

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!

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!

The Lord's Supper Communion services will be held immediately following today's worship services. We ask that you stay and participate in this sacred and required act of worship.

#262: *Nothing But the Blood of Jesus* (Yellow Hymnal)

Verse One

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Chorus)

Verse Two

For my pardon this I see - Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
For my cleansing this I plea - Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Chorus)

Verse Three

Nothing can for sin atone - Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
Naught of good that I have done - Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Chorus)

Verse Four

This is all my hope and peace - Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
This is all my righteousness - Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Chorus)

Chorus

Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

The Lord's Supper

Background:

Before being arrested and crucified, Jesus shared the Passover feast with his Disciples. During this dinner, Jesus paused, blessed the bread and fruit of the vine, and shared them with His Disciples, saying, "Do this in remembrance of me." (Luke, 22:19) This was the initiation of the Lord's Supper – a communal act of worship shared with all believers in celebration of redemption from spiritual death. And just as Jesus asked, we do this act of worship as often as necessary to remind us of our Savior, what He did for us, and what He desires to do for us.

The Communion Service:

We celebrate the Lord's Supper by sharing a small morsel of unleavened bread and a small cup of grape juice. We begin by preparing our hearts and minds for this event – besides baptism, it is the only ritual that Jesus required, so it is a very sacred time. While the meal is being served, no one is supposed to speak or move, and no one should be eating the meal. Singing of hymns may be allowed during this time, since this is an act of worship preparation. Once everyone has received a serving, the pastor will speak the words that Jesus spoke during His Last Supper. At that time, he will indicate when to eat the unleavened bread and when to drink the juice.

After sharing this meal, we shake hands with all of the participants as we sing hymns of praise for our salvation.

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.

Judgment on Israel And Judah:

“Thus saith the Lord; For three transgressions of Judah, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they have despised the law of the Lord, and have not kept his commandments, and their lies caused them to err, after the which their fathers have walked” – Amos 2:4, KJV



Morning Worship Services – 10:30 a.m.

- Devotion Deacons & Congregation
- Morning Hymn: “Nothing But the Blood of 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: _____

Notes: _____

Words of Wisdom:

God’s Boxes



I have in my hands two boxes
Which God gave me to hold -
He said, “Put all your sorrows in the black,
And all your joys in the gold.”

I heeded His words, and in the two boxes
Both my joys and sorrows I store,
But though the gold became heavier each day,
The black was as light as before.

With curiosity, I opened the black -
I wanted to find out why.
And I saw, in the base of the box, a hole
Which my sorrows had fallen out by.

I showed the hole to God, and mused aloud,
“I wonder where my sorrows could be.”
He smiled a gentle smile at me.
“My child, they’re all here with me.”

I asked, “God, why give me the boxes,
Why the gold, and the black with the hole?”
“My child, the gold is for you to count your blessings,
The black is for you to let go.”

Responsive Reading: Luke 6:27-36 (NIV)

- 27 “But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,
- 28 bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.
- 29 If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them.
- 30 Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back.
- 31 Do to others as you would have them do to you.
- 32 “If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them.
- 33 And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that.
- 34 And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full.
- 35 But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked.
- 36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.