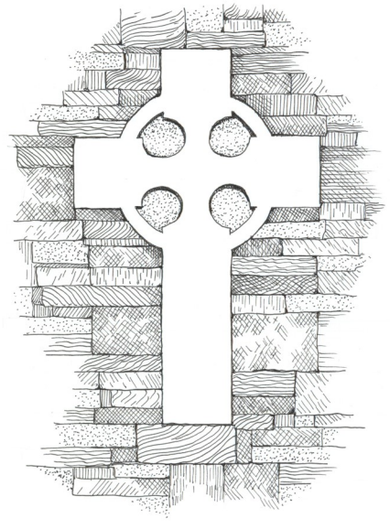

CHRIST COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 8, 2026| **Worship 9:00 a.m.** | Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

The Lord's Day

PRELUDE & TIME OF MEDITATION

The Lord reigns; He is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed; He has put on strength as His belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved. Your throne is established from of old; You are from everlasting. The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring. Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the Lord on high is mighty! Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore.
~ Psalm 93 ~

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME

GREECE TEAM COMMISIONING - Zeb, Holly, and Zoe Powell; Johnny and Dawn Cook; Lucas Rakestraw; Jason Ellerbee; Holly Durhan; Anabelle Howze; and Tracie Rakestraw.

CALL TO WORSHIP – Psalm 95:6-7

Minister: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

All: For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

SONGS OF PRAISE ***Lead On, O King Eternal***

Lyrics by Ernest Shurtleff, 1888, music by Henry Smart, 1836

Lead on, O King Eternal, the day of march has come
Henceforth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home
Through days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong
And now, O King Eternal, we lift our battle song

Lead on, O King Eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease
And holiness shall whisper the sweet Amen of peace
For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums
With deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes

Lead on, O King Eternal, we follow, not with fears
For gladness breaks like morning where'er Thy face appears
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light
The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on, O God of might

Awake My Soul O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Music and Lyrics by Laura Story and Matt Maher

O for a thousand tongues to sing, my great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace

Men's Ministry Events

"Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love."
1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Men's Fellowship –TBD.

Men's Prayer Time – Friday mornings, 7:00 a.m. in the church session room.

Men's Breakfast Study – Wednesday, at 6:30 a.m. in the FH. We are studying Sinclair Ferguson's book: "Lessons From The Upper Room"

The Intentional Father – Monday March 2, 6:15 a.m. at the Youth House.

Women's Ministry Events

Ladies Prayer Time: will be meeting every Monday at 10:00 a.m. in the bell tower room at the church. Women of all ages are invited. No one will be expected or pressured to pray aloud. This is a great way to serve the Lord through intercession for our church. Ephesians 6:18: "*Pray at all times in the Spirit with every prayer and request, and stay alert with all perseverance and intercession for all the saints*.

Women's Winter Bible Studies

Tuesday Morning Bible Study - Tuesday morning Bible Study has resumed, at 9:30 A.M. at the church. We will continue our study, *Engaging God's Word-Hebrews*, and start with chapter seven. A Biblical scholar once said, "The book of Hebrews is the most theological book in the Bible." In this study we will learn how Jesus is so much better than the angels, Moses, the old covenant, the High Priest Aaron, and better than Melchizedek. And, Jesus Christ brought a better hope." Come and enjoy the sweet fellowship of one another as we learn more about our precious Savior, Jesus Christ, the author and finisher of our faith.

Thursday evening Ladies Bible Study will resume in the Summer of 2026.

Ladies Night: No ladies night in February.

Ladies Lunch: No ladies lunch in February.

2026 Rummage Sale Roundup

The kitchen is often one of the most cluttered areas in our homes. Take a look in a cabinet or two - you're sure to find items ready to donate. Please set aside some time this week to clean out a drawer or cabinet (or two…or three!)

Opportunity to Show Christ's Compassion

"He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"
Micah 6:8

Each month, our deacons will be gathering items to assist in serving the needs of our community. In January/February our focus will be receiving **new born and preemie diapers, and also any kind of baby bath related products, for First Source For Women.** Please drop off some of the items listed above in the "Mercy Bin" located in the Narthex. Thanks so much!

March on Missions

The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad! – Psalm 97:1

Please mark your calendar and be in prayer for this year's March on Missions. Joining us Sunday morning, March 1st will be Rev. Alton Hardy. Alton is the lead pastor and founder of Urban Hope Community Church in Fairfield, AL. He is also the co-founder of Urban Hope Development in Fairfield and the visionary behind the Urban Hope Leadership Initiative. Alton is happily married to his wife, Sandra, and they have five children.

After Sunday morning worship, we want EVERYONE to join us in the Fellowship Hall for Sunday School where we will hear from Rev. Eric Reebals who is the Pastor of Evangelism and Discipleship at Briarwood PCA in Birmingham, AL. Eric will be leading us through the Bridge to Life training, a simple, one-verse method to share the Gospel with others.

Wednesday evening March 4th, all of our Covenant Groups will be gathering at the church for dinner and special ministry presentations.

We plan on wrapping the week up on Sunday, March 8th with a Greece mission team report during the Sunday school hour and our annual CCPC variety show in support of missions on Sunday evening!

We pray that God will use the week for your encouragement in the Gospel to the praise of His glory!

Christ Covenant News

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This Week's Activities

Monday
10:00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Time

Tuesday
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study

Wednesday
6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast Study
6:15 p.m. NO Covenant Groups
NO Covenant Kids
Covenant Youth

Friday
7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group

Sunday
9:00 a.m. Worship Service & Communion
10:30 a.m. Sunday School

Nursery Volunteers Schedule

February 8
Church Service— Mandy Peden
Merrill Cook
Church Service— Caroline Lunsford

February 15
Church Service— Jen Jacobs
Whitney Cook
Church Service— Melanie McCoy

Covenant Kids Corner

February 11— NO Covenant Kids

Birthdays This Week

Feb. 10……Hope Atchison
Feb. 11……Kent Benson
Feb. 12……Jeremiah Ellerbee
Feb. 13……Patricia Branscomb
Josheph Turner
Feb. 14……Sonja Sewell

Did we miss a birthday? Email Angie.

Greetings From Our Pastor

Welcome to Christ Covenant! We are honored and delighted to have you worshiping with us this Lord's Day. The entire CCPC family is eager to meet you, answer any questions you may have, and serve you best we can. After the service my wife and I will be in the lobby where we would love to personally greet and welcome you. I pray that our time together has been a source of encouragement to your soul, and that you have been refreshed by the Lord's Word and His people. Please let us know how we can serve you!

Grace and peace be with you,

Jason Ellerbee, Sr. Pastor

MNA Disaster Response Training

In partnership with MNA, Christ Covenant is actively developing a disaster response team that could help as needed when surrounding areas are hit with natural disasters. There are some pre-requisites and training involved, but this is open to anyone willing to serve. If you are interested or have questions please contact Wyatt Pettus for more details. Providence Presbytery will host a day of training on Saturday, May 2nd at First Presbyterian Church in Decatur. Below is a schedule of the day:

- 9:00 -11:30 am - Disaster Response 101 - CLASSROOM ONLY - Learn how to get involved in disaster response ministry.
- 11:30 - 12:00 – Lunch (free for those attending both the morning and afternoon sessions)
- 12:00 - 4:30 pm. - Basic Chainsaw Safety & Operations - classroom and field work

A thousand songs are not enough, to say how great You are
The glories of Your majesty, the triumphs of Your love

Awake my soul to sing, the glories of my God and King
Arise and praise the One, worthy of the songs of a thousand tongues

You break the power of all our sin, You set the captive free
You make the broken heart rejoice, new life the dead receive

Forever You are, forever You are worthy
Forever You are, forever You are worthy
Forever You are, forever You are worthy
Forever You are!...

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING Proverbs 4

CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious Father, we confess that we have not always watched ourselves with the care Your truth deserves. At times we have listened to the distracting voices of this world that draw us away from Christ, and we have tolerated and entertained what You call false and deceptive. We have been careless with Your truth, slow to discern, and too ready to welcome influences that lead our hearts astray. Forgive us for failing to abide in the teaching of Christ and for not guarding the fellowship of Your people. Restore us to steadfastness in the truth, and keep us walking in the light of Your Son. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE **He Will Hold Me Fast**
Music and lyrics by Keith and Kristyn Getty

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold, through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERING

SERMON TEXT 2 John 7-13

SERMON "Protecting the Truth" **Jason Ellerbee**

OFFICER ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

Ruling Elders: Andy Starnes, Brad Eidson, Randy Quinn

Deacons: Caleb Bright, Hays Eidson, Stan Kennedy

ORDINATION VOWS

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the *Confession of Faith* and the *Catechisms* of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, at your initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?
4. Do you accept the office of ruling elder or deacon in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?
5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the church?

CONGREGATIONAL VOW

Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as ruling elders and deacons, and do you promise to yield to them all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which their offices, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitles them?

LAYING ON OF HANDS & RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

COMMUNION SONG **Take Shelter**

Music and lyrics by Keith & Kristyn Getty and Skye Peterson

When the nations rage and death is at the door
When the wars are waged as they have been before
There's a refuge that I run to, a respite from my fear
Nothing in this world can harm me here

When my song of hope is swallowed by the pain
As the weariness of grief floods in again
Will you find me in the valley? Oh, hear my helpless cry
Hold me as a mother holds her child

And I'll take shelter, take shelter
In the loving arms of God,
And I will take shelter, take shelter,
In the loving arms of God

When a greater war had torn apart my soul
And the iron hold of sin would not let go
All of heaven stormed the darkness, in the power of the cross
I'm freed beneath the banner of His love

When the labors of this fleeting life are done
As the shadows fall, we'll see the lights of home
And then all our present troubles will be stories of the past,
Safe within His gates, we'll find our rest

CONFESSION OF FAITH – Westminster Larger Catechism Q. 160

Minister: What is required of those who hear the Word preached?

All: It is required of those who hear the Word preached that they listen to it with diligence, preparation, and prayer; that they examine what they hear by comparing it to the Scriptures; that they receive the truth with faith, love, meekness, and readiness of mind, as the Word of God; that they meditate and think on it; and that they hide it in their hearts and bring forth the fruit of it in their lives.

COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG **Leaning On The Everlasting Arms**

Music and lyrics by Elisha Hoffman, Anthony Showalter, 1887, arrangement by Mike Lunsford

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