



## Covenant Baptist Church

*Reformed and Refreshing*

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>

## Order of Worship • 05/14/23:

Call to Worship: Psalm 8:1-9 (NKJV) | Pastor Charles Swann

Worship Through Music: led by Training for Elder Sandy Allen

Hymn: Brethren, We Have Met to Worship 334

Scripture Reading: Mark 14:17-31 | Training for Elder Matt Watson

Hymn: Psalm 119:1-8C - Blessed Are All (Only in Jesus)

Hymn: He Will Hold Me Fast 388

Message: How to Stop Being a Friend of the World, Pt. 2: Draw Near to God—James 4:7-10 | Pastor Charles Swann

Hymn: Come Quickly, Lord 424

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## Cleaning Volunteers:

- May 20: Herrera/Fudge
- May 27: Phifer
- June 3: Prinz/Todd

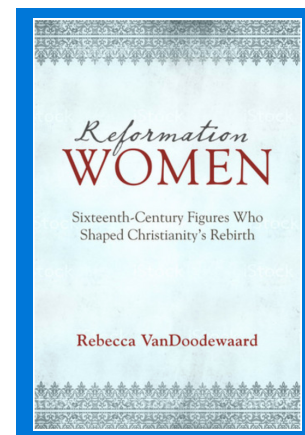
## On-Call Deacon List:

- May 14: Colonel Rogers
- May 21: Bob Falsetti
- May 28: Wesley Smoak

## Book of the Week:

**Reformation Women, by Rebecca VanDoodewaard**

<https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/reformation-women-sixteenth-century-figures-who-shaped-christianitys-rebirth-vandoodewaard.html>



## Announcements:

This coming Wednesday the 17th and Sunday the 21st, our pastor and his family will be out of town in FL for his mother's 88th birthday. This Wed, there will only be a service at 7 PM and will be dedicated entirely to prayer. On Sunday the 21st Mark Corral from Rock Hill will be preaching.

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Happy Mother's Day! "The woman who makes a sweet, beautiful home, filling it with love and prayer and purity, is doing something better than anything else her hands could find to do beneath the skies. A true mother is one of the holiest secrets of home happiness. God sends many beautiful things to this world, many noble gifts; but no blessing is richer than that which He bestows in a mother who has learned love's lessons well, and has realized something of the meaning of her sacred calling. —J.R. Miller, Secrets of Happy Home Life, 1894

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Dear Church Family,

We are so grateful for all the prayers, phone calls, visits, and love that has been shown to us during the passing of Gwen's mother, Pearl Dowd. —James & Gwen Campbell

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There will be a churchwide fellowship meal on Sunday the 28th. Fried chicken will be provided by the church. Please bring side dishes, desserts, and drinks to share.

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Starting June 2nd, the Herrera's will be hosting a teen Bible study and fellowship every other Friday from 6pm-8pm at their house, led by Tony Herrera and Rod Mortenson. There will be dinner, fellowship and will be going through the Fundamentals of Faith study by John MacArthur. All 13-17 year olds and their families are welcome. If you are interested, please contact Lindsey Herrera at 530-208-7080.

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A BE class for ladies will begin May 21, and last about 15 weeks. It is an overview of Martha Peace's book "The Excellent Wife" and will be led by a few ladies in our church. If you are interested in attending, please sign up using the sheets in the foyer or kitchen so we can best plan which room to use. See Veeka Bean or Renee Kyzer with questions.

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Our church is now part of the G3 Church Network, and as benefit, any member of CBC can get 50% off tickets for G3 conference events.

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While we are in process of getting more space for fellowship meals, if you desire to use the current fellowship space to eat lunch and have fellowship with other families, please take advantage of the tables and chairs in the fellowship building. We only ask that you clean up the area you use.



## Joy

—*Ligonier Ministries*

The word joy appears nearly two hundred times throughout Scripture. The Old Testament is filled with references to joy, from the psalmist who “shout[s] to God with loud songs of joy” to the prophet Isaiah describing “everlasting joy” (Ps. 47:1; Isa. 35:10). When we come to the New Testament, the Apostle Paul reminds believers that joy is a fruit of the Holy Spirit, a virtue present within Christian believers (Gal. 5:22). Joy is not to be confused with happiness, which is often based on favorable circumstances. True abiding joy is a feeling within believers of inner gladness, delight, or rejoicing despite circumstances.

<https://www.ligonier.org/guides/joy>

## G3 Weekly—May 13, 2023

—*Ben Zeisloft*

Welcome to G3 Weekly—a summary of this week’s top news stories on Christianity and the public square.

This week, the Southern Baptist Convention saw its largest year-over-year membership decline in more than a century. A homeless man in New York City was charged with multiple hate crimes after allegedly defacing rainbow pride flags even as officials decrease enforcement for violent offenses. Meanwhile, the Department of Homeland Security based a domestic terrorism and radicalization training exercise on the scenario of an avidly rural pro-life mother.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YlMqiveUOO8>

## 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-selfinjuring-teens/>

Enduring Dark Providences

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

## Other Resources:

Scripture Songs Memorization Tool:

<https://tinyurl.com/cbcs scripture playlist>

Text biblesongs to 55498 to be notified of new song releases.

Church Bookstore:

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

## Quote of the Week:

Faith's most severe tests come not when we see nothing, but when we see a stunning array of evidence that seems to prove our faith vain.

—Elisabeth Elliot



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