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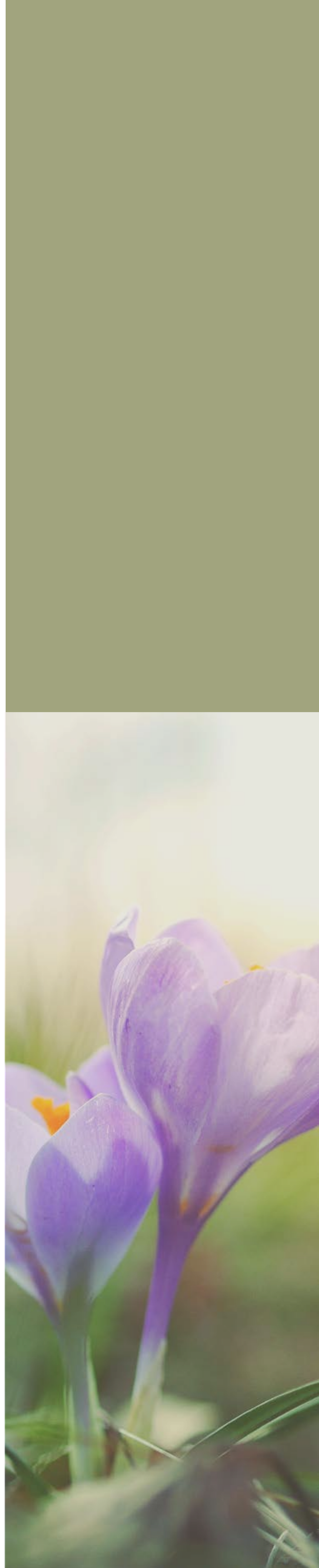


**FIRST UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**

*Where your story matters and God's story is shared.*



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# COMING UP AT FIRST METHODIST



## THIS WEEKEND

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**9:30 a.m. Sunday**

Traditional Service | Sanctuary

**10:55 a.m. Sunday**

Combined Service | Sanctuary

## MISSION ACADEMY!

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**March 17-20, 2019 | 6th-8th Graders**

It's not too late to get your middle schooler registered for Mission Academy! Mission Academy is First Methodist's training ground for student mission. It is designed to involve students in mission and open their eyes to the important role they have in the body of Christ. The cost is \$100.

**Next Step:** [Register here.](#)



## GET READY FOR THE NEXT HOLY SPIRIT WEEKEND!

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**March 9 & 10, 2019**

We're pleased to announce that we will be joined by Aldersgate Renewal Ministries for our next Holy Spirit Weekend! The mission of Aldersgate is to empower the local church for ministry in the world in the power of the Holy Spirit. Their team members will be coming from all over the United States to have them help lead us in this time.

**Friday, March 8**

7:00 p.m. | Rekindle Leader Service | Sanctuary

**Saturday, March 9**

7:45 a.m. | Breakfast | Thomas Hall

*\*[Register for the Saturday morning portion here.](#) There is a \$20 charge for the Saturday morning portion that covers breakfast and any materials distributed.*

8:30 a.m. | Worship and Teaching Sessions | Thomas Hall | Children's Programming Available

1. "Promise of the Father"
2. "Truth and Holiness"
3. "Unity and Love"
4. "Power and Authority"
5. "Kingdom Encounters"

6:30 p.m. | Worship | Sanctuary (Childcare Available)

**Sunday, March 10**

9:30 & 10:55 a.m. | Worship | Sanctuary & YFC



## AARON & HUR!

March 17-20, 2019 | High Schoolers

It's not too late to get your high schooler registered for Aaron & Hur! Aaron and Hur is our senior high Spring Break Mission. The goal of Aaron and Hur is to cultivate, within the hearts of students, an understanding of their role in serving the world, the body of Christ, and their Heavenly Father—by serving people who are in ministry by lifting their arms when they are tired and worn. The cost is \$75.

**Next Step:** [Register here.](#)

## GIFTED: THE INBREATHING OF GOD

One Sunday, one session, and the what, why and how of your unique spiritual giftedness.

Sunday, March 31 | 9:15-10:30 a.m. | Connection Suite

Come learn about spiritual gifts and your unique giftedness. Pre-registration by Monday, March 25 required. Contact Suzanne at 918.592.3862, ext. 1127 or [suzannepatterson@fumctulsa.org](mailto:suzannepatterson@fumctulsa.org) to register.

## BEACON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE!

The Beacon Memorial Scholarship was established by the Beacon Class in the 1970s to support students seeking to further their education. Graduating high school seniors are invited to apply for this scholarship, which has awarded over \$175,000 since it began.

The application and instructions may be found online at [fumctulsa.org/beacon](http://fumctulsa.org/beacon).

## HONORARIUMS & MEMORIALS

### Honorarium for Frank Catalano:

Donation to Lisa's House Ministries from the Carpenter's Class for teaching their class

### Memorial for Ed Smith:

FUMC Provident Fund from Bob and Barbara Cooley



## WOMEN...REGISTER FOR THE NEXT REFRESH EVENT...WITH JILL DONOVAN AND OSE BURNETT!

Saturday, March 30 | 9:00-11:30 a.m. | Thomas Hall

[Register here!](#)

The next Refresh Women's Event will be this March, and we're excited to announce that our guest speaker will be Jill Donovan, founder of Rustic Cuff!



### Jill Donovan

There are two simple but strong words that describe Jill Donovan perfectly, “passionate” and “purposeful”. Founder of Rustic Cuff and author of *The Kindness Effect*, Jill graduated from Oral Roberts University and went on to earn her law degree from the University of Tulsa. She is married to Terry, her college sweetheart and has two beautiful daughters.



Jill was a practicing attorney and adjunct law professor at TU when her passion for cuff bracelets, and her need to refill her ‘gift closet’ led her to begin Rustic Cuff. The brand has evolved into multiple showroom locations, over 150 employees, and a very strong, loving, social media fan base that feel a true connection with her!



### Ose Burnett

Freedom. Hope. Deliverance. Compassion. These are just a few themes that Ose Burnett desires to communicate through the calling God has given her. Through her ministry and leadership on and off stage, Ose has a true desire and passion for people to live their lives each moment in wonder of the One who

gives life. Ose has a cross cultural, mass-appeal ministry style that transcends cultures, and ministers to the heart of men and women and changes their lives for eternity.



## A LETTER FROM REV. REBEKAH BLEDD...

Dear FUMC Church Family,

My first day of work at FUMC was the first day of Mission Academy, 2013. I was the new Minister of Youth Discipleship and spent that week learning names and telling bedtime stories to the middle schoolers who are now this year's graduating Seniors. The next four years were a whirlwind of mission trips, campus visits, Grow Groups, Wednesday nights, Birthday Banquet, and even the first ever girls MACBA team. It was an absolute honor to work alongside the finest volunteers and co-youth ministers in sharing the good news with teenagers.

In 2017 I became the Young Adult Minister. Campus visits shifted to college campuses, the college space re-energized with a full month of events called "30in30", and Fuller Youth Institute invited FUMC to collaborate in researching how to reach young adults ages 18-29 as we worked to prioritize young adults everywhere in our context. We named the college space The Culture Lab because of a quote from Anthropologist Dr. Mike Rynkiewich: "Every culture and generation deserves a fresh reading of the Gospel in their own language." Our partnership with Fuller Youth Institute, our Sunday evening worship services, even our annual Thanksgiving pancake breakfast were in pursuit of that goal: to help the Gospel come vibrantly alive in the language and experience of the next generation. What joy and privilege to be on the front lines in this pursuit!

In 2018 a position opened up in the Mission Department that matched my experience and education. I was enthusiastic about a new set of challenges and goals and am thrilled to have spent the past year in the Mission Department as the Mission Mobilization Coordinator.

Last month, my husband and I had our first child. This summer upon my husband's graduation with his Master's degree in Applied Math, we will move to Arkansas to begin his new job. I have decided to shift gears as our family grows and transitions. My last day at FUMC was officially February 26. My time at FUMC has been full of adventure, creative collaboration, cross-generational and cross-cultural learning, and very rich relationships. As I reflect over the past six years, I am so grateful. Thank you for allowing me to minister with you the past half-decade!

Sincerely,  
Rebekah Bled





# CALENDAR

March 10-16, 2019

## SUNDAY

- 8:15 a.m.....Adult Sunday School-Various Locations
- 9:30 .....Holy Spirit Weekend Worship-Sanctuary
- 9:30 .....Adult Sunday School-Various Locations
- 10:55 .....Adult Sunday School-Various Locations
- 10:55 .....Holy Spirit Weekend Worship-Sanctuary
- 1:30 p.m. ....Skate Church-YFC Gym
- 5:30 .....Bible Blast-Children's Bldg
- 6:00 .....Pickleball-YFC Gym

## MONDAY

- 7:45 a.m.....Rev+ Flow-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 9:00 .....Senior Strength & Stretch-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 11:30 .....YFC Members Only Basketball-YFC Gym
- 11:45 .....Zumba-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 6:00 p.m. ....Yoga Evening Flow-YFC Grp Exercise Rm

## TUESDAY

- 6:00 a.m.....AM Basketball-YFC Gym
- 9:00 .....Early Learning Academy-Children's Bldg
- 11:30 .....YFC Members Rec Basketball-YFC Gym
- 11:40 .....Basic Training-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 6:00 p.m. ....Cardio Core Training-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 6:00 .....Celebrate Recovery Dinner-MSLC 231
- 7:00 .....Celebrate Recovery Worship-Thomas Hall
- 7:30 .....Recreational Volleyball-YFC Gym

## WEDNESDAY

- 7:45 a.m.....Rev+ Flow-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 9:00 .....Senior Strength & Stretch-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 9:00 .....Early Learning Academy-Children's Bldg
- 10:00 .....Prayer Card Ministry-MSLC 231
- 11:30 .....Yoga Plus! Lunch Break Yoga-YFC Cycle Rm
- 11:30 .....YFC Members Only Basketball-YFC Gym
- 11:45 .....Zumba-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 5:30 .....Youth Wednesday Nights-Youth Wing
- 6:15 .....Women's Bible Study-Parlor
- 6:30 .....Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

## THURSDAY

- 6:00 a.m.....AM Basketball-YFC Gym
- 9:00 .....Early Learning Academy-Children's Bldg
- 9:30 .....Precept Study-MSLC 231
- 11:30 .....YFC Members Rec Basketball-YFC Gym
- 11:30 .....Overcoming Job Transition-Parker Hall
- 11:45 .....Cardio Circuit-YFC Cycle Rm
- 1:30 p.m. ....Pickleball-YFC Gym
- 6:00 .....Cardio Core Training-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 6:30 .....Co-Addiction Support Group-4th Flr Commons

## FRIDAY

- 7:45 a.m.....REFIT-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 9:00 .....Senior Strength & Stretch-YFC Grp Exercise Rm
- 11:30 .....YFC Members Only Basketball-YFC Gym
- 11:45 .....Zumba-YFC Grp Exercise Rm

## SATURDAY

- 10:00 a.m.....Mission Academy Leader Training-SH Assembly



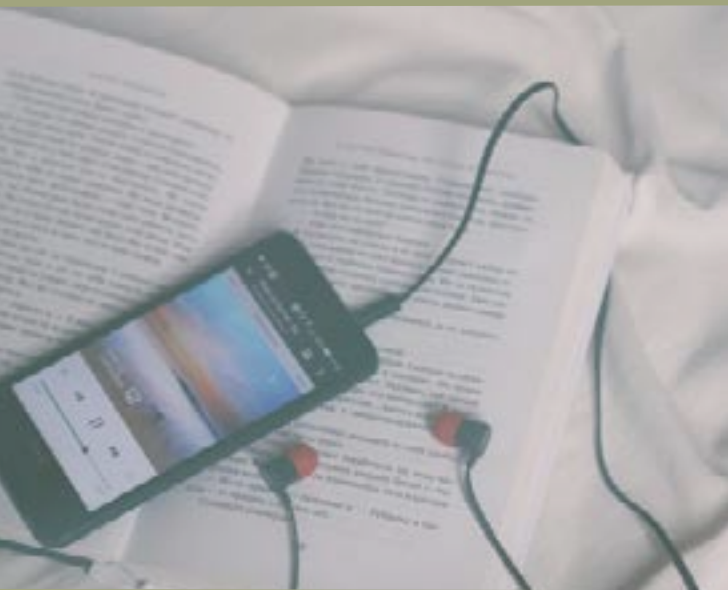


# RESOURCES



## FOUR WAYS TO GIVE AT FIRST!

You can give your tithes and offerings by giving online at [fumctulsa.org/give](http://fumctulsa.org/give), giving via text to 918.871.2010, by mailing your check to 1115 S Boulder Avenue, Tulsa, OK 74119, or giving in the Sunday offering plate.



## PODCASTS

Subscribe to “FUMC Tulsa” and “First U Tulsa” on Apple Podcasts. These subscriptions will deliver Sunday’s messages and other teachings straight to your phone!



## UPDATE YOUR RECORD ONLINE

Create an account at [fumctulsa.infellowship.com](http://fumctulsa.infellowship.com) (use the email on record with FUMC). You can update your address, check your giving statement, and register for FUMC events.



## FIRST ON TV

Miss a service? Watch it the following Sunday at 10:00 a.m. on Cox Cable channels 9 and 1009, ATT UVerse 47, DISH 47, and antenna 47.1.



## FUMC LEARNING RESOURCES

Did you enjoy a particular Sunday school lesson and wish you had access to the material? Check out our online resources section at [fumctulsa.org/resources](http://fumctulsa.org/resources).



## DIGITAL BULLETINS

When you come to church this Sunday, access your bulletin on the First Methodist app. Find it under the “home” tab. Digital bulletins help us reduce our printing and save money!