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THE VISION

SOUTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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The Events of Holy Week

Holy Week is the last week of Lent, when we follow Jesus from Palm Sunday, to his death on Good Friday in preparation for his rising from the dead on Easter Sunday.

Holy Week is the part of the Church Year where Jesus' final moments are commemorated. The final three days of Holy week are part of the Paschal Triduum.

On Easter Sunday: An angel met Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (perhaps Mary, the mother of James and John) at the tomb to tell them that Jesus was risen from the dead.

Palm Sunday: Accompanied by his disciples, Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a colt, while crowds of people covered the streets ahead of him with their cloaks and with palm branches. Palm Sunday we commemorate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Worship services include blessing of the palms and a procession. The liturgical color is red. Also known as "Fig Sunday."

Monday: Jesus chased the money-changers out of the Temple.

Tuesday and Wednesday: Jesus preached and taught in Jerusalem. "**Spy Wednesday**" is an old and uncommon name for the Wednesday of Holy Week, which commemorates Judas' agreement to betray Jesus (see Matthew 26: 3-5, 14-16).

Thursday: After washing the feet of the disciples, Jesus celebrated the Feast of the Passover, instituting the Sacrament of Holy Communion. After the supper, Jesus and his disciples went to Gethsemane to pray, where he was arrested by the Temple guard and taken to an illegal night session of the Jewish court, the Sanhedrin. The name "Maundy Thursday" is derived from Jesus "mandate" to love one another as he loves us. This day celebrates the institution of the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Ordination. Also known as "**Shear Thursday.**"

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion: Jesus was taken into Roman courts, before Pontius Pilate and Herod Antipas, who sent him back to the Jewish court. Roman soldiers took him to Golgotha, the place of the skull, where he was crucified. Good Friday is a *Fast day* of the Church commemorating Jesus' crucifixion and death. Worship customs include Veneration of the Cross, communion, and the singing, preaching and reading of the Passion from **John's gospel.** In the Catholic Church, the liturgical color was black, but is now red.

Saturday: Jesus rested in the tomb while his disciples observed the Sabbath. This is the final day of **Holy Week.** There are few specific customs associated with **Holy Saturday**, except that it is the final night before the Feast of the Resurrection, which begins at the **Great Easter Vigil**. Generally Holy Week is a busy time for Catholic and Orthodox Christians, as we build up to the Queen of all Church Feasts, **Easter** (*Pascha*).



http://www.churchyear.net/holyweek.html

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2015 Lenten Schedule

Maundy Thursday Service

will be **Thursday**, **April 2nd** at 7:00pm in the sanctuary.

Good Friday Service

will be on **Friday, April 3rd** at 7:00pm at the College Hill Presbyterian Church.

CONGRATULATIONS!!

John and Sara Brobston welcomed their 6th grandchild this week.

Benjamin Joshua Brobston was born March 9th, weighing 7 lbs, 9 oz. All are doing well!



The Prayer Chain Letter

The prayer chain for March will be written be Gerry Hendon. Please contact Gerry Hendon at 918-742-5987.



Come Worship With Us

March 22nd 5th Sunday in Lent

Jeremiah 31: 31-34; Psalm 51: 1-12 *or* Psalm 119: 9-16; Hebrew 5: 5-10; John

12: 20-33

March 29th Passion /Palm Sunday

<u>Palms:</u> Mark 11: 1-11 or John 12: 12-16 ;

Psalm 118: 1-2.19-29

Passion: Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Psalm 31: 9-

16; Philemon 2: 5-11; Mark 14: 1-15:47

or 15: 1-39 (40-47)

Order Your Flowers!

During this Lenten Season, we have an opportunity to order either Easter Lilies or Azaleas to honor or remember a loved one or someone special.

The price is \$15.50 each for either the lilies or azaleas.

Donors and honorees will be listed in the Easter Bulletin on **April 5th**. If you would like to purchase any Easter flowers, please complete an order form and return it along with payment to the church office by **March 31st**.

We still need volunteer Ushers for 2015!!

If at all possible, I need people that could help for at least one month of the coming year. If you can't do it for a complete month, I can still use you. It is an easy job -- you need to be there at 10:15 on Sunday mornings to pass out bulletins and greet people at the door. You also help at offering and after the service, collect the attendance sheets from the pews and help count the money from the offering. This usually takes about 15 minutes after the service. And as an added bonus you can wear a pin that says **USHER!!** So get your name in early, as there are only 48 spots to fill for the coming year and you want to be sure you get signed up for your favorite month or two, before all the spots are filled. Please contact Mike Beatt, at 918 749-0211 or mike.beatt@aa.com. Thank you.

The Fellowship Committee always needs your help with cookies for after Sunday church service. If you are willing to provide them, please list your name and phone number on the cookie sign-up sheet for cookies and flowers are now on the "Sign Up" Board on the wall in the hall across from the coffee bar. If you would like to sign-up for flowers for a special occasion, event, or to honor a loved one, contact Carla Gilbert at 918-747-4404, or email crmg@swbell.net.

Newsletter Reminder: The *deadline* for articles in the next newsletter will be **April 6th** and then the official publishing date is **April 12th.** You can send articles to

newsletter@southminstertulsa.org.

The Calendar

Sunday, March 22nd

- 7: 00am-Gym is open!
- 9:00am-Youth Sunday (Commons/Classroom)
- 9: 15am-Sunday School (Classrooms)
- 10: 30am-Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11: 30am-Fellowship Time (Forbes Parlor)
- 2: 00pm-PBA & Youth Group (Gym)
- 7: 00pm-Miracles (Dining Hall / Room 201, 204)

Monday, March 23rd

- 5: 30AM-Women's Boot Camp (Community Center)
- 9: 30am-Al-Anon (Room 200,201,204)
- 6: 00pm-Blitz United Soccer Club (Gym)
- 6: 00pm-One Heart Meditation Group

(Fair Trade Shop)

- 6: 00pm-Alcoholics Anonymous (Green Room by Commons)
- 6: 30pm-GamAnon(Commons/Green & Red Rooms)
- 7: 00pm-Session Meeting (Study)
- 7: 15pm-Boy Scout Troop (Rooms 207, 209)

Tuesday, March 24th

- 5: 30pm-Tulsa Fencing (Dining Hall)
- 6: 00pm-PBA & Youth Group (Gym)
- 6: 30pm Tulsa Fencing (Gym)

Wednesday, March 25th

- 5: 30AM-Women's Boot Camp (Community Center)
- 6: 30pm-Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 7: 00pm-Miracles (Dining Hall/Room 201, 204)

Thursday, March 26th

- 9: 00am-Presbytery Lectionary Study (Upstairs)
- 9: 30am-PW Covenant Rainbow Circle Meeting (Forbes Parlor)
- 5: 30pm-Tulsa Fencing (Dining Hall)
- 6: 30pm-PBA and Youth Group (Gym)
- 6: 30pm -Tulsa Fencing (Gym)
- 6: 30pm-Tulsa Ukulele Club-Hanh Nguyen (Forbes Parlor)

Friday, March 27th

- 5: 30AM-Women's Boot Camp (Community Center)
- 6: 00pm-Friday Fun Night (Gym)

Saturday, March 28th

- 8: 00am-Full Moon Café' (Kitchen)
- 8: 30am-All Pres-B-ball (Gym)
- 9: 00am-Miracles (Room 201)
- 10: 00am-Co-Dependents Anonymous (Commons)
- 10: 00am-Bridges of Faith B-Ball (Gym)
- 4: 00pm-St. Giles Worship (Dining Hall)
- 6: 00pm-OK Swing Dance (Gym)



he Church of Saint Giles meets in the Dining Hall at 4:00pm every Saturday.

Sunday, March 29th - Palm Sunday!

- 7: 00am-Gym is open!
- 9: 00am-Youth Sunday (Commons/Classroom)
- 9: 15am-Sunday School (Classrooms)
- 10: 30am-Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11: 30am-Fellowship Time (Forbes Parlor)
- 2: 00pm-PBA and Youth Group (Gym)
- 7: 00pm-Miracles (Dining Hall/Rooms 201, 204)

Monday, March 30th

- 5: 30AM-Women's Boot Camp (Community Center)
- 9: 30am-Al-Anon (Rooms 200, 201, 204)
- 6: 00pm-One Heart Meditation Group (Fair Trade Shop)
- 6: 00pm-Alcoholics Anonymous (Green Room)
- 6: 30pm-GamAnon (Commons / Green & Red Rooms)
- 6: 30pm-Boy Scout Troop Court of Honor (Sanctuary)

Tuesday, March 31st

- 5: 30pm-Tulsa Fencing Club (Dining Hall)
- 6: 00pm-PBA & Youth Group (Gvm)
- 6: 30pm Tulsa Fencing Club (Gym)

Wednesday, April 1st

- 5: 30AM-Women's Boot Camp (Community Center)
- 6: 30pm-Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 7: 00pm-Miracles (Dining Hall/Room 201, 204)

Thursday, April 2nd

- 9: 00am-Presbytery Lectionary Study Meeting (Upstairs)
- 5: 30pm-Tulsa Fencing (Dining Hall)
- 6: 30pm-PBA and Youth Group (Gym)
- 6: 30pm Tulsa Fencing (Gym)
- 6: 30pmTulsa Ukulele Club-Hanh Nguyen (Forbes Parlor)
- 7: 00pm-Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)

Friday, April 3rd - Good Friday!

- 5: 30AM-Women's Boot Camp (Community Center)
- 6: 00pm-Friday Fun Night (Gym)
- 7: 00pm-Good Friday Service
- (College Hill Presbyterian Church)

Saturday, April 4th

- 8: 30am-All Pres-B-Ball (Gym)
- 9: 00am-Miracles (Room 201)
- 10: 00am-Fair Trade Store Open!
- 10: 00am-Co-Dependents Anonymous (Commons)
- 10: 00am-Bridges of Faith B-Ball (Gym)
- 4: 00pm-St. Giles Worship (Dining Hall)
- 6: 00pm-OK Swing Dance (Gym)

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Sunday School

9: 15—10: 15am

Worship Services:

10: 30am Sunday &

4: 00pm Saturday

Session Meeting Highlights on March 2, 2015

- Rev. Bill Webb served as Moderator for the Session meeting.
- Special visitor was Bill Stuckert, Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery Committee on Ministry liaison who is charged with the responsibility of assisting Southminster in the search for an interim and a permanent pastor. He spoke to the group about the need for a Mission Study and a Pastor Nominating Committee.
- The Board of Deacons is launching a Helping Hands Ministry which is intended to provide assistance to those members of Southminster who need occasional help with repairs or chores that they are unable to do. Bob Melichar is collecting names of those Southminster members who will volunteer to give their time to help those who need some work done. Marcia Miller will be coordinating the requests for help with the volunteers who will provide the help.
- The Christian Education Committee is starting a new Sunday School class for adults. Rev. Bill Webb will lead the class.
- The 2015 Budget was approved. It includes a new line item which provides \$4500 for the work of the Board of Deacons. Expected income is estimated to be \$546,202 and expenditures are budgeted at \$541,041.
- The Nominating Committee will soon nominate one Ruling Elder and one Deacon to fill vacancies.
- Personnel Committee reported that the committee is putting together a job description and a budget for an interim pastor. They have received some personal information forms from interested pastors.
- Gerry Hendon was elected as Clerk of Session for another year.
- David Bell was elected as Church Treasurer.

Easter Flower Orders

For this Lenten Season, we will have an opportunity to order either Easter Lilies or Azaleas honoring a loved one or remembering someone special. The Easter Lilies are being offered for \$18 and the Azaleas for \$20. Donors and honorees will be listed in the Easter Bulletin. Please fill out the form below and return along with payment to the church office by Palm Sunday (April 13th).

Name
Easter Lilies (How Many)
Azaleas (How Many)
I WILL / WILL NOT (circle one) pick up flowers after Easter Service.
Flowers given in HONOR OF / MEMORY OF: