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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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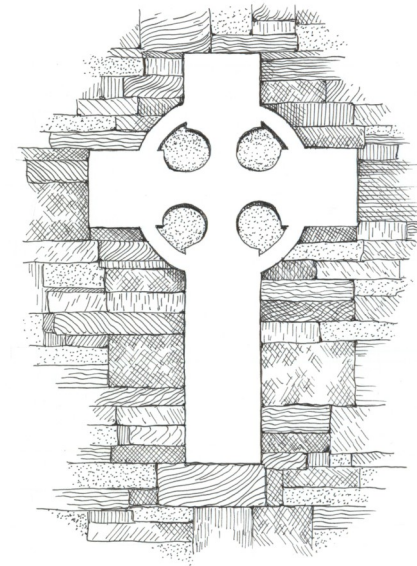
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CHRIST COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 8, 2017 | **Worship 9:00 a.m.** | Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

The Lord's Day

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 68

Leader: Sing to God, sing praise to his name,
extol him who rides on the clouds—
his name is the LORD—and rejoice before him.

**All: A father to the fatherless,
a defender of widows,
is God in his holy dwelling.
God sets the lonely in families,
he leads forth the prisoners with singing**

Leader: You are awesome, O God, in your sanctuary;
The God of Israel gives power and strength to his people.

All: Praise be to God!

SONGS OF PRAISE

Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven

WORDS: Henry F. Lyte, 1834 MUSIC: John Goss, 1869

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven; To His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favor To His people in distress.
Praise Him still the same as ever, Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like He tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame He knows.
In His hands He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet His mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore Him; Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him, Dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Glorious Day

TEXT: J. Wilbur Chapman, 1908, alt. John Mark Hall MUSIC: Michael Bleeker

One day when Heaven was filled with His praises,
One day when sin was as black as could be,
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin,
Dwelt among men, my example is He.
Word became flesh and the light shined among us,
His glory revealed.

Adult Sunday School Classes

Find a teacher you love or a topic you are intrigued with and join us after the worship service at 10:30 to study the Word of God.

Galatians

*Taught by Phil Gatlin

*Meets in Room 4

*Open to everyone

*Galatians was written for people like us. This epistle has such a liberating influence because the church is always full of people who need to receive the gospel again, *as if for the very first time*.

Acts

*Taught by Randy Hays

*Meets in the Fellowship Hall

*Open to everyone

*How can the church of today continue the bold mission commanded by Christ and instituted by the Apostles through the Holy Spirit?

*We'll pick up with chapter 6 after a short review of the first 5 chapters we covered last spring.

Matthew

*Taught by Dixie Bergquist and Allison Siegenthaler

*Meets in the Gloria Edwards Room

*Open to women of all ages

**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.

*We'll pick up in chapter 9 after a review of chapters 1 through 8 covered last year.

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

*Taught by Diane Burton

*Meets in the Bell Tower Room

*Open to women in transition or trial

*We're using a book by Wallace Tinsley, Jr. to guide our study.

John

*Taught by Mike Burton

*Meets in the Session Room

*Open to men of all ages

*This study about who Jesus is and what he did picks up in chapter 8, covering verse by verse.

Come fellowship with other men and see Jesus through John's perspective.

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 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.

<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 Starnes	Room 8
<u>4th— 6th Girls</u>	Dana Starnes/Joyah Pettus	Room 9
<u>4th— 6th Boys</u>	Rick White/Wyatt Pettus	Room 6

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

*Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;
And buried, He carried my sins far away;
Rising, He justified freely forever:
One day He's coming—oh, glorious day. Oh, glorious day!*

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain,
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree.
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected.
Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He.
Hands that healed nations, stretched out on a tree,
And took the nails for me.

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer,
One day the stone rolled away from the door,
Then He arose, over death He had conquered
Now He's ascended, my Lord evermore.
Death could not hold Him,
The grave could not keep Him from rising again.

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming,
One day the skies with His glories will shine,
Wonderful day, my beloved one bringing,
My Savior Jesus is mine.

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING **James 4:13-15**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Great God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
you have invited us to come boldly into your presence, asking you to supply all our needs;
you have filled Scripture with promises to provide abundantly for us.
Yet we have not prayed as we should.
We confess that we have relied on our own schemes and resources;
we have worried and fretted, we have complained and grumbled.
Like Israel marching through the desert, we have failed to trust you
and have brought your chastisement down upon ourselves.
Forgive, O Lord, and manifest your glory in our hearts by the work of your Holy Spirit.
Full us with the spirit of supplication
so that our prayers may ascend to your throne without ceasing
and procure for us all your covenant blessings. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE

You Are My King

TEXT & MUSIC: Billy Foote, 1996

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken,
I'm accepted; You were condemned,
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
Because You died and rose again.

*Amazing love, how can it be,
That You, my King, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true;
It's my joy to honor You; in all I do I honor You.*

You are my King, You are my King.
Jesus, You are my King, Jesus, You are my King.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERING

Please place visitor cards in the offering plate

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 25:1-44

SERMON

“Folly Or Faith”

COMMUNION SONG

O God Of Ages Past

WORDS & MUSIC: Shane Barnard and Shane Everett, 2015

If my hope is Christ alone, if where you are is where I'm home,
If knowing you is my delight, if in God alone I'm satisfied . . .

*Then won't you come and break this old heart of stone,
Start a fire in these broken bones?
Here's my soul, it has been exposed to you, O God of ages past.
Convince my heart at last, come tell me of all I have in you.*

If my bread is your life laid down, if my cup, your blood poured out,
If in your midst all joy is found, if where I walk, now holy ground . . .

If you are the One who holds my future, if your love is what I'm searching for,
If you are the One, if you are the treasure, if you are the Lord . . .

Pray for our Missionaries

Caleb and Miyoung Cheon live in Taiwan, which is their base for training pastors in mainland China. Before moving to Taiwan, Caleb was the pastor of the Korean congregation of Briarwood Presbyterian Church for six years. Miyoung is an accomplished pianist and teaches music at Christ College in Taipei.

For several years Caleb has regularly requested his supporting churches pray for his father—for his declining health and for his salvation. We received the following email from Caleb this week.

October 2, 2017

Dear friends,

My Dad went to be with the Lord early this morning in peace. The Lord has been so gracious to him and us. My Dad, who denied the Lord for 79 years but accepted him through me as his Savior a year ago, left a wonderful testimony and confession of faith in his last time. One of his last words to his entire children was, “Believe in Jesus. When you believe, believe Him with your whole heart.”

Thank you for your prayers. I would appreciate if you would remember my family members in your prayers for this time.

In the eternal hope that the Lord of the life granted to us,

Caleb

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

CLOSING SONG

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

TEXT: Samuel Stennett, 1727-1795 MUSIC: Christopher Miner, 1997

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand And cast a wishful eye,
To Canaan's fair and happy land Where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains Shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns, And scatters night away.

*I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land,
I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land.*

No chilling wind nor poisonous breath Can reach that healthful shore
Where sickness, sorrow, pain, and death Are felt and feared no more.

When shall I see that happy place And be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face And in His bosom rest?

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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This Week's Activities

Wednesday

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

9-10:15– Janice Newlin, Lori Henry

10:30-11:15– Tamara Sheffield

October 15

9-10:15– Sonja Duke, Gwen Hays

10:30-11:15– Holly Borden

October Birthdays

10 - Eddie Canaday
12 Jaret Hulse
13 - Michael Johnson
14 - Roger Kornegay

Mission Trip

CCPC has another great short term mission trip available this upcoming Spring. Jay & Sharon Weatherly and Holly Powell will be leading a team to Athens, Greece March 22-31, 2018 to help the Petrou's ministry. Feel free to contact Jay (256-338-0157), Sharon (256-338-0160), or Holly Powell (205-515-1636).

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 256-796-7031/256-709-5276 gwen2829@yahoo.com 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

Covenant Groups

Covenant Groups are small groups that meet in homes for fellowship, encouragement, prayer, and to grow in our depth of 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.

Holmes Family Adoption T-Shirts

As some of you know, we are in the process of adopting a little boy from China! As we get closer to bringing him home we are selling T-shirts to help with funding travel costs. All shirts are \$20 and say "Love Makes a Family". You can order at <http://tinyurl.com/wesandsarahadoption> If you have any questions please contact Sarah at 256-339-5858. Thank you for your prayers and support with getting our little guy home!
-Wes, Sarah, Annabelle and Elijah

Covenant Kids

Meals are \$2.00 per night (with the exception of nursery). I would ask that if you have a child in the nursery - Kindergarten please pay for your child's meals for the year, these classes do not go through the weekly meal line. Nursery - 3 years \$20 (for the year) and 4 yrs. - Kindergarten \$44 for the year. If you need to pay half now and half in Jan that's fine. If you would like to pay for the whole year and your child is older that's fine too. There will be a table set up when you come in on Wednesday for you to do so. Please take the time to thank your children's teachers that are listed below.

Food Service - Delwin & Cindy Bales/Gwen Hays

PreK - Kindergarten - Jason & Melanie McCoy/

Julie Kennedy

1st - 2nd - Clay & Holly Borden

3rd - 4th - Derek Rakestraw & Randy Hays

5th - 6th - Chris & Mindy LaGanke

It's Time to Buy OCC Gift Items

Our church's Operation Christmas Child Packing Party will be held Wednesday, Nov 15. 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.

Precept: Galatians

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.

Radio Program

Listen to *A Different Perspective*, hosted by Pastor Tom Fillingier. 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.