



THE COURIER

LIFE AT CHRIST COVENANT

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

SYMPATHY TO:

John Swansby on the loss of his brother, Michael Swansby.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Are you a guest visiting with us today, or did you meet a guest today? 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. You can also scan the QR code below to fill out the online guest card. 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!



FAITH PROMISE AT WORK

Faith Promise is the primary means by which Christ Covenant financially supports international and domestic supported workers and church planters. Through Faith Promise, we support 92 supported workers/agencies in 26 countries around the globe!

MISSIONS CONFERENCE 2024

“THAT THE NEXT GENERATION MIGHT KNOW”



Our Mission Conference is March 2 - 3, 2024 and our theme is, “That the Next Generation Might Know.” We have several exciting events that you can attend!

Coffee and Conversations with Supported Workers on Saturday, March 2, from 9:00 am - 10:30 am in the Community Life Center. Join us for breakfast snacks, fellowship, and to hear from some of our supported workers. Don't miss this special opportunity to engage in what the Lord is doing in the part of the world where they serve. We will also learn about the challenges they face and how we can pray for them. Please RSVP at bit.ly/MissionsCoffee2024. If you have questions, please contact Staci Poston at sposton@christcovenant.org.

Combined Adult Sunday School on March 3, from 9:00 am - 10:15 am in the sanctuary. This combined Sunday School is for all adults. Middle and high school students will meet in the lower Community Life Center. We will have the opportunity to hear from our supported workers serving in various parts of the world.

Morning and evening worship on Sunday, March 3. Join us as we gather for a time of worship and to hear from one of our supported workers, Victor Nakah, about what God is doing in South Africa. We will also have our Faith Promise commitment card collection during the morning worship service.

To learn more about our upcoming Missions Conference visit christcovenant.org/missions-conference.

WHAT IS FAITH PROMISE?

Faith Promise is the primary means by which Christ Covenant financially supports international and domestic supported workers and church planters. We would like to help you consider how you and your family can participate in Faith Promise giving in 2024.

First, we ask that you take time to pray. Pray for our supported workers and church planters. Second, pray about how you might be able to financially give to Faith Promise either as a one-time gift or by making a monthly pledge. Through Faith Promise, God blesses those who are financially supported, those whose prayers he answers by providing unexpected resources, and those who hear how God demonstrates his power to provide in beautiful ways, year after year. Ultimately, those who are blessed the most are those who hear the good news and whose lives are changed for eternity!

On Sunday, March 3, we will have a special time during our morning worship to offer our Faith Promise commitment cards with our pledges and pray that God will provide for the ministry partners we are supporting in 2024. We ask that you and your family begin to take time to prayerfully consider what you might give to Faith Promise. What might God supply through you to help empower our supported workers and church planters across the globe this year as they share Christ across the world?

Faith Promise pledge cards are available on the tables outside the sanctuary doors. You can also give your pledge online at <https://christcovenant.org/faith-promise-commitment-card-online/>.

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

During Sunday School this morning, all our children from two years-old to fifth grade are learning about Moses and the Israelites crossing the Red Sea from *The Biggest Story Bible Storybook* curriculum, from the lesson “Free at Last” on Exodus 4-15. 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!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HISABILITIES RESPITE NIGHT

Christ Covenant’s HisAbilities ministry needs volunteers for our upcoming Spring Respite Night on Saturday, April 20. This event is a wonderful opportunity for our church to come alongside Christ Covenant families impacted by disability by providing a few hours of respite for parents while their children are cared for and engaged by a team of volunteers providing a safe environment with a variety of fun activities! Volunteers must be a member of Christ Covenant, but no experience with disabilities is needed to serve (training resources are provided and we work to make sure our volunteers are serving in a capacity in which they are comfortable). The evening is always a rich blessing and a great time to make encouraging connections with this special part of our church body! Respite Night is held in the lower level of the Community Life Center, from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm.

To learn more or register to volunteer please contact Amy Van Dusen at avandusen@christcovenant.org. The deadline for volunteer registration is March 30. And if you are a member or attending family impacted by disability or special needs who would benefit from participating or would just like to learn more about Respite Night, please contact Amy Van Dusen as well. Participants need to register by April 6.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO PRAY WITH SOMEONE TODAY?

If you have a prayer need or would like to speak with an elder, they will be available at the front of the sanctuary following the morning service. They would love to pray with you!

SUPPORT GROUP FOR CAREGIVERS

Are you caring for a parent, spouse, or child? Have you been caring for a loved one for a long time or just beginning your journey? We have a support group just for caregivers. We’d love for you to join us.

Caregivers is a book study along with presentations by local resources for the many typical needs for this season of life. Our next session will be Saturdays, from 9:00 am - 10:30 am, beginning Saturday, March 2, in worship center room 107. If you would like to either join a group or learn more about Caregivers ministry, please email Gaylene Scheide at gscheide@christcovenant.org.

KENYA MISSION TRIP MEETING FEBRUARY 25

Christ Covenant Church will have a mission trip to Kenya, Africa, on June 12-21, 2024, to assist our supported worker Pastor Imbumi Makuku and the Mamlaka Christian School by providing teacher training focused on pre-k through middle school. If you would like more information about joining the team or how to support these efforts, please contact Amy Van Dusen at avandusen@christcovenant.org or join us February 25 after the evening service in worship center room 107 for an informational meeting.

CANDY NEEDED FOR CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

Children’s ministry is requesting donations of bags of individually wrapped candy for the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23. Baskets are available for donation drop off at the Children’s Ministry Welcome Desk in the north lobby and at the Guest Center in the main lobby. Have questions, contact Amy Wallace at awallace@christcovenant.org.

A NEW RESOURCE FROM CLEARLY REFORMED

The online ministry of our Senior Pastor Kevin DeYoung called Clearly Reformed is giving away monthly resources aimed at further developing your walk with the Lord. Please find free booklets of the articles, “The Case Against Christians Attending a Gay Wedding” and “Giving Thanks for the Goodness of God” located in the book nook in the main lobby. Visit clearlyreformed.org for thousands of other resources.

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.

- Feb. 19 • Mom’s Meet Up
- Feb. 27 • Monthly Day of Prayer
- Mar. 1 • Men’s Monthly Golf Outing
- Mar. 2 • Caregivers begins
- Mar. 2 • Conversations and Coffee with Supported Workers
- Mar. 3 • Missions Conference Sunday
- Mar. 3 • Combined Adult Sunday School
- Mar. 23 • Children’s Ministry Easter Egg Hunt
- Mar. 28 • Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 pm
- Mar. 29 • Good Friday service at 12:00 pm
- Mar. 31 • Easter Sunday
- Mar. 31 • No Sunday School
- Apr. 14 • Church-wide picnic

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 2024.

<i>Inflow 1/1/24 –2/11/24</i>	<i>Actual \$</i>	<i>Budget \$</i>	<i>Difference \$</i>	<i>% (-) or +</i>
Operating Budget	957,772	689,400	268,372	38.9%
Faith Promise Budget	60,055	37,200	22,855	61.4%