

Pray for Neighborhood VBS: Small groups of our adults are hosting VBS right in their own backyards. Pray the children have hearts prepared and ears to hear and believe the truth of the Gospel.

Heritage Retreat October 16-18: The retreat provides an opportunity for our church body to step back from normal routines and enjoy the beauty of God's creation while spending time with one another. Join us for this church-wide get-away at the New Life Ranch (brochures available at the Welcome Center). **Register online by July 6;** \$15 deposit per person is due by Aug 16. Contact Shawn McGill, shawn@heritageokc.org.

Camp Barnabas July 12-16: Students (grades 7-12) will be helping with projects like painting, power-washing, staining, flower beds, etc., at this Christian camp that ministers to people with special needs (not meeting this year). The cost for the trip is \$115; a \$15 deposit will secure your spot. Register online by Wed, July 1st.

Children's Sunday School (birth-6th grade) will meet at 9am on **June 28 and July 26**. This will provide our children and parents an opportunity to meet with their classes a few times this summer. We hope to be back on our weekly schedule on Promotion Sunday, Aug 16. Please consider how you might serve in the Children's ministry this fall--we need to add several more teachers and helpers. Opportunities range from serving each week; to every other month; to once every six weeks, kids@heritageokc.org.

Student Ministry (7th-12th) & College/Career will both resume their weekly Sunday morning classes beginning **June 28**. The students will be meeting in the Gym and the College/Career group in Room 405.

All Church Prayer July 5: *"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer"* (Romans 12:12). Join us for an hour of prayer, seeking the Lord through the lens of Scripture Sunday, July 5 at 5:00pm in the Chapel.

Visit <http://heritageokc.org/serve/> to find more ways you can be part of what God is doing at Heritage Baptist Church.

1 THESSALONIANS

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.

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Good Reasons to be Grateful—Part 2

June 21, 2020

Call to Worship

Pastoral Prayer

Songs of Worship

Christ Is All

Jesus Messiah

Scripture Reading

John 15:4-5

Song of Worship

*Yet Not I But
Through Christ in Me*

Message

The Lord's Supper

Song of Response

*Yet Not I But
Through Christ in Me*

“If you think you can walk in holiness without keeping up perpetual fellowship with Christ, you have made a great mistake. If you would be holy, you must live close to Jesus.”

~C. H. Spurgeon

“I think the greatest miracle that God can do is to take an unholy man out of an unholy world, and make that unholy man holy and put him back in an unholy world and keep him holy.”

~Leonard Ravenhill

“Affliction doth not rise out of the dust or come to men by chance; but it is the Lord that sends it, and we should own and reverence His hand in it.”

~Thomas Boston

“Christian joy can only be realized, when Christ reigns there, alone and uninterruptedly. If the world is permitted to occupy a larger share of the affections and the heart – if plain and known duty is neglected – if the means of grace are carelessly used – if in all your efforts, your duties, and your services – whether in the Church or in the world, you do not entreat the Divine blessing and the Divine aid – then the Spirit of God is grieved. He withdraws His cheering influence; and it is utterly impossible to have the peace and joy, which flow from the inward, abiding presence of the Savior – and which is the work – the entire work, of His Divine Spirit, the true and only comforter.”

~William Cowper

I Thessalonians 1:6

Big Idea of this Series: *Living in the Light of Jesus' Return*

Big Idea of Today's Message: *True believers manifest marks of genuine conversion, imitating the character of Christ and receiving the Word of God even in suffering with the supernatural joy.*

V. 6a – “*And you became imitators of us and of the Lord...*”

V. 6b – “*...for you received the word in much affliction...*”

V. 6c – “*...with the joy of the Holy Spirit.*”