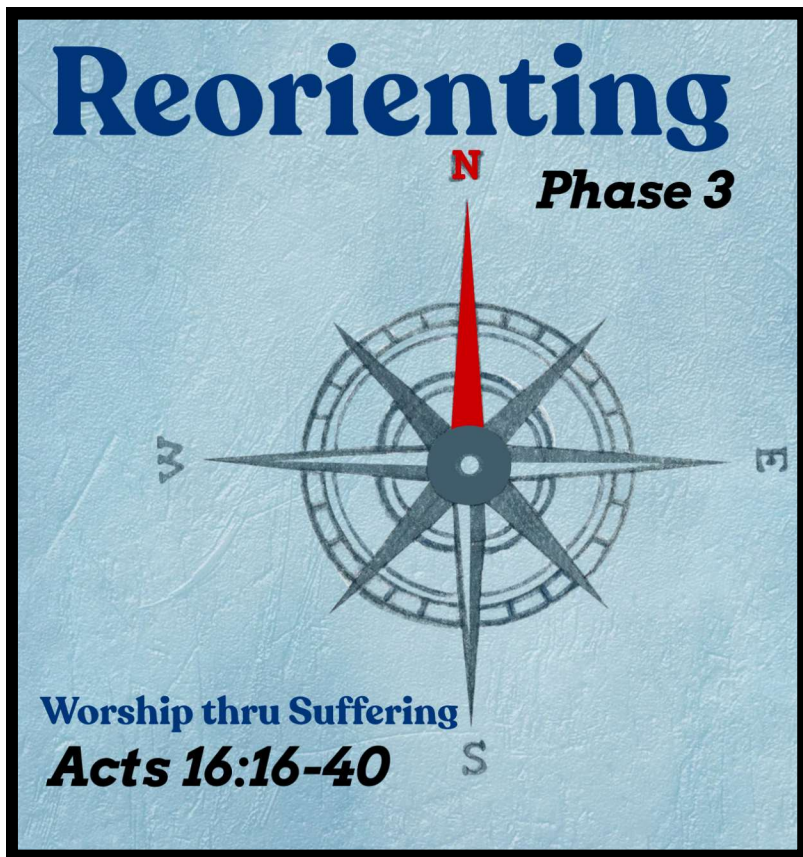


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[Calendly.com/pastorpayton](https://calendly.com/pastorpayton)



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Order of Worship

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE TODAY!

Welcome

Children's Time

Apostles Creed

Gloria Patri

Congregational Hymn:

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Message: Reorienting Phase 3

Worship Thru Suffering

Acts 16:16-40

Congregational Hymn:

'Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus

Offertory

Doxology

Worship Through Songs

Holy Spirit

Set A Fire

Nothing But The Blood of Jesus

I Worship You Almighty God



Songs *of* *Worship*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God: the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day He rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

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Gloria Patri

WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.

MUSIC: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

GREATOREX

Irregular

The musical score for 'Gloria Patri' is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system covers the first line of the text, the second system covers the second line, and the third system covers the third line. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the

Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

shall be, world with - out end. A - men. A - men.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 37

WORDS: Robert Robinson, 1758

NETTLETON

MUSIC: Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

87.87 D

1. Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to
 2. Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by Thy
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con -

sing Thy grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,
 help I'm come; and I hope, by Thy good plea - sure,
 strained to be! Let Thy good - ness, like a fet - ter,

call for songs of loud - est praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious
 safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a
 bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee. Prone to wan - der, Lord, I

son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! I'm
 stran - ger, wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He, to res - cue
 feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O

fixed up - on it, mount of Thy re - deem - ing love.
 me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
 take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts a - bove.

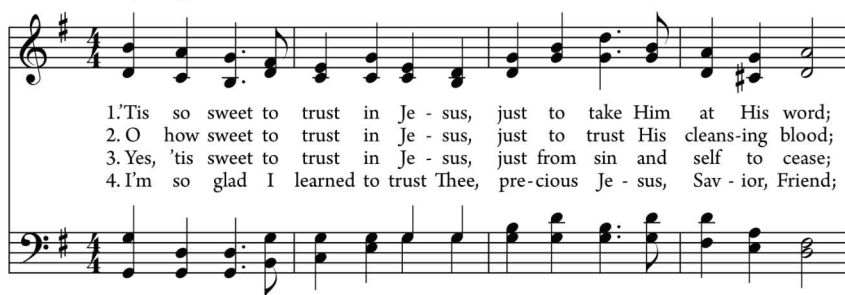
154 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

WORDS: Louisa M. R. Stead, 1882

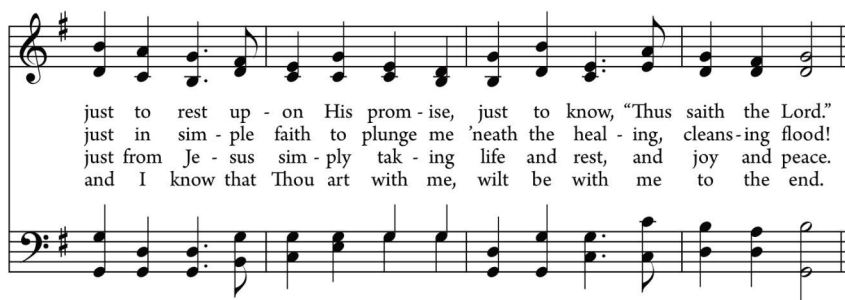
MUSIC: William J. Kirkpatrick, 1882

TRUST IN JESUS

87.87 with Refrain



1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to take Him at His word;
 2. O how sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to trust His cleans-ing blood;
 3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Je - sus, just from sin and self to cease;
 4. I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, pre-cious Je - sus, Sav - ior, Friend;

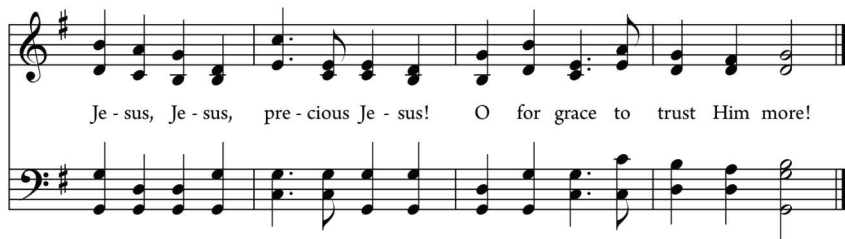


just to rest up - on His prom - ise, just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."
 just in sim - ple faith to plunge me 'neath the heal - ing, cleans-ing flood!
 just from Je - sus sim - ply tak - ing life and rest, and joy and peace.
 and I know that Thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

Refrain



Je - sus, Je - sus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!



Je - sus, Je - sus, pre - cious Je - sus! O for grace to trust Him more!

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Doxology

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674

OLD 100th

MUSIC: Attr. Louis Bourgeois, 1551

L.M.

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Him, all crea-tures

here be - low; praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly

host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Holy Spirit

Verse 1

There's nothing worth more that will ever come close
No thing can compare You're our living hope
Your Presence

Verse 2

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone
In Your Presence Lord

Chorus

Holy Spirit You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory God is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your Presence Lord

Interlude 1

Your Presence Lord

Interlude 2

Your Presence Lord
Your Presence
Oh God how we love Your Presence Lord

Bridge

Let us become more aware of Your Presence
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness (Lord)

Set A Fire

Verse

No place I would rather be
No place I would rather be
No place I would rather be
Than here in Your love
Here in Your love
(REPEAT)

Chorus

(So) set a fire down in my soul
That I can't contain and I can't control
I want more of You God
I want more of You God
(REPEAT)

Nothing But The Blood

Verse 1

Your blood speaks a better word
Than all the empty claims I've heard
Upon this earth
Speaks righteousness for me
And stands in my defense
Jesus it's Your blood

Chorus

What can wash away our sins
What can make us whole again
Nothing but the blood
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can wash us pure as snow
Welcomed as the friends of God
Nothing but Your blood
Nothing but Your blood
King Jesus

Verse 2

Your cross testifies in grace
Tells of the Father's heart
To make a way for us
Now boldly we approach
Not earthly confidence
It's only by Your blood

I Worship You Almighty God

Chorus

I worship You Almighty God
There is none like You
I worship You O Prince of Peace
That is what I want to do
I give You praise
For You are my righteousness
I worship You Almighty God
There is none like You

Songs *of*
Worship

Message Board



Pumpkin Patch Volunteers Needed!

Pumpkins arrive Sunday, October 11, right after church. If you're able, please stay and help unload. Thank you for helping make our Pumpkin Patch a success!

Our Pumpkin Patch opens **Monday, October 12**, and we need your help! Volunteer hours are **10 AM–6 PM Monday–Saturday** and **noon–6 PM Sunday**, with **two-hour shifts** and **at least two people per shift**. Scan the QR code to **sign up through SignUpGenius** and help us welcome our community!



A special day of refreshment, inspiration, and fellowship for women



PLEASE JOIN US AT ONE OF THESE LOCATIONS

CORPUS CHRISTI
NOVEMBER 7, 2026

DALLAS
NOVEMBER 14, 2026



TO REGISTER, SCAN THE QR CODE FOR THE LOCATION YOU WILL ATTEND,
OR VISIT MIDTEXASGMC.ORG/WOMEN

TAMALES FOR A GOOD CAUSE!

Javier is taking orders for his **delicious homemade tamales**, and all proceeds will go toward **repairing the leaks in the church gym!**

\$20 per dozen

Choose from:

- Pork
- Chicken
- Jalapeño & Cheese



If you've had Javier's tamales before, you already know how good they are! And if you haven't, now is the perfect time to try them. **Great tamales + a great cause = a win for everyone!**

 **Contact the church office to place your order.**

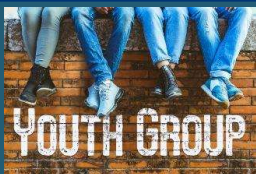
Thank you for supporting Javier and helping us make much-needed repairs to our church gym!

Ministry Opportunities

Thank You

to all of those who provided meals during
my recovery. God Bless you all!

Love Mary Barham



Youth

Fall Youth Dinner Schedule

Scan the QR code for the link or click the link on
the JMC Online Edition weekly email.



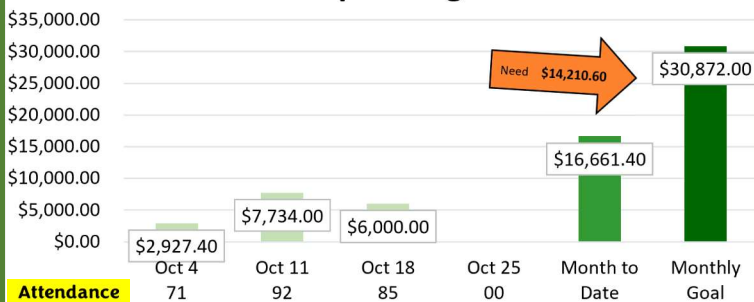
HELP FEED OUR YOUTH!

Each Sunday evening, our youth gather for games, dinner, and worship. We are filling our Fall Youth Dinner Schedule (Sept.–Nov.) and need individuals, families, or small groups to provide dinner for approximately 15 youth and leaders.

Provide a meal, team up with others, or sponsor a pizza night!

Sign up for a Sunday and help us feed our youth as they grow together in faith and fellowship.

October Operating Funds



Message Board

Wednesdays
at
JMC

Join us Wednesday nights as we grow together in fellowship and faith!

We'll begin at **6:30 PM** with a meal prepared just for you, featuring a new menu each week with **gluten-free and keto options available**.

Dinner: \$5 per person or \$20 per family of 4 or more

At **7:00 PM**, we'll break into Small Groups for Bible study.
Choose the group that's right for you:

Parents of Prodigals

Hope, prayer & support for the journey



Forge

Men's Bible Study



The Well

Women's Bible Study



Come for dinner. Stay for fellowship, conversation, and an opportunity to grow deeper in your faith.



Helping Hands Food Pantry

Fighting Hunger Together

Thank you for all that you give
we appreciate you!



Give Thanks by Giving

As we begin the fall season, our Helping Hands Food Pantry is collecting traditional Thanksgiving meal items to help local families celebrate the holiday with a special meal.

We invite everyone to bring one or more of the items listed over the coming weeks. Every donation, no matter the size, helps provide a Thanksgiving dinner for a family in our community.

Thank you for your generosity and for supporting this important ministry as we share God's love with our neighbors this Thanksgiving season.

- Stuffing Mix
- Cornbread Mix
- Mac & Cheese
- Gravy Mix
- Canned Sweet Potatoes or Yams
- Canned Green Beans
- Canned Cranberry Sauce
- Canned Pumpkin
- Cream of Soups (Variety)
- Broth

*You can notate "Helping Hands"
on your donation

**In September we helped
feed 84 families = 271 people**

Thank you for supporting
Helping Hands Food Pantry

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Communication Request Form - Required for All Announcements

To help us keep church communications organized and accurate, all requests (Announcements, News, Website, Journal, or Email updates) must include a completed Communication Request Form.

- Verbal or email-only requests will not be accepted.
- Requests without a form will not be processed.

1. Download the PDF form from the Media page >Resource Downloads.
2. Fill it out, save it to your computer, and email it to lynn@joshuamethodist.church.
3. Physical forms are available outside the Church Office.
4. Fill it out, turn it in, if I'm not available, place it in the basket outside the office door.
5. **Deadline: Tuesdays at 2:00 PM.**

Thank you for helping us keep everything running smoothly and on schedule!

Bible Reading Plan

October

Wisdom for Life

What makes a life meaningful? Ecclesiastes asks that question with remarkable honesty. This month we will read the entire book in sequence, considering work, time, relationships, possessions, uncertainty, joy, and the limits of human understanding. Review days connect Ecclesiastes with other passages that help us consider what it means to live wisely, receive life as God's gift, and keep our lives centered on Him.

☐ Day 1 - Ecclesiastes 1:1-11 <i>Everything Under the Sun</i>	☐ Day 17 - Ecclesiastes 8:10-17 <i>When We Cannot Understand God's Ways</i>
☐ Day 2 - Ecclesiastes 1:12-18 <i>The Limits of Human Wisdom</i>	☐ Day 18 - Ecclesiastes 9:1-10 <i>Living Fully in the Days We Are Given</i>
☐ Day 3 - Ecclesiastes 2:1-11 <i>The Search for Satisfaction</i>	☐ Day 19 - Ecclesiastes 9:11-18 <i>Wisdom in an Uncertain World</i>
☐ Day 4 - Ecclesiastes 2:12-26 <i>Wisdom, Work & What Lasts</i>	☐ Day 20 - Review: Ecclesiastes 7-9; James 3:13-18 <i>Wisdom from Above</i>
☐ Day 5 - Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 <i>A Time for Everything</i>	☐ Day 21 - Ecclesiastes 10:1-11 <i>Small Choices, Lasting Consequences</i>
☐ Day 6 - Ecclesiastes 3:16-22 <i>Trusting God in What We Cannot Control</i>	☐ Day 22 - Ecclesiastes 10:12-20 <i>Wisdom in Words and Leadership</i>
☐ Day 7 - Review: Ecclesiastes 1-3; Psalm 90:1-12 <i>Numbering Our Days Wisely</i>	☐ Day 23 - Ecclesiastes 11:1-6 <i>Faithful Action Without Knowing the Outcome</i>
☐ Day 8 - Ecclesiastes 4:1-8 <i>Work, Ambition & Loneliness</i>	☐ Day 24 - Ecclesiastes 11:7-10 <i>Receive Life as God's Gift</i>
☐ Day 9 - Ecclesiastes 4:9-16 <i>The Value of Companionship</i>	☐ Day 25 - Ecclesiastes 12:1-8 <i>Remember Your Creator</i>
☐ Day 10 - Ecclesiastes 5:1-7 <i>Approaching God with Reverence</i>	☐ Day 26 - Ecclesiastes 12:9-14 <i>The Conclusion: Fear God & Keep His Commands</i>
☐ Day 11 - Ecclesiastes 5:8-20 <i>Receiving God's Gifts with Gratitude</i>	☐ Day 27 - Review: Ecclesiastes 10-12; Proverbs 3:1-12 <i>Trusting God with the Path Ahead</i>
☐ Day 12 - Ecclesiastes 6:1-12 <i>Possessions Without Contentment</i>	☐ Day 28 - Proverbs 4:20-27 <i>Guard Your Heart and Your Path</i>
☐ Day 13 - Review: Ecclesiastes 4-6; Matthew 6:19-34 <i>Treasure, Contentment & Trust</i>	☐ Day 29 - Matthew 7:24-29 <i>Wisdom That Hears and Obeys</i>
☐ Day 14 - Ecclesiastes 7:1-14 <i>Wisdom in Joy and Sorrow</i>	☐ Day 30 - James 1:19-27 <i>Be Doers of the Word</i>
☐ Day 15 - Ecclesiastes 7:15-29 <i>Living Wisely in an Imperfect World</i>	☐ Day 31 - Psalm 1 <i>Monthly Reflection: The Way of Wisdom</i>
☐ Day 16 - Ecclesiastes 8:1-9 <i>Wisdom, Authority & Humility</i>	

Monthly Focus: On review days, return to a passage that challenged or encouraged you. Ask: What am I pursuing that cannot ultimately satisfy? What gifts from God am I overlooking? What would it look like to live wisely and faithfully with the time God has given me?

Acts 16:16-40 - Word Search



BAPTISM	HOLY	MESSAGE	SAVING
BELIEVE	JAILER	MOST HIGH GOD	SHAKEN
CHAINS	JESUS CHRIST	PAUL	SILAS
EARTHQUAKE	JEWS	PEACE	SINGING
FAITH	JOYFUL	PHILIPPI	SPIRIT
FREEDOM	LIGHT	PRAYER	TRUTH
FUTURE	LYDIA	ROMANS	WORSHIP
GRACE	MAGISTRATES		

October 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	01 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	02	03
04 4:12 Youth	05 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry 6:30 Study	06	07 10:00 Bible Study 11:30 LAB 6:30 Wed at JMC & Class	08 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	09 6:00 Singles	10 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
11 Pumpkins arrive at 1:00PM 4:12 Youth	12  Columbus Day	13	14 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Wed at JMC & Class	15 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	16	17
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Notes :

Sunday Morning Activities:

7:30 am Morning Prayer

9:00 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service

4:12 Youth

4 WAYS TO GIVE



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Text "JMC" to
817-790-9008



IN PERSON

Place your gift in
the offering plate.



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Joshua Methodist Church
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Sermon Notes

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Church Council:

Admin Chair - Becky O'Loughlin

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Chair - Finance - Lucy Dowings

Chair - Staff Parish Relations - Bob Browder

Chair - First Connections -

Chair - Global & Local Outreach - Melia Mehlhorn

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Lay Leader - Barbara Crew

JMM - Don Collins

JMW - Lucy Dowings

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The FLAP

Joshua Methodist Church



love



grow



serve

As committed Christian Disciples,
we **love** God
grow in Grace
and **serve** others



The FLAP

10/25/2026

We're so glad that you are here!
Please take a few minutes to fill out
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Name

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Email - (if changed)

Address - (if changed)

Please select one

- ☐ Partner
- ☐ First-time Guest
- ☐ Returning Guest
- ☐ Regular Attender

I would like to learn about (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Becoming a Partner
- ☐ Baptism
- ☐ Small Groups
- ☐ Serving Opportunities
- ☐ Joshua Methodist Ministries

I am in need of Prayer

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