

May 15, 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 (New Members Class) ~ 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

(May 15, 2022)

Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 130:1-8

Hymn: Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah 61

Scripture Reading: Revelation 20:1–15

Hymn: How Deep the Father's Love for Us 80

Hymn: The Solid Rock 381

Message:

The Necessity of Prayer for the Man and His Message
—2 Thessalonians 3:1-2

Hymn: These Great Things 32

Closing Prayer

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Church Cleaning Schedule:

- May 21: Olds/Todd
- May 28: Kyzer (K&R)/Bean
- June 4: Allen (J&W)/Steele

On-Call Deacon List:

- May 15: Chris Waddell
- May 22: Kenny Lucas
- May 29: Trey Egan

Church Bookstore:

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

Announcements

Our New Members Class resumes today. If you have joined the church or are considering uniting in membership with the church, plan to be at this class. It begins at 9:30am and is being taught by Pastor Swann.

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There is a schedule change for Wednesday evenings to make it easier to remember our prayer service. From this point forward, we will have our dedicated prayer service on the first Wednesday of each month. The second Wednesday we will have preaching from one of our elders-in-training.

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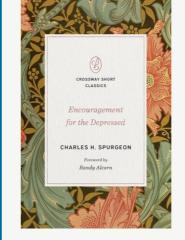
Fishing & fun! We are planning a day of fun, games, fishing, grilling, small petting zoo, and fellowship at "Tom's Pond" (a friend of Bobby McDonald). This is for all ages. Please let Bobby know if you are interested. It will be May 21 from noon until dark.

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The 3rd Covenant Home now has 21 boys taken off the streets and living within its walls. We now need 21 supporters to adopt a boy to support at \$41.00 a month. The Mission Letter will be reaching outside of the church to those who may be interested in working along-side of us in getting these children off the streets of India. Please see Alton for more details. Prayer is our #1 tool. Thank you all.

Book of the Week: Encouragement for the Depressed, by Charles Spurgeon

In this classic sermon, Charles Spurgeon gently urges those struggling with depression to cast their burdens upon the Lord, who will not forsake his people. Having battled depression and discouragement himself for most of his years in ministry, Spurgeon encourages the downtrodden to hold fast to the promises of God, for he is steadfast and will comfort his children as they walk faithfully with him.



Purchase at: https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/encouragement-for-the-depressed-spurgeon.html

Covenant Baptist Church Events

Greek Class—On hold

Biblical Counseling Class—Thursdays, 7 pm.

Second Sunday Dinner—June 12th, 2022. Please plan to bring a dish to share and stay for the fellow-ship. 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.



Who Leads Worship?

—by Scott Aniol

he title of "worship leader" to describe the chief musician in a church's worship service has become fairly mainstream in contemporary evangelicalism. One problem with this title is that it is not a biblical church office. The New Testament prescribes only two offices for the church, that of elder and deacon. "Worship leader" (along with "minister," "director," or any other title) may possibly describe a function of one of the two biblical offices, but the title itself is not found in Scripture.

A problem emerges out of adding this extra-biblical title, particularly for a person so prominent in a church's worship service: who may serve in this role? Are there any biblical qualifications that must be met for a person to serve as a leader in a worship service? Qualifications for an elder or deacon are clear in the New Testament, but what of an office that is not found in Scripture?[...]One particular issue in this regard is whether or not a woman may serve in this role. "Worship leader" is not a biblical office, some might insist, and so why couldn't a woman lead in this capacity? In fact, most complementarians haven't settled on an answer to this question. The "Danvers Statement on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood" affirms that "some governing and teaching roles within the church are restricted to men (Gal 3:28; 1 Cor 11:2–16; 1 Tim 2:11–15)," but on the issue of whether a woman may serve as "worship leader," complementarians have not given a definitive answer.

Continue Reading:

https://g3min.org/who-leads-worship/



Exclusive: Baby Formula Shortage Is Getting Worse

—by Penny Starr

The supply chain kinks are taking a toll on parents and their infant children as shortages of baby formula continue and, in fact, the product is one of the most directly impacted on the market.

"Since early April, baby formula out of stock rates have soared to 40 percent across the country, according to our analysis," Ben Reich, CEO of Datasembly, a provider of real-time product pricing, promotions, and assortment data for retailers of Consumer Packaged Goods (CPG) brands, told Breitbart News. "Baby formula demonstrated inflationary spikes in July of 2021, and the situation has continued to worsen the first few months of 2022. Inflation, supply chain shortages and product recalls have continued to bring volatility to the category, and continues to be one of the most affected products in the market."

Breitbart News also reached out to some of the CPG retailers and received a response from Matt Blanchette, senior manager for retail communications for CVS Pharmacy.

Continue Reading:

https://www.breitbart.com/politics/2022/05/07/exclusive-baby-formula-shortage-is-getting-worse/

News (Cont.)

Pray for Protection— https://heartcrymissionary.com/mission-updates/pray-for-protection/

Serving Refugees— https://heartcrymissionary.com/mission-updates/serving-the-refugees/

California Bill Would Legalize Infanticide, Babies Could be Left to Die Up to 6 Weeks After Birth— https://www.lifenews.com/2022/03/25/california-bill-would-legalize-infanticide-babies-could-be-left-to-die-up-to-6-weeks-after-birth/

Update on Ukraine— https://heartcrymissionary.com/mission-updates/update-on-ukraine/

Quote of the Week:

THE MOST IMPORTANT
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
INSTITUTION IS NOT THE
PULPIT OR THE SCHOOL,
IMPORTANT AS THOSE
INSTITUTIONS ARE; BUT IT
IS THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY.
JOHN GRESHAM MACHEN

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

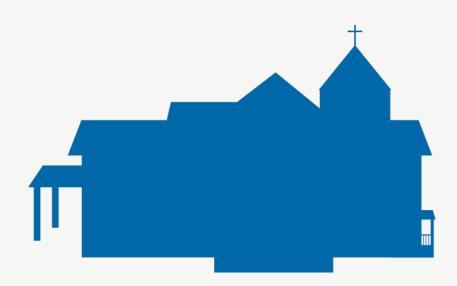
https://biblicalcounseling.com/resource-library/conference-messages/counseling-self-injuring-teens/

Enduring Dark Providences

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

Covenant Baptist Biblical Counseling Class:

Thursdays, 7pm

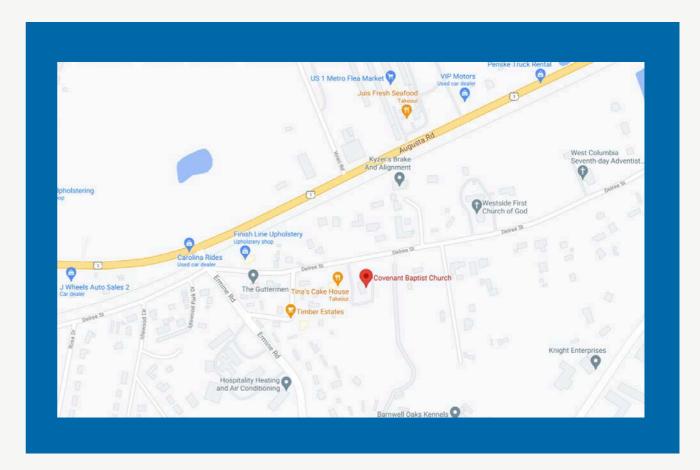


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https://covenantbaptistsc.org

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.