NEWS+EVENTS

August 17, 2025

For more details and registration, go to heritageokc.org/events

GriefShare TODAY 3-5pm in the House – Comfort and support for those grieving a loss. Led by people who understand. You are welcome to listen or share and bring family/friends. Also helpful for those supporting others through grief. Email *jim@heritageokc.org* for more info.

MEN'S Third Thursday Fellowship: Aug. 21 - We will meet at Rudy's on Memorial at 11:30am for food, fellowship, and a brief devotional. Email Jim Jackson at *jim@heritageokc.org* if you have questions.

Life Adults Day Trip to Pawhuska: Saturday, Aug. 23, 7am – Join us for food and fellowship at the Pioneer Woman restaurant! (\$2/person for gas). Sign up TODAY at the Welcome Desk. Feel free to drive your own car or ride in the church vans (space for 26).

Adventure Club starts Wednesday, Aug. 27, 6:30pm for children 3 yrs. - 6th grade. Register online! Email *shawn@heritageokc.org* with questions.

4MEN: Tues. 6am (Aug. 26) or Wed. 6:30pm (Aug. 27) – *Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life* focuses on disciplines like Scripture reading, worship, and prayer that lead to spiritual liberty and growth in Christ.

2:7 Series Book 1: Wed. 6:30pm (Aug. 27) – Based on Col. 2:6-7, this study is for anyone seeking to grow as a disciple or disciple others.

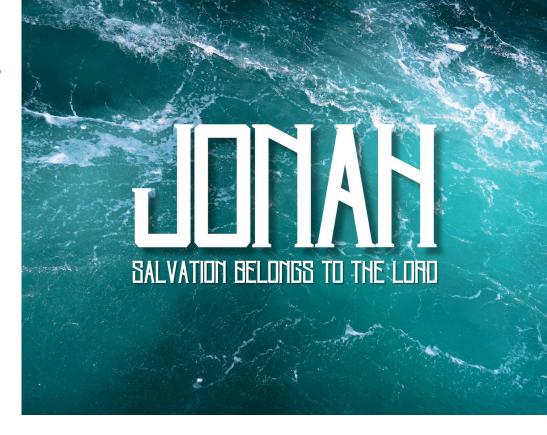
Marriage Class: Wed. 6:30pm (Aug. 27) – Paul Tripp's *What Did You Expect?*—a fun, biblical video series exploring real-life challenges in marriage.

Women's Bible Study: Wed. 6:30pm (Aug. 27) – *Seamless* by Angie Smith. Sign up online by Aug. 20 to receive a book (\$15).

Women's Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30am or 6:30pm (Sept. 11) – *Romans* by Lydia Brownback. Sign up online by Sept. 4 to receive a book (\$10).

Choir & Orchestra Rehearsals begin this fall! Choir will rehearse on Aug. 27, 7:00-7:45pm; Orchestra practice begins on Sept 3, 7:00-7:45pm. If interested in serving in the Music Ministry, email *jonathan@heritageokc.org*.

Flee the City Father-Son Campout Sept. 5-6, Salyer Lake. Men: Don't miss this time to connect, grow, and bond with your sons/grandsons and other HBC men. Register online by Sept. 3! Contact <code>jim@heritageokc.org</code>.



As a family of forgiven people, we are honored that you have joined with us today as we seek to develop people who delight in God and declare His glory—from our neighborhoods to the nations. Our prayer is that you will connect with God through Christ this morning and that this would be the beginning of a deep connection with other believers as well. Please take a moment to fill out the Communication Card located in the chair pocket near you and place it in an offering pedestal in the back of the Worship Center.

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Call to Worship

Ephesians 1:3-10

Pastoral Prayer

Marty Brown
Teaching Pastor

Songs of Worship

Come Praise and Glorify

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Scripture Reading

Psalm 40:1-5

Songs of Worship

It Is Well With My Soul

Ancient of Days

Message

Marty Brown
Teaching Pastor

Song of Response

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

"There has been a wonderful alteration in my mind, with respect to the doctrine of God's sovereignty, from that day to this...God's absolute sovereignty... is what my mind seems to rest assured of, as much as of anything that I see with my eyes...The doctrine has very often appeared exceedingly pleasant, bright, and sweet. Absolute sovereignty is what I love to ascribe to God...God's sovereignty has ever appeared to me, [a] great part of His glory. It has often been my delight to approach God, and adore Him as a sovereign God." ~ Jonathan Edwards

"Not till we have become humble and teachable, standing in awe of God's holiness and sovereignty, acknowledging our own littleness, distrusting our own thoughts and willing to have our minds turned upside down, can divine wisdom become ours."

~ J. I. Packer

"Divine sovereignty is not the sovereignty of a tyrannical Despot, but the exercised pleasure of One who is infinitely wise and good! Because God is infinitely wise, He cannot err, and because He is infinitely righteous, He will not do wrong. Here then is the preciousness of this truth. The mere fact itself that God's will is irresistible and irreversible fills me with fear, but once I realize that God wills only that which is good, my heart is made to rejoice."

~ Arthur W. Pink

"This is the essence of God's sovereignty; His absolute independence to do as He pleases and His absolute control over the actions of all His creatures. No creature, person, or empire can either thwart His will or act outside the bounds of His will."

~ Jerry Bridges

Jonah – Salvation Belongs to the Lord God's Sovereignty in Everything

Jonah 1:17; 4:6-8

Big Truth of this Series: From beginning to end, salvation is of the Lord! God's holy justice is balanced with His magnificent grace and mercy and is extended to everyone who believes the gospel message, repents, and turns to Him.

Big Truth of Today's Message: God demonstrates His absolute sovereignty and power in His plan for every detail of life (including, but not limited to, fish, plants, worms, and scorching winds), to teach us of His glory in showing grace and mercy to sinners.

v. 1:17 – God appointed a big fish to swallow His prophet.

v. 4:6 – God appointed a plant to save His prophet from discomfort.

v. 4:7 – God appointed a worm to take away His prophet's source of comfort.

v. 4:8 – God appointed a scorching wind to make His prophet even more uncomfortable.