**February Memory Verse, Hebrews 4:12:** The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Find the Bible Reading Plan online or at the Welcome Center.

Our Choir & Orchestra will rehearse on Wed., Feb. 24 at 6:30pm. If you would like more information about being a part of this ministry, please contact Jonathan Dirrim, jonathan@heritageokc.org.

HBC Annual Meeting March 7, 9:00am in the Worship Center Members (all ABF classes will gather for the meeting; children/youth classes meet as usual.) will meet to vote to affirm the 2021 Budget, reaffirm the current lay-elders serving on the governing elder board, and to affirm the new elder candidate, Billy McGill. Donuts and coffee will be available in the Commons at 8:45. The 2021 HBC Budget is available now at the Welcome Center.

Daddy & Daughter Banquet Friday, Mar. 5, 6:30-8:30pm, Chapel Dad, you and your daughter(s) of any age are invited to a special event celebrating the love of a daddy and his daughter. For dads who really like the idea of spending special time with their daughters, but don't know where to start, this is your opportunity! The idea is simply to enter her world and enjoy your time together.

Tickets for this night of fun and food are \$10 per person; sign up ONLINE or at the Children's Desk in the Commons until Sunday, Feb 28.

**Spring Break Trip '21** (7-12 Grades) **March14-18**: Our students will be headed back to Camp Barnabas in Purdy, Missouri, for this offseason mission trip--we will be the only group onsite. Our goal is to serve by helping with a number of work projects. Cost is \$115; more information and registration is online **by Sunday Feb 28**.

Women's Bible Study Wednesdays, 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. Limited childcare is available by registration only; contact *lauren@heritageokc.org*.

# 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.





February 21, 2021

Call to Worship

**Pastoral Prayer** 

#### Songs of Worship

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

His Mercy Is More

#### **Scripture Reading**

Romans 8:1-6

### Songs of Worship

It Is Well With My Soul

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Message

**Announcements** 

## Song Worship

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me "There are no ordinary people. You have never met a mere mortal. Nations, cultures, arts, civilizations, these are mortal, and their life is to ours as the life of a gnat. But it is immortals whom we joke with, work with, marry, snub, and exploit--immortal horrors or everlasting splendors."

C. S. Lewis

"The day of our death is the day of our glorification. Death is the grand entrance, the door that swings into eternity. Eventually it will open in God's time and in God's way to let another child come home where he or she belongs." *Erwin Lutzer* 

"I still can hardly believe it. I, with shriveled, bent fingers, atrophied muscles, gnarled knees, and no feeling from the shoulders down, will one day have a new body, light, bright, and clothed in righteousness--powerful and dazzling. Can you imagine the hope this gives someone spinal-cord injured like me? Or someone who is cerebral palsied, brain-injured, or who has multiple sclerosis? Imagine the hope this gives someone who is manicdepressive. No other religion, no other philosophy promises new bodies, hearts, and minds. Only in the Gospel of Christ do hurting people find such incredible hope." Ioni Eareckson Tada

"Let us consider this settled, that no one has made progress in the school of Christ who does not joyfully await the day of death and final resurrection." John Calvin

# The Guarantee of Glory

I Thessalonians 5:23-24; Romans 8:28-30; Hebrews 2:10

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

**Big Truth of Today's Message:** God Himself assures us of His commitment to make us "blameless" until we are glorified at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The sequence of our sanctification encompasses our past, present and future.

The goal of our sanctification is glory.

What are the practical benefits of the reality of future glorification?

Future glorification encourages us:

- To believe the promise of Romans 8:28 when we are tempted to worry about the future.
- In our personal growth to maturity in Christ.
- When we encounter suffering.
- When we face death.
- To take the necessary risks to advance the Kingdom of God.