

# Contact Us

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## Session

The elders are elected by the congregation to be servant leaders and shepherds of God's people. They guide the direction and outreach of the church, oversee its teaching and worship, and care for the spiritual needs of the members. Please contact them if you need counsel or prayer.

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The deacons are elected by the congregation to assist the elders, primarily by caring for the physical and material needs of church members and upkeep of the church facility. They also extend the love and generosity of Christ to those outside the church. Please contact them if you or someone you are concerned about has a physical or material need.

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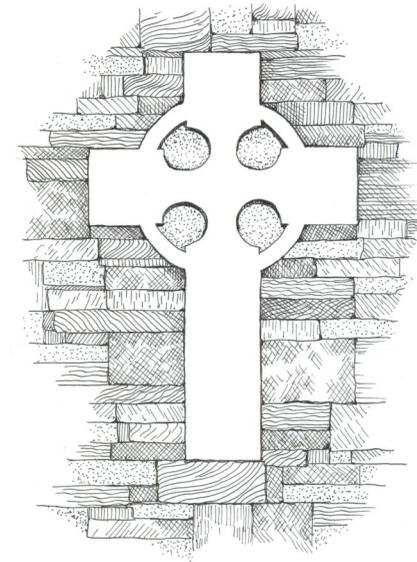
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# CHRIST COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 13, 2017 | **Worship 9:00 a.m.** | Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

# *The Lord's Day*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### Psalm 92:1-4

Leader: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night,  
to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.

All: **For you make me glad by your deeds, O LORD;  
I sing for joy at the works of your hands.**

## SONGS OF PRAISE

### *Psalm 92: It Is Good*

WORDS & MUSIC: Paul Baloche, 2016

It is good to praise you, Lord,  
And make music to your name, O Most High.  
To proclaim your love in the morning  
And your faithfulness at night.

Oh, Oh, Oh, I sing for joy—  
And the sound of your name and the work of your hands,  
Oh, Oh, Oh, you make me glad,  
And for all of my life let my song to you rise,  
O Most High

### *Psalm 45: Fairest Of All*

WORDS & MUSIC: Shane Barnard and Shane Everett, 2015

My heart burst at its banks, Spilling with beauty and goodness.  
I pour it out as a song to my King, Shaping the rivers into words.

What grace pours from your lips, The sound calls the midnight to morning;  
The melody turns my winter to spring, I echo it now in my worship.

*Ten thousand strong, You're the fairest of all,  
Fairest in heaven and earth.  
Of the children of men You're the fairest of them,  
Fairest in heaven and earth.*

Your heart burst at the seams, Flowing with blood and with water.  
A song of love pouring out from the tree singing,  
“For the joy set before me.”

## *Adult Sunday School Classes*

We invite you to find a book or subject you want to study or a teacher you love and join us  
at 10:30 as we study God's Word together. Classes meet after the worship service.

### *Four Missionaries You'll Be Glad to Know: Their Loves, Sorrows, & Triumphs*

\*\*William Carey.....Father of Modern Missions  
\*\*John Nevius.....“The Nevius Plan”  
\*\*Mary Slessor.....White Queen of Okoyong  
\*\*Amy Carmichael.....Nobody

Meets in the Fellowship Hall  
Taught by **Andrew Siegenthaler**  
August 6 through September 3  
Open to everyone

### *Honduras Mission Team Report & Youth Camp Report*

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### *A View From The Top: Studies in the Life of Joseph by Wallace Tinsley, Jr.*

Meets in the Bell Tower Room  
Taught by **Diane Burton**  
Open to women going through loss from death or divorce

# Classes & Other Information

## Church Membership

During the Sunday school hour we have a class for those interested in church membership called the *Inquirers Class*. Please speak to Pastor Andrew after the service if you would like to attend.

## Nursery & Cry Room

A nursery is available for infants through age four. There is also a cry room in the back of the sanctuary for mothers with young children.

## Counseling

\*Are you in a shameful or fearful situation and feel you have no one to talk to?  
\*Are you battling an addiction to drugs, alcohol, sex, pornography, or gambling?  
\*Are you in a violent or abusive relationship—verbally, physically, or sexually?  
You are not alone. Go to [www.christcovenantcullman.org](http://www.christcovenantcullman.org) and click on: Counseling

## Children's Sunday School

Sunday school classes for all ages are held after the worship service. The children's classes use graded material that covers the big stories and themes of the Bible. Coordinator Steve Turner and Jonathan Haynes.

\*\*\*. These classes are based on the grades they just completed, NOT grades they will be in this fall.\*\*\*

**CLASS 1** - PRESCHOOL—KINDERGARTEN Room 14  
Teachers change weekly.

**CLASS 2** - 1ST Grade—2ND Grade Room 8  
Teachers change weekly.

**CLASS 3** - 3RD Grade - 5TH Grade Room 6  
Teachers change weekly.

## Youth Sunday School

The youth classes cover various biblical and theological topics.

7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Jonathan & Amanda Knappenberger	Youth House
9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	John Knappenberger	Youth House
11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Brandon & Laura Reeder	Youth House

You ransomed your bride On the day that you died,  
Ascended to heaven in glory.  
She stands clothed in white With her head lifted high singing,  
“Come and return in Your glory.”

You ransomed your bride On the day that you died,  
Ascended to heaven in glory.  
We stand clothed in white With our voice lifted high singing,  
“Come and return in Your glory.”

## INVOCATION

## SCRIPTURE READING

## Psalm 133

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord God Almighty, Shepherd of our souls,  
You have spread a bountiful table before us in the presence of our enemies;  
Here we may feed daily on the manna You provide  
and here we may live in hope of an eternal feast in Your presence;  
Yet we murmur and complain like our forefathers,  
finding fault with one another and blaming You for our miseries.  
Open our eyes, blessed Holy Spirit,  
to the wonder of the Father's love for us in Jesus Christ.  
Enable us to confess and forsake our ungrateful ways  
and to enter into a spirit of praise and thanksgiving in the joy  
of our eternal salvation. In Jesus' name. Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## SONG OF ASSURANCE

## Heal Us, Emmanuel

WORDS: William Cowper, 1731-1800 (alt Twit), MUSIC: Kevin Twit, 2015

*Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are, We long to feel Thy touch.  
Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly, O Savior hear our cry.*

Our faith is feeble, we confess We faintly trust Thy word;  
But will You pity us the less? Be that far from You Lord!

Remember him who once applied With trembling for relief:  
“Lord, I believe,” with tears he cried, “O help my unbelief!”

She, too, who touched you in the press And healing virtue stole  
Was answered, “Daughter, go in peace, Thy faith has made thee whole.”

Like her, with hopes and fears we come To touch You if we may;  
O send us not despairing home, Send none unhealed away!

## **INTERCESSORY PRAYER**

### **THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Matthew 6:9-13**

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done  
on earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

### **OFFERING**

*Please place visitor cards in the offering plate*

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

***Faith Be Strong***

Praise Team

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

**Acts 2:37-47**

### **SERMON**

**“True Community”**

### **COMMUNION SONG**

***Lead Me To The Rock***

WORDS: Gadsby Hymnbook, 1858 MUSIC: Red Mountain Church, 2007

Convinced as a sinner, to Jesus I come;  
Informed by the gospel for such there is room;  
O’erwhelmed with sorrows for sin I will cry—  
Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.

Blessed be Jesus for answering prayer,  
And raising my soul from the pit of despair.  
In every new trial to him will I cry—  
Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.

When sorely afflicted and ready to faint,  
Before my Redeemer I’ll spread my complaint;  
’Midst storms and distresses my soul shall rely  
On Jesus, the Rock that is higher than I.

# *Love . . . Reaching our Missionaries*

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

Minister: Let us confess the mystery of our faith.

**All: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

## COMMUNION

## CLOSING SONG

### *My Raptured Soul*

WORDS: John Berridge, 1716-1793 MUSIC: Clint Wells, 2005

If Jesus kindly say, And with a whispering word,  
“Arise my love and come away,” I run to meet my Lord.

My soul is in my ears; My heart is all on flame;  
My eyes are sweetly drowned in tears, And melted is my frame.

*My raptured soul will rise up, And give a cheerful spring,  
And dart through all the lofty skies, To visit Zion’s King,  
To visit Zion’s King.*

He meets me with a kiss, And with a smiling face;  
I taste the dear, enchanting bliss, And wonder at his grace.

A soft and tender sigh, Now heaves my hollowed breast;  
I long to lay me down and die, And find eternal rest.

## BENEDICTION

# Christ Covenant News

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## This Week's Activities

### Wednesday

6:30-8:00 p.m. Youth Group

### Friday

7:00 a.m. John DuBose Men's Prayer Group

### Sunday

9:00 a.m. Worship Service & Communion

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

## Nursery Volunteers' Schedule

### August 13

9-10:15– Kim Canaday, Lori Barlow

10:30-11:15– Shonda Price

### August 20

9-10:15– Diane Burton, Connie Jacobs

10:30-11:15– Melodie Benson

## August Birthdays

- 8 - Dana Starnes
- 8 - Greg Henry
- 11 - Sue Roberts
- 13 - James Laminack
- 14 - Ellie Lunsford
- 15 - Sharon Weatherly
- 18 - Nick Canaday
- 18 - Camille Christenberry
- 19 - Jay Weatherly
- 19 - Laurie Ewing
- 19 - Diann Fuller

## Precept: Galations

Free in Christ—”Yeah, let's party”!??? Law-Love-Works-Grace-Flesh-Spirit-Do-Don't. Is your life lived out among contradicting beliefs? 7 weeks: 1st lesson due Sept. 7, Thursdays, 8:30am and 7pm, at the Bergquist home. (256) 739-4777. Let me know if you need a book.

## Prayer Chain

Prayer Warriors are needed. If you would like to commit to interceding for your brothers and sisters at Christ Covenant, please sign the sheet in the foyer or in your Sunday School class. If you have any questions, call Gwen Hays 256-796-7031/256-709-5276 or Dollie White 256-737-9215.

*“I thank my God upon every remembrance of you always in every prayer of mine, for you all, making requests with joy.”* Philippians 1:3-4

## Honduras Mission Team Report & Youth Camp Report

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## Love . . . Reaching

It has been a while since we have made mention of our Christ Covenant family partnerships with the mission-service families that our congregation supports. For the last 2-3 years, some families within our church have been communication-supporters of specific families serving in mission work domestically and abroad. We call this program “Love...Reaching,” and responses I have received from the field have been so appreciative of these remembrances. Over the next few Sundays, we will provide in the bulletin contact information for these special servants, all of which can be encouraged by their specific CCPC partner-families and anyone else who feels moved to send a card or letter to them and pray for them. Thank you for making this opportunity a matter of prayer for your family's possible participation. Please contact George Cochran if you are interested (georgetcochran@gmail.com).

## Covenant Kids & Sunday School Announcements

We will be starting our new children's Sunday school year Sept 3rd and Covenant kids Sept 6th. So excited about the teachers/volunteers that have already signed up to help. I'm looking forward to a great year in both CK and SS! I still have a few spots to be filled in both of those areas. For SS I need teachers for the preschool class (5 Students), someone to rotate with the McCoys in the Kindergarten class (10 Students), and teachers for the 3rd Grade class (5 Students). Remember for SS you only teach every other month (with the exception of the preschool class) and everyone is done at the end of May. For CK I need teachers for the 4 & 5 year old class and possibly a couple to take the 5th & 6th Grade class. Please be in prayer about whether or not the Lord would have you teach in one of these areas. If you have any questions please feel free to see me, Tracie Rakestraw.

## It's Time to Buy OCC Gift Items

Our church's Operation Christmas Child Packing Party will be held Wednesday, Nov 15. Many shoebox items collected by Vickie Pierce that have been available for our church's packing party will be given as door prizes at the OCC Community kick-off event on August 14 at East Side Baptist Church. Therefore, our members and supporters are urged to increase their giving to collect an abundance of gift items for the Packing Party. The record 335 shoeboxes filled at last year's packing party required thousands of items. We have a gift buying committee if you had rather donate money for gifts. Shipping cost for each shoebox is \$9. Give your check to our church secretary, Brooke Jordan, to buy gift items and/or pay shipping costs.

Place OCC gift items in the blue plastic container in the church hall. Pick-up the brochure, “How to Pack Your Shoebox Gift” and OCC decorated shoeboxes and other items on the OCC display table.

Because of some countries regulations, candy and toothpaste can no longer be put in shoeboxes.

## Officer Nominations

Nominations for the offices of Ruling Elder and Deacon will be received though the month of August. Officer nomination pamphlets, which explain the process and provide a nomination form, are on a table in the narthex.

The following officers have been inactive for a year and are eligible for nomination:

Ruling Elders Billy Atchison, Edward Bonds, Mike Burton, Jonathan Haynes, Jay Weatherly.

Deacons Johnny Cook, Don Hubbard, Woody Jacobs, Marvin Jones, Roger Kornegay, James Laminack, Scott Lewis, Daren Rakestraw.

Members may also nominate any qualified man for office. Qualifications are explained in the nomination pamphlet.

## Operation Christmas Child Information

Even though our church will not be a shoebox drop-off location this year, several of our members will continue to be involved in this effective Christian mission program. To help reach the Cullman County goal of 10,000 gift-filled shoeboxes, the following shoebox drop-off locations have been scheduled: Crosshaven Church, Northbrook Baptist Church and Fairview First United Methodist Church. Our church members will be helping at these drop-off locations during Shoebox Collection Week, Nov. 13-20. OCC promotional activities include a kick-off community event on Monday, August 14, 6:00 p.m. at East Side Baptist Church; an entry in the Cullman Fair Parade, Saturday, Sept. 16; an exhibit at the Cullman County Fair; and a joint promotional event with Chick-fil-A, Oct. 26-Nov. 11.

## Radio Program

Listen to *A Different Perspective*, hosted by Pastor Tom Fillinger. Broadcast Monday through Friday on WKUL 92.1 FM at 11:30 am. Our goal is the reformation and renewal of the church in Cullman County and North Alabama. Tune in each day. Pray with us. Ask God to transform his church as only he can.