



THE COURIER

LIFE AT CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

JANUARY 18, 2026

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Kyle and Mycah Rhodes
on the birth of their son,
Stephen Robert Charles Rhodes.

SYMPATHY TO:

Carol Faber on the loss of her
mother, Pearl "Pat" Webber.
Lynn Jones on the loss of her
husband, Jerry Jones.

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 or by scanning the QR code. 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!



SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

Sunday, January 18 is nationally recognized as Sanctity of Life Sunday, a day to celebrate the gift of life. Sanctity of Life Sunday is a difficult day for many women who silently struggle with the guilt, pain, and grief of a past abortion decision. *Living in His Forgiveness* is an in-depth Bible study for the post-abortion woman. The book is a detailed study of the forgiveness of God for an abortion decision and offers the hope of peace and complete restoration. A free copy of the book may be obtained at the Caleb Ministries table located in the south lobby of the worship center this morning. Additional information can be found at www.abbeyplace.org.

MEN'S MINISTRY KICKOFF MONDAY, JANUARY 19

Men ages 12 and up are invited to watch the College Football National Championship game on the big screen in the Community Life Center. In addition to the game, there will be various competitive contests with prizes as well as a chance to hear about upcoming Men's Ministry events and opportunities for men to connect at Christ Covenant. The event is free; however, dinner will be a potluck style, so we are asking attendees to commit to bring portions of the meal/snacks with your RSVP. Space is limited so please make sure to sign up as soon as possible using the QR code or at <https://bit.ly/Mens-Kickoff-2026>. Then, select which food/beverage item you will bring. (*Please note: Christ Covenant is an alcohol-free campus.)



PRE-CONFERENCE RTS EQUIP SEMINAR THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

We are hosting a pre-conference RTS Equip Seminar that will be taught by Dave Harvey. This will be a stand-alone seminar from the marriage conference that is intended to help those who have a prodigal in their lives. Many of us have children, family members, and dear friends who have walked away from the Lord. Dave will be speaking on "Letting Go: Rugged Love for Wayward Souls – Biblical Wisdom for Loving Prodigals." There will also be a time of Q&A with Dave Harvey.

All are invited to attend the pre-conference seminar on Thursday, January 22, from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm, in the sanctuary. The cost to attend just the seminar is \$20. To register, please visit christcovenant.org/i-still-do-marriage-conference-registration/ or scan the QR code.



"I STILL DO" MARRIAGE CONFERENCE JANUARY 23-24

Christ Covenant is hosting a marriage conference with author/speaker, Dave Harvey, on January 23-24, 2026! The conference will focus on strengthening your marriage.

The cost of the conference is below:

- \$45 per couple for both Pre-Conference Equip Seminar and "I Still Do" Conference
- \$35 per couple for "I Still Do" on Friday & Saturday,
- \$20 per couple for Pre-Conference Equip Seminar ONLY on Thursday,
- \$20 for singles for Pre-Conference Equip Seminar and "I Still Do" Conference.

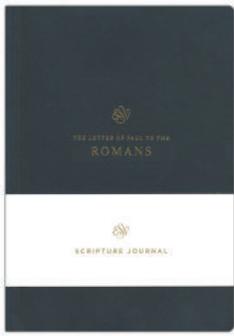
The conference schedule is as follows:

- Thursday, January 22 | Pre-Conference Option | 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
- Friday, January 23 | 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
- Saturday, January 24 | 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

To learn more about Dave Harvey, "I Still Do," and to register, please visit christcovenant.org/i-still-do/ or scan the QR code to the right.



We need volunteers! Come join us and sign up at <https://bit.ly/Marriage-Conf-Vol-2026>.



ROMANS SCRIPTURE JOURNALS

We are excited for the Romans series to begin this Sunday morning! Scripture journals are still available for free in the main lobby. Be sure to pick one up this Sunday if you have not already. This is a great tool for sermon notes and for studying the book of Romans.

ELDER & DEACON NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

Officer nominations are open! Would you prayerfully consider who you believe could serve our church well as an elder or deacon? Through these offices Christ rules and shepherds his church. All nominees must be male and a member of our church for at least two years by his election (June 2026). The nomination form gives additional attributes of elder and deacon to consider as you are thinking of men to nominate. Nomination forms are available online at <https://christcovenant.org/online-officer-nomination-form/>, by using the QR code, or at the tables going into the sanctuary. Nominations will be received until Sunday, January 25. Thank you!



JOIN OUR GREETING MINISTRY

Would you like to join our Greeting Ministry? We are looking for more smiling faces to welcome people inside our church as they come through our doors. If this is an area where you would like to serve once a month, please contact Michelle Gustavson at mgustavson@christcovenant.org.

ROOM ON OUR PEW SURVEY

We are excited to share that Engaging Disabilities with the Gospel, our denomination's ministry for equipping churches to disciple and enfold individuals and families impacted by disabilities, has begun a new program called "Room On Our Pew" to help equip churches in our denomination and beyond welcome children impacted by disabilities into corporate worship. And we are excited to have a team representing our church participating in this learning program as we seek to continue to grow in this important part of our church life together. To help facilitate the start of this process, Engaging Disability has prepared a brief survey to be shared with all participating congregations. The survey is anonymous and it would greatly benefit both this denominational initiative and learning for our own ministry here at Christ Covenant to have as many of our congregation participate as possible.

The survey only takes a few minutes, and members ages high school and up are invited to participate. By taking the survey, you will help our church know how to better come alongside our own families impacted by disability as well as other churches in our denomination. You can access the survey at <https://bit.ly/CCC-Survey-2026> or by scanning the QR code.



SUPPORT GROUPS BEGINNING FEBRUARY 2

Christ Covenant is offering two different types of support groups this winter which are facilitated by caring members of our church who understand what you may be going through and want to help. Grieving a loss or walking through a divorce are difficult experiences you don't have to go through alone. Also, if you have a family member or friend going through these difficult seasons of life, let them know that these groups are here for them as well. You do not have to be a member of Christ Covenant Church to join one of these support groups.

GRIEFSHARE

GriefShare is a video seminar series featuring some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on recovery topics as seen from a biblical perspective. Our next GriefShare session begins Monday, February 2, from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, in worship center room 107. You can register at griefshare.org. Contact Carl Scheide at fromdust2glory@gmail.com with any questions.

DIVORCECARE

Christ Covenant uses the DivorceCare program in leading 13-week groups to help men and women recover from the pain of separation and divorce. This is a support group that meets weekly and includes three key parts: a video seminar featuring top divorce recovery experts, small group discussion about the video and issues faced by the individual group members, and a personal workbook with study that reinforces each session's topic. Our next session will begin Monday, February 2, from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, in worship center room 201. To find out more about the DivorceCare program, or to register for our next session, go to divorcecare.org. If you have any questions, please contact Gaylene Scheide at gscheide@christcovenant.org.

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.

- January 19 • Men's Ministry Kickoff
- January 22 • Pre-Conference RTS Equip Seminar
- January 23-24 • "I Still Do" Marriage Conference
- January 25 • Last Day for Officer Nominations
- January 27 • Monthly Day of Prayer
- February 2 • GriefShare Begins
- February 2 • DivorceCare Begins

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 2026.

<i>Inflow 1/1/26 - 1/11/26</i>	<i>Actual \$</i>	<i>Budget \$</i>	<i>Difference \$</i>	<i>% (-) or +</i>
Operating Budget	254,825	246,832	7,993	3%
Faith Promise Budget	29,401	18,000	11,401	63%