

## SERMON NOTES



### Called to Experience More of God (Exodus 33:1-17)

- If you could say in \_\_\_\_\_ what you wanted more of \_\_\_\_\_, what would that be?

• \_\_\_\_\_ there is nothing \_\_\_\_\_ than God Himself

- Exodus 33:1-3

• \_\_\_\_\_ whatever is \_\_\_\_\_ from experiencing more of God

- Exodus 33:4-6; cf. 32:2-4

• Prepare a \_\_\_\_\_ and have \_\_\_\_\_ to meet with God

- Exodus 33:7-11

• Pray \_\_\_\_\_ for more of God's \_\_\_\_\_

- Exodus 33:12-17

- \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ that the Lord is \_\_\_\_\_  
(Exodus 33:18-23; Psa. 119:68; Ja. 1:17; Rom. 8:28; Gen. 50:20)

## FAMILY UPDATES

**Members with health issues:** Kathleen Corns, Ernest Dean, Mary-Anne Dye, Juanita Farmer, Charles & Kathleen Holt, Lynn Hoppes, Terry Howard, Barbara Lakey, Sherry Meadors, Carole Medina, Leon Mills, Beckie Null, Glenna Pickel, Boone Roberts, Michael Robison, Willie Rose, Paul Schellhorn, Ann Thurman, Terry West, Mikey Yeary

### Placing Membership

Please make welcome: **Patsy Carson**, 2803 E 84th St, Tulsa Ok 74137

### Prayer Requests

**Meri-Sue Bachlor:** mother, **Carole Medina**, is very weak and is receiving palliative care for blood cancer

**Lynette Banks:** diverticulitis

**Carole Brown:** at home with home healthcare

**Kathleen Corns:** husband, Ken, is under hospice care

**Rita Drummond:** great grandson, Ryland, is getting closer to having another colon surgery

**Cheryl Krosse:** recovering at home from respiratory issues

**Martha Mills:** is hospitalized at St. Francis for an infection

**Kristina Potter:** daughter, **Analeigh Perez**, hospitalized earlier this week with Epiglottitis, swelling of throat and lungs.

**Boone Roberts:** gastrointestinal health; further testing this week at the Mayo Clinic

**Jim Ray:** Maxine Smith is in kidney failure

Stafford North: hospitalized in the Heart Hospital in Oklahoma City

### Thank You

Our family wishes to pass along a heartfelt thank you for your gracious hospitality during the memorial services for both mom and dad. The Crosstown church will always have a special place in our hearts as we remember the care and generosity shown to my parents over the years. A special thank you to the ladies who prepared a meal for our family, it was much appreciated by our entire family. Bruce Binkley for the family of **Ray and Maggie Binkley**

Crosstown Family, Vic and I would like to thank you very much for all the prayers and wonderful cards. They meant so much to us. We love you all so much. May God bless you all. Vic & Marge Hanzark

### Congratulations

**Steve and Mary Parker** have a new grandson, Emmett Clyde Parker, born to Jonathan & Megan Parker on February 6, 2020

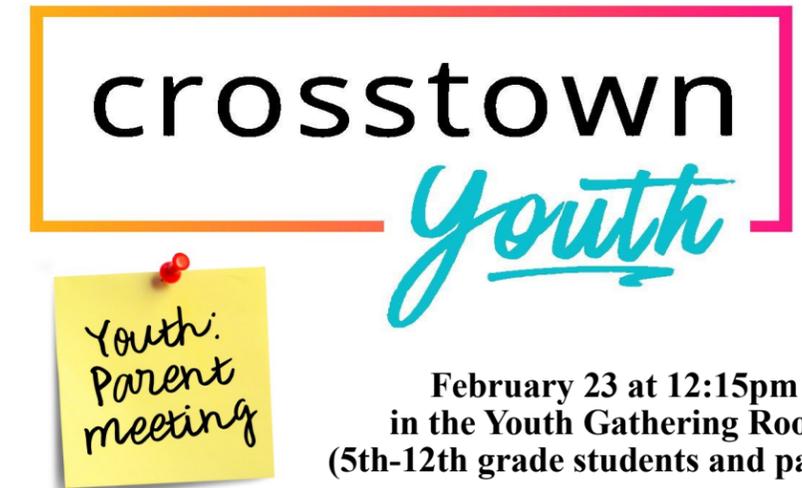
### Invitations

**Affirming the Faith Seminar:** "Reaching Higher: The Sermon on the Mount". March 6-7, 2020 at North MacArthur Church of Christ, 9300 N. MacArthur Blvd., OKC, OK 73132. [www.affirmingthefaihtok.com](http://www.affirmingthefaihtok.com)

**Checotah CoC Ladies Day:** "Let Your Light Shine" April 4 from 8:30am-1:00pm. Speaker is Tammy Roberts. Register at 580-301-3447 or email [thomasonlana@yahoo.com](mailto:thomasonlana@yahoo.com)

TODAY >

February 19, 2020



February 23 at 12:15pm  
in the Youth Gathering Room  
(5th-12th grade students and parents)

Meal will be provided in the Activity Center immediately following services. This meal will also be open to the LTC families staying for practice.

Menu: Fried Chicken, Green Beans, & Corn

## Spring Bible Classes Beginning March 1st

### Sunday Morning General Adult Classes

Auditorium: "Genesis" Charles Clayton

Room 123: "Romans" Earl Logan

Room 213: "Others By the Number—An Enneagram Study"  
Charles Schellhorn & Robert Prater

### Wednesday Nights Bible Classes

Room 123 ~ Ladies' Bible Class: "Allowing God to Meet Your Needs" Michelle Clayton & Kristy Snider

Room 212 ~ Men's Bible Class: "Men Living Godly Lives" Chris Clayton, Steve Parker, & James Snider

Auditorium ~ Adult General Bible Class: "Galatians" Robert Prater



**AMONG FRIENDS with Robert**

In his book *Love Your Enemies*, **Arthur Brooks** argues for the often-overlooked value in disagreement using a template drawn from one of Aristotle’s ethical treatises. In *Nicomachean Ethics*, Aristotle wrote that there were three kinds of friendship: utility, pleasure, and goodness, in ascending order of worthiness. In the first two levels of friendship, Brooks explains, we carefully avoid disagreeing, because we don’t want to lose whatever it is we’re gaining from the other person. In the third level of friendship, conversely, we heartily engage in disagreement because we want what’s best for the other person, and, if they are heading down a path that is harmful or unhealthy, we are not afraid to call it out. In other words, disagreement can be helpful because disagreement can be revealing. Disagreement can be refining.

Disagreement can be good. Division, however, is something quite different. In his letter to the church at Corinth, the apostle Paul practically begs his readers not to fall prey to division: *I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.* (1 Corinthians 1:10) The Corinthians were divided over a whole host of things, including which spiritual leader they liked the most: One of you says, “I follow Paul”; another, “I follow Apollos”; another, “I follow Cephas”; still another, “I follow Christ.” (1 Corinthians 1:12) For Paul’s part, he finds the notion of division dangerous, asking, “Is Christ divided” (1 Corinthians 1:13)?

In recent weeks, the deep political divisions that have long plagued our nation reared their heads in obvious and astounding ways. When the Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi, tore up her copy of the State of the Union address the President had handed her at the beginning of his speech, she – even if inappropriately – perhaps unintentionally, acted out physically a deeper relational reality in our nation. There are certain groups of people who cannot stand – and indeed hate – other groups of people. There are parts of us that are torn apart.

I will not pretend that I can even begin to fix the partisan hatred that ails us. But it is worth reminding ourselves that, for those of us who bear Christ’s name, even if we can’t fix our world’s divisions, we can model a holy union.

A holy union does not just arise when we all agree with each other. Instead, it is also forged in how we disagree with each other. Do we truly listen to what a person is saying, or do we quickly move to caricature their comments? Do we assume the best in each other rather than the worst? Do we celebrate places of agreement, even as we hash out points of disagreement? And, most importantly, is our love for someone contingent on their agreement with us, or does it flow from the grace that God has first given us?

If we disagree without love, we are left only with sore division. If we disagree with love, we can retain devotion to each other even as we dispute with each other. If we disagree with love, we can keep and reach people, even as we question their opinions and positions. And this is not just a way to avoid division. This is the church’s very mission. May we carry it out faithfully by God’s grace and under His guidance.

-- 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 2nd-5th grades on 1st and 2nd Sundays of each month. Dismissed prior to the sermon to Rm.128.



**Today’s Volunteers** — Nursery: **Carrie C. and Debra R.**  
 2&3s Bible Hour: **Brandy S., Tabitha C., and Jordan W.**  
 4&5s Bible Hour: **Lindsey K., Kimberly B., and Miracle D.**

**Sermon Notes for Kids:** a sheet for kids to use during the sermon is provided in the Connection Books on the pew or at the back of the auditorium.



**Food Pantry:**

Our pantry could use **Bath Tissue, Laundry Detergent, Spaghetti Noodles, and Spaghetti Sauce.** We are unable to purchase these items at the main Food Bank. Please donate by placing by the food pantry door or in the kitchen labeled “pantry”.



**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 all life groups will meet at the building at 5:00pm.

**Monday Night for the Master** — Mondays from 3:30pm to 6:00pm in Hospitality Room. Write notes of encouragement to members and guests. Bring a dish and stay for a potluck meal at 4:30pm.

**Visitation In Person (VIP)** — Mondays at 5:00pm. Visits to visitors or friends, relatives, shut-ins, and neighbors of our members.



**Security:**

**Class ~ Louis R. Worship ~ Brandon B. and Chuck C.**



**Bible Study:**

**Women’s Bible Study** — **Walking In the Light Daily.** Thursdays at 9:30am in Room 123. **Men’s Bible Study** — Saturdays at 9:00am in Hospitality Room.



**Allergies:**

In consideration of members and guests with severe food allergies, please no peppers of any kind, including paprika, at Crosstown functions and label any dishes with peanuts or tree nuts.

**Miscellaneous:**

**Directory Photos:** Only two dates left to update your photo, today and February 23. The goal is to format and print directory in March. **Julie Kamalakis** will take photos immediately following services in Room 121.

**Wednesday Night Devotionals:** Men, please sign up in the foyer to lead.

**Homemade Cookies:** VIP Ministry needs homemade cookies for their upcoming visits. Please label VIP and put in the big kitchen.

**Elders, Deacons, and Ministry Leaders Meeting:** March 31 at 5pm in Room 122-123. Please be prepared to discuss your ministry.

**LTC Showcase & Fundraiser Dinner:** Save the date ~ Wednesday, April 15, 2020.

**Mental Health Seminar:** May 1-3 hosted by Crosstown. Speaker: **Dr. Joe Brumfield** of Harding University.

**Crosstown Plant & Seed Swap:** Saturday, May 16, from 10am to 11:30am in the Crosstown Activity Center. Please help us make this event successful by preparing your plants and packaging your seeds. We plan to **Meet, Greet, Swap.** See **Sharon Thomas** for more information.

**Vacation Bible School:** Save the dates, July 26-July 29th.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 2/23 Youth Parent Meeting & LTC Practice
- 2/23 Combined Life Group @ 5pm

**BIRTHDAYS**

- 2/17 Scott & Kenna Fields
- 2/20 Earl Tillery
- 2/21 Haley Babitzke
- 2/22 Danasia Thomas

**Leadership Training For Christ February 23**

**1:00 - 1:40** Chorus (7th-12th) Rm. 121; Puppets (3rd-6th) Rm. 127  
**1:45 - 2:25** Drama (7th-12th) Auditorium; Drama (3rd-6th) Rm. 122  
**2:30 - 3:10** Puppets (7th-12th) Rm 127; Chorus (3rd-6th) Rm. 123  
**Art:** due March 25.

**Signing Practice:** Wednesdays: 2/19, 2/26, 3/4, 3/11, 3/25, 4/1 at 6:15pm in Room 218.

**Songleading: NEW TIME: ~ 12:30-1:15pm** 2/23, 3/8, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5  
**Scrapbooking:** March 1 following services to 2:30pm.

**Meal provided in the Activity Center immediately following services.**

**Crosstown Youth Ministry (6th - 12th Grade)**

**Fwednesday:** February 26 at 6pm in the Youth Gathering Room. Bring a friend and your favorite cereal!

**Tulsa Area Wide Spring Retreat:** “All Around the Neighborhood” April 17-19 at Burnt Cabin. Cost \$40.

**Parent Meeting:** February 23. Meal will be provided in the Activity Center immediately following services, meeting will promptly start in the Youth Gathering Room at 12:15pm.

**Sunday Night Live:** March 8 at Glenpool van leaves at 4pm and returning 7:30pm

**Kickback at Hacks:** March 13 at Logan’s Casa from 7pm-10:30pm. Bring a snack or drink to share and a friend.

**MEETING SCHEDULE**

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

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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  
 Phone: 918-834-1395

**CHURCH STATS**

**Sunday, February 9**

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| Bible Class Total | 121      |
| Worship Total     | 205      |
| Weekly Budget     | \$9,500  |
| Contribution      | \$8,392  |
| Contribution YTD  | \$55,375 |
| Budget YTD        | \$57,000 |
| Difference        | (1,625)  |

**Wednesday, February 12, 2020**

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| Bible Class | 80 |
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