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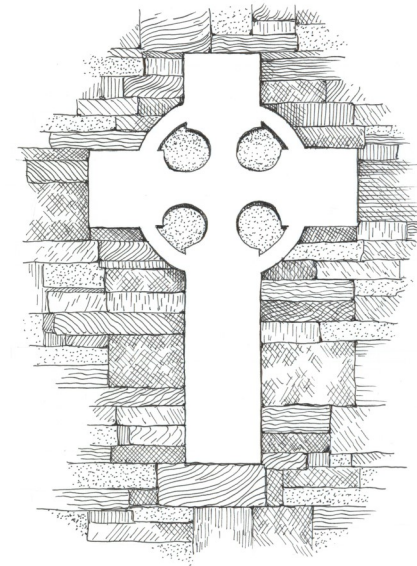
The elders are elected by the congregation to be servant leaders and shepherds of God's people. They guide the direction and outreach of the church, oversee its teaching and worship, and care for the spiritual needs of the members. Please contact them if you need counsel or prayer.

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The deacons are elected by the congregation to care for the material needs of church members, promote generosity, and oversee 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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CHRIST COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 10, 2021 | **Worship 9:00 a.m.** | Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

The Lord's Day

CALL TO WORSHIP

Colossians 1:12-14

Leader: Let us raise our voices with joy and give thanks to the Father,
Who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.

Everyone: **For He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves,
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.**

SONGS OF PRAISE

Hosanna

TEXT & MUSIC: Paul Baloche, Brenton Brown, 2006

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You. We turn to You.
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You. We long for You.
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.
In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

*Hosanna, hosanna,
You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises.
Hosanna, hosanna,
Come, have Your way among us.
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.*

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You. We turn to You.
In Your kingdom broken lives are made new. You make us new.
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.
In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.
In Your presence all our fears are washed away.
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In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

Glory Be To God The Father

WORDS: Horatius Bonar, 1866 MUSIC: Blake Mundell, 2012

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit, Great Jehovah three in One.
Singing glory, singing glory, Glory while eternal ages run.

Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain.
Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign.
Singing glory, singing glory, Glory to the Lamb who once was slain.

Glory to the King of Angels, Glory to the Church's King.
Glory to the King of nations, Heaven and earth your praises bring.
Singing glory, singing glory, Glory to the King of nations bring.

For women, all ages

Holly Borden

Gloria Edwards Room

Colossians - Before Covid so abruptly sent us all home on Sundays, we were walking through Paul's letter to the Colossians. This brief letter is perhaps one of the most encouraging texts in the Bible! Christ's preeminence, sovereignty, and authority are clearly laid out. Then we studied how the mystery of God that has been revealed to God's people is that we can know the riches and glory of Christ! This is possible because Christ lives in us! Girls and women of all ages are welcome to join us as we conclude our study in Colossians as Paul explains to us the practical outworking of Christ living in us!

For women

Diane Burton

Room 10

Women in Transition Learning to truly experience a growing relationship with God with a community of women who are walking through life's struggles.

For young couples

Jay Weatherly / Andy Starnes

Fellowship Hall

Our purpose is to support, encourage, and equip young couples in their journey through a unique time of life. We will study I and II Timothy, work through books by respected Christian authors, and carve out time to focus on marriage and parenting. We will invite several guest couples to join us along the way to share their stories. Some of these couples will be members of Christ Covenant, and others will come to us from outside our church. But we look forward to learning from seasoned couples who have experienced many highs and lows – and God's faithfulness throughout their journeys. We desire much interaction among all participants. But we will look ultimately to the Word of God and the Holy Spirit as our source of truth, wisdom, and inspiration. We are often asked to define "young couple". While tempted to provide a definition, we believe it unwise to fall into such a trap. If you see yourself as a young couple, then this Class is for you!

Church Membership

We have an Inquirers Class for those who are considering church membership or who simply want to know more about Christ Covenant. This class meets in the Bell Tower during Sunday School (10:30-11:20). Please contact Brad Eidson or Jonathan Haynes if you would like to attend.

Pulpit Committee

In accordance with the Book of Church Order, Christ Covenant formed a pulpit committee to search for our next pastor. Please pray for the pulpit committee as they conduct this important task. Committee Members: Braden Cook, Brad Eidson, Don Hubbard, Tina Hulse, Jason McCoy, Luke Mosteller (Clerk), Steve Nyquist, Joyah Pettus, Holly Powell, Tracie Rakestraw, Andy Starnes, Anthony Taylor, Jay Weatherly (Chairman)

Classes & Other Information

Children's Sunday School

Sunday school classes for all ages are held after the worship service. Below you will find a class list and room numbers. If your child is 2nd grade or younger please walk them to their classroom and promptly pick them up following Sunday school, all other grades will be dismissed following Sunday school. The classes will meet in the following rooms:

Toddler class (3yrs) - Scott/Becky Lewis - Room 14 (same location)

Preschool 4yrs - Whitney/Braden Cook & Tara/Randy Quinn - Room 15 (same location)

Kindergarten - Allison/Blake Bright & Rachel/Jonathan Skeen - Room 6

1st - 2nd grades - Sheena/Daniel Johnson & Laura Reeder - Room 8

3rd grade - Joyah/Wyatt Pettus & Hope/Billy Atchison - Room 9

4th - 6th girls - Holly Powell (with Siusan Peek as backup) - Downstairs (same as last year)

4th - 6th boys - Bo Shirey - Downstairs (same as last year)

Youth Sunday School

The youth will meet in two classes at The Hill and study various theological topics ranging from the characteristics of God, TULIP, and finding your identity in Christ.

7th through 9th Grade	Jonathan Knappenberger	The Hill (Big Room)
10th through 12th Grade	John and Denise Knappenberger	The Hill (Green Room)

Adult Sunday School Classes

For men and women	Randy Hays	Room 4
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Jonah Jonah is a book that is not really about a big fish. Although this book is among the better-known accounts in Scripture, its meaning is not. To the secularist, this is nothing more than a ridiculous story of an impossible event. To the very young, this is nothing more than a fanciful tale of a strange event. But to the born-again student of Scripture, this is a miraculous account of a sovereign and gracious God who unconditionally loves to save.

For men and women	Steve Nyquist / Luke Mosteller	Sanctuary
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Reboot, Return, Rebuild The Old Testament story ends with God's people trickling back to the Promised Land after the 70 years of Babylonian Captivity. There is plenty to see and learn. We will explore together the 5 Post-Exile books; Ezra, Nehemiah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi. Any and all are welcome to join.

“Glory, blessing, praise eternal,” Thus the choir of angels sings;
“Honor, riches, power, dominion,” Thus its praise creation brings.
Singing glory, Singing glory, Glory, glory to the King of kings.

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 136:1-7, 23-26

CONFESSION OF SIN

We confess, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
that we have complained and murmured against you
like the children of Israel traveling through the wilderness.
In spite of all the mighty works you have done on our behalf
we have doubted Your promises and fought against Your providence.
Forgive us, Almighty God, and impress the wonder of redeeming grace upon our hearts.
Enable us to trust Jesus Christ as crucified Savior, risen Lord,
reigning King, coming Judge, Lord of life and history,
so that we may follow in confidence and new obedience. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE

Jesus, Lover Of My Soul

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1740 MUSIC: Red Mountain Church

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till life's storm is past;
Safe into the haven guide; receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on Thee;
Leave, oh! leave me not alone, support and comfort me.
All my trust on Thee is stayed, all my help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head in the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want, here more than all I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy Name, I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am; Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art, Let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart; for all eternity,
For all eternity, for all eternity.

BAPTISM

Amelia Lenore Kennedy

Sermon Notes

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?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERING *Tithes and offerings may be given online or in the offering plates in the Narthex.*

SCRIPTURE READING

1 John 3-4

SERMON

The Love of God

Phil Reddick

COMMUNION SONG

Abide With Me

WORDS: Henry Lyte, 1847 alt. Justin Smith MUSIC: Justin Smith, 2007

Abide with me! Fast falls the eventide. The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile; And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,
Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee, On to the close, Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour. What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless. Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness.
Where is thy sting, death? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee. In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

“Love . . . Reaching”

Andy and Brooke Cheely work with Campus Outreach recruiting and training American college graduates for missions and discipleship in on university campuses around the world. The Cheelys live in Birmingham and have two girls, Abigail and Esther. Excerpts from their August & September newsletters are provided below (a copy of the complete newsletter is available on the table beyond the Narthex):

There are so many needs in the world [...] but nothing will bring wholeness, health, shalom, and peace but the making of disciples of Jesus Christ. Every question, source of division, and front burner item that is capturing headlines and attention would disappear if we obeyed the Lord of creation and made disciples of Him. I mean disciples that participate in local congregations to live out a Jesus-centered identity with Holy Spirit-filled character, governed by a Biblical worldview, engaging persuasively among non-Christians, and equipped to multiply all of that in others.

Each university student who comes to Christ on the 90 campuses where we are laboring around the world carries that good news to their campus, their own family, and beyond as they enter the workforce, start families, and make an impact where God has placed them.

Our family is asking each of you [to share with us] 1-3 people that your family is trying to winsomely share the gospel with...in 2021. We will keep a prayer notebook with all the names and join you in praying for those dear souls to be brought to new life through your faithful testimony to Jesus' trustworthiness. We further commit to asking that all of them multiply that into more fruit by then sharing what He does in their life, even as these university students do. If there is any additional help we can offer you in the sharing or the discipling you have but to ask.

While God does the work, we faithfully seek to partner with you as we serve Him together. Your generous and faithful partnership causes the kingdom to expand and impact more lives. More than ever your gifts, prayers, and labors are appreciated. Thank you!

Laboring alongside you,
Andy and Brooke Cheely

Pray with Us - September 1st was observed as a day of fasting and prayer for multiplying disciples in international locations where CO is doing ministry. Please pray for ministry in the following locations:

CO Brisbane, Australia
CO UdonThani, Thailand
CO Manila, Philippines
CO Lusaka, Zambia
CO Birmingham, England
CO Christchurch, New Zealand
CO London, England
CO Monterrey, Mexico

Pray for continued discipleship multiplication of laborers and leaders around the world, including through you in your local church and us in our local church.

Pray for Andy who is meeting with staff in 5 countries

Pray for Brooke who is meeting with staff in 3 countries

CONFESSION OF FAITH *From Romans 8*

I believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus,
because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life
set me free from the law of sin and death.

I believe that God so preserves me that,
neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons,
neither the present nor the future, nor any powers,
neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation
will be able to separate me from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

COMMUNION

CLOSING SONG

I'll Not Be Shaken

WORDS & MUSIC: Wendell Kimbrough, 2015

For God alone, I wait in silence; My soul is still before the Lord.
He is my rock and my salvation, My fortress strong; I trust in Him.

*I'll not be shaken! I'll not be shaken, For all my hope is in His love.
From God alone comes my salvation; I wait and trust His steadfast love!*

Put not your hope in gain of riches; Seek not your rest in empty wealth.
The rich are weak; the poor are mighty, Who turn to God alone for help.

Pour out your heart to God our refuge And trust in Him to hear you cry.
No other hope will never fail you No other love will not run dry.

BENEDICTION

Christ Covenant News

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A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

Welcome to Christ Covenant

We would like to welcome any visitors to Christ Covenant. We are glad to have you worship with us! We also wanted to let you know that our pastor of almost 25 years accepted a new call and we presently have an interim pastor, Phil Reddick, that preaches 2-3 times per month and guest preachers on the remaining Sundays while our pulpit committee searches for our next pastor. If you would like to learn more about Christ Covenant, we would encourage you to join our Inquirers Class. See the Church Membership section on the Classes & Other Information page to learn more about this class.

Guest Minister

Rev. Jamie Peterson grew up in Cullman and graduated from Samford University in Birmingham. Jamie received his Master of Divinity from Birmingham Theological Seminary and Master of Theology from Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis. Jamie has served as a youth director at Briarwood Presbyterian Church (1995-1997), youth director/associate pastor here at Christ Covenant (1998-2003), assistant pastor at Faith Presbyterian Church in Birmingham, Alabama (2004-2008), church planter/pastor at Christ Community Church in Frisco, Texas (2008-2014), associate pastor at Christ Presbyterian Church in Oxford, Mississippi (2014-2016), and Executive Pastor at Cahaba Park Church in Birmingham, Alabama (2017-present). Jamie is married to Michelle and they have four children: Corbin (18), Davis (17), Anne Mae (13), and Jack (11). Jamie will be administering the sacrament of baptism in today's service.

This Week's Activities

Wed:	6:30 pm	Youth Group
Fri:	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Meeting
Sun:	9:00 am	Worship service & Communion
	10:30 am	Sunday School

Nursery Volunteers Schedule

October 10

Church Service—Siusan Peek, Kristi Nyquist
Sunday School—David Branscomb

October 17

Church Service—Anna Bright, Tara Quinn
Sunday School—David Haynes

Birthday's This Week

October 10.....	Eddie Canaday
14.....	Roger Kornegay
16.....	Brad Eidson
.....	Dennis Reid
.....	Samuel Kornegay

If we miss your birthday, please email Jonathan Haynes.

Nursery Ministry

Our nursery welcomes children 0-3 years of age. Parents need to fill out information on Check-In stickers each week. Volunteers are needed; text Karena to be added to the list. We also have openings for paid nursery staff on Sunday mornings. If you or someone you know is 18 years old or older and interested in working 2-4 regular shifts per month, please contact Karena Haynes at (256) 636-0999.

Covenant Kids Reminders

Here are several changes you need to be aware of:

- Covenant Kids is for children ages 4yrs. (as of Sept 1,2021) - 6th grade. A nursery is provided for children 3 yrs. and younger
- A meal is provided each week. This year we have someone who wants to cover all CK food costs for the year so it will cost you nothing. We have a generous CCPC family!!
- All children 4 years - 4th grade will go directly to the fellowship hall
- 5th - 6th graders go directly downstairs
- DROP OFF- time is 6:15, my teachers do not arrive until that time and I am usually busy preparing for the night. To make sure your children are supervised please do not drop them off until this time.
- PICK - UP - time is 8:15, the car line is ONLY FOR CHILDREN IN CK. If you have a child in the nursery please park your car and come inside to get them, this keeps the car line moving.
- Like last week, this week will include special activities so parents please make sure your child wears tennis shoes. We will be doing some outdoor/indoor games.

Parents, please take the time to thank all the CK teachers/workers when you see them. If you have any questions about CK please feel free to call me.

Pre k - 4yrs. - Lee & Sarah Haynes
 Kindergarten - Taylor & Rachel Eidson
 1st - 2nd grades - Lauren Mahler
 3rd - 4th grades - Jason McCoy & Phillip Mahler
 5th - 6th grades - Derek Rakestaw & Jennifer Westall
 Food Service - Randy & Gwen Hays
 Director - Tracie Rakestraw

Sound Booth Help Needed

Would you be willing to help with the soundboard, projector slides, or live stream production? Contact Roger Tew for more information 256-338-8285 or email westpoint02@hotmail.com. No experience required. Training will be provided.

Men's Cookout

Sunday, October 17 at 5:30 PM will be our first Men's Cookout in a couple of years. All Christ Covenant men and friends are invited to enjoy world famous Bo & Stanley ribs and chicken. The Cookout will be at the Nyquist's house (118 Knight Drive - 35057). Bring a lawn chair, an appetite and a friend for some good time together. Cost is \$15/per to help cover food costs. Guests and friends don't get to pay.

Women's Bible Studies

Monday Night - This 7-week study on the book of Philippians will go until October 25. The group meets at church in the Gloria Edwards Room (Room 7) at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday Morning - This 8-week study on the Book of Ruth is being led by Yvonne Welch from Briarwood. This group meets from 10:00-11:30 in the Gloria Edwards Room (Room 7) at church. If you need the Zoom option, contact Carla Kornegay 205-807-7017 rosalesc92@gmail.com.

Women's Ministry Event

Ladies of CCPC, mark your calendars for Saturday, October 16th 2021 for **Relating to Others With Joy & Purpose: Exploring John 13**. Janet Aucoin, Director of Women's Ministries at Faith Church in Lafayette, IN will be our guest speaker. We will meet from 8:30 - 1:00. Nursery provided upon request. Please plan to come and enjoy a day of fellowship and growth in the Lord.

CCPC Rummage Sale 2022

Good news! Our church has a storage unit to hold rummage sale donations. If you have gently used or good condition household items (no clothes at this time), please call Judie Hubbard (256) 708-7877 or Karena Haynes (256) 636-0999 for more information.

Bell Ringers Wanted

Children 4th Grade and older are invited to sign up for bell ringing duties on the roster in the Bell Tower. Volunteers will ring the bell from 8:55 to 9:00 a.m. on the designated Sunday.