



CHRIST COVENANT
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 24, 2026 | **Worship 9:00 a.m.** | Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

The Lord's Day

PRELUDE & TIME OF MEDITATION - Adapted from *The Valley of Vision*

Blessed Lord, let me climb up near to You, and love, and long, and please, and wrestle with You, and pant for deliverance from the body of sin, for my heart is wandering and lifeless, and my soul mourns to think it should ever lose sight of its beloved. Wrap my life in divine love, and keep me ever desiring You, always humble and resigned to Your will, more fixed on You, that I may be more fitted for doing and suffering.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP – Psalm 111:1 & 112:1

Minister: Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

All: Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments!

SONGS OF PRAISE

All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name

Lyrics by Edward Perronet, 1779, music by Oliver Holden, 1793

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all

O chosen seed of Israel's race, now ransomed from the fall
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all
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*The rocks cry out! Your children sing: Hallelujah to the King of kings
You are clothed in majesty, robed in splendor, crowned with glory*

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all
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O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all
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Crates For Ukraine

Crates for Ukraine provides personal and humanitarian aid from churches in the U.S. to churches and displaced communities in Ukraine. Learn more at <https://www.cratesforukraine.com/>

The Link Pantry Prayer Table

The Link invites local churches to partner with them by volunteering to serve at their pantry prayer table and to warmly welcome guests, as well as pray with them. We are asking our church family to support the Link by providing volunteers to work their Pantry Prayer Table. A brochure with a QR code is located on the narthex table with a link if you would be interested in helping serve. For more information, please contact averyheis@linkingcullman.org

Save the Date!

- VBS- June 5th-6th
- Parent's Night Out- July 11th
- End of Summer at Wild Water- August 16th
- Covenant Group Kick-Off- September 9th

WOMEN'S MINISTRY EVENTS

Ladies Prayer Time: The ladies will not be meeting for Prayer Time on Monday, May 25, June 29, and July 6.

The Gospel Coalition Women's Conference

We plan to take a group to The Gospel Coalition Women's conference in Indianapolis, Indiana, June 10 - 13th. Speakers include Jen Wilkin and Nancy Guthrie. Christ Covenant will cover the cost of the hotel. You will be responsible for your food and the registration fee. Scholarships are available if this causes a hardship for you and your family. Go to the www.thegospelcoalition.org and look for the TGCW 26 for more information. We have a limited number of hotel rooms available so register quickly. Please contact either Beth Moultrie, Holly Durham or Tracie Rakestraw with questions or confirmation that you have registered.

No Ladies Night or ladies lunch in June.

MEN'S MINISTRY EVENTS

Men's Fellowship – TBD.

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

Men's Breakfast Study – will return in the Fall.

The Intentional Father – Monday June 1, 6:15 a.m. at the Youth House.

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

Salt & Light Bankhead Hike

Youth girls we are carpooling to the Sipsey River for a short hike to Hight Falls on May 30, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Meet @ The Hill and pack snacks, water, change of clothes and water friendly shoes.

Youth Service Camp – June 3–7

We're excited to announce our upcoming Youth Service Camp! This week will be focused on **local missions and service**, giving students the opportunity to grow in their faith while serving our community in meaningful ways.

• **Dates:** June 3–7

• **Cost:** \$125 per student

Sign Up: In the entryway on the "Hill"

We will be partnering with local ministries and completing various service projects throughout the week.

We also need your help to make this week possible! We are looking for:

• **Host homes** for students (Host homes will be used for sleeping)

• **Team leaders** to guide and chaperone during the service projects

• **Meal volunteers** to help provide food
Project opportunities where our students can serve
If you are interested in participating or supporting in any of these ways, please contact Jonathan Knappenberger (256)-339-7406

Christ Covenant News

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A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

This Week's Activities

Monday - Church Office Closed for Memorial Day

Wednesday
6:15 p.m. 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

May 24
Church Service— Mandy Peden
Laura Reeder
Sunday School— Stan Kennedy

May 31
Church Service— Jen Jacobs
Vanessa Rakestraw
Sunday School— Anthony Taylor

Birthdays This Week

May 24.....Trent Price
May 26.....Joseph Mahler
May 29.....Blake Echols
May 30.....Greer Bright
Jordan Lee
Alex Stallings

Did we miss a birthday? Email Angie

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor's Inquirer's Class

If you have been visiting Christ Covenant for a while, please know that we are SO GLAD to have you here, and we'd love to invite you to our Pastor's Inquirer's Class. This four-week class is currently meeting in the sanctuary during the Sunday school hour and will cover topics such as our doctrinal beliefs, our church life, and our membership vows. Learn more about the PCA, the history of Christ Covenant, and what Church membership looks like. Please plan on joining us!

Vacation Bible School

Friday June 5th: 5:30-7:30- Activities Night
Saturday June 6th: 9:00-11:30- Marketplace in Costume
We will explore the vibrant marketplace, learn uplifting songs, play amazing games, and discover the incredible story of Paul and Silas. Their faith and courage in jail inspired a whole household to believe in Jesus!
Sign up with the code below or in the Narthex for children who have finished pre-k through 3rd grade. This is for Christ Covenant and as well as for our friends and family.
Start working on your costume, a simple t-shirt and belt/sash or pillowcase with holes will be perfect!
<https://forms.gle/uxsy2qx6C7bwDqDi7>



We still need volunteers and help with our wish list linked below!

https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/ZHPA73UFBGZL?ref=cm_sw_r_cp_ud_ggr-subnav-share_9WZQGW779DBYC1H195KC



Bell Ringers Needed

Children 4th grade and older are invited to sign-up in the bell tower room, to ring the church bell on Sunday morning. You will ring the bell from 8:55-9:00.

How Great Thou Art

Music and lyrics by Stuart K. Hine, Mike Lunsford arrangement

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars; I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 113

CONFESSION OF SIN

Father in Heaven, we confess that we have not been salt and light in our families, in our church, or in our world. We have sinned habitually in thought, in word, and in deed. We have been guilty of secret sins in our hearts and of outright transgressions in our actions. We have been insensitive and cruel to each other because we are so self-centered and intent on fulfilling our own desires. Forgive us our many iniquities, O Lord; cleanse us with the powerful blood of Christ our Savior; renew us with the transforming grace of Your Holy Spirit. Make us to be salt and light, O God, for the glory of Your holy Name and for the advancement of Your eternal kingdom. May Your Word work its wonders of grace within us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE

His Mercy is More

Music and lyrics by Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done, omniscient all-knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea, without bottom or shore, our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

What patience would wait, as we constantly roam, what Father so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor, our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What riches of kindness, He lavished on us, His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt, we could never afford, our sins they are many, His mercy is more

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERING

SERMON TEXT

Luke 1:57-66

SERMON

“Promised Mercies”

Jason Ellerbee

COMMUNION SONG

There Is A Fountain

Music and lyrics by William Cowper and Lowell Mason

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel’s veins
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains

The dying thief rejoiced to see, that fountain in his day
And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away
Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away
And there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away

Dear dying Lamb, thy precious blood, shall never lose its power
Till all the ransomed ones of God, be saved, to sin no more
Be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin no more
Till all the ransomed ones of God, be saved to sin no more

E’er since by faith I saw the stream, thy flowing wounds supply
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die
And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die

CONFESSION OF FAITH – The Apostles’ Creed

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from where He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

* *The Apostles’ Creed* in its present form comes from the eighth century, but older forms were used in the very early church. It is called the Apostles Creed, not because the Apostles wrote it, but because it summarizes their teaching. “Catholic” means one, only, true, and universal.

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

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 the 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