

February 6, 2022

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.

Service Times:

Bible Education Hour (Intentional Family) ~ 9:30 A.M.

Sunday Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday Prayer Service ~ 6:00 P.M., 7:00 P.M.

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

Order of Worship

(February 6, 2022)

Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 146:1-10

Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name—143

Scripture Reading: Revelation 9:1-21

Hymn: I Hear the Words of Love—195

Hymn: Before the Throne of God Above —87

Message:

Signs for the Second Coming of Christ, Pt. 2:
The Apostasy and the Man of Sin
—2 Thessalonians 2:1-12

Hymn: Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee—155

Closing Prayer

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Church Cleaning Schedule:

- February 12: Thomas/Waddell
- February 19: Bristol/Smiling
- February 26: Shumpert/Smoak

On-Call Deacon List:

- February 6: Chris Waddell
- February 13: Kenny Lucas
- February 20: Trey Egan

Church Bookstore:

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

Announcements

South Carolina Rally to Resist Roe | March 5 | 11 AM

At the Statehouse—1100 Gervais St, Columbia, SC

Come out and support the cause of righteousness! End Abortion Now and its legislative arm, Action for Life, are forwarding legislation in South Carolina to establish equal protection for preborn children. Rep. Jonathon Hill (R) and five other lawmakers serve as co-sponsors of the Unborn Victims of Violence Act (H4046). The legislation declares that the state of South Carolina and members of the General Assembly are obligated to use their authority, as consistent with the United States Constitution, to nullify the opinions of the Supreme Court of the United States in Roe v. Wade, thereby protecting preborn babies from murder. The rally will feature keynote speakers to inform the attendees of the importance of the bill and what they can do to help lead justice to victory!

This Wednesday, Feb 9, is our Second Wednesday Evening of Prayer. It starts a 7pm.

The Mission Team has sold a good number of t-shirts to promote mission work, however, there are still a few left available to purchase. If you would like to help out mission work in this way, please check the remaining selection in the church library. The prices are listed there for various sizes.

In a few weeks, we will be starting our first New Members Class. We encourage everyone to come. We will cover important topics like Elders and Deacon, Church Discipline, what it means to be a Reformed Baptist Church, why we do what we do and why we don't do some things that other churches do. More info and dates coming.

2022 Regional Conference: Salvation- a conference on the Ordo Salutis. Paul Washer, Steve Lawson, Owen Strachan, Phil Johnson, Tom Buck, Josh Buice and many more. The conference is full but you can livestream. Go here to register for livestream: https://g3min.org/events/2022-regional-conference-salvation/

We have started our ACBC Biblical Counseling class Thursdays at 7pm. It is still not too late to participate. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Swann.

Intentional Faith, Family Life, and Courtship—B.E. Hour at 9:30

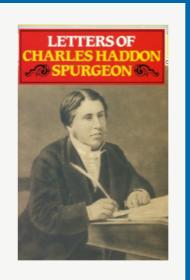
Mr. Kelly Hammond is currently teaching a new Bible Education class presenting a very practical look at three very important and intertwining topics of the Christian walk on Courtship, Marriage and Family. This class is open to all ages.

Book of the Week: Letters of Charles Haddon Spurgeon, by Iain Murray

The ministry of Charles Haddon Spurgeon has extended beyond his lifetime in many remarkable ways. His sermons have continued to be widely and enthusiastically read and the story of his life, retold in many biographies, continues to fascinate Christians everywhere. But a man often reveals the most endearing facets of his personality in his correspondence, unveiling himself in the private activity of putting pen to paper. That was true of Spurgeon....In this new collection of Spurgeon's letters the private man is made public in a way that confirms the reality of his Christian profession and proclamation. Here we see him as always purposeful and earnest, yet warmly human; deeply sensitive and spiritual, yet remaining child-like and humorous. In this fine selection of letters to young and old, to members of his congregation and strangers, to colleagues and fellow pastors, we are given a glimpse of Spurgeon as his friends must have known him: full of life, full of wisdom, full of joy, even when in discomfort, but most of all, full of Christ.

Purchase at:

https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/letters-of-charles-haddon-spurgeon-murray.html



Covenant Baptist Church Events

Greek Class—On hold

Biblical Counseling Class—Thursdays, 7 pm.

Second Sunday Dinner—February 13th, 2022. 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.



Is Affirming Women Pastors a "Made Up Controversy"? A Response to Thabiti Anyabwile $_by\ Scott\ Aniol$

I remember sitting at the 2008 Together for the Gospel Conference listening as Thabiti Anyabwile persuasively argued that there is only one race. I heard a few people after question his point, but it immediately struck me as biblically correct and an important corrective to ethnic tensions. Here's how the T4G website describes Thabiti's sermon:

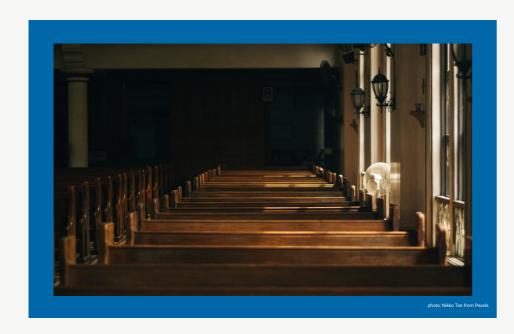
The majority of people have identities and lives that have been based on assumption regarding the notion of "race." We need to change toward a more biblical theology of ethnicity. First of all, it is important to define terms and use them properly, especially "race" versus "ethnicity." The Christian needs to understand man's unity in Adam, union with Christ and unity in the church.

My how Thabiti has changed since then.

Like so many high profile figures in evangelicalism, Thabiti jumped on the woke bandwagon in the wake of the Treyvon Martin and Michael Brown shootings. Instead of rejecting the world's attempt to center identity in ethnicity and a false view of race, Thabiti wholly succumbed to the inherent divisiveness of critical race theory with its goal of building up the "oppressed" by tearing down "whites."

Continue Reading:

https://g3min.org/is-affirming-women-pastors-a-made-up-controversy-a-response-to-thabiti-anyabwile/



Secret Activists Queering Evangelical Churches?

—by Rod Dreher

Earlier today, I was interviewed by a Christian television show. The reporter asked me how the churches have received Live Not By Lies. I told him we had sold over 150,000 copies in just over a year, and that I hear anecdotally about individuals and churches preparing, but that overall, it seems that most American churches, and American Christians, prefer to console themselves with the idea that everything is going to be just fine if we keep doing what we have been doing, only with more heart. This, I said, is dangerously naive.

Well, late this afternoon, I had an extraordinary telephone conversation with a friend who is a senior state leader in a nationally prominent Evangelical denomination, one that skews conservative on LGBT issues. He just returned from a conference, and said, "I think you need to know what the next front in the culture war is."

My friend told me that pastors in five different churches in the southern region of his state reported at the conference the same phenomenon. They have had strangers come and join their congregations, and six months or so later, come out as transgender, and demand their rights as official members of the congregation. It has happened to so many of these churches, in the same period of time, that they believe it is part of a concerted effort to undermine those churches.

Continue Reading:

https://www.theamericanconservative.com/dreher/undercover-activists-queering-evangelical-churches-live-not-by-lies/

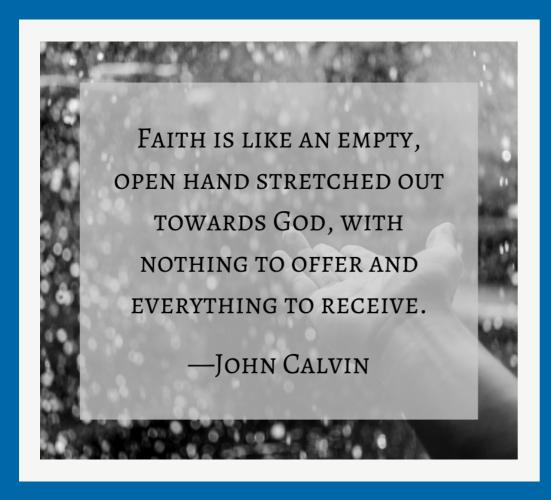
Other News:

Parents selling children shows desperation of Afghanistan— https://apnews.com/article/afghanistan-business-marriage-taliban-07933f71b06e4dfa5484e76a74292967

FOIA docs reveal Pfizer shot caused avalanche of miscarriages, still-born babies— https://www.lifesitenews.com/blogs/horrifying-hidden-pfizer-data-show-unborn-babies-newborns-dying/

Abortion Leading Global Cause of Death in 2021 with 43 Million Killed— https://www.breitbart.com/politics/2021/12/31/abortion-leading-global-cause-of-death-in-2021-with-43-million-killed/

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/

Counseling Self-Injuring Teens

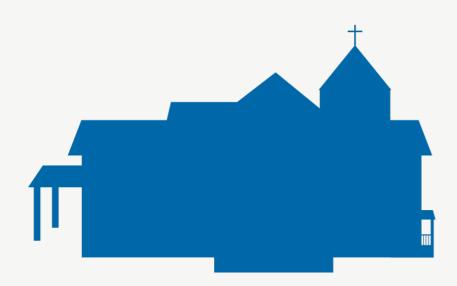
https://biblicalcounseling.com/resource-library/conference-messages/counseling-self-injuring-teens/

Enduring Dark Providences

https://biblicalcounseling.com/resource-library/articles/enduring-dark-providences/

Covenant Baptist Biblical Counseling Class:

Thursdays, 7pm

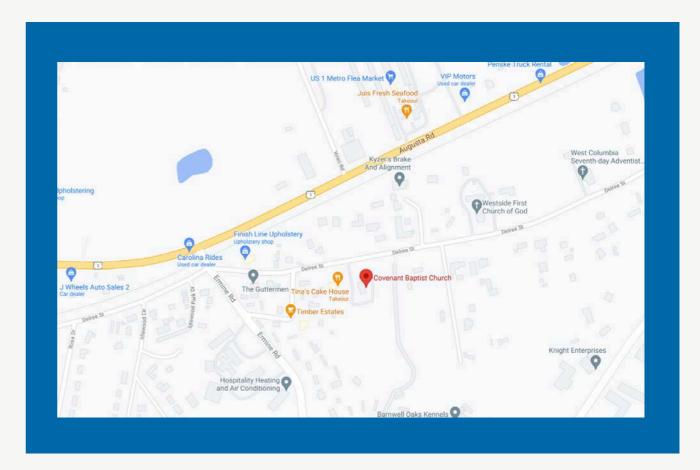


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https://covenantbaptistsc.org

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.