



## Covenant Baptist Church

*Reformed and Refreshing*

*April 24, 2022*

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 (New Members Class)  
~ 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

*(April 24, 2022)*

Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 34:1-9

Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns 129

Scripture Reading: Revelation 17:1-18

Hymn: Like a River Glorious 64

Hymn: His Forever 156

Message: Thanksgiving for a Saved People  
—2 Thessalonians 2:13-14

Lord's Supper

Hymn: The Communion Hymn 343

Closing Prayer

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### Church Cleaning Schedule:

- April 30: Shumpert/Smoak
- May 7: Egan/Fudge
- May 14: Phiifer

### On-Call Deacon List:

- April 24: Andy Shumpert
- May 1: Wesley Smoak
- May 8: Daryl Kyzer

### Church Bookstore:

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

# Announcements

Today we will observe the Lord’s Supper.

For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord’s body. —1 Corinthians 11:23-29 (NKJV)

Our New Members Class resumes today. If you have joined the church or are considering uniting in membership with the church, plan to be at this class. It begins at 9:30am and is being taught by Pastor Swann.

This Wednesday evening we will continue our study in Romans. Prayer at 6, service at 7.

ACBC Biblical Counseling class will meet this Thursday at 7 PM.

Following the service today, there will be a brief meeting in the library for those interested in a homeschool co-op opportunity at Covenant. Please join us if you are interested in attending the co-op, able to help with teaching, or if you are able to assist with infants and toddlers room.

April 27-30 in Maggie Valley there will be a Motor Bike Rally with thousands of attendees. Ron and Lisa have attended several times and used this rally as a way to witness with tracts and bibles. Lord willing, Bobby will join them this year. Please pray that our witness will glorify the Lord.

We are hosting a “Resist Roe - Next Steps” meeting on Friday, May 13 from 7-9 PM as a follow-up to the March rally. Please plan on attending to learn more about your vital role in ending child murder in South Carolina. Speakers include Matt Brock (Operation Save America), Rep. Jonathan Hill, Mark Corral (SC Right to Life) and Dr. Robert Jackson.

Fishing & fun! We are planning a day of fun, games, fishing, grilling, small petting zoo, and fellowship at “Tom’s Pond” (a friend of Bobby McDonald). This is for all ages. Please let Bobby know if you are interested. It will be either May 7 or 14 from noon until dark.

## Covenant Baptist Church Events

**Greek Class**—*On hold*

**Biblical Counseling Class**—*Thursdays, 7 pm.*

**Second Sunday Dinner**—*May 8th, 2022. 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.*

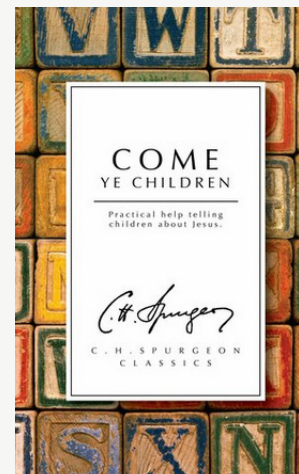
## Book of the Week: Come Ye Children, by Charles Spurgeon

‘A thankless task.’ ‘A waste of time.’ Two of the ways worn out people have described the Christian training of children. You don’t have to feel that way! In this book you will find encouragement, practical help and biblical principles.

You will also go away with a new vision of the importance of the work in which you are involved. C.H Spurgeon shows us that telling young people about Jesus is the most important task given to anyone....

Purchase at:

<https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/come-ye-children-practical-help-telling-children-about-jesus-spurgeon.html>





## Continue Reading:

<https://www.gty.org/library/blog/B181024>

## What Would Jesus Say About Your Church?

—by *R. C. Sproul*

In the book of Revelation, Jesus wrote seven letters to cities in Asia Minor. He didn't write them to city hall; He wrote them to the church.

Let that sink in for a moment. In the closing chapters of Scripture, the Lord did not set His church on a mission to “redeem the culture.” He didn't advise His people to leverage political power to institute morality, or to protest the rule of immoral men. In fact, He didn't launch a social revolution or devise a political strategy of any kind.

The church today—and particularly the church in America—needs to understand that God has not called His people out of the world simply to wage a culture war with the world. We're not meant to gain temporal ground, like some invading force working to superficially “turn this country back to God.” We need to shed the illusion that our ancestors' morality once made America a “Christian nation.” There have never been any Christian nations—just Christians.

Believers need to understand that what happens in America politically and socially has nothing to do with the progress or the power of the kingdom of God. Cultural change can't accelerate the kingdom's growth; nor can it hinder it (see Matthew 16:18). Christ's kingdom “is not of this world” (John 18:36).



## Continue Reading:

<https://heartcrymissionary.com/mission-updates/pray-for-protection/>

## Pray for Protection

—by Sandu Deac

These are difficult days for not only the Ukrainian people, but also for those who risks their lives to help them by crossing the border with food and medical supplies. HeartCry Missionary Sandu Deac continues to minister to the refugees and those who have chosen to weather the threat of Russian aggression and death. Recently, HeartCry was able to provide a war helmet and bullet proof vest for our brother to carry life – sustaining provisions into war torn regions. In Sandu's recent report he shares the present conditions and needs:

*I think that protection is our greatest need right now. So, please pray for our protection, for wisdom and attention, so that I would make good decisions every day.*

*It's been 40 days since the beginning of the war in Ukraine and the situation in this country is quite bad. The number of those who are leaving the country is decreasing as compared to the first two weeks after the war began. This doesn't mean that there are no more people seeking shelter. Many people still manage to find refuge and choose to go to places close to the border. Some of them are afraid to go to a place where they can't speak the language, while others just want to stay together as families. So, many people come to these border towns in order to find shelter. Others find different solutions and leave the country.*



## News

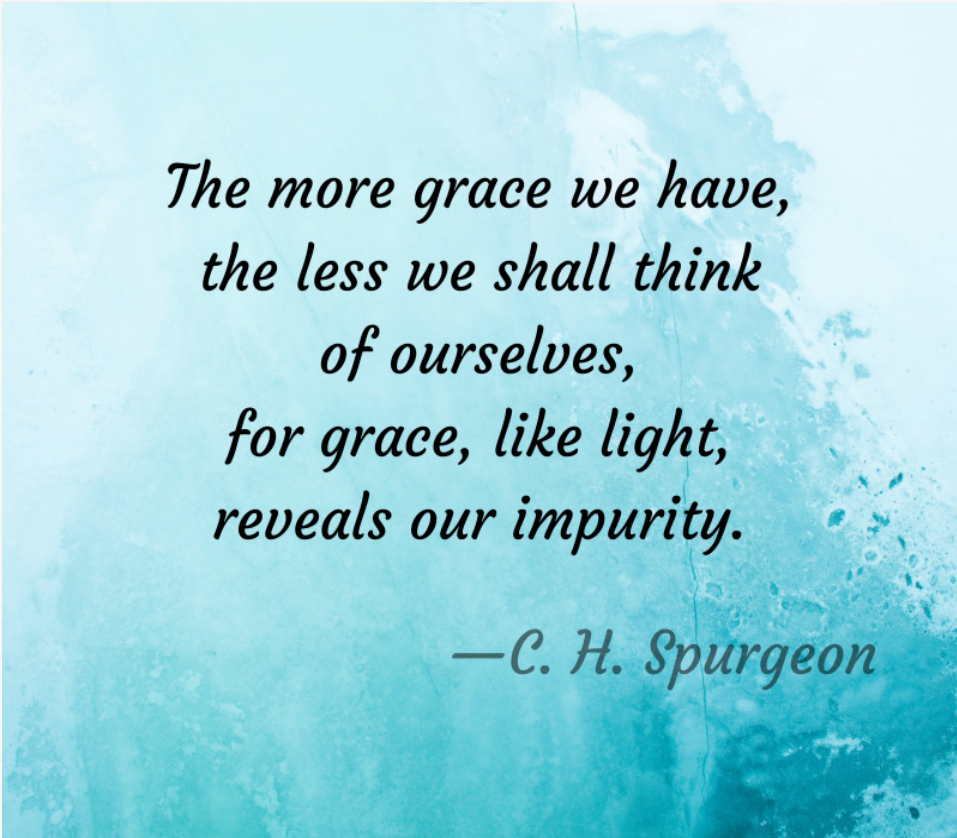
**Serving Refugees**— <https://heartcrymissionary.com/mission-updates/serving-the-refugees/>

**California Bill Would Legalize Infanticide, Babies Could be Left to Die Up to 6 Weeks After Birth**— <https://www.lifenews.com/2022/03/25/california-bill-would-legalize-infanticide-babies-could-be-left-to-die-up-to-6-weeks-after-birth/>

**Update on Ukraine**— <https://heartcrymissionary.com/mission-updates/update-on-ukraine/>

**Citi to cover travel expenses for U.S. staff seeking an abortion**— <https://news.yahoo.com/citi-cover-travel-expenses-u-145324689.html>

## Quote of the Week:



*The more grace we have,  
the less we shall think  
of ourselves,  
for grace, like light,  
reveals our impurity.*

*—C. H. Spurgeon*

## 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:**  
Thursdays, 7pm



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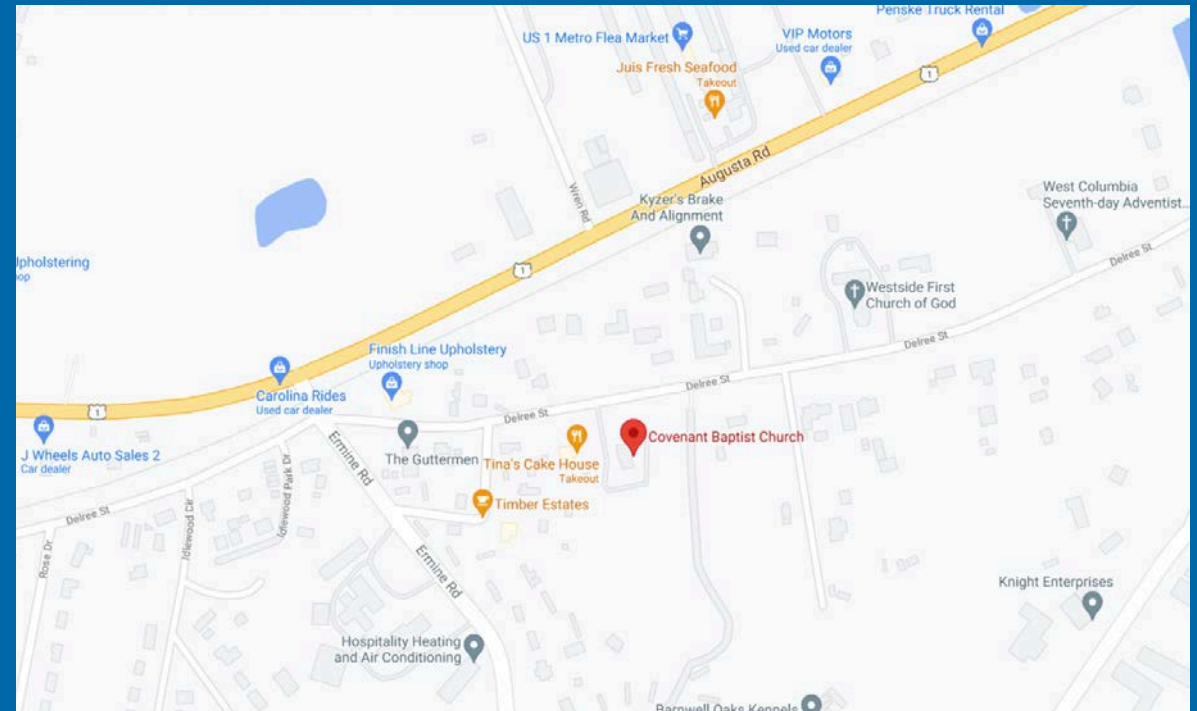
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## Location:



*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.*