



Covenant Baptist Church

Reformed and Refreshing

November 8th, 2020

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://covenantbaptistsc.org>

Service Times:

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

Sunday Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday Prayer Service ~ 6:00 P.M., 7:00 P.M.
—RESUMING SEPT.2 (See p. 2 for more info)

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

Order of Worship

(November 8th, 2020)

Call to Worship: Psalm 31: 1-5

The Lord's Supper

I Sing the Mighty Power of God—26

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 5:1-14

Facing a Task Unfinished—348

The Power of the Cross—272

Message:

The Prayer of Christ for Believers, Part 3:
The Purpose of Security in Christ—
—John 17:11-26

Prayer and Benediction

Closing Hymn: Take My Life and Let it Be—375

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On-Call Deacon List:

- November 8: Kyzer
- November 15: Waddell
- November 22: Lucas

Church Cleaning Schedule:

- November 14: Bristol
- November 21: Shumpert/Smoak
- November 25: Olds/Shealy

Church Bookstore:

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

Announcements

This Wednesday, November 11, at 7 PM we will resume our study in the book of Romans. We would love for you to attend our services for a time of prayer and preaching of the Word of God. We will also have our “prayer in the other room” at 6 PM. Join us for a time dedicated to prayer for anyone to pray about anything. At 7 PM we have two dedicated prayers about specific predetermined topics.

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On Wednesday, November 25, there will be no services due to Thanksgiving Holiday

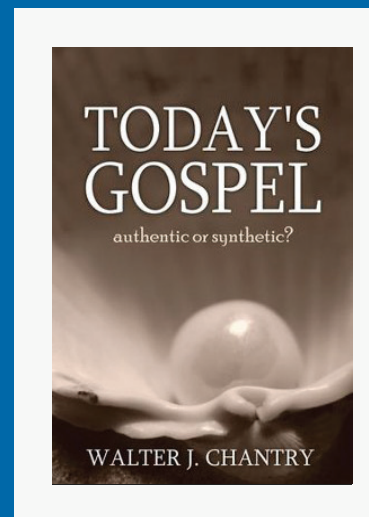
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There will be an elder’s meeting Nov 10 at 6 PM.

Book of the Week: Today’s Gospel: Authentic or Synthetic? by Walter J. Chantry

“Differences between much of today’s preaching and that of Jesus are not petty; they are enormous. The chief errors are not in emphasis or approach but in the heart of the Gospel message. Were there a deficiency in one of the areas mentioned in these pages, it would be serious. But to ignore all - the attributes of God, the holy law of God, repentance, a call to bow to the enthroned Christ - and to pervert the doctrine of assurance, is the most vital mistake.”

<https://www.amazon.com/Todays-Gospel-Authentic-Walter-Chantry/dp/0851510272>

Also available in the church bookstore.



Covenant Baptist Church Events

Greek Class—*On hold*

Biblical Counseling Class—*On hold*

Second Sunday Dinner—*November 8th. Please plan to bring a dish to share and stay for the fellowship. 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.*

Planned Parenthood Gospel Outreach—*Tuesday, Nov 3rd and Saturday, Oct 7th*

Other Events:

Truth: Answers for Women, March 27-28 2020—*(Williamstown, KY)*

DELAYED UNTIL 2021

More at: <https://answersingenesis.org/outreach/event/answers-for-women-2020/>

2021 National Conference | Ligonier Ministries, March 18-20—*(Orlando, FL)*

More at: <https://www.ligonier.org/events/2021-national-conference/>



Murders that Won't Go Viral— The Quiet Injustice Too Few Protest

—by Samuel Sey

Our society forgets about aborted babies. We Christians cannot forget them too.

It is all too easy to forget about aborted babies. It is all too easy to forget faces we never see and little ones we never hold. We don't witness viral videos of preborn babies being killed as they squirm helpless. We don't see little caskets lined up for their little bodies.

Their deaths are hidden, and their deaths are often forgotten.

Over the last several months of COVID-19, we have remembered the oldest among us, but have we forgotten about the youngest among us? As we remember perceived police brutality against black people, have we forgotten Planned Parenthood's brutality against (black) babies?

Speak for Those Who Can't

Even as politicians attempt to protect vulnerable people from the coronavirus, they label abortion against vulnerable preborn babies an essential service. And

even as Black Lives Matter and other social justice groups protest, and riots break out, against perceived police brutality against black Americans, many also defend abortion against (black) babies.

Preborn babies cannot socially distance themselves from Planned Parenthood. They cannot beg parents and abortionists to stop killing them — they can't speak yet. And they cannot march for their lives — they can't walk yet.

Preborn babies need me and you to speak for them. They need me and you to march for them. They need us to remember them. But how many of us, who know these children to be precious in the sight of God, have forgotten about them?

Commit to Life

Aborted babies are not just victims of Planned Parenthood; they are also victims of our priorities. Are many of us bothered enough that we live in a culture that celebrates the mass murder of preborn babies? Abortion is the greatest systemic injustice in the world today, but its victims are the most forgotten members in the world today.

Many of us, understandably, remember the names of unarmed black people who died after encounters with police officers this year — especially George Floyd. But how many times have we really stopped to consider that it's illegal to murder George Floyd, but it's legal to murder preborn George Floyds. And it happens over 800,000 times a year in the United States.

Since George Floyd's death 169 days ago, over 400,000 babies have died by abortion. Since *Roe v. Wade* in 1973, almost 60 million babies have been aborted in America. That is the equivalent of the population of Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Louisiana, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, Arizona, Idaho, and Arkansas — combined.

The most pervasive and horrific systemic injustice in our culture shouldn't receive the least attention. We Christians should be more committed to saving babies than Planned Parenthood is to killing them.

Rescue Children Taken for Death

Have you considered the means of execution for these babies recently? Abortion crushes the baby's head. It rips them apart, limb by limb. And this unthinkable horror happens nearly a million times a year in America alone. What are we doing about it?

Our God says,

Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter. If you say, "Behold, we did not know this," does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who keeps watch over your soul know it, and will he not repay man according to his work? (Proverbs 24:11–12)

Thousands of preborn babies are taken away to death every day. What are we doing to protect babies from being taken to the slaughter? What are we doing to remember the forgotten? What should we do about it?

Don't Forget the Forgotten

We should pray for vulnerable preborn babies and their parents. We should pray for abortionists and abortion advocates — we should pray that God would compel them to repent and relent of their sins. We should pray that God would raise up more men and women with a deep hatred for abortion and a deeper love for babies, men and women who will commit their lives to establishing justice for preborn babies (Amos 5:15).

And remember, as we ask God to raise up more pro-life advocates, we might be praying for ourselves. Consider committing yourself to pro-life advocacy. The pro-life movement desperately needs more Christians — preborn babies desperately need more Christians speaking for them. Consider becoming a full-time pro-life advocate, or consider becoming a volunteer at a pro-life organization.

Now, not many of us are in a position to commit to working or volunteering at a pro-life organization full-time. If possible, we should consider financially supporting pro-life advocates. Preborn babies need pro-life advocates, and pro-life advocates need financial support.

God doesn't forget about preborn babies, and as his people we cannot forget about them either.



Mississippi school forbids 3rd-grade girl from wearing “Jesus Loves Me” mask

—by Peter Heck

Attorneys for a third-grade girl in Mississippi have filed a federal lawsuit against the Simpson County School District after administrators prohibited her from wearing a face mask with the words, “Jesus Loves Me” written on it.

The Alliance Defending Freedom brought the suit on Monday on behalf of Lydia Booth, who wore her Jesus mask to school on October 13 and was forced by the principal to remove it. The school then announced a policy that prohibited the wearing of masks that are, among other things, “political, religious...or deemed distracting to the school environment.”

ADF attorney Michael Ross acknowledged the challenges school officials face, but asserted that they still have “a duty to respect the free expression of students.”

“Officials simply can’t suspend the First Amendment or arbitrarily pick and choose the messages that students can or can’t express,” Ross said. “Other students within the school district have freely worn masks with the logos of local sports teams or even the words ‘Black Lives Matter.’ This student deserves an equal opportunity to peacefully express her beliefs.”

Lydia’s mother, Jennifer Booth, reached out to the school multiple times prior to the filing of the lawsuit, seeking a reasonable solution to the issue. The school responded by sending the Booths a copy of its district COVID-19 plan, which included the retroactive changes it had made, including the religious message ban.

“No public school student should be singled out for peacefully sharing her religious beliefs with fellow students,” Tyson Langhofer, who heads up the Alliance Defending Freedom’s Center for Academic Freedom, said.

The lawsuit is seeking a court order preventing the district from enforcing its policy. Until that time, Lydia Booth is choosing to abide by the school’s wishes, having been threatened with suspension for failure to comply.

Other News:

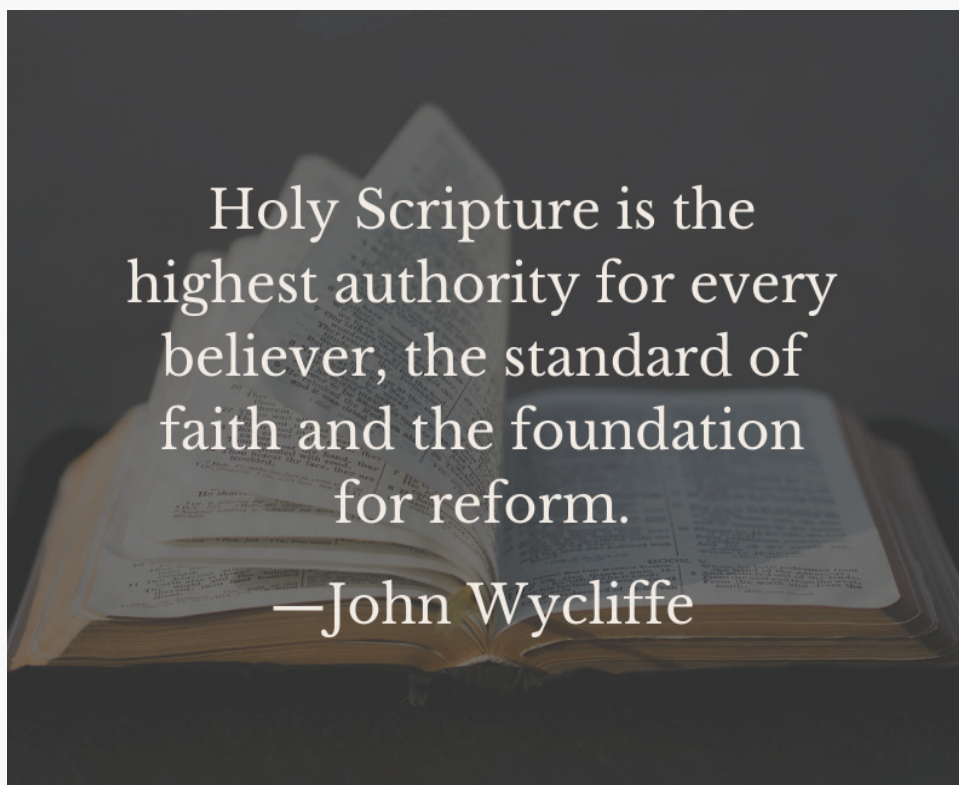
Store guard stabbed 27 times for asking two women to wear masks—
<https://www.wtsp.com/article/news/nation-world/store-guard-stabbed-masks-argument-chicago/67-e537ccba-7cb3-4ea2-b11a-c8f9b405a94a>

Middle East Student Ministry Update— <https://heartcrymissionary.com/mision-updates/middle-east-student-ministry-update/>

Texas man who took down church shooter cleared of all charges by grand jury— <https://disrn.com/news/texas-man-who-took-down-church-shooter-cleared-of-any-charges-by-grand-jury>

Entire Bible translated into 700 languages; 5.7 billion people now have access to Scripture— <https://www.christianpost.com/news/entire-bible-translated-into-700-languages.html>

Quote of the Week:



Biblical Counseling Resources

Strategies for Fighting Depression Well—by Jim Newheiser
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/fighting-depression-well/>

Identity Language in Counseling—by Martha Peace
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/identity-language-in-counseling/>

The Pursuit of Peace—by Sam Stephens
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/the-pursuit-of-peace/>

Defeating Despair—by Tim Pasma
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/defeating-despair/>

Gracious Words Amid Sword Thrusts—by Jim Koerber
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/gracious-words-amid-sword-thrusts/>

You Can Please God—by Kyle Gangel
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/you-can-please-god/>

Crafting Temptation and Repentance Plans to Help Addicts—by Keith Palmer
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/crafting-temptation-and-repentance-plans-to-help-addicts/>

Covenant Baptist Biblical Counseling Class:

A Biblical Counseling class started February 13th at 7 PM here at the church. If you would be interested in participating, please let the pastor know. We are going to livestream the class. Just go to the website at <https://covenantbaptistsc.org> and click the livestream button on home page at 7pm Thursdays.

Biblical counseling class on hold while teacher recovers from surgery.



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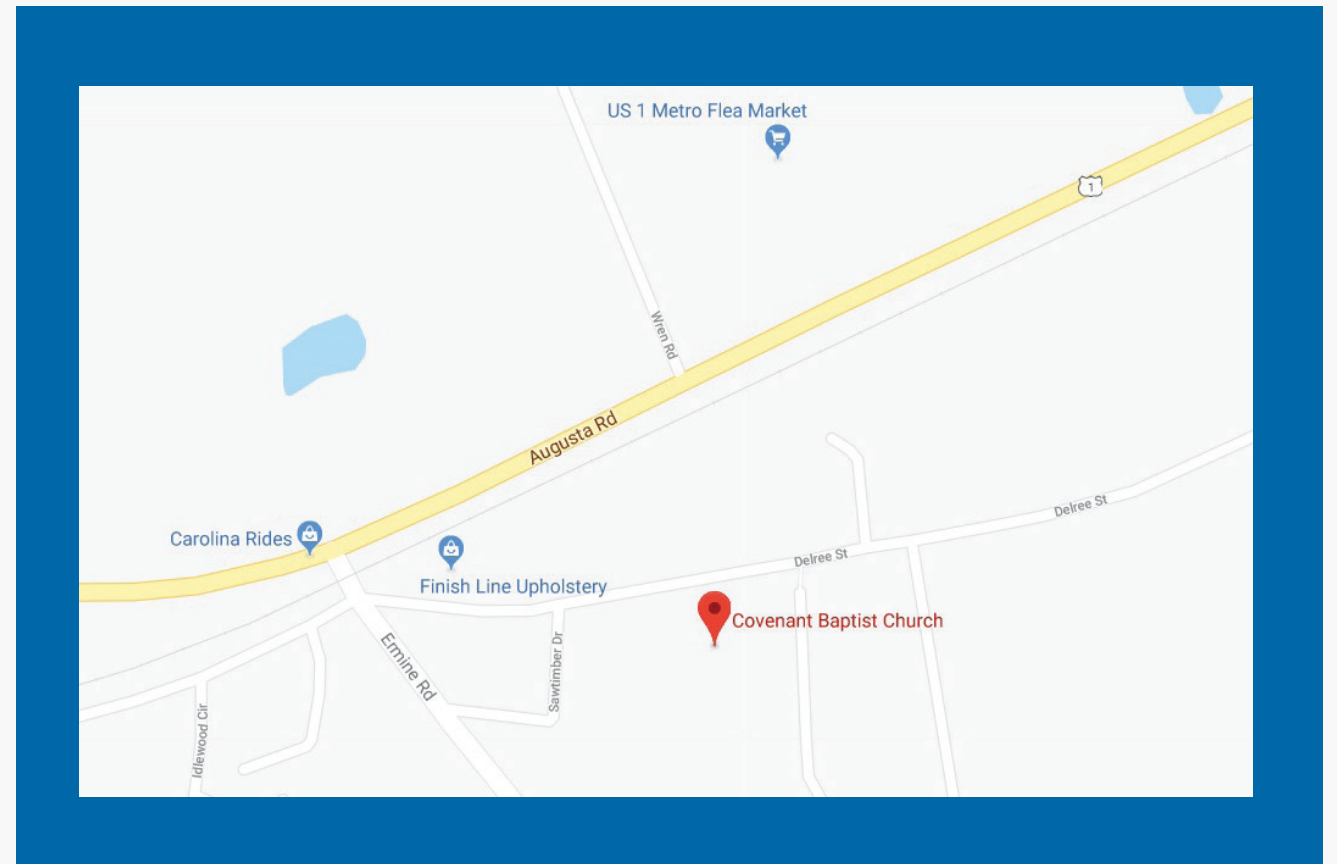
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Location:



*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.*