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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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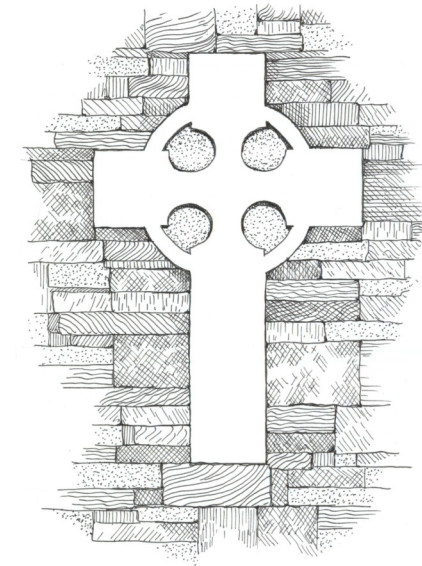
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CHRIST COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 7, 2018 | **Worship 9:00 a.m.** | Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

The Lord's Day

CALL TO WORSHIP

Matthew 11:28-30

Leader: “Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.
Take My yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SONGS OF PRAISE

God Of My Life, To Thee I Call

WORDS: William Cowper, 1779 MUSIC: Clint Wells, Brian T. Murphy and Benj Pocta, 2007

God of my life, to Thee I call; Afflicted, at Thy feet I fall;
When the great water floods prevail Leave not my trembling heart to fail!

*Poor though I am, despised, forgot Yet God, my God, forgets me not;
And he is safe, and must succeed for whom The Lord is sure to plead.*

Friend of the friendless and the saint, Where should I lodge my deep complaint?
Where but with Thee, whose open door Invites the helpless and the poor!

That were a grief I could not bear, Didst Thou not hear and answer prayer;
But a prayer-hearing, answering God Supports me under every load.

King Of Love

WORDS & MUSIC: Steven Curtin Chapman, 2016

With the hands that formed the world you washed our feet.
Kneeling down, you laid aside your majesty
And you said for us to go and do the same.
So we serve for the glory of our King.

You left heaven's throne to rescue what was lost,
Stretching out Your mighty arms to bear the cross.
Then you rolled away the stone, the victory won,
And you said, go and tell the world what love has done.

*King of love, let your Kingdom come—
Reign in us, your daughters and your sons.
Fill us up, till we overflow
With your love until the whole world knows
You are the King of Love.*

Youth Sunday School

The youth classes cover various biblical and theological topics.

7th & 8th Grade

9th & 10th Grade

11th & 12th Grade

Jonathan & Amanda Knappenberger

John Knappenberger

Brandon & Laura Reeder

Youth House

Youth House

Youth House

Adult Sunday School Classes

Women's Class – Allison Siegenthaler and Dixie Bergquist – Gloria Edwards Room

Psalm 119

“Your statutes have been my songs in the house of my sojourning.” Psalm 119:54. How do we love a law? Why do we delight in a precept? Where is truth found? What is the Bible to me? Who can hear and keep it? Join us as we pray for one another and study God's word on His Word.

Co-Ed Class 1 – Brad Eades and Wes Rakestraw — Sanctuary

Isaiah 1-12

How do you respond when you hear someone say that the God of the Old Testament is mean, but in the New Testament full of grace? Come learn about the character of God in a book that is often referred to as the gospel of the Old Testament.

Co-Ed Class 2 – Randy Hays and Vince Bergquist – Classroom 4

Revelation for Everyone

What does the last book of the Bible teach us about God's redemptive plan for His chosen people? Why does God's plan include the suffering of His people? Where is all this going? Come join us this fall as we see how Christians are truly “More Than Conquerors.”

Co-Ed Class 3 – Steve Nyquist – Fellowship Hall

Jesus Is the Promised Messiah of the Old Testament

This year we will work through specific Old Testament passages telling us about a loving God providing His children with a plan for forgiveness and redemption through the person of Jesus the Messiah.

Class for Women in Transition or Trial – Diane Burton – Bell Tower Room

For the past year we have been studying union with Christ. We will now be studying prayer in the life of the believer. Since Christ lives in me and I in him, my prayer life should reflect this union with Christ. It will be an exciting time of growth in our walk with the Lord.

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
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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.

Preschool	Whitney & Braden Cook/Tara & Randy Quinn	Room 14
Kindergarten	Allison & Blake Bright/Mary & Benjamin Rogers	Room 15
1st Grade	Melanie & Jason McCoy/Rachel & Jonathan Skeen	Room 8
2nd—3rd Grades	Zeb & Holly Powell (one teacher still needed)	Room 6
4th—6th Girls	Rachael Howze (one couple still needed)	Downstairs
4th—6th Boys	Bo Shirey & Rick White	Downstairs

Give us hearts that long to see your justice done;
Let the river of Your mercy flow through us;
Let compassion be the loudest song we sing
Till the day when every tongue declares you King.

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 5:7-10

CONFESSION OF SIN

We confess, O God, our songs of praise do not often match
the thoughts of our minds and the actions of our hands.
We are preoccupied with plans and schemes to make ourselves more comfortable,
but we think very little of your glory.
We work with diligence, staying up late to accumulate more for ourselves,
forgetting that all that we have belongs to you.
Forgive us, O Father, for the sake of your Son
who pursued your glory with his whole heart.
Enable us, by your Holy Spirit, to give our all to you,
not only in the words of our songs, but in the thoughts of our minds,
the affections of our hearts, and the works of our hands. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE

In My Hiding Place

TEXT & MUSIC: Mike Lunsford, 2005

Loving God please have mercy, take my sin away.
Father wash me and cleanse me, make me pure again.
Against You and You only, have I sinned willingly.
Father You are most Holy. Purify me!

*Your mercy's deep, Your mercy's wide, Your mercy finds me where I hide.
The river flows and washes over me.
And when I turn to run away Your mercy finds me where I am
And covers me with amazing grace, In my hiding place.*

Many times I've been silent, and I've wasted away.
Then You've heard my confessions, and my sin You forgave.
So I come to You Father, let the waters rise.
Father, You are my refuge. In You I'll hide.

Sermon Notes

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERING

Please place visitor cards in the offering plate

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 142

SERMON

A Holy Regard for Suffering

Brad Eades

COMMUNION SONG

Come Boldly To The Throne Of Grace

WORDS: Daniel Herbert, 1838 MUSIC: Clint Wells, Brian Murphy, 2004

Come boldly to the throne of grace, Ye wretched sinners come;
And lay your load at Jesus' feet, And plead what he has done.
“How can I come?” Some soul may say, “I'm lame and cannot walk;
My guilt and sin have stopped my mouth; I sigh, but dare not talk.”

Come boldly to the throne of grace, Though lost, and blind, and lame;
Jehovah is the sinner's Friend, And ever was the same.
He makes the dead to hear his voice; He makes the blind to see;
The sinner lost he came to save, And set the prisoner free.

Come boldly to the throne of grace, For Jesus fills the throne;
And those he kills he makes alive; He hears the sigh or groan.
Poor bankrupt souls, who feel and know The hell of sin within,
Come boldly to the throne of grace; The Lord will take you in.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: **That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself
but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ,
who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins
and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil;
that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven
not a hair can fall from my head;
indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation.
Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**

COMMUNION

“Love . . . Reaching”

John and Melody Hunt worked in Thailand for 25 years with Campus Outreach. They are now at the Campus Outreach headquarters in Birmingham overseeing recruitment and training for international teams.

In 1978, two college graduates felt called to share the gospel and build leaders for Christ on college campuses in Birmingham, Ala. Through the support of a local church, Campus Outreach was born. Today, that same spirit of gospel growth is driving CO movements around the world. This fall marks our 40th anniversary and we want to celebrate God's amazing work through Campus Outreach in 23 U.S. regions and 13 locations in 10 other countries.

Check out our 40th-anniversary website for memories from CO alumni, current CO global news and vision for our ministry's future

www.co40years.org

There are currently over 50 one-minute testimony videos of Campus Outreach alumni on this website. Please take a moment to view examples of how God used the gospel and spiritual leaders over the last 40 years to radically transform students' lives, and shape what they are doing today.

As Melody and I continue to serve our staff by caring for their needs and encouraging them in ministry, we are continually reminded that you are serving along side us in this endeavor. Thank you. It is such a privilege to serve and be a part of what God is doing in Thailand and the rest of Southeast Asia and the world. We look forward to what God is going to do through you and the CO ministry during the next 40 years!

John and Melody

CLOSING SONG

By Faith

WORDS & MUSIC: K & K Getty, Stuart Townend, 2009

By faith we see the hand of God In the light of creation's grand design,
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth With the power of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand, A place where peace and justice reign.

*We will stand as children of the promise. We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done We'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

By faith the prophets saw a day When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go In the power of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news In every corner of the earth.

By faith this mountain shall be moved And the power of the gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible For all who call upon His name.

BENEDICTION

The Heidelberg Catechism was written in Germany in 1563. It is the doctrinal confession of many Reformed churches.

Christ Covenant News

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A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

This Week's Activities

Wednesday

6:30-8:00 p.m. Covenant Kids
Youth Group
Covenant Groups

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

October 7

9-10:15– Randy Hays, Abby Mallard
10:30-11:15– Connie Jacobs

October 14

9-10:15– Jonathan Skeen, Amanda Knappenberger
10:30-11:15– Billy Atchison

October 21

9-10:15– Greg Henry, Emma Anders
10:30-11:15– Lee Haynes

October 28

9-10:15– Katie Shirey, Ashley Wilbanks
10:30-11:15– Dawn Bentley

October Birthdays

7—Marion Frey
9—Ada Catherine Richter
10—Eddie Canaday
13—Michael Johnson

Men's Cookout

Make plans now to attend our Men's Cookout to be held Sunday, October 7 at Steve Nyquist's house.

Social hour starts at 6pm followed by ribs and chicken dinner at 7pm. \$10 per person donation appreciated.

2019 Men's Hike

It's not too early to put our 3rd Annual Hike on your calendar—May 10th returning on May 11th—Len Foote Hike Inn in the Chattahoochee National Forest in North Georgia. The cost is \$105.00 per person, this includes dinner and breakfast, 2 men per room that has a set of bunk beds. YOU GET YOUR OWN BED! Also there is a bath house and the rooms have power.

Precept: Ezekiel

God's horrifying judgments and incredible blessings are that everyone—both saved and lost—might know "I Am the Lord God!" Starts Thursday, September 13 (10 weeks) at the Bergquist home, for books & overview 8:30 (women's) and 7pm (men & women separate). For books or questions call 739-4777.

Nursery News

We are currently working to make improvements to our church nursery. Parents with children 0-18 months drop off at the Infant Nursery (third door). Parents with children 18 months - 3 years should continue to drop off at the Main-Toddler Nursery (first door). New nursery volunteers are welcome. If you would like to volunteer to help in the nursery please contact the church office (256-739-0505) to be added to the list.

Preparing for Operation Christmas Child 2018

Christ Covenant Church again has the opportunity to be a leader in Cullman County's "OCC Ministry." While we are no longer the central drop-off location for our county, we still want to be ready for our young people's "Packing Party" on the evening of Nov. 14. An excellent set of instructions on **permissible items** and other packing details are available on the "samaritanspurse.org" website. The individual "shoeboxes" and the shippers will be available the night of the packing party.

Items can be dropped off in October at the church in a designated collection box. We suggest that collecting items by our covenant groups is an efficient way of preparing for the packing party with each group setting a Wednesday evening for the items to be brought and subsequently transferred to the church. We shall need 12-15 adults to help with the logistics of the "Packing Party" evening, and a sign-up sheet for this will be available in October. The cost of handling and shipping each "shoebox" this year is \$9.00. Families should be prepared to have \$9.00 checks already ready for putting in the boxes at the packing party, or designating a sum for this purpose in Sunday offerings.

If you want to make the "shoebox packing" a family affair at your home, which is fine, please be sure to put a check for \$9.00 in each box. Boxes will be available at the church in October at the church office.