

# 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 June 27, so be sure to attend and help!

Men's Fellowship The Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be held on May 30, beginning at 9:00. It is free, so please invite all of the significant men in your life to attend.

VBS 2015 We are already preparing for our annual Vacation Bible School celebration this summer. If you would like to help, please see Dr. Jeanine Maclin today!

Church Planning Meeting Our next church planning meeting will be held on June 6 at 10:00 a.m. There are lots of active programs in the ministry, so please make plans to attend.

## #292: 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (Blue Hymnal)

### Verse One

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His Word.  
Just to rest upon His promise, Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord." (Refrain)

### Verse Two

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to trust His cleansing blood,  
Just in simple faith to plunge me 'Neath the healing, cleansing flood! (Refrain)

### Verse Three

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, Just from sin and self to cease,  
Just from Jesus simply taking Life and rest and joy and peace. (Refrain)

### Verse Four

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;  
And I know that Thou art with me, Wilt be with me to the end. (Refrain)

### Refrain

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!

## Funnies: Jonah Debate...

A little girl was talking to her teacher about whales. The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though they were a very large mammal their throat was very small. The little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale. The teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human; it was impossible.

The little girl said, "When I get to heaven I will ask Jonah."

The teacher asked, "What if Jonah went to hell?"

The little girl replied, "Then you ask him".

Welcome to the

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May 24, 2015

## 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.

**Gift of Languages:**

“So what shall I do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will also pray with my understanding; I will sing with my spirit, but I will also sing with my understanding.” – 1 Corinthians 14:15, KJV



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

Devotion ..... Deacons & Congregation  
 Morning Hymn: “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” ..... 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Words of Wisdom:

## Calm Down!



**CALM DOWN!** God has your life under control; He knows how to handle even the seemingly complex situation with ease.  
**SHUT UP!** Stop having pity parties and talking about your business all the time; don't you know that the power of death and life is in the tongue! Stop speaking negative things into existence in your life and in others.

**QUIT TRIPPIN'!** When you look at your situations through your eyes, you often read more into the situation than what is there. It's not as bad as you think particularly if God is in your life; Stop over analyzing your life.

Be courageous - 2 Timothy 1:7 - "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of Love, and of a sound mind." Fear is not of God. Have the courage to step out on faith and do the seemingly impossible. Start your own business; go into the ministry; apply for that promotion; anything that you've been afraid to do and you know that God has called you to do - **JUST DO IT!**

Have confidence - Philippians 4:13 - "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me." Remember, greater is He that's within you than he that's in the world. You have the power of the most High God working in you, and you have His Son steadily making intercession for you. You have nothing to worry about! Walk with your head up! You say you have low self-esteem; somebody told you that you'd never amount to anything; the devil is a liar! Know that you are somebody not because Jesus said it, but because you are a child of The King!

Walk in the VICTORY - Romans 8:28 - "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." Does anything else need to be said? The jury has been out and the verdict is in - **YOU WIN!** In your finances - **YOU WIN!** On your job - **YOU WIN!** In your relationships (married, single, divorced, family, friends) - **YOU WIN!!** In your health - **YOU WIN!**

God has already worked it out for you. It may not come the way you think it should come (or when you think it should), but remember - **CALM DOWN, SHUT UP, AND QUIT TRIPPIN'!** He's working it out for "YOUR" good (in His time).

Do not ask the Lord to guide your footsteps, if you are not willing to move your feet. Be Blessed **TODAY!!!!**

### Responsive Reading: Hebrews 4:9-16 (NIV)

- 9 There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God;
- 10 for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from their works, just as God did from his.
- 11 Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience.
- 12 For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.
- 13 Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.
- 14 Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.
- 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.
- 16 Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.