



CHRIST THE REDEEMER

LUTHERAN CHURCH

2550 East 71st Street
Tulsa, OK 74136

Sunday Worship:
8:15 & 10:45 AM

Sunday School/Bible Classes
9:30 AM

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CTR Offices will be closed
Monday, September 2.



BY PASTOR BURMEISTER
Fellow Redeemed,

As summer comes to a close and the school year begins, we are filled with excitement and anticipation for all that lies ahead. This season of new beginnings provides an excellent opportunity to strengthen our community, grow in faith, and embark on a journey of learning and spiritual development.

A New School Year

The start of the school year is always a time of great excitement. New classes, new teachers, and new friends await our kiddos. As we prepare to send our children back to their classrooms, let us remember to keep them in our prayers. May they be blessed with wisdom, courage, and a spirit of curiosity.

At Christ the Redeemer, we understand the importance of education in nurturing the minds and hearts of our young ones, especially with regards to faith. I want to thank our dedicated teachers and staff who are committed to providing a safe, supportive, and enriching environment for all. We encourage parents to stay engaged with their children's education, fostering a partnership that will help each student thrive in faith and grow spiritually. Staying engaged with your child's school is critical to their success. So is staying engaged in the church. It is vital to their faith, as God molds them through His Word. Consider Wednesday nights (CTR-U) as important as the first team practice,

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Strengthening the saved, saving the lost.

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or the first home game this fall, or the first day of school, or the first glimpse at the most resent Tik Tok viral video.

Launching Our Christian Education Program

We are thrilled to launch our Christian Education Program for this year. This program is designed to complement the academic education our children receive with lessons in faith, Scripture, and Christian living. It is an integral part of our mission to you and your family into a living relationship with Jesus Christ.

Our Christian Education Program offers classes for all age groups, from preschoolers to adults. Each class is tailored to meet the spiritual needs of its participants, providing age-appropriate lessons and activities that foster a deeper understanding of our faith.

Children's Ministry: Our youngest members will engage in fun, interactive lessons that introduce them to the stories of the Bible and the love of Jesus.

Youth Ministry: Teens will explore their faith through discussion, service projects, and activities that challenge them to live out their beliefs in their daily lives.

Adult Education: Our adult classes offer a space for deeper theological exploration and reflection, helping participants grow in their understanding of Scripture and Christian doctrine.

Join Us in This Journey

I would like to challenge each and every one of you to make Christian Education a key component to your family. Whether you are new to our community or have been with us for years, there is a place for you. Our classes are a wonderful opportunity to build relationships, deepen your faith, and find support on your spiritual journey. It will take discipline to make this happen for your family this school year. So, say it out loud, "We WILL attend CTR every Sunday, and we WILL attend CTR-U on Wednesday nights".

To register for classes or learn more about the program, please visit our website or contact the church office. We are here to answer any questions and help you find the right class for you and your family.

Blessings for the New Year

As we embark on this new school year and the launch of our Christian Education Program, let us commit to supporting one another in faith and love. May this year be filled with learning, growth, and the joy of community.

Amen!



Sept 1	Doug & Judy Cook	51 yrs
Sept 1	Gary & Mary Ames	51 yrs
Sept 2	Ron & Phyllis Vause	58 yrs
Sept 12	Lynn & Sandy Moeller	60 yrs
Sept 18	Nick & Renee' Colson	32 yrs
Sept 21	Shannon & David Losacco	28 yrs
Sept 22	Bob & Iris Wilson	67 yrs
Sept 25	Hassan & Katie Haddad	25 yrs

The altar flower sign up is now available inside the Fellowship West wall cabinet nearest the Sanctuary.

After you've enjoyed your bouquet at home, please return the white container to keep the cost low.



Mark
YOUR
Calendar

STRATEGIC PLANNING

September 21st 1 – 3 pm
Fellowship East

SPREAD THE WORD

Objective
Engage the congregation to develop a strategic plan for our ministries.

- Agenda
- Review our Mission and Vision
 - Brainstorm ministry ideas
 - Current ministries Strengths
 - Passions within our congregation
 - Community needs
 - Potential new ministries
 - VOTE ON ministry opportunities to create focus, alignment, and the strategic direction

Contact Amanda Stein or Nikki Boyd with Questions

We need your input!



O.W.L.S.



OWLS will resume on Thursday, September 26th at 1:00 in Fellowship East. All CTR members and their guests are welcome to attend. A representative from the Tulsa Bomb Squad will present a program that is sure to be interesting and informative. As in the past, light refreshments will be provided. We hope to see you there!

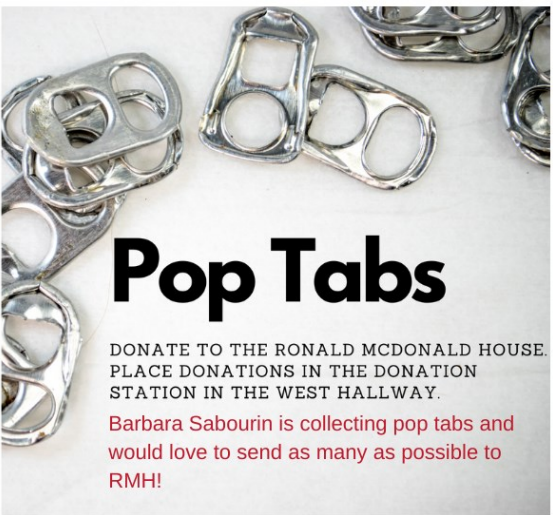
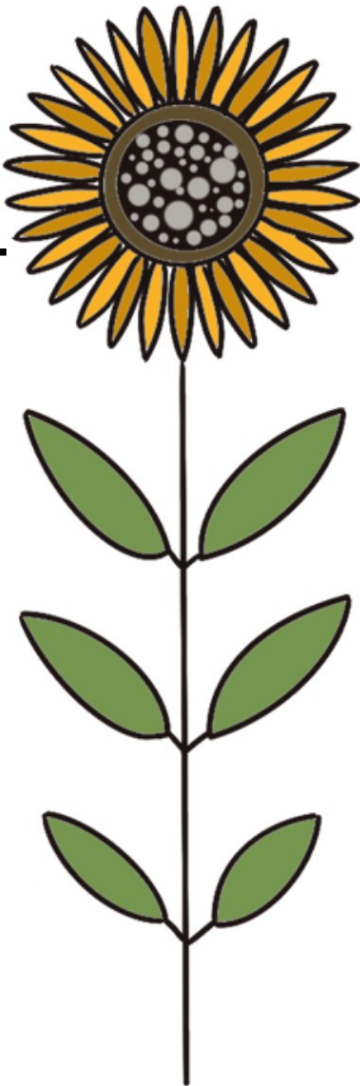


Braille Brigade---CTR's Braille volunteers will resume production on Monday, September 9th with sessions at 9:00 and 12:30

Volunteers Needed

Can you spare 3 hours once a month in service to the Lord? We need additional volunteers to help in the production of Braille books of the Bible. CTR's Braille Brigade meets on the first Monday of each month, usually breaking for the summer. Sessions are from 9-12:00 and 12:30-3:00 and we have openings available in each session. Jobs include numbering pages, punching holes in the pages for binding, "stuffing" pages in aluminum plates, passing the plates through a press that prints Braille on both sides of the page (that's amazing!), assembling the pages into books, printing cover pages, and boxing the books for mailing. Some of jobs require standing while others allow you to sit, and we often switch jobs after our break. A minimum of 8 people is needed for each session to operate in the most efficient manner. We fellowship with one another while we volunteer, sharing laughs while we do God's work. Please prayerfully consider joining us in this effort to bring the word of God to the blind and visually impaired throughout the world.

If you would like to "check it out" before making a commitment, please join us on September 9th for observation and/ or a trial run or you can contact Teresa Nightingale at 918639-6011 or tnightingale@cox.net for more information.




Stewardship Sunday will be held on September 29.

The Lay Ministry of Stewardship will provide fruit and pastries beginning at 9:30 am, following early service.



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Invite

someone

TO


CHURCH

SAVE THE DATE

CTR CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 15

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

CHRIST THE REDEEMER
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Avoid The Flu!

Get the flu shot here

OCTOBER 6

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

CTR LADIES BUNCO

THURSDAY, SEPT 5

1PM

IN FELLOWSHIP WEST

RSVP TO TERESA NIGHTINGALE

Tulsa and Miami Zone Fall Fest 2024 Registration Form September 28, 2024



Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church, Tulsa, OK
Registration starts at 8:30 – opening is at 9:00 a.m. – lunch included
Mission Speaker: Denny Rader with LERT
Gifts from the Heart: Special Education teachers at Jenks High School -
Kleenex, Clorox wipes, dry erase markers, expo board cleaner and dry board
erasers, pencils, spiral notebooks, HP 62 ink (Black and color)

Registration Form

Name

Address

Phone Number

Email

Home Church and City

☐ Child Care # of Children

Names and Ages

Registration Fee: \$25 (Make checks payable to Christ the Redeemer LWML)

Please remit registration form and fee by: Sept 20, 2024

Send Registration Form and Payment to: Daphnee Brian, 13214 S 21st Street, Bixby, OK 74008



Thanks to all of you who support missions through the LWML Lutheran Women in Mission and their “Mite Box Offerings”. The Oklahoma LWML board was able to fund mission grants to the tune of \$39,392 at their meeting in August. Recipients included our Oklahoma seminary students, our Oklahoma students in church work, Messiah Lutheran School in Oklahoma City to update a sound system, St. Paul’s in Enid for a passenger van for their school, funds for the Oklahoma Pastors’, vicars’, and Lay Ministers’ Wives Retreat. More funding will be voted on at the November board meeting.

We pray God’s blessings on these recipients. Does your home or car have a Mite Box in it? If not, consider picking one up by the big Mite Box at church. Join men and women across the U.S. in supporting Gospel outreach through many different ministries. Add your offering to the Mite Box on Mite Box Sunday, the first Sunday of every month. For more information see the Oklahoma District LWML website at www.oklwml.org.



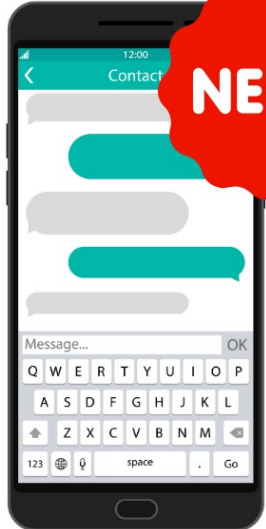
What brings warmth and shelter to families by becoming a bed, room divider, backpack, and at times even a home??? **HOW CAN YOU HELP???** We need help in purchasing the fabric to make the quilt tops. Each quilt costs approximately \$25 to make. Donations marked “LWML quilts” can be dropped in the mite box or put in the offering plate.

Prayers for our quilt program are needed plus prayers for the recipients of our quilts. These quilts are sent all over the United States, as well as the world!



Complete the Text Opt-In Form on Church Center and receive texts from CTR for events you have signed up for! This includes:

- Youth & Family Events
- Retreats
- Volunteer Opportunities
- And more!



Students in 3rd-12th grades can sign up so serve as an acolyte or crucifer in worship services. Please use the Sign Up Genius page to save your spot on the schedule!



SEPTEMBER:

- 1-Parker Keeton
- 1-Megan Merrill
- 1-Alice Richardson
- 2-DJ Sanders
- 3-Faris Jackson
- 3-Robert Meinders
- 4-Colette Brauer
- 4-Mia Gobin
- 4-Beckett Gunther
- 5-Adrienne McVey
- 5-Barbara Sabourin
- 6-Kevin Brown
- 6-Teena Newton
- 7-Sadie Baumann
- 7-Conner Cline
- 9-Michael Koch
- 9-Isla Teel
- 13-Scarlett Bury
- 15-Janice Young
- 18-Logan Cline
- 23-Collin Davis
- 24-Skylar Bury
- 24-Isabella Nightingale
- 25-Parker Hanson
- 25-Witten Wilson
- 28-Makenzie Eskridge
- 29-Christeline Holt
- 29-Nathan Sanders

Music & Worship

Music is a vital part of worship here at Christ the Redeemer. Musicians of all ages and experience levels give glory to God by making a joyful noise to the Lord in the Divine Service, supporting and enriching the congregational singing of hymns, psalms, and liturgy.



Agapé Ringers

Middle school students-Adults
Mondays, 7:30 PM

This group utilizes a variety of handbell literature, including hymn settings, classical transcriptions, original bell compositions, and choral accompaniments. Prior ringing experience is not necessary, although some music reading ability is helpful. Basic training in ringing technique will be provided for anyone new to handbells. New members are welcome at any time!

Hope Ringers

Middle school-high school students
Wednesdays, 6:00 pm
Sundays, 9:40 am

Students learn to play a wide variety of progressively more challenging handbell and chime repertoire in a variety of styles utilizing the full gamut of ringing techniques.

Instrumentalists

Middle school students-Adults
Rehearsals scheduled as needed

Instrumentalists provide musical leadership in our worship services throughout the year. Musical contributions by soloists or small ensembles include instrumental pieces, choral accompaniments, and supporting congregational singing through inventive hymn settings. Brass, woodwind, string, keyboard, and percussion players are all welcome!

Peace Choir

1st-5th Grade
Wednesdays, 6:00 pm
Sundays, 9:40 am

This children's choir introduces elementary children to a wide variety of Christian music. In addition to singing, the students often incorporate chimes and various world percussion instruments as they explore sacred music from many backgrounds. Through participation in this ensemble, children also learn about the liturgy, the Church year, and how to be active participants in worship services.

Sanctuary Choir

Middle school students-Adults
Wednesdays, 7:15 PM

This choir supports and enriches the congregational singing of hymns, psalms, and the liturgy. It also provides musical offerings, drawing from the rich heritage of sacred choral music from the Christian church around the world and throughout the centuries. No prior choral experience is necessary. We would love to have you sing with us!



SAVE THE DATE

The Immanuel LWML invite all women to join us and other Lutheran women from the Tulsa area for a fabulous morning of fellowship and study.

The theme of the morning will be "Falling in Love with Jesus" presented by national speaker Cheryl Mattil. Cheryl, a LWML Strategic Plan Facilitator and study leader is the wife of Rev Michael Matti, who will be preaching at Immanuel on Sunday morning, October 6. Rev. Mattil, is the author of the 2024 LWML Prayer Service. He has also served as a Texas District LWML Pastoral Counselor, a Circuit Counselor, and as a District Area Vice-President. Rev. Mattil, now retired, has served churches in Watonga, Oklahoma, and Denison, Texas.

Watch for more details in the coming weeks.
Child Care will be provided.


Our Savior Lutheran Church, Tulsa, is celebrating their 75th Anniversary themed "His Plan -- Our Hope" Jer. 29:11 and warmly invites you to be a part of the celebration event and service. The 75th Anniversary Family Celebration will be Saturday, September 14, 2024, from 5-9 PM, at the Mike Fretz Event Center, 11545 East 43rd St., Tulsa, OK 74146. We will have a meet and greet with homebrew and wine, a BBQ dinner and dessert, and a program followed by live music and dancing. Dress is casual. The worship service will be Sunday, September 15, 2024, at 9 AM, at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 146 S. Sheridan Rd., Tulsa, OK 74112. We would love to see you there.

RSVP for the dinner by September 1 to Sandra Meyer. Send names and include ages if 12 or younger. Call/text 918-277-1221, email office@oslutulsa.org.

CTR-U

Join us every Wednesday evening beginning September 4 for an all new year of midweek education and programming. We also offer a nursery, meals and more!





MINISTRY OF MUSIC FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

FALL 2024

Providing music education & opportunities for the students of CTR


Sunday Mornings

AUG 4

Aug 18
Sep 1
Sep 15
Sep 29
Oct 20
Nov 3
Nov 17

1st & 3rd SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENING

Beginning January 7 on 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month we will have an acoustic style music opening beginning at 9:20AM. All ages welcome.



1st & 3rd SUNDAY MUSIC


At 9:30 AM Jr High (6th-8th grade) Students will join Jacob and Craig for hand chimes and bell choir practice.

AUG 11

Aug 25
Sep 8
Sep 22
Oct 13
Oct 27
Nov 10
Nov 24

2nd & 4th SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENING

January 14 on 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month join the Youth Band in Fellowship West for Sunday School Opening. at 9:20 AM. All ages welcome.



2nd & 4th SUNDAY SCHOOL MUSIC

After Opening Elementary Students will join Jacob and Craig for vocal music practice.

Wednesday Evenings (CTR-U)

RESUMES IN THE FALL with CTR-U on Sept 4

Sept 4

Sept 18
Oct 2
Nov 6
Nov 20

1st & 3rd ELEMENTARY MUSIC

Faith Friends students will join us after class time from 6:00-6:30 PM on these two weeks each month to learn vocal music.




Sept 11

Sept 25
Oct 9
Oct 23
Nov 13

2nd & 4th YOUTH HANDBELLS

(For youth who choose to participate, please RSVP to Jacob)

Jr High (6th-8th) and High School Youth (9th-12th grade) Students from 6:00-6:30 PM who want to be part of a hand chimes and hand bell choir will join Jacob and Craig for practice leading up to playing for a worship service.




Fall 2024

CTR-U Dinner Schedule Fall 2024	MENU Salad Bar and Dessert every week
September 4	Grill Night! Burgers & Hot Dogs
September 11	Tacos, Chips & Queso
September 18	Sloppy Joe's, Chips
September 25	Raising Cane's, Mac & Cheese
October 2	Make your own Sub Sandwich, Chips
October 9	Baked Potato Bar & Chili
October 16	Fall Break NO CLASSES
October 23	Italian Night, Green Beans
October 30	Grilled Cheese & Soup

Weekly Schedule
5:00-5:30 PM Open for Games & Fellowship
5:30-6:30 PM Classes for All Ages Faith Friends Confirmation High School Women's Small Group Adult Small Group
6:15-7:15 PM Dinner in Fellowship West
7:15-8:30 PM Choir
7:15-8:30 PM Young Adult Group Adult Class

Youth Music Schedule



1st & 3rd Wednesdays
6:00-6:30 PM
Elementary Students

2nd & 4th Wednesdays
6:00-6:45 PM
Jr High & High School Students

FAITH Friends

Wednesdays
5:30-6:30 PM

Kids from Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to join us for Faith Friends. Each Wednesday we will be learning about our faith, having fun and fellowship. Led by DCE Nikki.

CONFIRMATION

Wednesdays
5:30-6:30 PM

Led by Pastor B reviewing the 10 Commandments in the Jr High room.

YOUTH GROUP

Wednesdays
5:30-6:30 PM

Led by DCE Suzanne in a devotion and enjoying games & fellowship in the High School room.

MORE INFORMATION <https://www.ctrtulsa.org/ctr-u/>

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: CTRTULSA.ORG OR SIGN UP TO RECEIVE OUR WEEKLY E-NEWS
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Cornerstone 18

Cornerstone 7



STEWARDSHIP & GIVING



For the Month of July	2023	2024
July Giving	\$90,493	\$90,673
Monthly Income Budget	\$96,226	\$88,750
Year to Date Actual Giving	\$588,852	\$634,331
Year to Date Expense Budget	\$683,019	\$583,492
Actual YTD Expenses	\$602,469	\$550,086



Who can attend?
To register for the 2025 Gathering, youth participants must meet ONE of the two following eligibility requirements:
– Must be 14 years old at the time of the Gathering
OR
– Entering his or her ninth-grade year at the time of the Gathering.

SIGN UP FOR THE E-BLAST

You can now sign up online to receive the CTR E-blast! This gives you access to the weekly news and events email as well as special announcements. Sign up today at <http://www.ctrtulsa.org/email-signup/> to receive it if you have not done so already.

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Search "Scott Burmeister" and click on the CTR logo
- Twitter:**
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Three WAYS TO GIVE AT CTR

Questions about E-Giving? Stop by the Church Office and speak to Deva Beebe or email her at dbeebe@ctrtulsa.org to learn more.

Online Giving

You can visit www.ctrtulsa.org/on-line-giving to sign up through Vanco for one time or ongoing offering or donations. This allows you to set up weekly, bi-weekly or monthly offering. Setting up an account is easy, all you need is an email address to get started. You choose your own login information. When you create an account, you can also securely and conveniently store debit/credit card or bank account information, manage donations and review your giving history.

Mobile Giving

For our smartphone users, you can contribute through Vanco Mobile, our mobile giving app. It's a convenient solution whenever you have a smart phone. You can give anytime, anywhere, any day. Go to the App Store or Google Play and search for "Vanco Mobile" to quickly find the app and download it for free. You can easily make donations anytime, or create an account to schedule recurring weekly or monthly offerings. When you create an account, you can also securely and conveniently store debit/credit card or bank account information, manage donations and review your giving history. You choose how you prefer to login- Touch ID/Fingerprint, PIN or password.

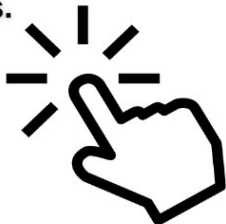
Drop Off or In-Person

Visit our church office during the week or use the offering basket during worship services.

We will now be able to accept donations and payments for Family & Children's Ministry events and Youth Ministry events through the app and online giving webpage. To visit our online giving page simply go to the web address <https://www.ctrtulsa.org/on-line-giving/>



When giving online, please consider making donations with your bank account instead of a debit/credit card as it saves CTR the additional credit card fees.



When is it?
Gathering dates are July 19-23, 2025. Please keep open July 17-24 at this time as we make travel and special event arrangements. Once the dates are firm, we will update that information.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Our registration MUST be mailed on November 1, 2024 to meet the early deadline. Beforehand, we need each student to complete the necessary registration form as well as receive signatures from a parent and our Pastor. Early Registration is \$395 per person. If you choose to attend after November 1, 2025 your cost is \$475 per person.

Early Registration Pay Schedule:
A \$175 non-refundable deposit per person is due by August 25 or you may pay the full \$395.
A second payment of \$120 is due by December 31.
A third and final payment of \$100 is due by March 1.

Late Registration Pay Schedule:
A \$275 non-refundable deposit per person is due by upon registration or you may pay the full \$475.
A second payment of \$100 is due by December 31.
A third and final payment of \$100 is due by March 1.

Once you commit to going you are responsible for any costs associated with you going on the trip that the church pays in your name. If you decide at a later date to not go, you must find someone to take your place or you will be responsible for reimbursing Christ the Redeemer for any funds paid in your name above your registration fee. This includes: hotel costs, transportation costs, special event tickets, t-shirts, etc.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Jr High 6th-8th Grade High School 9th-12th Grade

CONTACT DCE SUZANNE WATT TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EVENTS.

ALL REGISTRATION IS NOW ONLINE THROUGH CHURCH CENTER & ONLINE PAYMENT IS AVAILABLE.

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 1:8

1 John 3:17-18
But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

Tulsa Saints Foundation

8.14.2024
Michael W Bryan - Director
Jennifer Kimes - Communications
CTR Newsletter

Blessings to all at Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church. Summer continues and the Father still provides for his children and we at Tulsa Saints are blessed to Glory the Father and Son through the work of the Holy Spirit.

Psalm 146 states: *Praise ye the FATHER. Praise the FATHER, O my soul. While I live I will praise the FATHER: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being. 3 Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help. 4 His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish. 5 Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the FATHER his God: 6 Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth for ever.*



The need for helping those in our community grows. From feeding 80-100 consistently we are seeing 100+ people regularly, even seeing large crowds on the first Friday of the month.

Through this ministry not only are we able to help provide food, clothing, and essentials, but a listening ear to those in need of someone who cares. Each week we are able to hear people's testimonies, and join them in prayer over their situation. As Romans 15:5 states, *May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had.*

To truly serve the Lord and our neighbors, we ought to do it out of genuine love and compassion that only Jesus can provide within us, to be able to radiate that to others we encounter. Tulsa Saints strive to love our neighbors as ourselves, and be an example of our Messiah in all that we do.

Here is the link to our Facebook page if you are interested in keeping up with our Tulsa Saints posts and updates. We are hoping to be able to share the testimony of those willing and give a voice to those on the streets. <https://m.facebook.com/TulsaSaints/>

Our ministry with the help of CTR and others strives every Friday evening to provide clothes (see Tulsa Saints door or the TV Screens for immediate needs) and other basic needs in addition to a well balanced meal for those on the streets. We are blessed with a new larger trailer to help carry the necessary supplies and serving equipment. We will work to get it prepared and hopefully a truck that will be able to pull it someday in the future. |

If you are looking to help, used clothes, coats, and shoes are in great demand. The Tulsa Saints (TS) Room is running low on summer clothing and fall is just around the corner. If you are cleaning out your closets, please bring the clothes and drop off into the TS Room on the table set aside for donations.

We are always looking for help in food preparation support or direct food and supply ministry on Friday evenings. If you want to help with food please contact Melissa James. For other inquiries contact Michael Bryan.

God Bless You and thank you Messiah for changing our hearts to help those who are most in need.

As always, if you wish to come out and help we meet at Fridays 5:15pm First Baptist Tulsa Caring Center at 3rd and Detroit. We hand out food and supplies until we run out.

PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR ANNUAL 2024 MEDICAL AND LIABILITY PACKET ON THE CHURCH CENTER APP BY SCANNING THE QR CODE.

SAVE THE DATE

September 4, 2024- CTR-U Resumes

September 15, 2024- Tulsa Area LCMS All Church Picnic

October 4-6, 2024- Joy Jr High Gathering

October 2024- Youth Gathering Registration Due & 1st payment

October 13, 2024 High School Event

October 27, 2024- Fall Festival

November 22-24, 2024 Fall Force Retreat @ Camp Lutherhoma

January 17-19, 2025- Journey in January High School Retreat @ Camp Lutherhoma

July 19-23, 2025- LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA

Oklahoma District
Middle School Gathering for 6th-8th Grade
October 4-6, 2024 @ Camp Lutherhoma

JOY IN JESUS

Your Identity in Christ

\$125 per person for summer cabins
\$100 for new friends
\$75 per person for high school leaders

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!
The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. - 1 John 3

Registration is due by August 26, 2024 to guarantee a t-shirt. Registrations received after the deadline will be allowed if space is available, but may not receive a t-shirt. For questions, call or email DCE Suzanne.

REGISTER NOW

As we look toward the Fall and start of school we are also excited to announce the JOY Oklahoma District Middle School Youth Gathering! This year's event is the weekend of October 4-6, 2024 at Camp Lutherhoma in Tahlequah, OK. **JOY is open to students in 6th-8th grade and their friends.** This year's cost is \$125 for CTR students.

- Price is per person for both 6th-8th grade youth.
- A new friend is a 6th-8th grade youth who is not a member or regular attendee of our congregation and has never attended Joy previously but is invited by one of our youth to attend.
- Please register ASAP so we can reserve your spots! Pay full price or a \$75 non-refundable fee to hold your spot.

High School Leaders pay \$75 per person and sleep in summer cabins. Please only pay once you have been accepted as a leader. This price is non-refundable. To apply as a leader please complete the form online. You will be expected to attend all leadership training meetings and be at Camp for the duration of the gathering. **With your registration you receive: 2 nights in the Camp Lutherhoma cabins, a snack Friday night, 3 meals on Saturday and 1 meal on Sunday, a t-shirt, and a weekend of FUN!**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES

FALL 2024



Students (PK-12th)
Sundays weekly at 9:20 AM
& Beginning Sept 4
Wednesdays weekly at 5:30 PM

SUNDAY SCHOOL STORE DONATIONS

If you are cleaning out your closets and toy boxes, consider donating any new or gently used toys to our Sunday School Store. The kids love shopping with tickets they earn for attendance, bringing their Bibles and bringing friends.



PreK- 5th Grade Elementary Students Sundays following Opening



This Fall in Sunday School, for PreK- 5th grade, we are kicking off a new series called Epic Teachings of the Bible. Each unit explores the enduring lessons of the Old and New Testaments.

The month we will continue to focus on the Fruits of the Spirit. Our theme verse is:
"But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!"
Galatians 5:22-23

Practice memorizing the theme verse as a family, remembering that the fruits of the Spirit are God's gift to us as He works in and through us.

K- 5th Grade Elementary Students



Starting Sept 4th @ 5:30!!! We will start each week in Fellowship Hall West and from there break up into small groups of older and younger children. We will be focusing on the Connection Theme: how we are disconnected from God and others because of our sin,, how God's forgiveness and love for us connects us to Him as His children through our baptism, and how God wants us to be connected with other Christians so that we can encourage each other and support each other as we grow in the faith. We will spend time hearing God's Word and just having fun together.



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES



Sundays at 9:40 am

The Wired Word
Join us for this discussion based Bible study based on current news events.

Wednesdays at 7 pm

Beginning Sept.4th, we will be using our Bibles to study different topics that might be culturally relevant.

All young adults are invited to come connect with other young adults in Bible study, discussion and fellowship. If you have any questions, please contact DCE Nikki: 918-859-8575 or NBoyd@ctrulsa.org

rEcess

We need volunteers!!
If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, contact:
Sarah.Wendelbo@gmail.com,
Jhmeinders@cox.net or
NBoyd@CTRtulsa.org

Mark your calendars
for rEcess nights this year.

2024

Sept 6
Oct 4
Nov 1
Dec 6



2025

Feb 7
Mar 7
Apr 4
May 2

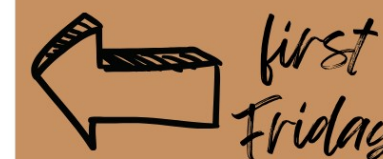


The beauty of Scripture and the reliable truth found in God's wisdom is central to our worship. Pastor B leads our Modern Service, alongside our house band, as we strive to provide worship saturated in singing God's praise, hearing His Word, and receiving His gifts every week.

Join the conversation



If you know of a young adult who wants to have fun, fellowship, and meaningful faith conversations, please tell them about the Bible studies, or contact DCE Nikki





The **CTR Women's** Celebration of Friendships happened on Wednesday the 21st with over 30 attendees! We

even had several daughters, which was very special.

The desserts were plentiful and really yummy. There was plenty of catching up and laughter during a few fun mixer activities. The night ended with a presentation from Jenks Martial Arts owner Justin



Dunham and our very own Sherrie Bullock who is a student and awesome example of Girl Power! Ask Sherrie about the program she mentors! As you can see Justin had us up on our feet learning a few easy self-defense moves! A very enjoyable night and if you missed it don't despair there are more on the way.



FAMILY & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 18

THIRD SUNDAY *Family Funday*



ALL CHURCH PICNIC
At Haikey Creek
4-7 PM



Everyone is welcome!!
See the full page announcement for more details.

Please register online

Family Funday
CTR Bowling

On August 18th, 31 of our CTR friends went bowling together.



CONNECT *night*

Adults of all ages had fun playing pickleball at Connect Night. Most agreed they want to do this again in the near future.



CONTACT DCE NIKKI BOYD TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EVENTS. ALL REGISTRATION IS NOW ONLINE THROUGH CHURCH CENTER & ONLINE PAYMENT IS AVAILABLE.

Did you know...

We have a pickleball court, balls and paddles here at CTR in the gym? Try it out, and come get some practice before the next pickleball outing.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 4-7 PM

LIVE MUSIC, RELAY AND GROUP GAMES, CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT & MORE!

JOIN US FOR THE 2ND TULSA AREA LCMS

ALL CHURCH PICNIC

Food, Music and Fun



Games

Cornhole

Food

Music

Fellowship

REGISTER HERE



AT THE HAIKEY CREEK PARK TRI-PLEX FROM 4PM-7PM REGISTER ONLINE

CONGREGATION VS. CONGREGATION CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

PLEASE BRING A LAWN CHAIR & A SIDE OR DESSERT TO SHARE

FAMILY & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 1:8

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volunteers needed



Sign-up here



FALL Festival

SUNDAY OCTOBER 27TH 4:00 - 6:30

Children, Youth & Family Ministry Planning

Mark your calendars and come join us make plans for these joint ministries as we look to the remainder of 2024 and toward 2025 and beyond.

OCT 13th @ 2 PM in Fellowship West

Fall Force Ages 8-12

When? November 22-24
Where? Camp Luterhoma

Watch for more details, coming soon, about this Fall retreat for kids to go experience a couple of days at camp. Accompanying adults can also attend free of charge.

Contact DCE Nikki with questions.



CLUB 345 LOCK-IN

Club 345 had a lock-in on August 9th! Their Sunday School teachers, Carri and Melissa, loved spending the night at church with them.

Special thanks to Frank and Connie T. for making breakfast for the kids!