Heights  
Bixby Church of Christ**

**"Reset: Being a Blessing"**



**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 the 1st & 2nd Sundays of each month. Rm. 128. Dismissed prior to the sermon.  
**Today's Volunteers** — Nursery: **Alice R. and Dean S.**  
 2&3s Bible Hour: **Molly C., Haley B., and Megan P.**  
 4&5s Bible Hour: **Maggie P., Camden P., and Ashton B.**  
**Sermon Notes for Kids:** a sheet for kids to use during the sermon is provided in the Connection Books on the pew.



**Food Pantry:**

**Suggested Items:** Peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, bath tissue, powder laundry soap, shampoo, and conditioner. To give monetarily, please use the envelopes in the pews and place in the contribution plate.



**Small Groups:**

**Group Bible Study** — Led by **Keenan Meadors**. Sundays at 4pm (Except 4th Sunday) 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.  
**Monday Night for the Master** — will meet @ 3pm-6:30pm on August 27 and Sept 10 in room 123.



**Security:**

**Class ~ Louis R. Worship ~ Lowell P. and Louis R.**



**Women's:**

**Women's Bible Study** — Walking In the Light Daily. Thursdays at 9:30am in room 123.  
**Women's Exercise Group** — Meets Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:00am in the Activity Center.

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**Miscellaneous:**

**GLAM Mentors: Meeting:** Sept 9 immediately following services in Room 123 for all assigned female mentors and other women who like to be apart of this teen lead ministry. Seeking host homes and adult sponsors for events and devotionals planned by our teen girls. See **Megan Prater** for more details.  
**Men's Softball:** Organizing a Crosstown league. See **Merle Imhoff** for more information or sign up on the sheet available in the foyer.  
**New Service Opportunity:** Mondays at 6pm. Join us to make short visits to Crosstown guests and to friends, relatives, and neighbors of Crosstown members. These visits are an opportunity to bring encouragement, to pray with them, and to invite them to services and activities. For more information, see **James or Kristy Snider**.  
**Service Project:** Baskets for Hope Harbor auction. Bible Class Room 213 is putting together a garden themed basket and Bible Class Room 123 is putting together a barbeque themed basket. Please bring items that fit that theme to the classroom listed above by September 9. Completed baskets need to be delivered before Sept. 15 to Hope Harbor.  
**Children's Education Classes:** need a Sunday am Elementary Teacher; Wednesday night Toddler Assistant or Nursery Assistant. See **Misti Babitzke** if you can serve in this ministry.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 9/2 New Bible Classes: Fall Quarter Begins
- 9/29 Hope Harbor Annual Fish Fry
- 9/9 GLAM Mentor Meeting
- 9/22 All Church Cook Out : Save the date. More details soon.
- 10/28 Fall Festival
- 10/30 Elders, Deacons, and Ministry Leaders Meeting

**BIRTHDAYS**

- 8/21 Brandon Babitzke, Randy Rampey, Brandy Schultz, & Donna Washington
- 8/22 Joan Crawford , Janie Krcik, & Tom Roberts
- 8/23 Meri-Sue Bachlor, Lynette Banks, & Mark Haney
- 8/24 Jack Fraser
- 8/25 LaFerne Caldwell
- 8/26 Dana Jiles

**Student Movement (6th - 12th Grade)**

**Tulsa Area-Wide Kick Off:** August 26 at Sky Ranch. Van leaves at 1:20pm and returns at 8:30pm. Bring sunscreen, towels, and swimsuits. Cost is \$15.  
**BLT (Boys Leadership Training):** September 7 at the Flying Tee.  
**Climb Tulsa:** September 15, event time TBD, but will be afternoon, cost \$15.  
**Devotional:** September 23 from 6pm-7pm.  
**GLAM (Girls Leading and Mentoring)** Sept 29 at Vogue Wood Paint Studio.  
**Parents and Sponsors:** All youth events need a female and a male sponsor. A calendar is provided on the foyer table to sign up to be a sponsor for all upcoming activities.  
**Youth Calendar:** View online and sync to your phone calendar. Go to [www.crosstownfamily.org](http://www.crosstownfamily.org); from menu bar select Student Movement, then from sub menu, select Current Announcements, then click the + symbol at the bottom of calendar to sync to your phone calendar.

**MEETING SCHEDULE**

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

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 > [www.crosstownfamily.org/donate](http://www.crosstownfamily.org/donate)

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

**CHURCH INFORMATION**

3400 East Admiral Place  
 Tulsa, OK 74115-8227  
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**CHURCH STATS**

**Sunday, August 12**

Bible Class Total	137
Worship Total	195
Weekly Budget	\$9,300
Contribution	\$7,651
Contribution YTD	\$283,075
Budget YTD	\$297,600
Difference	(\$14,525)

**Wednesday, August 15**

Bible Class	98
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