

# Announcements!

Wednesday Evening Class We invite each of you to attend the mid-week Bible Study upstairs on Wednesday evening beginning at 6 p.m. We are involved in a Bible study series entitled "Authentic: The Discipline of Personal Bible Study". We encourage you to attend these vital and exciting studies!

Church Clean-Up We will regularly have monthly church cleanings on the last Saturday of each month, beginning at 10 a.m. The next cleaning day will be on April 25, so be sure and attend to help!

## #404: Hold to God's Unchanging Hand (Yellow Hymnal)

### Verse One

Time is filled with swift transition, Naught of earth unmoved can stand,  
Build your hopes on things eternal, Hold to God's unchanging hand! (Chorus)

### Verse Two

Trust in Him who will never leave you, Whatsoever years may bring;  
If by earthly friends forsaken, Still more closely to Him cling! (Chorus)

### Verse Three

Covet not this world's vain riches, That so rapidly decay;  
Seek to gain heav'nly treasures, They will never pass away. (Chorus)

### Chorus

Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand! Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand!  
Build your hopes on things eternal, Hold to God's unchanging hand.

## Funnies: City Slicker...

A man from the city is out plowing his field and gets his tractor stuck in the wet ground. A farmer driving by stops his truck and walks to the fence to call over the city feller. "You need a mule to plow such wet ground," he says.

"Where can I buy one?" he is asked.

"Well, I just happened to have one for 100 dollars," he says.

"I'll take him," says the other man as he counts out the money. "I can't bring him over today. I don't work on Sunday morrow OK?"

"Sure."

The next day the truck pulls up and the old farmer gets out. He says, "sorry, bad news." I went out after breakfast and the mule was dead. The city feller says just give me my money back then. "Can't, spent it already!"

"Well, unload the mule then."

"What ya gonna do with him?"

"Raffle him off!"

"Naw, ya cant raffle off a dead mule!"

"Just watch me! Us city fellers know a few tricks." One month goes by and the city feller and farmer run into each other at the barber shop.

"What did ya do with that dead mule?"

"Raffled him off, sold 100 tickets at two dollars each and made 98 dollars profit."

"Didn't anyone complain?"

"Just one guy so I gave him his two dollars back!"

Welcome to the

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## Mission Statement

To promote membership in the body of Christ by bringing people to Jesus, enhancing their spiritual growth towards Christian maturity, and nurturing them for their ministry in the church and life mission in the world, thereby magnifying God's holy name.

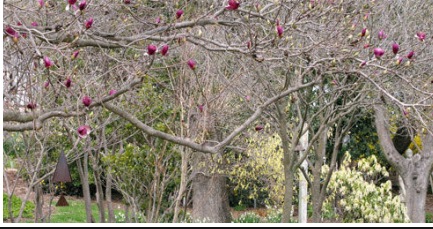
# Order of Services

Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.

### Believe God's Love:

*"Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him."*

*– 1 John 5:1, KJV*



## Morning Worship Services – 10:30 a.m.

Devotion ..... Deacons & Congregation  
Morning Hymn: "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" . Choir & Congregation  
Responsive Reading ..... Pastor & Congregation  
Selection ..... Choir & Congregation

*Announcements & Recognition of Visitors*

Tithes and Offerings ..... Deacons  
*(Visitors are NOT required to contribute - members are encouraged to do so)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving ..... Pastor

Selections ..... Choir & Congregation

Sermon

Invitation to Christ



## Benediction

### Sermon Notes

Scripture: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Words of Wisdom: Cell Phones and Bibles



*I wonder what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phone?*

*What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets?*

*What if we flipped through it several time a day?*

*What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it?*

*What if we used it to receive messages from the text?*

*What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?*

*What if we gave it to kids as gifts?*

*What if we used it when we traveled?*

*What if we used it in case of emergency?*

*This is something to make you go....hmm...where is my Bible?*

*Oh, and one more thing. Unlike our cell phone, we don't have to worry about our Bible being disconnected because Jesus already paid the bill.*

*Makes you stop and think "where are my priorities?"*

*And no dropped calls!*

## Responsive Reading: Romans 12:9-21 (NIV)

- 9 Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.
- 10 **Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.**
- 11 *Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.*
- 12 **Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.**
- 13 *Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.*
- 14 **Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.**
- 15 *Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.*
- 16 **Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.**
- 17 *Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone.*
- 18 **If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.**
- 19 *Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.*
- 20 **On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."**
- 21 **Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.**