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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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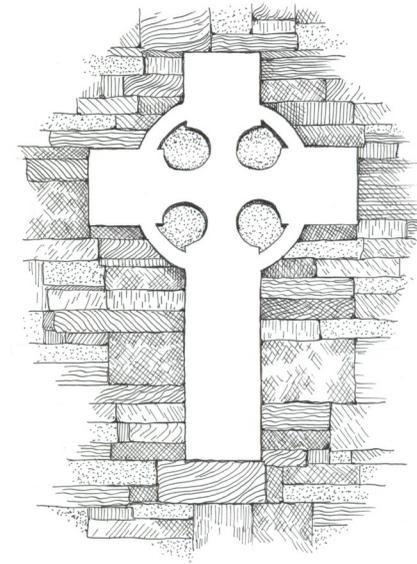
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CHRIST COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 13, 2018 | **Worship 9:00 a.m.** | Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

The Lord's Day

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lift Up Your Hearts

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SONGS OF PRAISE

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

WORDS: Henry van Dyke, 1907 MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed,
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus, which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us, brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us Sunward in the triumph song of life.

In Christ Alone

TEXT & MUSIC: Townend/Getty, 2002

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

Youth Sunday School

The youth classes cover various biblical and theological topics.

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

Adult Sunday School Classes

Find a teacher you love or a topic that intrigues you and join us after the worship service at 10:30 to study God's word.

Acts

How can the church of today continue the bold mission commanded by Christ and instituted by the Apostles through the Holy Spirit?
Taught by Randy HaysRoom 4***Open to everyone***

Love Thy Body

We're studying a book by Nancy Pearcey about human life and sexuality
Taught by Andrew SiegenthalerFellowship Hall***Open to everyone***

Matthew

Who is Jesus? Matthew answers that question as one who saw, heard, and loved the Savior.
A gripping story, a convincing proof of Jesus as Messiah, Matthew speaks to us today with gems of verses we love and return to time and time again.
Taught by Dixie Bergquist & Allison SiegenthalerGloria Edwards Room***
Open to women of all ages***

A View From The Top: Studies in the Life of Joseph

We're using a book by Wallace Tinsley, Jr. to guide our study.
Taught by Diane BurtonBell Tower Room***Open to women in transition or trial***

Classes & Other Information

Church Membership

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

Covenant Groups

Covenant Groups are small groups that meet in homes for fellowship, encouragement, prayer, and growth in our love for one another and for Christ. Covenant Groups meet Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 PM. You are welcome to join a Covenant Group at any time. Speak to any elder for more information.

Prayer Chain

Your brothers and sisters in Christ would love to pray for you. Please call, text, or email with any requests. Rest in the knowledge that God's people will be interceding on your behalf. Gwen Hays 256-796-7031 or 256-709-5276 gwen2829@yahoo.com
Dollie White 256-737-9215

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 and click on: Counseling

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.

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. Coordinators Steve Turner and Jonathan Haynes.

<u>Preschool</u>	Kristi Nyquist/Christy Lang	Room 14
<u>Kindergarten</u>	Jason & Melanie McCoy	Room 15
<u>1st—2nd Grade</u>	Zeb & Holly Powell/Blake & Allison Bright	Room 12
<u>3rd Grade</u>	Caroline Lunsford/Dana Anders	Room 8
<u>4th— 6th Girls</u>	Dana Starnes/Joyah Pettus	Room 9
<u>4th— 6th Boys</u>	Rick White/Wyatt Pettus	Room 6

In Christ alone! Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied,
For every sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground, His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny;
No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 5:1-8

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, we have promised to love you and delight in your word,
instead we have proven to be disobedient and ungrateful.
We have promised to love and serve one another with gladness,
instead we have sown seeds of hate, envy and bitterness.
We have promised to live in the power of the Holy Spirit,
instead we have listened to the powers of darkness.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, the suffering and humble servant,
forgive us, we pray, and renew our hearts in him. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE

Good, Good Father

WORDS & MUSIC: Chris Tomlin, 2015

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think you're like,
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night,
And you tell me that you're pleased, And that I'm never alone.

*You're a good, good Father—
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are.
And I'm loved by you—
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am.*

Sermon Notes

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers only you provide,
'Cause you know just what we need before we say a word.

You are perfect in all of your ways,
You are perfect in all of your ways,
You are perfect in all of your ways to us.
Oh, it's love so undeniable I, I can hardly speak,
Peace so unexplainable I, I can hardly think.

BAPTISM

Esther Belle Quinn

PARENTAL VOWS

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

CONGREGATIONAL VOW

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERING

Please place visitor cards in the offering plate

SCRIPTURE READING

Song of Songs 1:1-2:2

SERMON

"Love's Beginning"

“Love . . . Reaching”

COMMUNION SONG

When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

TEXT: Issac Watts, 1709 TUNE: HAMBURG, *Gregorian chant*

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most—I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small:
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

COMMUNION

CLOSING SONG

Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

TEXT & MUSIC: Elisha Hoffman, Anthony Showalter, 1887

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.*

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

BENEDICTION

Lift Up Your Hearts (*Sursum Corda*) is a call to worship used by the church from the early third-century.

Christ Covenant News

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This Week's Activities

Wednesday

6:30-8:00 p.m. NO Youth Group

5:30-6:30 p.m. Communicants Class

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

May 13

9-10:15– Whitney Cook, Wade Bentley

10:30-11:15– Melanie McCoy

May 20

9-10:15– Caleb Bright, Vanessa Rakestraw

10:30-11:15– Laura Reeder

May 27

9-10:15– Mary Ellen Cook, Philip Mahler

10:30-11:15– Marcie Turner

June 3

9-10:15– Nancy Bonds, Blake Bright

10:30-11:15– Linda Morgan

May Birthdays

13—Andy Starnes

14—Dave Ozment

15—Vanessa Rakestraw

17—Porter Skeen

18—John Nyquist

19—Jason White

Pictures for Directory

We have updated the church directory and are now needing your family photos to correspond! Pictures will be taken in the narthex immediately after Church and Sunday School on the following Sundays: April 22, April 29, and May 6. Please be sure to stop and have this done, it will only take a minute! Thanks for all your help!

Electronic Giving News

We've added new funds to facilitate contributions for our 2018 mission trips. If you haven't established an Easy Tithe account yet, the process is quick and easy. Instructions can be found on our website under the Give tab. Once you're set up, gifts can be made either with the app or by text to (256) 202-5858. If giving by text to one of these special funds, simply enter either "Greece" or "Honduras" after typing the amount you're giving. Please contact Brooke in the church office if you have any questions

Listen Online

Did you know that you can now listen to songs recorded live during our worship service? Just go to www.soundcloud.com and search for "Mike Lunsford". That should take you to a page where you can listen to songs we have uploaded. There is also a soundcloud app for your smartphone or tablet that you can use to listen as well. You can also download the songs from the soundcloud website and burn a CD or listen to them in iTunes. Please see Mike if you have any trouble accessing the songs. We hope this enhances your personal worship during the week and helps everyone learn these songs we sing together even better!

Guys At Grumpy's

Guy's At Grumpy's mens social May 21 at 6pm. Pizza, wings and fun, fun, fun. Dutch treat (usually about \$20 including tip). Come join us!