



"Stop doubting yourselves. Have the courage to make up your minds and hold your decisions. **Refuse to be BOUGHT for a nickel, or a million dollars, or a job!**"

— Mary McLeod Bethune

*First African American to represent a State in National Statuary Hall.*

## WELCOME TO SWEET MAGNOLIA

Established in 1914, the name Magnolia honors the Mother Church founded in 1864 near Louisville.

Affectionately known as Sweet Magnolia, this ministry has stood as a physical representation of the hope and determination of the African American spirit. We are a Spiritual Anchor grounded in a liberation tradition operating as a Baptist community of faith.

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# Magnolia

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

## Sunday Worship

Rev. Dr. Francys Johnson, Senior Pastor



# Welcome to Sweet Magnolia

"The wonderful thing about the black church for me is that it forces you to come to terms with the centrality of love in the world." Cornel West



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## 4 WAYS TO GIVE

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SUNDAY



Dweninmmen is a symbol of strength with humility. Humility is a cherished virtue among the Akans

## Order of Service

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 17, 2022 | 9:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL - The Word Saves taught by Dea. Johnny Tremble  
Text: John 12:44-50; Time of Action: 30 A.D.; Place of Action: Jerusalem Golden Text: "I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness" (John 12:46).

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Oh Lord, We Praise Your Name* by David Daughtry as inspired by Psalm 115:18 with *Spirit of the Living God* as a Chant and the Church Covenant as a Responsive Reading.

### SERVICE OF LIGHTS

The Altar Candles burn throughout July as a testimony of the sacrifice and service of those who have come before us in the 246-year history of this Country. *How Great is Our God* by Chris Tomlin (Jonathan Nelson's Arrangement) is inspired by our ancestor's commitment to lift themselves and a nation even as they lifted the story of Jesus of Nazareth.

*Sweet Magnolia will utilize all our resources to provide a Christ-centered setting where people in this community can be redeemed to a personal relationship with Christ, reconciled to God and his people, restored to wholeness, to well-being, and revived for a full life involved in service to others. In this church, everyone is welcomed and affirmed. In this community, you can be redeemed, reconciled, restored, and revived.*

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*On Time God* by Dottie Peoples as inspired by Psalm 31:15  
Offertory Claim - *I am a consistent Tither, a Bountiful Sower, and a Cheerful Giver. I have confessed my sins; therefore, GOD rebukes the Devourer for my Sake, and GOD makes all Grace abound toward me!* Malachi 3:1-11 and II Corinthians 9:5-8

### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE

Understanding through Remembrance and Reenactment

### HYMN OF PREPARATION

*Here's My Worship (Smile)* by Jonathan Nelson inspired by Psalm 126:2-3

### THE PREACHED WORD

Rev. Dr. Francys Johnson

### BENEDICTION

*Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:20-21*



### FELOWSHIP BRUNCH FOLLOWING SERVICE

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## Responsive Reading The Church Covenant

Strengthening Our Relationship with God and Mankind

LEADER: Having been led, as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now in the presence of God, and this assembly host solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

**RESPONSE: We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.**

LEADER: We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions, to bring up our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

**RESPONSE: We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember one another in prayer; to aid one another in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and Christian courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Savior to secure it without delay.**

TOGETHER: *We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.*

*But Jesus called the children to Him and said,  
"Let the little children come to Me, and do not  
hinder them! For the kingdom of God belongs  
to such as these. Luke 18:16*

LOVE, LINKS & LINEAGE



### FEATURED ARTIST

This program features limited edition works by Larry "Poncho" Brown. On the front cover, *Soul Survivors* is a testimony to how the love and the strength of family can be a healing force in the lives of its members.

On the Insert, *Love, Links & Lineage* is an offset lithograph. It is a testimony to the ability of the family to show love and strength in the face of adversity and endure.

A native of Baltimore, MD. He started his first business at the age of 17 as a signwriter and he has been a full-time artist ever since.