

**Uniquely American Religions: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
(Mormons)**

**Sunday, September 30 at 11:45 am in the Bloom Room**

According to church records, LDS church membership has grown every decade since [its](#) beginnings in the 1830s and it is among the top ten largest Christian denominations in the U.S. Mormons have been both admired and reviled; from 1838 until 1975, it was technically legal to kill a Mormon in the state of Missouri! This class will provide a look at the LDS Church, including its theology and history, beginning with Joseph Smith in 1830, through the pioneer period, to practices of the church today.

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