



THE COURIER

LIFE AT CHRIST COVENANT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021

SYMPATHY TO:

Brett McMillan on the loss of his father, Bill McMillan.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Are you a guest visiting with us today, or did you meet a guest this morning? We encourage all our guests to stop by our Guest Kiosks in any of our lobbies. We have a free gift for you and would like to meet you! We also have an online guest card we invite you to fill out at christcovenant.org/online-guest-card.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Do you have the tools for loving well? Come get wisdom on how to be a servant leader who loves Christ deeply and loves others faithfully while enjoying food, fellowship and prayer with your brothers in Christ. All men ages 16 and up are invited to attend the Ministry to Men Fellowship Breakfast on Saturday, November 6, 2021, from 7:00 am - 8:30 am at Stack's Kitchen on Monroe Road. Jared Collins, one of our pastoral interns, will be teaching on "Loving the Least of These." Please feel free to bring a guest. Come for food and fellowship with your brothers in Christ. Sign up today at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4EAF2DA1F58-ministry8>.

WHY ATTEND THE FAITHFUL CONFERENCE?

I'm excited for the Faithful Conference and William Taylor's teaching. A place where churches most often can grow is in the area of evangelism and sharing their faith. That is probably true of Christ Covenant as well. Coming from the UK, William Taylor understands how to winsomely and effectively share the gospel in a post-Christian context. As our country moves in that direction he has much to teach us about how to be faithful in engaging in evangelism. I hope you'll make plans to join me at the Faithful Conference on November 13-14. - Tom Groelsema, Executive Pastor

Register today at faithfulconference.org! The conference is free. When you register to attend, you will receive a \$10 off coupon for the Faithful bookstore, which is hosted by the 10 of Those bookstore! We also have free children's programs on Saturday night for ages 4 months - 5th grade. All children's programs on Sunday morning and Sunday evening will operate as normal. To register your child(ren) for Saturday night's activities, register at faithfulconference.org. The deadline to register is Friday, November 12, at noon.

The conference Saturday, November 13, is from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. The conference Sunday, November 14 begins with a combined Sunday School in the sanctuary at 9:00 am. Conference sessions will also be during morning and evening worship.

MONTHLY DAY OF PRAYER TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

All are invited to participate in the Monthly Day of Prayer on Tuesday, October 26. There are two ways you can participate. One is to come in-person for your prayer time to room 105 in the worship center anytime between 7:30 am - 9:00 pm. Prayer guides are provided for you in the prayer room. Another option is to pick a time slot and pray where you are, whether that's at home or at work. The day is divided into 30-minute segments for individuals to sign up and pray for supported workers and for the needs of the congregation. You can select the time that best fits your schedule at ChristCovenant.org/members/prayer. We also hope you will take time to submit your confidential prayer requests either online at ChristCovenant.org/members/prayer or by email at prayer@christcovenant.org. Prayer cards may be found in the pews and may be turned in at one of the offering boxes located inside the sanctuary by the main exits. Your pastors and staff are continually praying for you!

SUPPORTED WORKER SPOTLIGHT NOVEMBER 7



All are invited to join us in meeting and in learning about the Eck family's ministry in New England on Sunday evening, November 7, immediately after evening worship in the Community Life Center rooms 1 & 2 (CLC). After having served at Christ Covenant and with Campus Outreach for a number of years, the Ecks moved up to Atlantic City, New Jersey to help plant a cross-cultural, mercy minded, inner-city church called New City Fellowship of Atlantic City. For the past

seven years they have come alongside Santo & Mary Ellen Garofalo who started the church 12 years ago. Peter is the Assistant Pastor and leads much of the outreach and evangelism focus of the church along with his regular pastoral duties. The Ecks have three children (Hannah-Grace 11, Caleb 9, and Haven-Elizabeth 6).

JOIN WOMEN'S MINISTRY IN BAKING FALL BREADS

We are asking and looking for ladies to bake fall breads for our upcoming Faithful Conference!

Bake any type of fall bread (pumpkin, sweet potato, apple cinnamon, etc) and bring your bread labeled with what type of bread it is. Please do not include nuts. Feel free to bake a gluten free bread. If your bread is gluten free, please label it as such.

There are two options for drop off. You can freeze your bread and drop it in the freezer in the lower CLC anytime. Or you can bring your bread fresh and drop it off in the labeled basket on the beverage station in the CLC on Tuesday mornings, Thursday mornings, or Sunday mornings. Please drop off your bread anytime between October 18-November 5. We are hoping to have breads to share during the Sunday morning of the Faithful Conference.

Please email Ginni Larkins at glarkins@christcovenant.org with any questions. Thank you for your service to our church family!

STRUGGLING WITH PORN?

Christ Covenant's Set Free Ministry endeavors to walk alongside individuals and families impacted by issues related to sexual sin. We offer resources, teaching sessions and accountability groups for strugglers and their loved ones. In October, Set Free's ministry to men will begin a series of meetings to start the process of recovery from pornography. Interested? Send an email to SetFree@Christcovenant.org to get more information.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT CHRIST COVENANT

Current opportunities at Christ Covenant include:

- Facilities Maintenance (full-time)

Details: [christcovenant.org/aboutus/employment](https://www.christcovenant.org/aboutus/employment)

Covenant Day School is hiring for various positions. Details can be found at <https://www.covenantday.org/about-us/employment>

"SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS" - SUPPORT GROUPS SPECIAL EVENT ON NOVEMBER 6

Wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas? Are you dreading these holidays, knowing that everything has changed because of a death or a divorce? "Surviving the Holidays" is a two-hour seminar starting at 10:00 am on November 6. This short event includes a video, sharing time, and a 'Survival Guide' filled with tips and encouragement for managing the holidays. You'll be welcomed by warm, caring people who understand what you are going through and who want to help.

These special sessions are open to non-members, friends, and family and are a good introduction to the Support Group ministries.

To find out more and sign up for DivorceCare Surviving the Holidays, go to Surviving the Holidays - DivorceCare at <https://www.divorcecare.org/holidays> or contact John Ramseur at jdranseur@gmail.com.

To find out more and sign up for GriefShare Surviving the Holidays, go to Surviving the Holidays - GriefShare at <https://www.griefshare.org/holidays> or contact John Ramseur at jdranseur@gmail.com.

ENVISION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

We are hoping to have 100% of the congregation participate in the Envision capital campaign. We are currently at 68%. It's not too late to turn in your pledge card for the Envision capital campaign! Pledge cards and information about the many upgrades and changes we hope to accomplish through Envision can be found in the brochures and booklets in the worship center and online. You can also make a pledge online at christcovenant.org/envision. We currently have 68% of families participating and \$918,978 pledged toward our goal of \$1,500,000.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

This list shares notable events for this week. See our website at christcovenant.org for other activities. Weekly and monthly prayer guides can be found at christcovenant.org/prayer.

THIS WEEK (OCTOBER 24-30, 2021)

- Oct 24 • Sunday School at 9:00 am
- Oct 24 • In-person and livestream morning worship at 10:45 am
- Oct 24 • In-person and livestream evening worship at 6:00 pm
- Oct 27 • Link & Epic at 7:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 13-14 • Faithful Conference with William Taylor
- Dec 5 • Christ Covenant Carol Service
- Dec 11 • Children's Ministry Christmas Celebration
- Dec 12 • 40th Anniversary Celebration
- Dec 24 • Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

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 throughout 2021.

<i>Inflow 1/1/21 – 10/17/21</i>	<i>Actual \$</i>	<i>Budget \$</i>	<i>Difference \$</i>	<i>% (-) or +</i>
Operating Budget	4,662,295	4,706,500	-44,205	-0.90%
Faith Promise Budget	332,747	255,566	77,181	30.2%