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WORSHIP SERVICES at UUMC

Sunday mornings

11:00 am



The Sanctuary

at 2915 East Fifth
Street Tulsa OK

and also

on the UUMC Face Book page

<https://www.facebook.com/uumctulsa>



Covenant Prayer

From John Wesley's Covenant Service, 1780

*I am no longer my own, but thine.
Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.
Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.
Let me be full, let me be empty.
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.
And now, O glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.
And the covenant which I have made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.*

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The Reverend Matt Patrick

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Volunteer Coordinator

Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30am-2:30pm



Dear Members of University United Methodist Church,

We hope this update finds you well, and that you have had a blessed year. As your pastors, we are forever grateful for the opportunity to serve and lead this community of believers.

Over the past year, we have seen God's hand at work in our church as we have experienced significant growth and an influx of new members. We are grateful for the diversity and vitality that these new members bring to our community, and we pray that they will continue to be an integral part of our church family.

We are also excited to announce that our Double Flag Coffee Truck has been up and running and has been a huge success. Not only has it been a staple in our community, but we are also thrilled to announce that Double Flag has secured a contract to be the exclusive coffee vendor for all TU athletics events. This is a wonderful opportunity for our church to serve and minister to a wider audience, and we are grateful for the support and encouragement that we have received from all of you.

As we move into the new year, there will be plenty of volunteer opportunities and chances to get involved with our church's coffee venture. Whether you are interested in serving on the truck, helping with marketing and outreach, or simply supporting our efforts, we would love to have you join us.

We are also pleased to report that Propel Business and Event Center, our church's office rental branch using church space, is full and operating effectively. We are grateful for the support of our community and the opportunity to use our resources to serve others.

As we move into 2023 and our centennial anniversary year, we are excited to kick off our celebrations and look forward to all that God has in store for us. We encourage you to stay connected and get involved in any way that you can as we continue to grow and serve together.

We pray that you will be inspired and encouraged by all that God is doing in our church and that you will continue to seek His will and purpose for your life.

May His love and grace be with you always.

Sincerely,

Pastors Matt Austin and Matt Patrick



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2022

UUMC Preschool Holiday Program, Friday, December 9, 2022.

The Sanctuary was packed with Preschool families and friends
with cameras, smiles, cheers and loving applause.
The blonde-haired kid on the far left is Karen Cody, Preschool Director.



Celebrating!
Merry Christmas Sunday!

**God is
with us!**



*A donation to
the Children's Department of UUMC
has been given with love
in honor of
Barbara McCrary
by her children,
David, Andrew and Elizabeth*





January 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 SABBATH 11:00 am UUMC Sanctuary www.facebook.com/uumctulsa	2 NO PRESCHOOL 	3 11:00 a.m. Staff	4 9:00 am-2:00 pm 6:30 pm Prayer Time on FB 6:30 pm Handbell Choir 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	5 Sleep Mat Makers 1:00 pm Parlor	6 9:00 am-2:00 pm 	7
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5 ~ Harvey Humes	10 ~ Shirlee Stoops	16 ~ Steve Deaton
5 ~ Chris Jones	13 ~ Tami Losoncy	17 ~ Trevor Grant
6 ~ Carole Minter	14 ~ Tom Howard	20 ~ Karen Cody
6 ~ Courtney Deming	14 ~ Pat Wells	22 ~ Harrison Austin
8 ~ Brad Phelps	15 ~ Kyle Colvin	27 ~ Korie Kirtley
10 ~ Killian Phelps	15 ~ Mary Alice Claybaugh	31 ~ Grace Campbell, Marti Creighton

A community of faith, love and service since 1923

WORSHIPPING GOD

Sundays 11:00 a.m.
in the Sanctuary or
Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/uumctulsa>



In FELLOWSHIP and SERVICE

Ministry of Sleeping Mats
Thursdays 1:00 p.m.
Parlor



PRAYING TOGETHER

Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.
Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/uumctulsa>



Ladies' Book Club
4th Tuesday each month 7:00 p.m.
Great Hall or Parlor or home of a
book lover



PRAISING GOD

Handbell Choir Rehearsals
Wednesdays 6:30 Room 304
Chancel Choir Rehearsals
Wednesdays 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary



Whistle While you Work
1st Wednesday of
select months



Meal Trains
Scheduled and Delivered
as needed



CARING

Congregational Care Committee Meeting on ZOOM
1st Monday each month 6:30 pm



KW Emergency Food Pantry Services
Contact Church Office
for volunteer opportunities



CARING for CHILDREN

UUMC Preschool & MDO Program
Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays
9:00a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Rooms 101-105, B10



Narcotics Anonymous
Mondays 6:00 p.m. Parlor



SHARING

Ministries Team Meeting on ZOOM
2nd Monday each month
6:30 pm



Adult Children of Alcoholics
Mondays 7:00 p.m. Great Hall



PREPARING

Administrative Board Meeting in Great Hall
3rd Sunday each month
1:00 p.m.
(and called as needed)



Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers

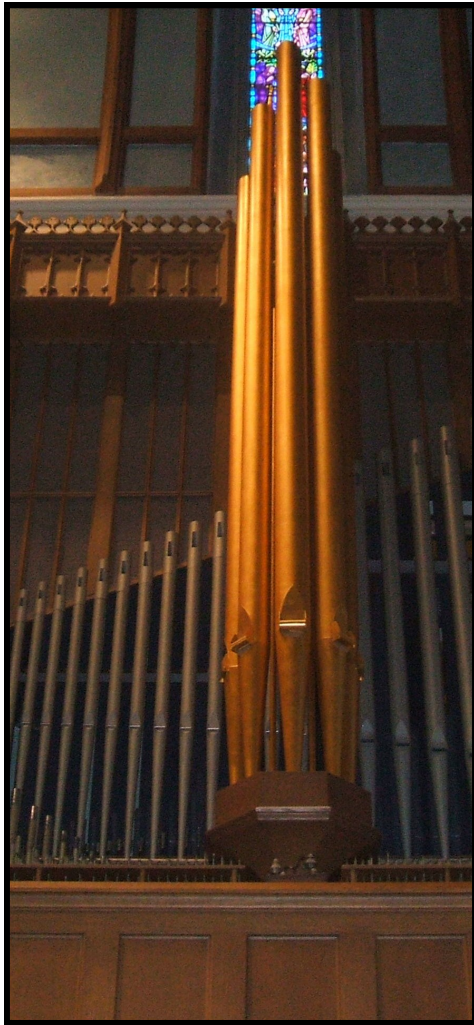
- * ***Ryder Barnes, a child from Claremore, who has a rare parasitic disease.***
- * ***Steff Birch, brother of Gloria McQuade and Julie Wilcox, as he lives with ongoing health issues.***
- * ***Declan Blair, the grandson of a dear friend of Saletha Fuller. Declan is a three-month-old preemie battling RSV and pneumonia.***
- * ***John Bordwine, son of Lynn and Louis, the he be healed, that his addiction will no longer have control of him, and that he be full of the holy Spirit.***
- * ***Megan Briggs, cousin of Keith Austin, as she continues to recover from a serious car accident.***
- * ***John Call, brother of Dan Call, as he is monitored for heart issues.***
- * ***Grace Campbell, who is undergoing physical therapy for severe back pain due to a slipped disc.***
- * ***Jeff Charrier, Jolynn Dotson's friend, who had an accident on a tractor.***
- * ***Deniece Cummings, friend of Lynn Sampsell, who has recently been diagnosed with mini-strokes and will now require 24-7 care.***
- * ***John Detrick, Rob Detrick's father, who continues to struggle with lung issues from COVID.***
- * ***Rob Detrick, for continuous improvements in his mental and physical health.***
- * ***David Druzynski's Aunt Jackie, who is suffering from acute myeloid leukemia.***
- * ***Marie Greene, friend of Tere Talley, who is struggling with dementia, depression and anxiety.***
- * ***Melissa, Lisa Griffith's sister-in-law in Texas, who has breast cancer. Prayers for her doctors, also.***
- * ***Gene Hart, for continued successful medical treatment and care.***
- * ***Gene Hart's youngest brother, who suffers from diabetes and congestive heart failure.***
- * ***Harvey Helm, as he continues to adjust to life back home after months of hospitalization and rehabilitation.***
- * ***Clifford Hobbs, cousin to Kaitlin Austin, who is on home hospice for cancer.***
- * ***Summer, Sherry Hobbs's daughter, who has blood clots.***
- * ***Tom Howard, Lana's husband, who is at home receiving hospice care.***
- * ***Sterling Lamont, relative of a friend of Harvey Helm, who is a preschooler receiving chemotherapy treatments for a brain tumor.***
- * ***Carol Lawson, Kathy Call's sister, who suffers from RA and severe back pain.***
- * ***Dakota Long, Frankie Long's grandson, as he faces many mental and physical issues.***
- * ***Joe Lowery, who continues to suffer from severe back pain.***
- * ***Stacy Lustig, a friend of Kaitlin Austin's aunt, as she receives treatment for cancer.***
- * ***Afton and Nick Mancini and their precious baby, Max (due in January), friends of Tami Losoney.***
- * ***Mohammed, Rob Detrick's neighbor Omar's father-in-law, who is receiving treatments for stomach cancer, including surgery and chemotherapy.***

- * *Della Needham, Lynn Sampsell's best friend in Austin, who has been diagnosed with pneumonia. She was treated at the hospital and sent home because the hospital was full.*
- * *Alfreda, a friend of Carolyn Pense, for healing of several injuries from a car wreck.*
- * *Cooper Philpott, Kaitlin Austin's brother, as he recovers from heart ablation surgery.*
- * *Mike Pilgrim, Tami Losoncy's father, as he continues to recover from a heart ablation procedure.*
- * *Louise Raleigh, aunt of Tere Talley, who suffers from early-onset Alzheimer's and is now living in a nursing care facility.*
- * *Wanda Robinson, Evelyn Land and Hattie Benton, friends of Lynn Sampsell at Cedarhurst, who are all dealing with health issues.*
- * *Tim Shadley, former student of Dan Call, who is being treated for renal cell carcinoma.*
- * *Sharon Shaw, a family friend of Kaitlin Austin and Sherry Hobbs, who is receiving hospice care for an untreatable cancer.*
- * *Donna Stuber, for strength, patience, healing and her terrific sense of humor throughout her medical treatments for cancer.*
- * *Brandy Swift, one of Alyssa Hamilton's students, who is undergoing chemotherapy for stage three breast cancer.*
- * *Lance Talbott, for continued care and treatment of heart and lung concerns.*
- * *Ginger Talley, sister-in-law of Gary and Tere Talley, who is suffering from leukemia.*
- * *Tim Taylor as he continues working with therapies and rehabilitation.*
- * *Gwen, Amber Turner's best friend, who is battling cancer.*
- * *Weston Warren, great-nephew of Gary and Tere Talley, who is facing serious issues with his pancreas.*
- * *Roger Whitaker, friend of Dan Call, who is recovering from pancreatic surgery.*
- * *Michael Woodhouse, John and Linda Patrick's nephew, who is suffering from liver failure.*
- * *Mary Woolsey, Harvey Humes's sister, for healing as she continues to recover following a stroke.*

FOR COMFORT AND PEACE

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers

- * *Jan Griffiths and her family as they celebrate the long and well-lived life of Jan's mother, Barbara Jean McCartney.*
- * *Bill and Helen Moorer. Helen has been diagnosed with dementia.*
- * *Kate Murphy and her father, who is receiving hospice care in Kate's home. Prayers for a smooth transition, peace for Dad, and strength for Kate.*
- * *Former UUMC pastor Reverend John Price and his wife, Elizabeth. Elizabeth is receiving palliative care.*
- * *The Turner family, in the loss of their pregnancy.*



CENTENNIAL ORGAN PIPES

Thousands of organ pipes – all within steps of each other!

Downtown Tulsa is unique in the number of churches located within blocks of each other, featuring large pipe organs that have played important roles in the history of those buildings. You have the opportunity to visit these historic buildings and the pipe organs that make music in those spaces. The Tulsa Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, celebrating the 100th Anniversary of its founding, will sponsor visits to seven downtown churches.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023

10:00 a.m.

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
501 SOUTH CINCINNATI**



UUMC LADIES' BOOK CLUB
Tuesday, January 24th
 at
7:00 p.m.
#16 at Boston Square

We will be discussing
The Last House on the Street
 by Diane Chamberlain



Our hostess for the January meeting will be Kendel Hall. Kendel is excited to be hosting this month's meeting, and wants to be sure you can find her home in Boston Square Townhomes complex. Kendel lives near 24th Street and Boston Avenue, near 24th and Riverside Drive. Guests are encouraged to carpool, since parking may be limited. Please watch book club emails for more information, or contact Kendel at kendelhall@gmail.com or at 918.6887985.



Making Spirits Brighter



Merry Christmas to Kendall Whittier Families from UUMC



Double Flag: Coffee that Matters in our community



Merry Christmas Tray Favors by Terri Callaway



WHISTLE WHILE WE WORK

12.28.2028

FOCUS: KITCHEN AND GREAT HALL



Kitchen: Before



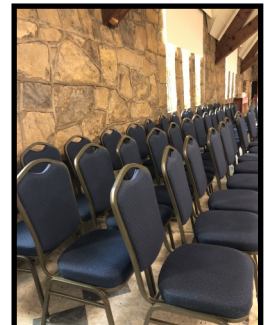
Kitchen: After



Thank You for Your Hard Work Beautifying the Church!



Clean Chairs!



The Building of the Temple: University United Methodist Church, 1923-2023

Excerpts from a compilation by David G. Helm, September 1, 1993
in commemoration of the Church's 70th Anniversary

A Foundation Laid for the Temple

⁸ *The actual construction of the Temple began in June of the second year of their arrival at Jerusalem. The work force was made up of all those who had returned, and they were under the direction of Zerubbabel (son of Shealtiel), Jeshua (son of Jozadak), and their fellow priests and the Levites. The Levites who were twenty years old or older were appointed to supervise the workmen.* ⁹ *The supervision of the entire project was given to Jeshua, Kadmiel, Henadad, and their sons and relatives, all of whom were Levites.*

¹⁰ *When the builders completed the foundation of the Temple, the priests put on their official robes and blew their trumpets; and the descendants of Asaph crashed their cymbals to praise the Lord in the manner ordained by King David.* ¹¹ *They sang rounds of praise and thanks to God, singing this song:*

“He is good, and his love and mercy toward Israel will last forever.”

Then all the people gave a great shout, praising God because the foundation of the Temple had been laid.

Ezra 3: 8-11

It All Began with Muddy Roads and Henry's Chapel...

The Johnson family was on their way to College Hill Presbyterian Church at 7th and Columbia when their car broke down on the unpaved rivers of muddy roads near the home of their friends, the “Henrys”. They started meeting for worship on the Henry family's front porch, and were soon joined by many more families. The Henrys were active members of First Methodist Episcopal Church, and organized the group as mission of First Church called “Henry's Chapel”.



*I was glad when they said unto me,
“Let us go into the house of the Lord.”*
Psalms 122:1

...And A Congregation Grew

In the Spring of 1922, the young congregation of “Kendall Methodist Episcopal Church”, now renamed for the area, pitched a tent between 3rd and 4th Place midway between College and Florence. By winter, they had built a wooden tabernacle in time for cold weather. But the church was again re-named in the fall of 1923 to reflect its connection with the University: *University Methodist Episcopal Church*.

1928– University Methodist Episcopal Church Merges

with Grace Methodist Episcopal Church

With \$4000 raised by the Ladies Aid Society, three lots and a five-room house were purchased at the northwest corner of Fifth Street and College Avenue. In 1929, Charles L. Popkin was hired to draw up plans for the new building, and the congregation adopted the plan.

The Great Depression, Stock Market Crash, Bank Closings, thousands out of work, church membership dwindled to 250, debts were rising...

1932- Building Committee and Rev. Tetrick request revised building plans

January, 1933– First Rock Quarried for the First Unit (West Side)

R. H. “Dad” Taylor, a Quaker stonemason, was paid \$1.00 per hour to teach the church volunteers to lay stone that had been quarried from land east of Tulsa owned by Mr. Frank Thompson from First Methodist. The Builders Club was organized March 19, 1933 with dues of \$1.00 per month to finance the building of the First Unit.

In 1936, Easter Sunday services were held in the “Great Hall”. Pews faced north. The stairs that currently lead to a closet/pantry in the present kitchen led to the choir loft back then. A dining room and kitchen were located on the first floor (current offices). This dining room was famous for the weekly Wednesday night dinners called “Penny Suppers” for 7-8 years, and ended when food rationing became necessary in WW II. The basement of the First Unit was used for classrooms.

1937-The Second Unit (East Side)

Groundbreaking: June 27, 1937. Parsonage was moved from a lot on South College to the southeast corner of Fifth and Florence

Norman Tower Cornerstone laid: September 19, 1938

1939: Methodist Episcopal Church and Methodist Episcopal Church South united to become “The Methodist Church”

1941: WORLD WAR II began

Sanctuary furniture (ordered in 1942) arrived in 1944; first Worship Service was conducted by Rev. Earl Dorff on June 25, 1944

1940s: Church and Church School were reorganized, permanent records set up
Great Hall became a Youth Center for 200 people, Boy Scout program for Troop 37 , Troop 9 and Cub Scout Pack 2 was sponsored by the church.

1950– After a Rest, the Third Unit (North Side)

Groundbreaking: Easter Sunday, April 9, 1950

New unit had four floors and was constructed of brick instead of stone

Completed and Used: December 17, 1950

Dedicated Debt-Free: March 27, 1964

The Building May Be Finished, But the Temple Continues to Grow

Early 1960s: Second Parsonage was purchased at 4652 South Jamestown

1962: Gene Martin cabin was built at Lake For Gibson through labor of church members

1965: Installation of an elevator

1968: Formation of the beginning of Kendall-Whittier Ministries with representatives from College Hill Presbyterian Church, St. Francis Catholic Church and University United Methodist Church

1969: New stained glass windows installed in the Sanctuary

1972: 11-rank Moeller Pipe Organ was installed in the Sanctuary

1993: new playground next to the building was completed and dedicated

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Sundays
Worship:
11:00 am
in person and on Facebook

Wednesdays
Prayer Together on FB: 6:30 pm

**How do you celebrate a congregation that has
been present in its community for 100 years
and counting?**

**If you have a creative idea regarding how UUMC
might celebrate this milestone, please email your
idea (or ideas) to the pastors at
thematts@uumctulsa.org.**

Please indicate “Centennial Idea” on the subject line.

**UUMC Fine Arts Ministries will be sharing special
music in honor of the church’s anniversary, so watch
for a “Rock Concert” coming to you this year.
In what others ways can we celebrate?**

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