



THE COURIER

LIFE AT CHRIST COVENANT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023

WEDDING

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Brendan Calvert married Sabrina Orchard on September 30, 2023.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Kyle and Mycah Rhodes on the birth of their daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Rhodes.

Jesse and Samantha Salomons on the birth of their son, Reid Ezra Salomons.

SYMPATHY TO:

Bob Medeiros on the loss of his brother, Lionel Medeiros.

Laura Pemberton on the loss of her mother, Marlene Rosenthal Hirsh.

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 either the main or north lobby. We have a free gift for you and would like to meet you! We have an online guest card we invite you to fill out at christcovenant.org/online-guest-card. You can also scan the QR code below to fill out the online guest card. There are also guest cards located in the pews in the sanctuary you can fill out and place in the offering. If you do not have a Bible, we invite you to take a Bible from one of the pews to take home with you today. We are so glad you are here to worship with us today!



FAITHFUL CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 11-12, 2023

MEET OUR GUEST SPEAKER, CARL TRUEMAN



Dr. Carl R. Trueman is a Professor of Biblical and Religious Studies at Grove City College in Grove City, Pennsylvania. He earned an M.A. in Classics from the University of Cambridge and a Ph.D. in Church History from the University of Aberdeen. He is the author of more than a dozen books and is the co-host of “The Mortification of Spin” podcast with Todd Pruitt. The podcast is a humorous, informal podcast with engaging and thought-provoking conversations on the challenges facing the Church and the Christian. The podcast is on multiple platforms that can be found at <https://mortificationofspin.podbean.com/>.

Carl Trueman also contributes to *First Things*. *Firstthings.com* publishes thoughtful commentary on vital matters of faith and public life. *First Things* also publishes a magazine ten times each year, where today’s most influential writers and readers come together to debate the central religious and cultural issues of our time. Carl Trueman is an esteemed church historian and a fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center. He is a member of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church.

We hope you will join us for the Faithful Conference on November 11-12, 2023. Carl Trueman will be speaking on “Strangers in a Strange Land” over four sessions. You can register at faithfulconference.org. The cost is \$10 per person, those 18 and younger are free. Paid registrations will receive a \$10 off coupon at the bookstore hosted by 10 of Those and a copy of Carl Truman’s book, *Strange New World*. All registrations must be submitted by Friday, November 10, at noon, to receive the coupon.

We hope you will make plans now to join us for the Faithful Conference!

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

During Sunday School this morning, all our children from two years-old to fifth grade are learning about Abraham from *The Biggest Story Bible Storybook* curriculum, from the lesson “God Calls Abram and Makes Him a Promise” on Genesis 11-13. The focus verse for the week is Genesis 12:2, “I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.” If you sit near a family with young children, please take a moment to ask the children to share what they learned in Sunday School with you!

HISABILITIES RESPITE NIGHT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

HisAbilities Fall Respite Night is Saturday, October 14, from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm, in the lower level of the Community Life Center (CLC). Respite Night serves parents with children impacted by disabilities or who are living with disability themselves. If you would like to learn more about this family fun event, please email Amy Van Dusen at avandusen@christcovenant.org.

SCREEN STRONG OCTOBER 12 & 13

ScreenStrong is an organization that comes alongside parents in learning about the topic of kids and screens. They provide vital information about the impact of screens on kids, as well as solutions to tackle the challenges linked to excessive screen time. ScreenStrong is hosting free events for students on Thursday, October 12 and on for parents on Friday, October 13. To learn more, visit christcovenant.org/screenstrong.

O NIGHTS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

All are welcome to join us Tuesday, October 17, at 7:00 pm, in the lower Community Life Center (CLC). With it getting darker quicker in the fall we will take a break from going out into the community. For O Nights, we will have a few training times to equip us for future discussions with our neighbors. We look forward to seeing you.

PLANNING YOUR FUNERAL THURSDAY, NOV. 9

Over the years, Heritage Funeral Home has served many in the Christ Covenant community. One of their directors will meet with us on Thursday, November 9, at 7:00 pm, in the Community Life Center Chapel (CLC). Heritage Funeral Home staff will discuss planning funerals, prepaying for a burial service, and additional services available during funerals. There will be a questions and answer time. All are welcome to attend.

JOIN OUR GREETER MINISTRY

Would you like to join our Greeting Ministry? We need more smiling faces to hold the door open for people to enter our church. We would love to have a stronger substitute list to add to our team. If this is an area where you'd like to serve, please contact Michelle Gustavson at mgustavson@christcovenant.org.

COVENANT DAY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE OCTOBER 12, 27 AND NOVEMBER 9

Are you exploring education options for your family? Covenant Day School is a ministry of Christ Covenant Church where students thrive in an educational environment marked by a biblical worldview and academic excellence so that students are equipped to be salt and light for God's glory. If you're looking for this approach to education, we encourage you to visit Covenant Day School! There are three upcoming Come See Covenant open house events for you to come and discover if Covenant Day is the right fit for you. Choose from one of three events: Thursday, October 12 (JK-5), Friday, October 27 (JK-5), and Thursday, November 9 (6-12). Space is limited. Reserve your spot at www.covenantday.org/comeseecovenant.

MOM'S MEET UP MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

All moms are invited to join the Children's Ministry staff for Mom's Meet Up! This is a time for moms to chat with each other and build relationships while serving the church! This is a wonderful opportunity to get out and share life with other moms and bless our children's ministry at the same time. We meet in the B building in room 101 on the 3rd Monday of each month from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. Join us at our next Mom's Meet Up on Monday, October 16. Have questions? Contact Amy at awallace@christcovenant.org.

COOKIE DECORATING WORKSHOP HOSTED BY WOMEN'S MINISTRY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Join Women's Ministry on Friday, October 20, for a cookie decorating workshop led by our resident cookie expert, Susan Shepherd! Two workshops are available on October 20, one in the morning from 10:00 am - 11:30 am and one in the evening from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Both workshops will take place in the Community Life Center (CLC). Neither workshop will have childcare.

Cost is \$15 per person or \$25 for two tickets if you invite a friend who does not attend Christ Covenant! The deadline to register for this event is Wednesday, October 11. To register for the morning workshop, visit <https://ccym.wufoo.com/forms/q97p1e91i50pq2/>. To register for the evening workshop, visit <https://ccym.wufoo.com/forms/qzt4kpy1fhv11l/>.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

This list shares special events and various weekly programs. See our website for our full calendar of what is coming up this week, along with additional announcements.

- Oct. 11 • No Link or Epic
- Oct. 11 • Adult Choir & Orchestra
- Oct. 12 • Covenant Day School Open House
- Oct. 12 • Screen Strong Student Event
- Oct. 13 • Screen Strong Parent Event
- Oct. 14 • HisAbilities Respite Night
- Oct. 16 • Mom's Meet Up
- Oct. 17 • O Nights - Christ Covenant Church Outreach
- Oct. 20 • Cookie Decorating Workshop
- Oct. 24 • Monthly Day of Prayer
- Oct. 27 • Covenant Day School Open House
- Oct. 30 • Girls' Night Out with Women's Ministry

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 2023.

Inflow 1/1/23 – 10/1/23	Actual \$	Budget \$	Difference \$	% (-) or +
Operating Budget	4,830,676	4,752,600	78,076	1.6%
Faith Promise Budget	382,187	257,314	124,873	48.53%