



Covenant Baptist Church

Reformed and Refreshing

August 29th, 2021

Welcome to Covenant Baptist Church. We are a Reformed church committed to three things:

- **The Exaltation of God**

We desire that the people at Covenant truly understand who God is and His rightful place in their lives as their Lord and sovereign Savior.

- **The Edification of the Saints**

We consider it extremely important to correctly teach the Bible, verse by verse, so we can properly have the Holy Spirit apply it to our lives.

- **The Evangelization of the Sinner**

We understand that God has given us the responsibility to be stewards of the Gospel and that means sharing it exactly like God gave it to us with those who need Jesus.

<https://covenantbaptistsc.org>

Service Times:

Bible Education Hour (How God Converts the Human Soul)
~ 9:30 A.M.

Sunday Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday Prayer Service ~ 6:00 P.M., 7:00 P.M.

*(We are not interested in traditional worship
or contemporary worship. We are only
interested in true worship.)*

Order of Worship

(August 29th, 2021)

Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 130:1–5

Praise Him! Praise Him!—94

Scripture Reading: Colossians 4:1–18

O, Great God—35

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today—312

Message:

The Resurrection of Christ, Pt. 3:
Absolute Proof of the Resurrected Christ
—John 20:19-29

Prayer and Benediction

O, How He Loves You and Me—157

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On-Call Deacon List:

- August 29: Smoak
- September 5: Kyzer
- September 12: Waddell

Church Cleaning Schedule:

- September 4: Shumpert/Smoak
- September 11: Egan/Fudge
- September 18: Olds/Shealy

Church Bookstore:

Purchases (cash only) can be made by seeing Annsley or Cristan Smoak,
or following the instructions left near the bookstore entrance.

Announcements

The Lord's Supper is today. So please prepare your heart for the observance of this very important ordinance the Lord gave to us to remember His sacrificial death for us.

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This Wednesday at 7pm (September 1st), Elder Alton Crapps will be preaching. He will be addressing the topic “The Knowledge of the Being of God in Modern Day Society” (Hebrews 2:1; 3:12). At 6pm we have prayer in “The Other Room”, and we would love to have you come and pray with us.

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The elders are providing copies of “How Do Preaching and Corporate Prayer Work Together?” as a resource to help us understand the crucial importance of corporate prayer to support the proclamation of God's word. There are enough copies for each person. Please take and read a copy of this brief biblical exhortation.

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Please join us for a work day on Sept 4 at 8 am. We will be working on carpentry and landscaping projects. Contact Chris Waddell (803-447-8257) for more info.

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Intentional Faith, Family Life, and Courtship

Mr. Kelly Hammond will be teaching a new Bible education class at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. This class will be a practical look at three important and intertwining topics of the Christian walk. We will begin by looking at the importance of intentional faith and family life (from how to easily train and discipline our children to the roles grandparents, fathers, mothers, and children are to have in each household). It will conclude with a practical look at courtship. This class is open to all ages. All those that attend will learn much about our family and the way we have trusted in the Lord to lead us while raising five children in a world that seems like it is falling apart around us. You may also learn a little about yourself. So come and learn to live an “Intentional Life for Christ” The starting date is September 26th and will it be a 4-6 week class.

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Please contact Chris Waddell (803-447-8257) if you would like to help clean the church every couple of months. You will be teamed with another family to divide the amount of work required.

Covenant Baptist Church Events

Greek Class—*On hold*

Biblical Counseling Class—*On hold*

Second Sunday Dinner—*August 8th. Please plan to bring a dish to share and stay for the fellowship. Also remember that we usually have visitors who stay for the meal, and you are encouraged to bring more than a small side dish so that there is plenty to go around.*

Book of the Week: The Expository Genius of John Calvin, by Steven J. Lawson

Looking to the past for outstanding Bible-based, Christ-centered, and life-changing preaching, Dr. Steven J. Lawson focuses on sixteenth-century Geneva, Switzerland. It was there that John Calvin ministered for decades as a faithful shepherd to a flock of believers...Here is an intimate portrait of Calvin the preacher—the core beliefs that determined his preaching style, the steps he took to prepare to preach, and the techniques he used in handling the Word of God, interpreting it, and applying it to his congregation. In the pulpit ministry of the great Reformer, Dr. Lawson finds inspiration and guidance for today's church and calls on modern pastors to follow the Reformer's example of strong expository preaching.

Purchase at:

<https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/the-expository-genius-of-john-calvin-a-long-line-of-godly-men-lawson.html>

Also available in the church bookstore.



The Expository Genius of
John Calvin

STEVEN J. LAWSON



A Long Line of Godly Men Profile



The Afghan Taliban and The American Secularists

—by Jared Longshore

You wouldn't expect it, things normally being clearer up close, but the human race has a knack for seeing idolatry at a distance. Show us idolatry over yonder and we can spot it in an instant. Tell us of idolatry in our own living rooms and we stare with bewilderment. And yet, God has a way of using that idolatry to expose our idolatry—"Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man, and he said to Nathan, 'As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die...' Nathan said to David, 'You are the man!'" (2 Samuel 12:5-7).

Americans have watched in horror as the Taliban has taken Kabul, Afghanistan. The people of war-torn Afghanistan indeed need our prayers. I have heard a report that the Taliban have sworn to kill Christians. Various news articles lament the coming treatment of Afghanistan women under Sharia law. Over the years, American soldiers have heroically given their lives on Afghan soil, and praise God for them and their families. All of this calls for Christian grief and intercessions that God would have mercy. It also calls for Secular America to fall flat on its face before the King and call upon the name of Yahweh.

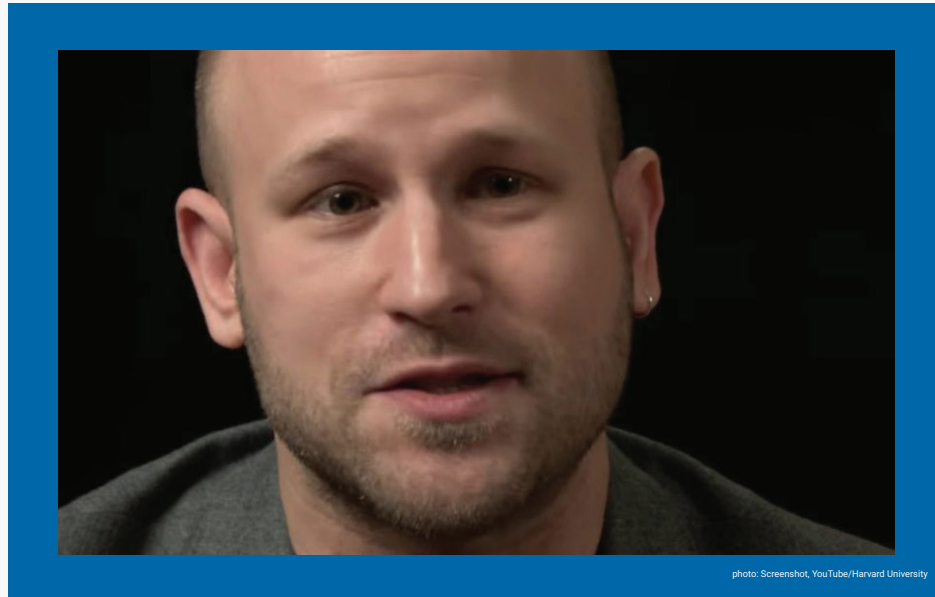
Secular America can see the Taliban's idolatry and its fruits, but it is blind to its own. We are right to be outraged by the way women have been treated under Sharia law. But, you cannot be outraged while oppressing women with a heavier yoke

than Sharia. You cannot object to misogyny while engaging in misogyny. And you cannot demand women stop being brutalized while brutalizing them.

Joe Biden cannot express shock that the Taliban requires women to wear Burqas, while at the same time sending violent men to the women's prison. The American National Commission on Public Service cannot lament the Taliban restricting the movements of women while recommending that women be forced to fight male soldiers from hostile countries. The educator cannot decry the Taliban's philosophy while teaching girls to deny their femininity. The American surgeon cannot be dismayed at the Taliban's barbaric punishment of women while using his surgical knife to cut off a woman's breasts in the sickening and vain attempt to make her a man.

Continue Reading:

<https://www.premierchristianity.com/features/why-im-finally-a-young-earth-creationist/5327.article>



Harvard University was established by Puritan colonists to educate American clergymen under the motto “Truth for Christ and the Church,” the Times reported. The university, named after Pastor John Harvard, chose clergymen to lead Harvard for over 70 years.

Continue Reading:

<https://dailycaller.com/2021/08/26/harvard-atheist-university-chaplain/>

Harvard Selects An Atheist For Chief University Chaplain

—by Mary Margaret Olan

Harvard University has selected a man who does not believe in God to be the school’s chief chaplain.

Chief Chaplain Greg Epstein is the author of “Good Without God: What a Billion Nonreligious People Do Believe.” He also serves as Harvard’s Humanist Chaplain, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) humanist chaplain, and as Convener for Ethical Life at the MIT Office of Religious, Spiritual, and Ethical Life.

“We don’t look to a god for answers,” 44-year-old Epstein told The New York Times. “We are each other’s answers.”

Epstein will lead the university’s community of more than 30 chaplains who represent “many of the world’s religious, spiritual, and ethical traditions” and “who share a collective commitment to serving the spiritual needs of the students, faculty, and staff of Harvard University.” These chaplains work closely with students both in groups and individually, acting as mentors and counsellors.

Other News:

Taliban Going Door To Door Seeking Christians, Searching Through Phones For Bible Apps: Report— <https://www.dailywire.com/news/taliban-going-door-to-door-seeking-christians-searching-through-phones-for-bible-apps-report>

'Smallest baby at birth' home after 13 months in hospital— <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-58141756>

In a Shocking and Chilling Report, Human Rights Without Frontiers says that Nigerian Jihadists have “hacked to death” no fewer than 3,462 Christians in Nigeria during the past 200 days.— <https://www.davidalton.net/2021/07/26/in-a-shocking-and-chilling-report-human-rights-without-frontiers-says-that-nigerian-jihadists-have-hacked-to-death-no-fewer-than-3462-christians-in-nigeria-during-the-past-200-days/>

Quote of the Week:

The reason for election is not:

our foreseen faith,
our foreseen righteousness,
our foreseen obedience
our foreseen choice.

God has elected people for salvation in accordance
with His pleasure, His will, His glory (Eph 1:5).

Election is about God, not me.

Biblical Counseling Resources

Strategies for Fighting Depression Well—by Jim Newheiser
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/fighting-depression-well/>

Identity Language in Counseling—by Martha Peace
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/identity-language-in-counseling/>

The Pursuit of Peace—by Sam Stephens
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/the-pursuit-of-peace/>

Defeating Despair—by Tim Pasma
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/defeating-despair/>

Gracious Words Amid Sword Thrusts—by Jim Koerber
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/gracious-words-amid-sword-thrusts/>

You Can Please God—by Kyle Gangel
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/you-can-please-god/>

Crafting Temptation and Repentance Plans to Help Addicts—by Keith Palmer
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/crafting-temptation-and-repentance-plans-to-help-addicts/>

Counseling Self-Injuring Teens
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/resource-library/conference-messages/counseling-self-injuring-teens/>

Enduring Dark Providences
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/resource-library/articles/enduring-dark-providences/>

Covenant Baptist Biblical Counseling Class:

A Biblical Counseling class started previously at 7 PM here at the church. If you would be interested in participating, please let the pastor know. We are going to livestream the class. Just go to the website at <https://covenantbaptistsc.org> and click the livestream button on home page at 7pm Thursdays.

Biblical counseling class on hold while teacher recovers from surgery.



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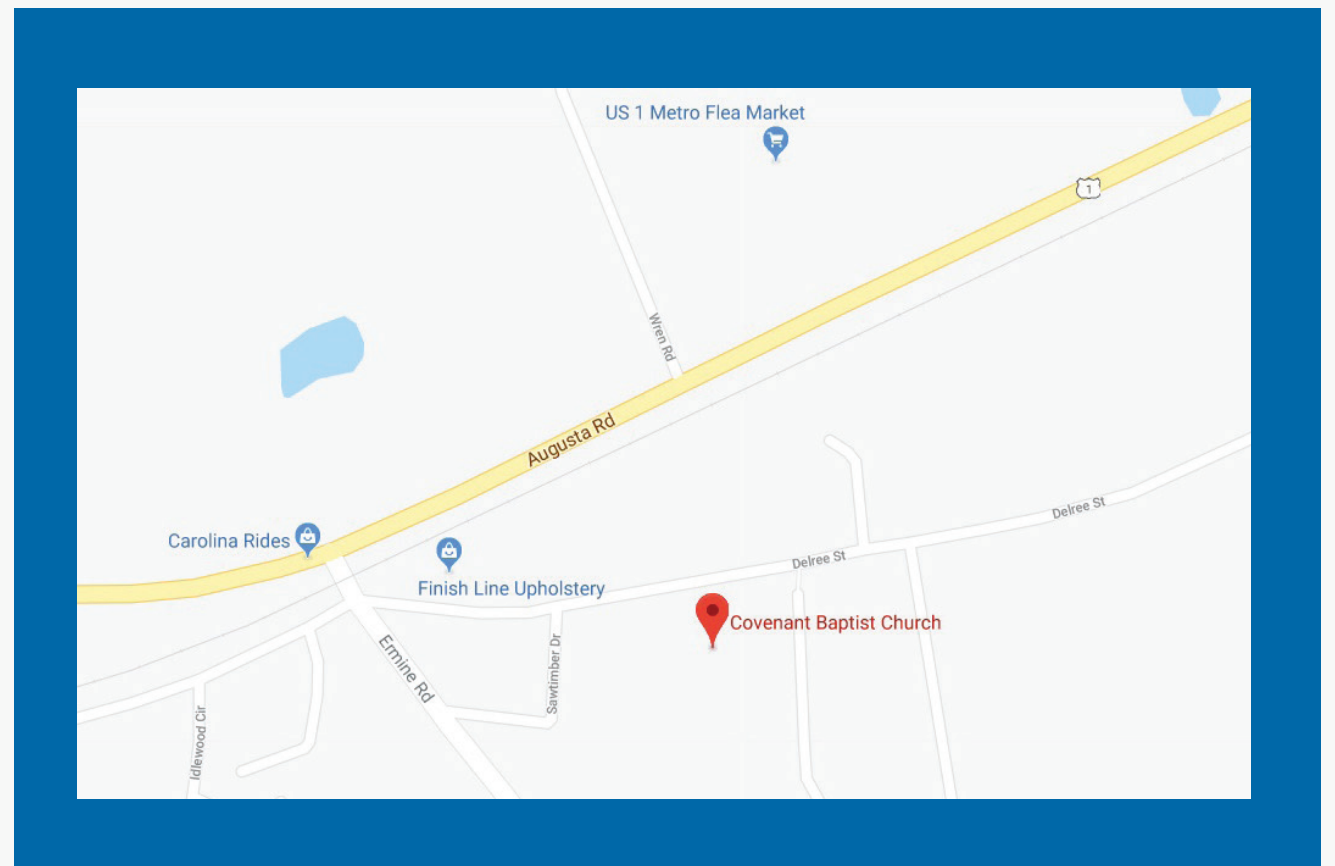
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Location:



*If you are interested in joining our church, please speak to one of our elders or deacons.
They will be happy to give you the information you need.*