



Covenant Baptist Church

Reformed and Refreshing

October 6th, 2019

Welcome to Covenant Baptist Church. We are a Reformed church committed to three things:

- **The Exaltation of God**

We desire that the people at Covenant truly understand who God is and His rightful place in their lives as their Lord and sovereign Savior.

- **The Edification of the Saints**

We consider it extremely important to correctly teach the Bible, verse by verse, so we can properly have the Holy Spirit apply it to our lives.

- **The Evangelization of the Sinner**

We understand that God has given us the responsibility to be stewards of the Gospel and that means sharing it exactly like God gave it to us with those who need Jesus.

<https://covenantbaptists.org>

Covenant Baptist Church Schedule

Bible Education Hour (Systematic Theology)
~ 9:30 A.M.

Sunday Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday Prayer Service ~ 7:00 P.M.

*(We are not interested in traditional worship
or contemporary worship. We are only
interested in true worship.)*

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Order of Worship

(October 6th, 2019)

Crown Him With Many Crowns, pg. 129

Prayer and Scripture Reading: Proverbs 14:1-18

All I Have is Christ, pg. 389

Behold Our God, pg. 126

Message: The Eternal Home of God
—John 14:18-24

Closing Hymn: Change My Heart, O God (screen)

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Upcoming cleaning volunteers:

October 12: Crapps/McSween

October 19: Lucas/Bean

October 26: Bristol

Deacon on-call list:

October 6: Burt Lanier

October 13: James Campbell

October 20: Matt Watson

Announcements—October 6th, 2019

Greek class will meet not tonight, but will resume next Sunday at 6 PM.

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Next week is our 2nd Sunday Fellowship Meal. Please plan to bring a potluck dish to share and stay for the fellowship.

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Alton will be giving the Kenya trip mission presentation at Pine Grove Baptist Church tonight at 6 PM. If you missed the presentation when shown at Covenant you are more than welcome to visit with us there. You'll also have the opportunity to meet the folks who have joined with us to do mission work in India and Kenya. The address is 235 Pine Grove Road, Leesville. The pastor there is Bro. Bud Moss. If you have any questions, please see Alton or call him at: 803-604-2187.

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There will be a church work day Saturday, Oct. 12 at 8 AM. Please let Chris Waddell know if you are available to help, or for more details on what is needed.

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Dixiana Baptist Church will be holding a conference Oct 27-30 from 6-8 PM each evening. The topic is "The New Testament Church" and speakers include Chris Platt, Charles Swann, Brandon Sandifer, and Mitch Campbell. There is also a free meal provided each night from 5:30-6. The address is 3516 Charleston Hwy, West Columbia 29172.

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In preparation for worship, a prelude is played by the pianist. When this begins, please find your seat and prepare for worship.

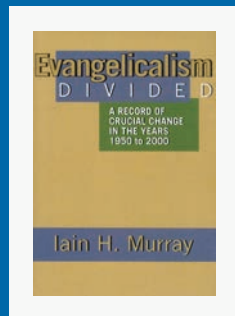
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The Bible Education Hour will now be meeting in the fellowship area. This will allow those who may be visiting to go into the sanctuary instead of remaining in the foyer until the service begins.

Church Bookstore:

Purchases (cash only) can be made by seeing Annsley or Cristan Smoak, or following the instructions left near the bookstore entrance.

Book of the Month: Evangelicalism Divided

Iain H. Murray



Why has Christian unity proved to be such a divisive topic? In the 1950s two movements- evangelicalism and ecumenism- offered differing paths to unity in the church. But as the decades have passed the influence of ecumenism has exposed a fault line in evangelicalism. Questions of critical importance have been brought to the surface: Is the gospel broader than evangelicals have historically insisted? Can there be unity with non-evangelicals in evangelism and church leadership? Does the gospel have priority over denominational loyalty? ...Evangelicalism Divided traces the fascinating saga of the personalities, institutions and publications involved in this fifty-year period. Iain Murray's account is not simply a black and white narrative. But...he shows how the new policy involved concessions which seriously weakened biblical Christianity. The first and greatest need, he argues, is to answer the most fundamental and divisive question of all: What is a Christian?

Read the full description and purchase at: https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/s//ref=mapp_dp_a_s?ie=UTF8&i=books&k=iain+H.+Murray

G3 Conference: Worship

<https://g3conference.com/>

“The worship of God has both a theological foundation that must not be ignored as well as practical implications for every Christian and local church.

“Does God mandate how we worship and how do we discern what is acceptable worship to God? In an age where pastors are entering the pulpit on zip lines and where motorcycle stunts are being attempted as illustrations during corporate worship—we must ask ourselves what does God expect and what does he forbid?

“In the 2020 G3 Conference, we will look at the subject of the worship of God—seeking to understand the theological foundation and real life implications for us in the context of our local churches. Make your plans to join us by securing your seat!”

Worship is our innermost being responding with praise for all that God is, through our attitudes, actions, thoughts, and words, based on the truth of God as He has revealed Himself.

—John MacArthur



A Reminder...

Covenant Baptist Church Events

Greek Class:

Our Greek class, “It’s Greek to You and Me”, will continue next Sunday the fellowship hall at 6 P.M.



2nd Sunday Fellowship Dinner:

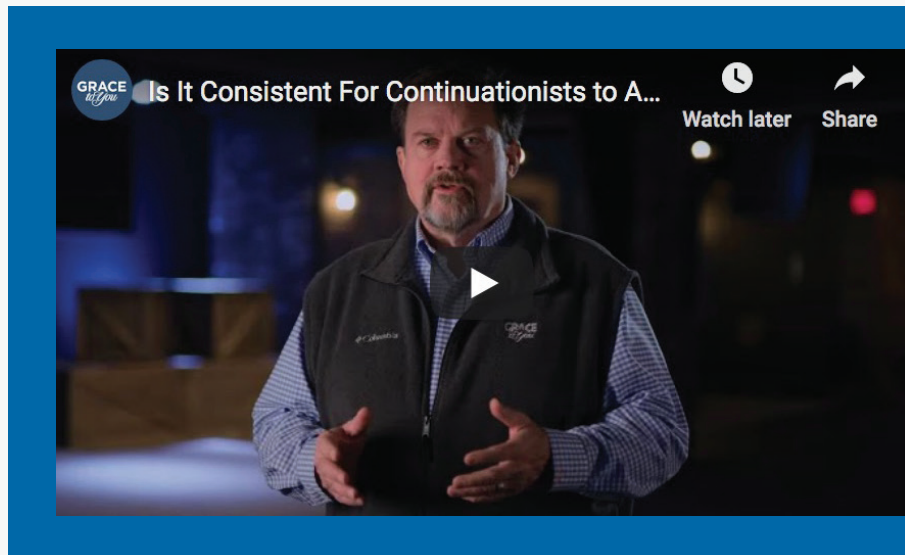
Next Sunday is our next second Sunday fellowship meal. Please plan to bring a dish and join us after the service! Also remember that we usually have visitors who stay for the meal, and you are encouraged to bring more than a small side dish so that there is plenty to go around.

Is It Consistent for Continuationists to Affirm the Sufficiency of Scripture?—by Cameron Buettel

Have you ever attended a church where public prophecies are allowed, or even encouraged, during the service? Have you heard professing believers claim to have special prophetic insights or words of knowledge directly from God? Such behavior is commonplace in charismatic circles, even in many churches that would verbally affirm the doctrine of the sufficiency of Scripture.

We recently asked Phil Johnson about that apparent contradiction—whether continuationists, charismatics, or anyone else who believes in ongoing revelation can legitimately affirm the sufficiency of Scripture. Here's what Phil said:

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=USk1ldHtaLo>)



Christian doctor of 30 years loses job for refusing to use transgender patient's preferred pronoun —by Caleb Parke

A seasoned British doctor lost his government job as a medical assessor after more than three decades because he refused to renounce his Christian belief that gender is determined at birth.

Dr. David Mackereth, 56, a National Health Service employee, was fired from his post at the Department for Work and Pensions in July because he would not use a transgender pronoun, saying he believes “gender is defined by biology and genetics” and the “Bible teaches us that God made humans male or female.”

This week he lost his case before an Employment Tribunal in England, where the judge ruled his beliefs were “incompatible with human dignity.”

Mackereth, who now works as an NHS emergency doctor in another city, said his supervisor pressured him to refer to a “man six foot tall with a beard” as “she” and “Mrs.,” but the doctor refused.

“No doctor, or researcher, or philosopher, can demonstrate or prove that a person can change sex,” Mackereth told Fox News. “Without intellectual and moral integrity, medicine cannot function and my 30 years as a doctor are now considered irrelevant compared to the risk that someone else might be offended.”

Andrea Williams, CEO of the Christian Legal Centre, which represents Mackereth, said the judge put transgender rights ahead of all others, ruling a belief in the Bible is on par with Holocaust deniers and neo-Nazi ideologies.

“It is deeply disturbing that this is the first time in the history of English law that a judge has ruled that free citizens must engage in compelled speech,” Williams said, adding the judge “ruled that Christianity is not protected by the Equality Act or the ECHR, unless it is a version of Christianity which recognizes transgenderism and rejects a belief in Genesis 1:27.”

The tribunal wrote in its decision: “[B]elief in Genesis 1:27, lack of belief in transgenderism and conscientious objection to transgenderism in our judgment are incompatible with human dignity and conflict with the fundamental rights of others, specifically here, transgender individuals.”

Mackereth plans to put up a fight.

“I believe that I have to appeal in order to fight for the freedom of Christians – and any other NHS member of staff – to speak the truth,” he said. “If they cannot, then freedom of speech has died in this country, with serious ramifications for the practice of medicine in the U.K.”



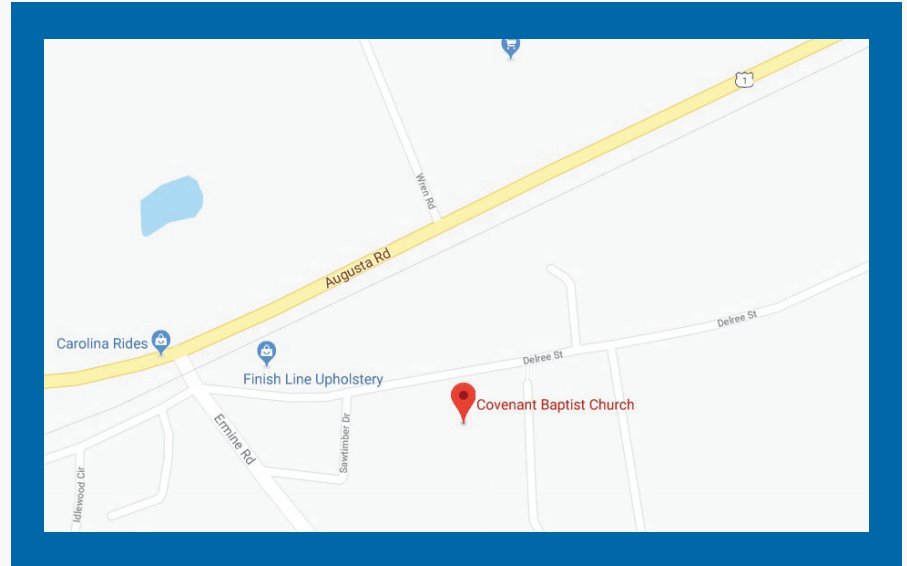
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*If you are interested in joining our church, please speak to one of our elders or deacons.
They will be happy to give you the information you need.*