



Weekly UPDATE First Adventist Church of Tulsa



October 10, 2026

PATHFINDERS and ADVENTURERS INDUCTION SABBATH

Opportunities

Come Grow with Us!

If you are looking for a change, or for a new church, we invite you to join our growing family. Here at First Tulsa we believe that everyone has something special and unique to add to our diverse congregation. We would love to welcome you into our church family! If this is your desire, please turn in a Connection Card (located on the tables at the back of the church sanctuary). Place it in the offering box on the wall by the doors at the back of the church sanctuary.

United Prayer Opportunities

Monday – Friday

● **6:00-6:15 am** ● Prayer Conference Call
Dial 605-468-8026, Access Code: 1013047#

Tuesday

● **7:00-8:00 pm** ● Oklahoma Prayer Line
● Dial 1-470-480-9256

Wednesday

● **6:00 pm** ● Midweek Prayer Meeting
● In the Board Room

Prayer Meeting



Prayer Meeting is held on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the Board Room. Join us each week and be blessed as we meet together to enjoy Bible study, prayer, and fellowship!

Events at Adventist Fellowship

Missing Members Reconnect Meetings

On **October 9-10** at Adventist Fellowship (15303 E 21st St Tulsa, OK 74134), Grant Agadjanian will share ways to encourage the return of our grown children and youth who have become disconnected from church life. Friday at 6:30, Sat. 11 & 2:30.

Fall Festival 2026

Everyone's invited to the Fall Festival on Sunday, **October 25, 3-6 pm** at Adventist Fellowship. The event will include inflatables, hay rides, food, games, crafts, and more. Family-friendly costumes are welcome. Admission is free.

Join TAA for Chapel Programs

Tulsa Adventist Academy invites everyone to join them for Chapel services held in our church on Fridays at 8:00 am. You will enjoy beautiful music, inspiring speakers and more.

Three Ways to Give



Online

tulsasda.com
Click on "Online Giving"



Church

Place your offering in a tithe envelope and put it in the offering box at the back of the Sanctuary



Mail

First SDA Church of Tulsa
920 S. New Haven Ave.
Tulsa, OK 74112

Worship Service

October 10, 2026

11:00 a.m.



Welcome and Announcements

Daniel Duffy

Processional

The Pathfinder Song

American Flag | Charlie; **Christian Flag** | Charlize;
Adventurer Flag | Ellie; **Pathfinder Pledge & Law Banner** | Tyler, Henry;
Adventurer Pledge and Law Banner | Chet, Ezra

Pledge of Allegiance

Ava

Adventurer Pledge, Law, and Song

Eliza, Austin

Pathfinder Pledge and Law

Tyler, Gabriel

Scripture Call to Worship

Mark 12, by memory | Madeline Duffy

Offering

SWU Education Endowment | James

Children's Story (no children's offering)

Kristi Vargas

Praise Songs

Here I Am to Worship

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Betsy, Corbin, Madeline, Austin, Ellie, Eliza, James

Introduction to Induction

Justin Vargas, Daniel Duffy

Candles for Adventurers and Pathfinders

Austin Paddock

Special Prayer

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Sermon

Candy or a Bicycle

Jason Vargas

Closing Prayer

Jason Vargas

Closing Recessional

Onward Christian Soldiers, Hymn 612

Announcements

Welcome!

A heartfelt welcome to everyone who is with us for Bible study, worship, and Christian fellowship here at Tulsa First Adventist Church this morning. We pray you will be blessed and enjoy your time together with our church family.

Pathfinders & Adventurers Induction

A very special welcome to the children and youth who, along with their families, have joined us



today for their induction into this year's Pathfinder and Adventurer clubs. May God bless and guide the young

people and their leaders as they enjoy learning more about Jesus together.

Compassion Ministries | Donate Socks

Compassion Ministries is collecting **new adult socks for our homeless neighbors** to keep their feet warm and dry this winter.

- Please place socks in the box outside the main sanctuary doors.
- If you don't know what kinds of socks to get and like to purchase on *Amazon*, there are two QR codes on the box with suggested products. **Adult white crew socks are ideal**, making it easy to see when the socks need a wash.
- Thank you for sharing your resources to bless someone else this month! — Jenni Hembry



Potluck Picnic Lunch Next Sabbath



A Potluck Picnic Lunch will follow Outdoor Church next Sabbath, **October 17** at Rowland and Lori Knight's place (6109 E. 30th St. N., Tulsa, OK 74115). Everyone is asked to bring picnic style foods to share such as **sandwiches, wraps, potato salad, veggie trays, chips and dips, etc.** The church potluck lunch previously scheduled for October 24 has been cancelled.

Church Potluck Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>THEME & HOSTS</u>
October 17 Outdoor Church	Picnic Style (Sandwiches, Wraps, Subs, Chips, etc.) HOSTS: Knight Team
November 28	Thanksgiving HOSTS: Anthony Team
December 19	Holiday Dishes (Your Family Traditions) HOSTS: Duffy Team
January 23	Soups, Salads, Breads HOSTS: Davison Team
February 27	Southern Style (Cornbread, Potatoes, Gravy, etc.) HOSTS: Anthony Team
March 27	Soups, Salads, Breads HOSTS: Vargas Team
April 24	Haystacks / Nachos / Tacos HOSTS: OPEN
May 22	Memorial Day Dishes HOSTS: OPEN

Church Board Meeting

This month's regularly scheduled Church Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, **October 13** in the Board Room. All Church Board Members are asked to attend.

Outdoor Church Coming October 17



WHEN: October 17 (church closed)
Sabbath School - 9:45 am (**kids too!**)
Worship Service - 11:00 am

WHERE: At the Knights' place
6109 E. 30th St. N.
Tulsa, OK 74115

SEATING: Bring a lawn chair (ground may be wet or muddy)

ATTIRE: Wear casual clothes and flat shoes

POTLUCK: Afterward we will enjoy a potluck picnic lunch together. Please **bring picnic food** items to share for the potluck such as potato salad, veggie trays, sandwiches, chips & dip, etc. **Plan to bring a cooler if your potluck picnic foods need to be chilled.** The lunch will be hosted by the Knight Hospitality Team.

DIRECTIONS: From Highway 11, take the Sheridan Road exit and head north on Sheridan. Turn left on 30th Street North. Turn right at brick mailbox (across from Cavalier Homes). Follow gravel road to church site and parking.

Prayer Requests

Joe Barranco	Baby Malone
Minnie Bork	Lynn Silkey
Church Building Committee	Native New Day
Discover Bible School	Church Finances
Missing Members	Tulsa Adventist Academy
America	Tulsa State Fair Ministry

Special Prayer

For special prayer contact Prayer Ministries Coordinator James Davison at 603-801-7172.

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

11 Tashina Childress
11 Antonio Melendez
12 Brian Griesbaum
12 Gary & Toni Williams
16 Adamari Martinez
17 Keith & Holly Humble



Local Church Budget Summary

July - September, 2026

Amount planned for budget	\$31,050
Amount received for budget	\$27,054

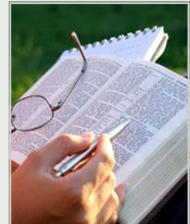
“Through faithful stewardship we acknowledge that everything we possess ultimately belongs to God. Offerings beyond the tithe allow believers to express gratitude, care for others, and support particular ministries or mission projects.”
Quote from nadadventist.org

Thank you for making a difference!

Calendar

Today, October 10

Breakfast in Board Room	9:15 am	Offering	SWU Educ. Endowment
Family Bible Study	9:45 am	Elder	Lauren Fraser
Worship Service	11:00 am	Deacon	Daniel Duffy
Sunset	6:56 pm	Deaconess	Glenda Pifer



Two Weeks at a Glance | October 11 – 24, 2026

11 •Tulsa State Fair ends	12 •Columbus Day	13 •Community Services 8:00a-11:00a •Church Board Meeting	14 •Prayer Meeting 6:00p	15	16 Sunset 6:48p	17 •Outdoor Church •Potluck Lunch Sunset 6:46p
18	19	20 •Community Services 8:00a-11:00a	21 •Prayer Meeting 6:00p	22	23 Sunset 6:39p	24 Sunset 6:37p

Next Sabbath, October 17

OUTDOOR CHURCH at Knights' (church closed)

Sabbath School for Everyone	9:45 am
Worship Service	11:00 am
Potluck Picnic Lunch	12:30 pm
Sunset	6:46 pm

Offering	Local Church Budget
Elder	David Miller
Deacon	Josh Ray
Deaconess	Lisa Peugh

Events

September 26 - October 31

Compassion Ministries Sock Drive

October 1-11

Tulsa State Fair

October 10

Pathfinders & Adventurers Sabbath

October 13

Church Board Meeting

October 17

Outdoor Church & Potluck Picnic Lunch

Church Music Notes

Welcome Young People

This Sabbath our Adventurer and Pathfinder Clubs will be leading out in our service and having their Induction Ceremony for 2026. They invite you to join with them in coming before God with worship in our hearts.

Praise Songs



If songs are like children to their writers, then 25 year-old Englishman Tim Hughes carried the song ***Here I Am To Worship*** to full term, letting the reverent tune take perfect shape over a nine-month period. Back in 1999 while still in college, he first sat down to craft a musical response to his reading of Philippians 2:5, which says, *"Make your own attitude that of Christ Jesus."*

"I'd been reading about the cross," he said, "and thinking through Jesus' amazing sacrifice. Sometimes when God meets with us we don't quite know how to respond properly. It's often too much for us to take in. Hopefully in a small way the chorus captures that: 'Here I am to worship. Here I am to bow down. Here I am to say that you're my God. You're altogether lovely, worthy, wonderful.'"

Although the song had been completed, the writer was still not convinced of its potential. Leading worship at his home church one day, Tim sang *Here I Am To Worship* for his fellow members and was duly advised by his pastor to

start using it more often. Since then, Hughes has seen the song take on a life of its own. Our first Song of Praise today will be ***Here I Am to Worship***.

The second of our Praise songs today is about the cross, the central doctrine of the New Testament. Why are there so few modern worship songs that include something so vital? Rick Founds, the worship leader for a large church, targeted that need with ***Lord, I Lift Your Name On High***. It came out of his personal devotions as he accompanied his scripture reading with his guitar. As he contemplated the earth's cycle of clouds and rain, the scriptures showed him the cycle of Jesus coming from heaven, going to the cross for us, rising from the dead and returning home again. He says, *"The response to grasping even a little of that is praise, thanksgiving and gratitude."*

Recessional



Our Recessional is ***Onward Christian Soldiers***, Hymn 612. The words were written in 1865 by Sabine Baring-Gould, who was the pastor of a parish in Yorkshire county in the north of England. He later said, This song *"was written in a very simple fashion for a school festival. I wanted the children to sing when marching from one village to the other, but couldn't think of anything quite suitable, so I sat up at night resolved to write something myself. Onward, Christian Soldiers was the result. It was written in great haste, certainly nothing has surprised me more than its great popularity."* The melody was written later by operetta composer Sir Arthur Sullivan.

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School Office: (918) 834-1107
Website: tulsaacademy.org

Tulsa Adventist Academy Food Store

Offering canned & frozen vegetarian foods

To purchase foods, come to the TAA office during school office hours or contact Rowland Knight (918-381-9708) and make an appointment.

Sabbath Mornings at Our Church

- Spanish Sabbath School Class is in the Chapel.
- Classes for children, youth, and young adults are held in the church's south hall classrooms.

Family Bible Study

October 10 • 9:45 a.m.

9:15 | Breakfast in Board Room

**9:45 | Children in Classrooms
Adults in Sanctuary**

- Songs | *Jesus Loves Me, This Little Light*
Lauren Fraser and helpers
- Memory Verse of Month | Hebrews 1:1-2
- Prayer
- Mission Video | *Welcome to OIKOS, Finland*

10:00 | Classes for Adults

Board Room	Regular Sabbath School Lesson
Sanctuary (Front)	Beliefs of the Adventist Church
Sanctuary (Back)	Book Study "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World"

Church Bulletin Information

The deadline for receiving announcements to be printed in the bulletin is **11 am on Wednesday**. Please text your announcements to the bulletin secretary at 918-640-6540 or email announcements to the following email address:
bruce.carrico@gmail.com.



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