

ANNOUNCEMENTS

03.15.2026

JOIN THE TCCO TECH TEAM: Do you want to be a part of a team that makes an impact every single week and have fun while doing it? Join our TCCO tech team that helps bring every service at TCCO to life! No experience needed; we can teach you everything you need to know! We need camera operators & directors, screen operators, & lighting operators. Flexible commitment; you decide how often you can serve. Email brandon@theconnecting.co to sign up or for more information!

STAND 4 JUSTICE DRIVE: Join us in supporting one of our local missions partners in the month of March and help us collect/donate items needed to assemble crisis bags for children affected by sex trafficking & exploitation. A list of items needed and bins to turn in donated items will be available each Sunday in the lobby. Monetary donations can also be made online; be sure to put "S4J" in the memo. Please return all items and make all donations for this drive no later than Sun. 3/29. Contact outreach@theconnecting.co with any questions.

TCCO'S 2026 MARRIAGE CONFERENCE: All engaged and married couples are welcome to join us on Sat. 3/28, 9:00am-4:30pm at The View at Hillside Barn in Sapulpa. You can expect practical teachings, powerful worship, and an environment that is fun, engaging, and inspiring! Use the QR code to register no later than TODAY Sun. 3/15. Cost is \$100 per person and includes all meals, snacks, drinks, and all conference sessions, activities, and materials. Contact brittany@theconnecting.co for more information.

TCCO KIDS EASTER CONNECT EVENT: All TCCO Kids (birth-5th grade) & their parents/families are invited to join us for a fun and intentional evening learning about the Easter Story on Wed. 4/1 from 6:30-8:00pm. Families will engage together in Easter-themed activities. Our evening will end with an Easter Egg Hunt hosted by our TCCO Students. Be sure to bring an Easter basket for each child and register by Sun. 3/29 using the QR code; contact elaine@theconnecting.co with any questions. Please bring in donations of plastic Easter eggs filled with peanut-free individually wrapped candy no later than Sun. 3/29. Thank you for helping us love on our TCCO Kids!

EASTER SUNDAY: Join us for Easter Sunday 4/5 at 9am or 11am! This is a great day to invite your family and friends! We will have powerful worship, a great message, special Easter treats for everyone, a photo op for you to take pics with family and friends, and fun Easter activities for our TCCO Kids! You will NOT want to miss Easter Sunday at TCCO as we celebrate Jesus and all that Easter means to us together as a church family! It's going to be such an amazing day! Plan to be there and invite someone new to join you!

SAVE THE DATES

Wed. 3/18, No TCCO Students, Spring Break

Sun. 4/12, Baptism Sunday

Fri. 4/17, TCCO SHE Event, 6:30-8:30pm

Sat. 4/18, TCCO Men's Breakfast, 9:00am



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John 10:11 — *I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.*

When communities weaken, service weakens with them...because service almost always grows out of belonging.

Instead of building a hierarchy of influence, Jesus introduces a kingdom of service. Instead of telling His followers how high they should climb, Jesus shows them how low they must kneel.

Mark 10:35-37 — ³⁵ *And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.”* ³⁶ *And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?”* ³⁷ *And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.”*

Mark 10:42-45 — ⁴² *And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great one’s exercise authority over them.”* ⁴³ *But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,* ⁴⁴ *and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.* ⁴⁵ *For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*

Humility and servicing others is the literal foundation of the Kingdom of God.

JESUS IS...

1. The Servant Revealed

John 13:3-8 — ³ *Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God,* ⁴ *(He) rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist.* ⁵ *Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him.* ⁶ *He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, do you wash my feet?”* ⁷ *Jesus answered him, “What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand.”* ⁸ *Peter said to him, You shall never wash my feet.” Jesus answered him, “If I do not wash you, have no share with me.”*

John 13:14-15 — ¹⁴ *If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.* ¹⁵ *For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.*

Jesus does not simply serve...He literally commands a culture of service.

2. The Servant Foretold

Isaiah 53:3-5 — ³ *He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.* ⁴ *Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.* ⁵ *But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.*

The Savior would not come conquering armies.

He would come to carry our sin.

He would not dominate.

He would sacrifice.

He would not take life.

He would give His own.

Philippians 2:6-7 — ⁶ *who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,* ⁷ *but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.*

Jesus did not become a servant because He lacked authority...He became a servant because love chose humility.

3. The Servant on the Cross

Philippians 2:8 — *And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.*

John 10:18a — *No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord.*

1 Peter 2:24 — *He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.*

The One who had every right to demand service became the One who gave His life in service.

John 13:17 — *If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.*

“The church is the church only when it exists for others.” — Dietrich Bonhoeffer

We are never more like Jesus than when we serve.