



Tulip Street
Christian Church



Partnering with **TSCC**

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Now to him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us—to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.

Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21

About This Guide

This partnership guide isn't designed to give you all the answers, but will help you make an informed decision about becoming a member of the Tulip Street Christian Church family. Like any family relationship, we will learn more about each other through experience rather than information. We would like nothing more than to help you find your place with us. We hope this guide contains all the information you need to see if TSCC is the church for you!



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Welcome Message

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“What are you looking for?”

That’s one of my favorite questions Jesus asked. Two guys started following him in John chapter one. He turned to them and asked that very simple question: What are you looking for?

Everyone who comes to a Sunday service is looking for something. Maybe you want to know more about this God we believe in. Maybe you need healing, help, or connection. Maybe you’re looking for a community to belong to or a cause to join. Maybe you have questions and want to find answers. Maybe you want reassurance of life to come and encouragement for the week ahead.

All good things.

But ultimately, we at Tulip Street Christian Church want to echo the response of these two new disciples: ***“Lord, where are you staying?”*** They wanted to be with Jesus. Because when you’re with Jesus, you will find everything you’re looking for. And to be sure, encountering Jesus is not something that only happens on Sunday mornings within the walls of a church. His is a daily presence we hope you can experience all week long.

Jesus’ simple invitation to them-*and to us*-is, ***“Come and see.”***

What are you waiting for?

Vision & Mission

Vision

We are a Christ-centered community helping everyone experience a life worth living.

Mission

We are a church focused on following Christ, helping others experience Christ, and building love for each other. We feel that we can best accomplish these goals and be the church God wants us to be by helping one another to **Know God, Find Freedom, Discover Purpose, and Make a Difference.**

Know God
Find Freedom
Discover Purpose
Make a Difference





Living On Mission

Know God

More than practicing religion, God wants a real relationship with us. Whether you're new to faith, have questions, or have been a Christian for a long time, our weekend services are a welcoming place to learn more about what it means to know God and grow closer to Him.

Find Freedom

God wants us to be freed from our past and live our lives to the fullest. Life change happens in a relationship with Jesus and in community with others. At Tulip Street, we intentionally pursue relationships through groups and ministries for all.

Discover Purpose

We're all an important part of God's plan, and our lives make the most sense when we discover His purpose for us. "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Make a Difference

God's ultimate plan for us is to make a difference in the lives of others. The Bible tells us that when we do, we'll experience true joy. Through the Tulip Street teams of volunteers, we hope to connect every person to an opportunity to grow in their purpose.

Our Story



Tulip Street Christian Church was organized as a group of believers in 1953 and was a single-staff member church for many years. However, in the early 1990's, TSCC became more of a regional church as more and more families began coming in from the surrounding communities. As the church worked to help strengthen those families and to grow disciples, staff and additional square footage of our building was added over time to minister and equip folks from Mitchell and the surrounding areas.

TSCC is known as a "Restoration Movement" church. The Restoration Movement began in the early 1800's in an effort to restore the church to a truly biblical model, mostly by eliminating creeds and denominations. The main goal was to be true to the bible and be identified only as Christians. You can read more on the Restoration Movement at thecra.org.

While "Community Church" isn't in our name, TSCC could be described as a non-denominational community church as we have no denomination, council, or conference to govern us. As such, we are able to support missionaries, benevolence agencies, and other groups of our choice.

Church Leadership

God ordains a leadership structure in His Word that simultaneously provides oversight and protection for the members, creative freedom for new ministries, and equipping for maturity for whatever is next in ministry. We are an independent Christian church, meaning we don't have a separate, higher-up structure beyond our elders. That's how we read the structure of the New Testament church (Titus 1; 1 Timothy 3; Acts 20; 1 Peter 5; etc). The only authority we need to operate is the Bible. So, we ordain elders from among our men, we have deacons (Acts 6; 1 Timothy 3) and ministry leaders, and we submit to one another in love. We choose our own paid staff, both pastoral and support, to complement the elders in pursuing our vision in the community.



**For Our Current
Elders and Deacons**

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Ministry Team



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My family and I have been with the Tulip Street family since September 2022. It has been one of the most open and welcoming churches we've ever experienced. I pray we can be a good home base for you along your journey towards Christ.



Lucas Johnson

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Tulip Street has been so welcoming to my family and me since I started in November, 2024. I pray, through the church, we can ignite a passion for Christ in the youth of our community that burns bright their entire lives.



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Tulip Street has been my home for 20 years. My family has been coming here and a part of the leadership for 50 years. I now get to have my baby grow in this church as well. I started working in the office in September of 2024 and hope to continue for years to come.

What We Believe

Foundational Beliefs



1. **God is Creator and rules the universe.**
 - Genesis 1:1; Genesis 2:7; Hebrews 11:3
2. **God made people in His own Image.**
 - Genesis 1:26-27; Genesis 2:7, 21-25
3. **The Bible is absolute truth for everyone.**
 - 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:21; Isaiah 40:8
4. **Mankind is sinful.**
 - Romans 3:10, 23; Romans 7:18; Isaiah 53:6; Isaiah 59:2
5. **Our sinfulness deserves eternal death.**
 - Romans 6:23
6. **Jesus is God, come to earth as a man.**
 - Isaiah 7:14; Luke 7:30-35; John 14:9, 10
7. **Jesus, as the Christ, died to pay for our sins.**
 - 1 Corinthians 15:3; Romans 5:8; Romans 6:23; 1 Peter 3:18; Hebrews 9:14, 15
8. **Jesus died, came back to life, and went to Heaven.**
 - 1 Corinthians 15:3-4; Luke 24:39; Matthew 28:5-7; John 20:10-18; Acts 1:11
9. **There are two eternal destinations - Heaven or Hell.**
 - Matthew 25:34, 41; Revelation 20:11-15; Revelation 21:6-8; Romans 6:23; John 5:28-29
10. **The Holy Spirit is God, given to us to be our helper.**
 - John 14:16-17; Acts 2:38; 2 Corinthians 3:17; Ephesians 1:13; Ephesians 5:18

11. **Jesus expects our obedience as we are daily drawn into deeper relationship with Him.**

- John 14, 15

12. **Jesus will one day return, and there will be a final judgment and adjournment of all.**

- John 14:1-3; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Some important principles regarding these foundational beliefs:

In these foundational **beliefs**, we have **unity**.

- **Ephesians 4:4-6** - There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.
- **1 Corinthians 1:10** - I appeal to you, brothers and sisters in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought. (1 Corinthians 1:10)

In things that are matters of **opinion**, we have **freedom**.

- **Romans 14:1, 4, 12, 22** - Accept him whose faith is weak, without passing judgment on disputable matters... Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. And he will stand, for the Lord is able to make him stand... So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God... So whatever you believe about these things keep them between yourself and God. Blessed is the man who does not condemn himself by what he believes.



In all of what we believe, we will show **love**.

- **1 Corinthians 13:2** - ...if I have faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.
- **John 13:35** - Jesus said, "By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another"



Key Practices

Communion

We take Communion (aka, The Lord's Supper) weekly. We simply remind you what it is we are remembering—Jesus' sacrifice on the cross—and that He said to take the bread and cup as a memorial to remember what He did for us. We do it weekly, because that is the pattern of the early church. The earliest followers found it important to remember, often, as a group so we do too.

Baptism

We baptize by immersion, for the forgiveness of sins. We don't believe that the water does the saving. We do, however, believe water baptism by immersion accompanied every conversion mentioned in the New Testament and should accompany each of our conversions, too. And, Jesus said to be baptized, so we do.

Giving

We take up an offering each Sunday (online giving is also an option) to fund the ministries of the church. Our budget is open for review by our members, and we are wholly supported, as stated earlier, by the people who are partnered with TSCC. We have no national organization to draw from or to contribute to. We support ministries beyond our walls and we have a missions team that oversees that support.

"Priesthood of All Believers"

While we do have church staff with the title of Pastor or Minister, we don't make a strong distinction between "laity" and "clergy" as in many churches. We are a group of people who together use our God-given gifts, talents, and resources to do the ministry of TSCC (*For background, read Acts 4, as well as the gospel accounts of Jesus choosing His disciples*).

Partnering with TSCC



A TSCC Partner:

- is a Christian – a Christ-follower.
- has put their faith in Jesus Christ and have expressed this faith through their belief and trust in Him as Lord and Savior.
- has confessed that they are sinful and in need of Jesus' forgiveness.
- has repented of their sin and now seek to live their life in obedience to Christ and honoring to God.
- has been baptized/immersed into Jesus in obedience to his command and to symbolize their death to self and sin and to be united with Christ.
- agrees to the best of their ability, to follow and live out the commitments set forth in the TSCC Partnership Covenant.

Places to Plug In

Children's Ministry Student Ministry
Nursery VBS



Women's Ministry Teaching
Worship Team Men's Ministry

Building & Grounds Maintenance
Greeters & Guest Services Fellowship Team



SCAATY (Senior Adults) Deaf Crew
Missions Team Meal Train

Now there are different gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different ministries, but the same Lord. And there are different activities, but the same God works all of them in each person. A manifestation of the Spirit is given to each person for the common good...

1 Corinthians 12:4-7

Next Steps



tulipstreet.com/nextsteps.

We hope the information provided in these pages answers some questions about who we are and what we believe at TSCC. We want you to prayerfully consider your next steps as you think about growing in faith and obedience to God.

We are glad you took this step in learning more about partnering with Tulip Street. If TSCC feels like home, then let's take a minute together to look at the membership covenant that supplements this booklet. If, after going through this brief introduction and looking over the covenant, you are ready to take this step, you can sign the covenant and we can present you as a new member on the next Sunday.

We hope TSCC is your kind of place. But if it isn't, please don't stop your search on this faith journey. Find a body of believers you can worship with, serve with, and grow with. The church is God's "Plan-A" for the world, redeemed by His Son for His glory and our salvation. He outlines no other plan. The Church is His Holy Bride, and He constantly works to present her pure to Himself. The Church is a body, moving and exercising its various parts for the common good of the whole. Jump in somewhere, and be a part of that!



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