

REFLECTIONS

When the recent cold snap suddenly dropped the temperatures into the lower 80's, I decided that would be a good day to get some chili for lunch. I drove down old Route 66 (11th Street) west toward downtown, looking for the new home for Ike's Chili. I had been there once in the before times. After passing through the massive construction zone at Lewis Avenue, I found myself entering a nearly unrecognizable stretch just past Utica. The construction there was creating new stores, restaurants, and touristy-type businesses. I was so disoriented by it all, I missed Ike's altogether and had to go way out of the way to get back to where I was headed. After parking in back, I noticed Ike's was preparing for a celebration.

The posters were inviting everyone to their Anniversary Party and Cruise, which seemed a little much for a place that serves bowls of chili. Ike's is the oldest continuously operating restaurant in Tulsa. September 10th will mark 114 years. There will be a big party on Saturday, including an invitation to "cruise" Route 66. Ike Johnson, who died in 1928, started his "chili parlor" in 1908 at 2nd and Boston. I was most familiar with the location on Admiral towards Sheridan, where it stood from 1966-2014. The current menu has a copy of the Tulsa World article from 1936, which tells the backstory. Included is a story of the time entertainer Will Rogers got to Ike's too late—everyone had gone home. From its beginning Ike's customers regularly included some of the most prominent people in Tulsa—unusual for a place that basically serves chili and hot dogs. Million-dollar deals have been brokered by people sitting at the counter on bar stools trying to keep the chili off their ties. Ike would be surprised that a regular bowl of chili now costs nearly \$8.00, and a coney the same. I ordered my favorite—three-way chili and a coney. More than enough for anyone. Of course, when I stepped back outside after lunch, the weather was a humid 92°.

Ike Johnson stuck with a good thing, and so have four generations in his family. Anyone from any station in life is welcome to sit down for a simple meal, have a good conversation with a friend or stranger, and continue their day, satisfied and full. That is worth celebrating.

Keep healthy. Pray mightily. Enjoy your life today. Celebrate the simple things. And let's experience the love and power of God together.

Bro. Darryl

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning
Continental Breakfast 9:20 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study & Conversation 11:15 a.m.

Wednesday Evening
The People's Pantry 5:00 p.m.
The Clothes Closet Ministry
Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

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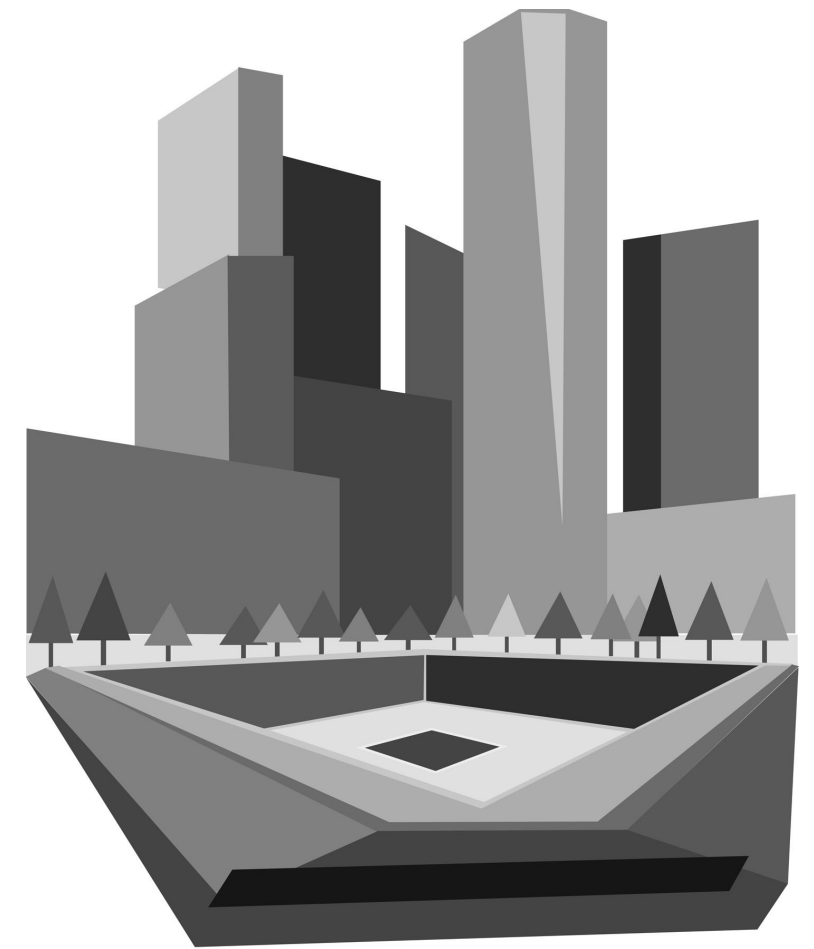
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9/11 Remembrance

Our Church Family

LIVING CENTERS

Zarrow Pointe Kaiser Health Center #214 Dorothy Lee

AT HOME

Alice and Bill Barrett	Paula McPherson
Elizabeth Burke	Georgia Metcalf
Berta Caldwell	Bonnie Nutting
Marion Corbett	Ben and PJ Shepard
Lydia Ford	Leslie White

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

September

21 Josef Lindholm
 24 Lori Dryer

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

September

17 Casey and Bob Gilmore 52 Years



Looking Ahead

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Remembrance Day

9:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
 10:00 a.m. **Jesus and the Ten Commandments:
 Fully Devoted to God**
 —Matthew 6:22-2024; Exodus 20:4

The sermon series, *Jesus and the Ten Commandments*, addresses the ancient guide for moral living in our profane times. We begin where Moses began and seek to understand how Jesus fulfills and completes these basic standards. Invite your friends to church this week and be blessed.

11:15 a.m. Bible Study and Conversation
 11:55 a.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

8:00 p.m. Prayer for the Nations
 Kevin Avery's Facebook Zoom link

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

5:00 p.m. People's Pantry Ministry
 Clothes Closet Ministry
 6:30 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

10:00 a.m. **Respect God's Name**

Behind the Scenes



BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH OCTOBER 2

Pulpit Guest Rev. Bob Green
 Musical Guest Vicki Mercer
 Church Fellowship Dinner

Worship service begins at 10:00 a.m.

PRAYER FOR THE NATIONS

Each Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m. a few people gather to pray for salvation of the unreached people groups of our world, as well as the pressing crises occurring during the week. This hour-long time of prayer is led by *Kevin Avery*, missionary in residence, assisted by *John Long*, pastor of the International Village Ministry. On Kevin's Facebook page, follow the zoom link and enter passcode number 993512. All are invited to pray at home or on-line.

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FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 1,904.00
General Receipts September 4	\$ 1,918.00
Special Offerings September 4.....	\$ 0.00

Thank You to all who are providing sustaining tithes and offerings.