

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Day of Prayer Tomorrow — Because of Holy Week next week, we have moved our Day of Prayer to tomorrow, March 19. Come to the Community Life Center chapel anytime between 7 a.m.-7 p.m. where materials are available to help guide your prayer time. More information is at christcovenant.org/prayer.

Children's Ministry Easter Egg Hunt — Join us this Saturday, March 24, from 10 a.m. – noon for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! We will begin in the youth area (lower level) of the Community Life Center for games, music, and a story. Then we'll move outside for our egg hunt! Bring a friend! Email lduncklee@christcovenant.org with any questions.

Spring Lunch — Join us for our annual spring lunch next Sunday, March 25, following the morning worship service. This year, we will be celebrating and honoring those who have served in the Children's Ministry. Today is the last day to pick up your pans (to make a side dish to share) in the lobby and make your reservation so that we know how many people to prepare for. (More information is at the pan table in the lobby.) Don't forget your lawn chair if you want to sit outside. We look forward to celebrating together as a Covenant family next Sunday!

Women's Beach Getaway — The Women's Ministry is hosting a weekend at the Ocean Crest Motel in Oak Island for a few days of rest, refreshment, and fellowship! For more information and to register, see the news item on our website's homepage or News page (christcovenant.org/news). The deadline to register is April 5.

Vacation Bible School — Vacation Bible school at Christ Covenant Church is part of our Seek the City youth mission week, June 18-22. Registration will open on May 1. VBS is free and open to children ages 5-11 (Note: Children must be 5 or before June 18, 2018, to be able to participate). Information and registration will be at christcovenant.org/seek-the-city, so look for it soon!

Barbecue and Pound Cake Pick-Up — It's the weekend you've been waiting for!! Those containers of tender barbecue and loaves of fresh pound cake that you ordered will be available for you to pick up this Friday, March 23, from 3-8 p.m. and Saturday, March 24, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. We will be out in front of the worship center.

ProjectSHARE — In March, our ProjectSHARE collection is to help Changed Choices. For more information, including the list of items that we are collecting, please see christcovenant.org/projectshare.

Global Missions Sunday Sermons — To protect our missionaries in restricted areas, we will not be posting the sermons from Global Missions Sunday online. CDs of the sermon audio are available at the Information Desk if you are interested.

Please pray for Senior Pastor Kevin DeYoung and his outside ministry commitments this spring:

- March 17-18: Sovereign Grace PCA Missions Conference (Charlotte, NC)
- April 11-13: Together for the Gospel (Louisville, KY)

Watching Our Budget — Thank you for your tithes and gifts to all of the ministries of Christ Covenant. Please continue to pray for God's provision in 2018.

<i>Inflow 1/1/18 – 3/11/18</i>	<i>Actual \$</i>	<i>Budget \$</i>	<i>Difference \$</i>	<i>% (-) or +</i>
Operating Budget	987,114	963,500	23,614	2.5%
Faith Promise Budget	53,226	66,000	(12,774)	(19.4%)

PRAYER FOCUS THIS WEEK

The Persecuted Church: For the families of the three Christian teachers who were killed in the most recent Boko Haram attack in Nigeria.

Our Presbytery: Cross Covenant Chinese Church, Charlotte, and Pastor Allen Chen

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

This list shows special and monthly events and start of weekly programs. See our website for our online calendar and the News page for the E-Courier and other announcements.

This Week

Sunday 18th | Morning & evening worship (10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.)
Monday 19th | Congregational monthly day of prayer (7 a.m.-7 p.m.)
Monday 19th | Yarn Lovers Ministry (7 p.m.)
Wednesday 21st | Yarn Lovers Ministry (10 a.m.)
Saturday 24th | Children's Easter Egg Hunt (10 a.m.)

Upcoming Events

Mar. 25 | Palm Sunday
Mar. 25 | Annual Spring Lunch (12:15 p.m.)
Mar. 26-30 | Holy Week
Mar. 29 | Maundy Thursday worship with Communion (7 p.m.)
Mar. 30 | Senior Adults brunch at Stacks (10 a.m.)
Mar. 30 | Good Friday worship service (12 p.m.)
Apr. 1 | Easter Sunday (10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. worship)
*NO Sunday school

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHT

A Week of Jubilee

Consecrate yourselves, therefore, and be holy, for I am the Lord your God. — Leviticus 20:7

If you are in the habit of scanning our church's online calendar, you may have noticed something very different about March 26 through 31: apart from our Maundy Thursday Communion service at 7 p.m. on March 29, the church schedule in the evenings is empty!

Twice each year — for Holy Week and Thanksgiving week — Christ Covenant declares a week of Jubilee so that our families can enjoy extended time with each other to consider God's goodness to them, pray for relatives and friends, think about their spiritual goals, and pray for our church.

Take the opportunity this coming week to review your own calendar so you can make sure that you protect your own week of Jubilee from the distractions that could rob your family of this blessing. Give yourselves time to talk, to share the Easter story with your children, to express your own gratitude for Christ's gift of love that we observe on Good Friday.

Please know that your guests are particularly welcome to join your family for all of our Holy Week services. We want to share the incomparable joy of our Savior's victory over sin and death.

Here is our Holy Week schedule (see the insert for more information):

Saturday, March 24 | Children's Easter Egg Hunt (10 a.m.–noon)
Sunday, March 25 | Palm Sunday worship (10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.)
Thursday, March 29 | Maundy Thursday Communion service (7-8:30 p.m.)
Friday, March 30 | Good Friday service (12–1 p.m.)
Sunday, April 1 | Easter Sunday worship (10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.) *no SBS