**Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal Wednesday, Jan. 20** at 6:30pm – If you would like to be a part of the choir or orchestra, please contact Jonathan Dirrim (jonathan@heritageokc.org).

**4MEN: Wednesdays at 6:30pm** in Herndon Hall, Room 407 or **Tuesdays at 6:30pm** beginning Jan. 19 through Zoom. This group is focusing on 9 Ways Scripture Reveals How God Can Use Us, and together searches Scripture, prays, and looks to Christ to empower their walk.

**Thursday Women's Bible Study** (9:30-11:30 am) in the House. This class is studying *Jeremiah*, *Daring to Hope in an Unstable World* by Melissa Spoelstra and is led by Cindy McWilliams and Lynnie Skeen. Sign up online.

**Membership Matters Class, Sunday, Jan, 31**, 9am in the House, Rm 202. If you have an interest in joining our local church body or have questions about our church, register by **January 27** for the next class; lunch will follow in the Café. Contact katy@heritageokc.org with questions.

**Parent & Baby Dedication** is coming up on **Sunday, February 7** There is a required parent class on **Sunday, January 31**. Please provide two or three pictures and sign up at heritageokc.org/news-events. Contact Shawn with questions shawn@heritageokc.org.

New Women's Bible Study Begins Wed, Feb 10, 6:30-8:00pm (Karen Cowan, Lisa McGee, & Shannon Schulz) Room 416, *Open Your Bible* by Myers & Williams. This study will leave you with a greater appreciation for the Word of God, a deeper understanding of its authority, and a stronger desire to know the Bible inside and out. Register online; books are \$8 at the Welcome Desk.

**Big Weekend** (7-12 grades) **Saturday, February 13**, 10:00am-8:30pm and **Sunday, February 14**, 9:00-10:30am. This is one of our most anticipated events! Typically, several area churches gather under one roof for teaching and worship, but this year the same teaching and worship will be via video with each church meeting at their own location. Sign-up is online; cost is \$15. Contact *kicker@heritageokc.org* for more details.

Adult Bible Fellowship (ABF), Children's, and Student Sunday morning classes at 9 a.m. have resumed on campus. For the list of adult group options, please visit heritageokc.org/groups.

## 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. Please take a moment to fill out the Communication Card located under the pew in front of you and place it in an offering pedestal in the back of the Worship Center.

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## Becoming a Healthy Church, Part 2

January 17, 2021 **Call to Worship Pastoral Prayer Songs of Worship** How Rich a Treasure We Possess How Firm A Foundation **Scripture Reading** Isaiah 25:1-4. 8-9 **Songs of Worship** The Lord Is My Salvation Plant Your Word Message Announcements Song of Worship revenge it." The Lord Is My Salvation

"People do not drift toward holiness. Apart from grace-driven effort, people do not gravitate toward godliness, prayer, obedience to Scripture, faith, and delight in the Lord. We drift toward compromise and call it tolerance: we drift toward disobedience and call it freedom; we drift toward superstition and call it faith. We cherish the indiscipline of lost self-control and call it relaxation; we slouch toward prayerlessness and delude ourselves into thinking that we have escaped legalism; we slide toward godlessness and convince ourselves we have been liberated." D. A. Carson

"The encourager, no matter how dark the day, always brings a message of hope. Those who encourage... are in effect only beggars telling other beggars where to find help." Derick Bingham

"We best encourage not by being cuddly with people but by reminding them of the promises of God. Encouragement from God for the people of God comes from the Word of God. I am not depreciating the helpfulness of the personal touch or care, but in an age that wallows in 'caring' and 'sensitivity' on every hand believers need to know that solid encouragement comes not from emotional closeness but from God's speech." Dale Ralph Davis

"It is more honor to bury an injury than to Thomas Watson I Thessalonians 5:14-15

Big Truth of this Series: Live in the Light of Jesus' Return.

**Big Truth of Today's Message:** As children of light we are responsible to build up the church through the "one another" ministries of warning the wayward, encouraging the worried, and helping the weak with attitudes of patience, pardon, and good will.

V. 14a – Warning the wayward.

V. 14b – Encouraging the worried.

V. 14c – Steadying the weak.

V. 14c – Ministering with patience toward wearisome members of the body.

V. 15 - Instead of seeking revenge against wrong-doers, seek what is best for everyone.