



THE COURIER

LIFE AT CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

DECEMBER 7, 2025

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!



YOU'RE INVITED TO CHRIST COVENANT'S



CHRISTMAS
C O N C E R T

DECEMBER 7 · 6:00 P.M.

Can't make it in person? Join us online at
CHRISTCOVENANT.ORG/LIVE



CHRISTMAS EVE LESSONS & CAROLS WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24 AT 5:00 PM

All are invited to join us for this special night of worship as we celebrate Christ's birth on Wednesday, December 24, at 5:00 pm, on Christmas Eve! Children's programs are available for ages 4 months through 35 months.

This is a great time to bring family and friends for a special night of worship as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT SUNDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 7

All are invited to join us for our special Christmas Concert this Sunday evening, December 7, at 6:00 pm. You do not want to miss this night of worship!

Children's programs are available for ages 4 months through 35 months. If you have questions about children's programs, please contact Amy Wallace at awallace@christcovenant.org.

This is a great time to bring family and friends for a special night of music as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ! We have special invitations available for you in all the lobbies of the worship center that you can take and use to invite your family, neighbors and friends!

POINSETTIAS ORDER FORM

Each poinsettia is \$10.00. Deadline to order is Monday, December 22.

Giver's name: _____

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

I will pick up my poinsettia after the 5:00 pm Christmas Eve worship service.

I will leave my plant to be given to someone to brighten their Christmas.

Paid by: Cash Check Online

To pay with a credit card, go to <https://bit.ly/poinsettia-2025>

SYMPATHY TO:

Paul and Jane Lyon on the loss of their son, Steven Craig Lyon.

HONOR A LOVED ONE WITH A POINSETTIA

Each Christmas at Christ Covenant we provide an opportunity for you to buy a poinsettia that is displayed in our sanctuary for the Advent season. You can purchase one for you/your family, give one in honor of someone, or give one in memory of someone. We will print the names of those who receive a poinsettia in honor and in memory in the courier for our Christmas Eve worship service.

Each poinsettia is \$10. If you purchase one, you can either pick it up and enjoy it at home after the Christmas Eve worship service, or you can leave it to bless someone else. Poinsettias can be purchased online at <https://bit.ly/poinsettia-2025> or by using the form on the other side of the courier and placing it in the offering or tithe box.

“I STILL DO” MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

Christ Covenant is hosting a marriage conference with author/speaker, Dave Harvey, on January 22-24, 2026! The conference will focus on strengthening your marriage. We also have a special pre-conference equip seminar on Thursday, January 22, where we will learn about “Letting Go: Rugged Love for Wayward Souls – Biblical Wisdom for Loving Prodigals – Children, Spouses and Friends.” We look forward to Dave Harvey leading us during this time! To view the entire schedule and to register, please visit <https://christcovenant.org/i-still-do/>.

CLEARLY REFORMED DROP-IN

All are invited to the Clearly Reformed Christmas Drop-In! Stop by the Clearly Reformed office on Wednesday, December 17, between 10:30 am - 12:30 pm, to join us for treats and fellowship with our sweet community as we celebrate the Christmas season. Email taylor@clearlyreformed.org with any questions.

DEACONS’ SPECIAL OFFERING: HARVEST USA

Harvest USA, headquartered just outside of Philadelphia in Dresher, PA, brings the truth and mercy of Jesus Christ to individuals and families affected by sexual struggles and by providing resources that address biblical sexuality to individuals and churches.

Harvest USA began in 1983 as an outreach ministry in center city Philadelphia to care for those affected by the AIDS crisis and was founded as a ministry to those particularly struggling with same-sex attraction. Harvest USA also included in its outreach those who struggle with sexual struggles of all types. That outreach has been greatly expanded through partnerships with local churches like Christ Covenant who are equipped to bring the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ to transform the lives of those affected by sexual sin.

The mission of Harvest USA is two-fold. First, to be a resource to the local church. This organization equips individual congregations and the Church at large to better care for and disciple those affected by sexual brokenness. They provide resources including blogs, videos, seminars, presentations, and books to support and strengthen the Church. Their seminars and presentations are Christ-centered and practical, providing the best resources to better support and equip the Church. Second, Harvest USA is committed to providing one-on-one discipleship and support groups for men, women, and parents in both its Philadelphia and Pittsburgh offices.

To learn more about this ministry or download their free book, *Shattered Dreams, New Hope: First Aid for Parents Whose Son or Daughter Has Embraced an LGBTQ+ Identity*, visit <https://harvestusa.org>.

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!

CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS PARTY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

All families with children 5th grade and younger are invited to join us at the Children’s Christmas Party on Saturday, December 13, from 9:30 am-11:30 am, in the Community Life Center (CLC). Join us for a special Christmas story time at either 10:00 am or 11:00 am and lots of games and crafts you can do anytime from 9:30 am - 11:30 am. This is a free event that is great to invite and bring your friends and neighbors to as we celebrate Christmas together!

SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAK FROM NOV. 23 - JAN. 4

Sunday School is on a break from Sunday, November 23 through Sunday, January 4. This break allows a much needed rest for our many volunteers serving each week. We will resume Sunday School on Sunday, January 11. New classes and information is forthcoming.

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.

- December 7 • Christmas Concert during Evening Worship
- December 11 • Women’s Christmas Brunch
- December 13 • Children’s Ministry Christmas Party
- December 20 • Veterans Ministry Fellowship
- December 24 • Christmas Eve Worship Service at 5:00 pm
- December 25 • Church Offices Closed
- January 11 • Sunday School Resumes
- January 22-24 • Marriage Conference

WATCHING OUR BUDGET

Thank you for your tithes and gifts to all the ministries of Christ Covenant. Please continue to pray for God’s provision throughout 2025.

<i>Inflow 1/1/25 – 11/30/25</i>	<i>Actual \$</i>	<i>Budget \$</i>	<i>Difference \$</i>	<i>% (-) or +</i>
Operating Budget	6,763,432	6,316,301	447,131	7%
Faith Promise Budget	453,921	467,500	(13,579)	-3%