



THE COURIER

LIFE AT CHRIST COVENANT

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024

HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN, INDEED!

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!



LOOKING FOR A SEAT?

We are blessed to have growing attendance at our morning worship service, but there are still plenty of seats available. For example, we want you to know the wings next to the stage are available for seating. You can access these areas from the balcony level. If you have trouble locating a seat, please look for one of our worship coordinators. They will be happy to help you find a place to sit for worship. If you notice someone looking for a seat, please look around for space available around you and see if you can move to the middle of your pew to create additional space.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS

For your convenience, large print bulletins are available at the welcome center in the main lobby.

The azaleas on the stage this Easter are for our members who have lost loved ones in 2024. As a church we realize that while Easter is a joyous time because of Christ's resurrection, it can also be a difficult time because it reminds us of loved ones we have lost. Below are the names of individuals who have passed away and the name of those family members who have been left behind. We hope that each family member listed takes one of the azaleas home after either the morning or evening worship service today. May Christ's empty grave remind us of our own resurrection and give us hope.

We give these azaleas in loving memory of:

Larry Blythe on the loss of his mother, Sharla Blythe Quinones.

Leslie Bolick on the loss of her mother, Deborah Sherrill.

Jessica Boone on the loss of her brother, Ray Wright.

Allen Carrick on the loss of his father, Duane Carrick.

Ilse Cauble the loss of her husband and our Elder, Jerry Cauble.

Jonathan Doyle on the loss of his father, Peter Doyle.

Rick Ely on the loss of his father, Clarence Ely.

Family and friends on the loss of our member, Vicki Evans.

Pam Hollars the loss of her mother, Shirley Terwilliger.

Mike and Kim Larson on the death of their daughter, Hadassah Agboton.

Sara McKissick on the loss of her mother, Arle Ann Lamberd.

Family and friends on the loss of our members, Bobby and Sylvia Miller.

Judy Moore on the loss of her son, Tony Moore.

Lillian Nelson on the loss of her brother, Paul Harbach.

Family and friends on the loss of our member, Claudia Pisano.

Jim Rea on the loss of his father, James Green Rea.

Tim Russell on the loss of his brother, Tom Russell.

Becky Shamess on the loss of her mother, Dorothy Upchurch.

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

John Surratt the loss of his step-father, Louis Otterbourg.

Leah Wallace on the loss of her brother, Austin Wallace.

Alona Weddine on the loss of her sister, Linda Pittman.

Margery White the loss of her father, Harry Lee Phipps Jr.

Ann Louise Wright on the loss of her mother, Katherine Glasser.

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 article, "5 Qualities We Should Look for in Our Political Leaders" located in the book nook in the main lobby. Visit clearlyreformed.org for thousands of other resources.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Duncan and Samantha Dorris
on the birth of their son,
Henry Duncan Dorris.

O NIGHT
TUESDAY, APRIL 2

Everyone is invited to join us on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month for Christ Covenant Outreach Nights, called O Nights. Our next one is Tuesday, April 2, from 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm. We will meet in the south lobby of the worship center. We will have some time of training to equip our people, and then we will go out in groups into the community to do surveys and to share the gospel. If you do not feel comfortable walking, we would love for you to participate by praying on our campus. Please bring your small group, family, etc. and join us! If you have any questions, contact Amy Van Dusen at avandusen@christcovenant.org.

FIRST FRIDAY
FELLOWSHIP
FRIDAY, APRIL 5

All moms are welcome to join children's ministry staff and other moms for a time of fellowship and discussion the first Friday of each month in the Community Life Center rooms 1 & 2 (CLC), from 10:00 am – 11:30 am. Each month we will discuss a new topic centered around interests of young moms. Let us know you are coming on Friday, April 5, by signing up at bit.ly/first-friday-2024-04. Childcare is available by emailing Stephanie at sbennett@christcovenant.org. For more information contact Amy at awallace@christcovenant.org.

SPRING PICNIC
SUNDAY, APRIL 14

All are invited to join us for a church-wide spring picnic immediately following morning worship on Sunday, April 14, 2024. The church will provide drinks and dessert. You provide your picnic lunch!

You can pack your own family's lunch or get together with your small group, Bible study, people you sit with at church, or friends and divide up the menu to bring part of your picnic. Bring blankets and/or lawn chairs, as we will be outside on the lawn. Some inside seating will be available. We hope to see you there!

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST
SATURDAY, APRIL 6

All men and their sons that are 12 years old or over are personally invited to join us for our Men's Fellowship Breakfast on Saturday, April 6, at 8:00 am, in the Community Life Center. Our time together will feature opportunities to meet and get to know other men in our church community prior to hearing from our speaker, Derek Wells, Pastor of Shepherding and Discipleship.

We have a team cooking a delicious buffet breakfast on site. In order to establish an accurate head count for our team cooking the meal please make sure to RSVP at <https://bit.ly/mens-fellowship-breakfast-2024-04>. A \$10 per person cash donation is encouraged to offset the cost of food for the breakfast. If you have questions, please email Amy Van Dusen at avandusen@christcovenant.org. We hope to see you for all or a portion of our time together in April!

COMBINED SUNDAY SCHOOL ON
TRANSGENDERISM - APRIL 7, 14 AND 21

Western culture is currently undergoing deep transformation in how people view sexuality and personal identity. Rather than seeing sexuality as a gift to be received from one's Creator, it is increasingly understood as determined by the individual—even down to remaking bodies to align with a sense of sexual identity. This cultural change has brought unprecedented challenges to the Church as she seeks to bear witness to God's Word on what it means to be human, and as she seeks to minister in a deeply confused culture.

This all-church mini-series taught by professors from Reformed Theological Seminary will equip Christians to understand what Scripture teaches on issues related to transgenderism, how we got to this cultural moment, and how Christians might wisely and compassionately minister to others on this issue.

All adults and youth are invited to join us for this combined Sunday Schools on April 7, 14, and 21, in the sanctuary, from 9:00 am - 10:15 am. Senior Pastor Kevin DeYoung will begin the mini-series on April 7 talking about "What does the Bible teach on anthropology related to transgenderism?" We hope you will join us for this 3-week Sunday School series.

GIVE ONLINE

To give online, scan the QR code to the right with your smart phone or visit <https://christcovenant.org/members/giving/>. Thank you for your gift to Christ Covenant Church!



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.

Mar. 31 • Easter Sunday
Mar. 31 • No Sunday School
Apr. 2 • O Nights - Christ Covenant Outreach Nights
Apr. 3 • Last day to order Trail Life BBQ
Apr. 5 • First Friday Fellowship
Apr. 5 • Senior Adult Luncheon
Apr. 6 • Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Apr. 7 • Combined Sunday School
Apr. 14 • Church-wide picnic
Apr. 15 • Moms Meet Up
Apr. 16 • O Nights - Christ Covenant Outreach Nights

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 –3/24/24</i>	<i>Actual \$</i>	<i>Budget \$</i>	<i>Difference \$</i>	<i>% (-) or +</i>
Operating Budget	1,838,686	1,442,800	395,886	27.4%
Faith Promise Budget	163,783	110,200	53,583	48.6%