



THE COURIER

LIFE AT CHRIST COVENANT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023

SYMPATHY TO:

Jacque McClintock on the loss of her brother, Robert "Bobby" Wayne.

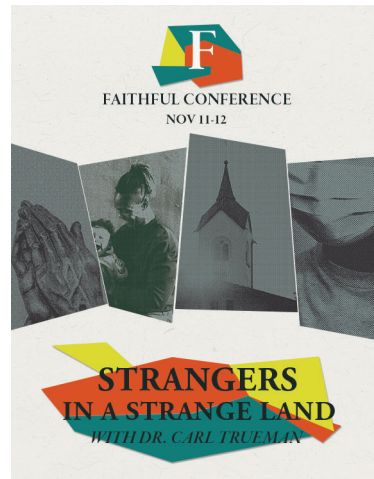
WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

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. 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!

SUPPORTED WORKER SPOTLIGHT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Come and enjoy light refreshments and hear from our supported workers, Imbumi and Martha Makuku, in the Community Life Center rooms 1&2 (CLC), on Sunday, November 5, following the evening service. Imbumi and Martha's ministry, the Mamlaka Foundation, includes a school, a feeding program, and health education at their church, Kibera Reformed Presbyterian Church. They work within the poorest section of the Kibera slum in Silanga Village. All are welcome to join us on November 5, 2023, and hear about the amazing things the Lord is doing through the Makukus in Kenya!

LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER FOR THE FAITHFUL CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 11-12, 2023



We hope you will join us for the Faithful Conference on November 11-12, 2023. This year's theme is "Strangers in a Strange Land," with guest speaker Carl Trueman, Professor of Biblical & Religious Studies at Grove City College and author of *The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self: Cultural Amnesia, Expressive Individualism, and the Road to Sexual Revolution*, and *Strange New World: How Thinkers and Activists Redefined Identity and Sparked the Sexual Revolution*.

Register today at faithfulconference.org! This year's Faithful Conference costs \$10 per person, those 18 and younger are free. Paid registrations will receive a \$10 off coupon at the bookstore

(received by email the week of the conference) 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 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. You do not need to register your children for Sunday's children's programs.

Conference Schedule

- Saturday, November 11, from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
- Combined Sunday School, November 12, from 9:00 am - 10:15 am
- Sunday morning worship, November 12, from 10:45 am - 12:15 pm
- Sunday evening worship, November 12, from 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm

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

OUTREACH & SHIFTING CHURCH CULTURE COMBINED SUNDAY SCHOOL NOVEMBER 19, 2023

We hope you are making plans to join us for a combined Sunday School on November 19, at 9:00 am, in the sanctuary. This will be an important combined Sunday School for our youth and for all adults as Eric Russ, Pastor of Evangelism and Mobilization, is presenting the vision of outreach for the Matthews community. Come and learn how we can be a healthy outward facing church and how each of us can play a part in sharing the love of Christ with our community. Eric is also providing training on how we can engage with our neighbors, friends, and families during the upcoming holiday season. We hope you will make plans to join us at this special Sunday School.

**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 question-and-answer time. All are welcome to attend.

**SUPPORTED
WORKER SPOTLIGHT
SUNDAY, NOV. 19**

All are welcome to join us on Sunday, November 19, at 5:00 pm, in the Community Life Center rooms 1&2 (CLC), to hear from one of our restricted workers serving the Lord in Malaysia! Joining him will be several pastors and elders from Malaysia who are attending The Malaysia Partnership, November 15-18, at Christ Covenant Church. Come and enjoy light refreshments prior to the evening worship service as we learn about the Lord's faithful work in Malaysia!

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY
CHRISTMAS BRUNCH
THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 7**

The annual Women's Ministry Christmas Brunch will be held this year on Thursday, December 7, from 10:00 am-12:00 pm, in the Community Life Center (CLC). Come join us to enjoy the season together with delicious food, carols, and a special guest speaker! Childcare will be available. The deadline to register is November 22, 2023. Space is limited and this event tends to fill up, so we encourage everyone to register early! Register today at <https://tinyurl.com/5xttknfx>.



**SPECIAL DEACONS' OFFERING:
PCA WOMEN'S MINISTRY LOVE GIFT**

Since the beginning of the Presbyterian Church of America (PCA), the annual Women's Ministry Love Gift has been used by God to strengthen our denomination. Your gifts over the last two decades have helped us partner with PCA committees and agencies.

The Women's Ministry Love Gift Legacy seeks to leave a legacy of relationships and resources to prayerfully strengthen the Church for the next generation. This year's gift will be used for the Mission to North America ESL (English as a Second Language) Curriculum Project. More and more people come from all over the world to the United States every year, hoping to build a better life. All of them need to speak English to thrive here. And all of them need Jesus!

Hundreds of volunteers from the PCA and other denominations teach conversational English weekly to these dear students for two reasons: to improve their lives and to intentionally build relationships where there is fertile ground to share Jesus.

That is why Mission to North America's ESL Ministry is so excited to begin a new ESL curriculum project. This tool will give the teachers more time to pray for their students and build gospel-centered relationships. Your support will have a lasting effect on ESL ministries across the country by providing opportunities to share the gospel with the world that God has brought to our doorstep.

Your gift today combines with gifts from PCA churches across the United States as an investment in fulfilling the Great Commission. Thank you for your gift and for your prayers for the PCA's Women's Ministry Love Gift Legacy. To learn more visit <https://women.pcacdm.org/love-gift-legacy/>.

Please place all special/monthly communion offering gifts in an envelope (found in pews) and label it 'Special Communion Offering' and include the name of the ministry before placing your gift in one of the tithe boxes located inside the sanctuary at our main doors in the north, south and toward the main lobby. Thank you for your gift!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT CHRIST COVENANT

Current employment opportunities at Christ Covenant include:

Facilities Maintenance (full-time) & Temporary Facilities Maintenance (Now-February 2024)

Details: christcovenant.org/aboutus/employment

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

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.

- Nov. 5 • Supported Worker Spotlight
- Nov. 7 • O Night - Christ Covenant Church Outreach
- Nov. 9 • Planning Your Funeral
- Nov. 11-12 • Faithful Conference with Carl Trueman
- Nov. 12 & 19 • Combined Sunday School in the sanctuary
- Nov. 23-24 • Church offices closed
- Nov. 28 • Monthly Day of Prayer
- Dec. 1 • First Friday Fellowship
- Dec. 1 • Senior Adult Christmas Lunch
- Dec. 3 • Christmas Concert
- Dec. 7 • Women's Ministry Christmas Dinner
- 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 2023.

<i>Inflow 1/1/23 – 10/29/23</i>	<i>Actual \$</i>	<i>Budget \$</i>	<i>Difference \$</i>	<i>% (-) or +</i>
Operating Budget	5,296,183	5,260,200	35,983	.7%
Faith Promise Budget	400,902	285,818	115,084	40.26%