

SERMON NOTES



I. The Story

- A. Jesus needed some _____ time
- B. _____ the Sea of Galilee
- C. They became _____ and _____
- D. The _____ and _____ of our boat
- E. _____ your faith is _____
- F. Don't spend your _____ in the boat and to die with _____

FAMILY UPDATES

Members with health issues: Ray & Maggie Binkley, LaFerne Caldwell, Kathleen Corns, Ernest Dean, Melva Foreman, Kathleen Holt, Michele Kidd, Cristin Martin, Sue Martin, Sherry Meadors, Letha Morris, Glenna Pickel, Michael Robison, Willie Rose, Paul Schellhorn, Cathy Sharpe, Wesley & Ann Thurman, Pat Wells, Terry West.

Placing Membership

Judith Stephens
203 S Toledo Ave
Tulsa, OK 74112

Prayer Requests

Beckie Null: In preparation for next surgery, will need to heal without full eyesight for six months.

Wesley Thurman: injured knee.

Marie Wilson: at Post Acute Medical, 10020 E 91st St, Room 2009, Tulsa OK 74133 for physical therapy. No visitors please.

Prayer Requests for Friends and Family

Scott and Kenna Fields: friend, Wanda Wiley, cancer treatments.

Shirley & Lynn Hoppes: granddaughter, Ember Rapp, has RSV so transfer held off till baby is better. Nurse found an alternative way to feed her that might allow the parents to care for their baby long term at home.

Julie Kamalakis: husband, Jason Kamalakis, treatment for scarring on eye.
Jerry Wiley (regular attender): asks for prayers for Shirley Frylander for healing after surgery.

Sonja (pantry guest): husband, Ed, has congestive heart failure and needs surgery.

Sympathy

Our hearts and prayers go out to **Julie Kamalakis and Christian Miguez** in the loss of her father and his grandfather. The funeral will be October 29 in Wales and they will not be able to travel for it.

Invitations

Baby Shower: honoring Kristina Reinschmidt (**Julie Wade's** daughter) **TO-DAY** at Timberbrook Clubhouse, 6100 S 221 E Ave, BA, OK 74014. Registered at Target and Amazon. Please RSVP to Farrah at 918-557-7818.

Revival & Gospel Meeting 2018: October 20-24 at North Sheridan Church of Christ. Guest Evangelist, William "Bill" E. Green of Alplin, Arkansas. See Bulletin Board for more information.

Lectureship at 10th & Rockford Church of Christ: "Why I Believe" Oct. 26 & 27, 6:30pm. Speaker on 10/26: David Deffenbaugh; 10/27: Johnny Hinton. Details on the foyer bulletin board.

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. 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 >

October 21, 2018

Candy Thru the Bible

OCTOBER
31ST



6PM-7PM

**A WALK THRU ADVENTURE
FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**



Flyers are available on the foyer table for you to invite family, friends, and neighbors.

We need lots of CANDY! Baskets will be provided around the building for candy donations. Monetary donations should be given to staff or an Elder.

Volunteer Meeting: October 24 @ 6pm in Room 123



All Church Fellowship Meal Sunday, November 4th following services

Please bring food according to the first letter of your last name
~A-E: Vegetable & Bread ~F-L: Roast or Chicken
~M-R: Salad & Dessert ~S-Z: Roast or Chicken
Set Up/Clean Up Responsibility: Bible Classes Room 123 & 213

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AMONG FRIENDS with Robert

It's been a busy hurricane season. This time, it was Hurricane Michael that slammed into the Florida Panhandle with Gulf-churned sustained winds of 155 miles per hour – the strongest storm ever to hit the region and the third most intense storm to make landfall in the United States. The storm moved fast – some 13 miles per hour – but that kind of wind does not have to be around long to do serious damage. So far, the death count is at 32. Tens of thousands are still without power. Mexico Beach, where the storm made landfall, is devastated. And now begins the long, slow process of cleaning up and rebuilding.

Rain is good – except when there's too much. Then we call rain a flood. Sun is also good – except when there's too much. Then we call sun a drought. A hurricane is the poster child for “too much.” With a hurricane comes not a cooling breeze, but a battering gale. With a hurricane comes not a needed shower to quench a parched land, but a torrential downpour to deluge an already saturated ground. With a hurricane comes not a peaceful wave on a picturesque beach, but, in the case of Hurricane Michael, an eight-foot storm surge that floods neighborhoods and guts homes.

The book of Jonah famously tells the story of a reluctant prophet who does not want to carry out his God-assigned preaching mission to a town called Nineveh, which is, in Jonah's day, the capital of the Assyrian Empire. Jonah cannot stand the city of Nineveh because it represents, in Jonah's view, all that is wicked and vile – violence, decadence, and religious irreverence. So, Jonah seeks to scuttle his preaching obligation by hopping a ship heading in the opposite direction of this miscreant metropolis. But God is having none of it. A storm comes upon the ship in which Jonah is stowing away. The sailors, who quickly realize that this storm is bigger than they can handle, each cry out “to his own god” (Jonah 1:5). But the sailors' gods sit silent. It isn't until Jonah calls upon his God, and surrenders his stubborn will to his God by allowing Him to transport him to Nineveh via a titanic tuna, that the sea is finally calmed.

Storms like Michael and like Jonah's are reminders of just how little power we have over the wind and the waves. The Psalmist reminds us that it is the Lord alone who can still “the storm to a whisper” and hush “the waves of the sea” (Psalm 107:29). Yes, storms may be out of our control, but they are not out of God's. And although we may not understand why God does not always still storms before they collide with coastlines, we do know that God Himself willingly goes through them. Jesus, after all, claims to be another Jonah: “*For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth*” (Matthew 12:40). Jonah's stormy salvation finds its counterpart in Jesus' tempestuous tomb. Jesus went through the storm of sin – and conquered it. And if He can go through a storm that fierce, I'm sure He hasn't left – and He won't leave – anyone alone in the aftermath of Michael.

For all the damage that Michael has done, we must never forget that Jesus was in the storm, lovingly caring for all those who suffered – and continue to suffer – from the storm. Jesus does not always stop storms, but neither does He shirk them. He stands in them with us. And He's a good guy to have when we're in the wind and the waves.

-- Robert --



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: **Francine C. and Mary P.**
 2&3s Bible Hour: **Brandy S., Megan P., and Haley B.**
 4&5s Bible Hour: **Carlie O., Jadah M., and Wesley Y.**
Sermon Notes for Kids: a sheet for kids to use during the sermon is provided in the Connection Books on the pew.



Food Pantry:

We can buy food at the Food Bank for \$.49 a pound. Please consider giving monetarily, using the envelopes in the pews, and place in the contribution plate. Paper sacks always needed.



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 — Mondays from 3:30pm to 6:00pm in Room 123.



Visitation In Person (VIP) — Mondays at 5:30pm. Short visits to visitors or friends, relatives, & neighbors of our members. Visits are an opportunity to bring encouragement, pray with them, and invite them to services and activities. Please sign up to donate cookies. For more information see, **James or Kristy Snider**.



Security:

Class ~ Louis R. Worship ~ Brandon B. and Lowell P.



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.

Miscellaneous:

Men's Softball: Cheer on our team. Carl Smith Sports Complex, 17120 E 21st, Oct. 25 - Last games at 8:30pm & 9:30pm.
Elders, Deacons, & Ministry Leaders Meeting: October 30 at 6pm in Elder's Conference Room #209. Please be prepared to talk about updates/concerns/needs/etc. for your individual ministries.
Thanksgiving Meal for our Food Pantry Guests: November 15 at Noon in Activity Center. We will be inviting all our Food Pantry guests from this past year to a Thanksgiving Dinner. How you can help make this possible: we need people to purchase and prepare turkey, potatoes, make a pie, and/or cook/serve/cleanup meal. Sign-up sheet is located on the table in the foyer. You can also give monetary donations to an Elder. Donate new or used giveaway items (i.e. decorations or household goods) to Phyllis Russell or place in Rm121 on table.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10/30 Elders, Deacons, & Ministry Leaders Meeting @ 6pm
- 10/31 Candy Thru the Bible 6pm-7pm
- 11/4 All Church Fellowship Meal

BIRTHDAYS

- 10/23 Francine Crawford
- 10/25 Jason Lawrence
- 10/27 Lowell Plaster
- 10/29 Homer Cox



Please update your directory photo in Room 121, between Bible Class and Worship or immediately following services. See **Julie Karmalakis** if you have any questions. We need individual photos of every member and child to utilize the features of our new program.

Student Movement (6th - 12th Grade)

Wed. Night Hang Outs ~ Wednesday nights at 6pm. Bible Class will follow at 7pm. Nov. 7 meal provided by Sandy Angelo.
Tulsa Area Wide Devotional: “An Experience In Art.” Nov. 11 at Cross-town CoC from 4:30pm to 7pm.
Fall Youth Retreat with BA: Nov. 16 to Nov. 18 at Green Country Camp in Disney, OK. Cost TBD but estimated about \$35 per person. Van leaves Nov. 16 @ 5:45pm and returns Sunday late afternoon. Do not let cost be a factor, if you need a scholarship see Brandon. We need an adult male and female chaperone, if you can attend see Brandon or Misti Babitzke. Sign up by Nov. 11 in foyer or youth room.
Youth Calendar ~ New Link: Please delete old link and follow instructions for new link. View online and sync to your phone calendar. Go to 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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- WHERE YOU WILL FIND**
- Info on events & ministries
 - Our roster of elders & staff
 - Sermon audio & other resources

CHURCH INFORMATION

3400 East Admiral Place
 Tulsa, OK 74115-8227
 Phone: 918-834-1395

CHURCH STATS

| Sunday, October 14 | |
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| Bible Class Total | 135 |
| Worship Total | 225 |
| Weekly Budget | \$9,300 |
| Contribution | \$7,953 |
| Contribution YTD | \$360,335 |
| Budget YTD | \$381,300 |
| Difference | (\$20,965) |
| Wednesday, October 17 | |
| Bible Class | 96 |