



Covenant Baptist Church

Reformed and Refreshing

July 17, 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

(July 17, 2022)

Prelude

Kenya Mission Update—Mitch Campbell

Call to Worship: Psalm 143:8-11

Hymn: Across the Lands 198

Scripture Reading: James 3:13-18

Hymn: My Jesus, I Love Thee 380

Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy 48

Message:

The Right Attitude In the Midst of Trials
—James 1:1-8

Hymn: I Hear the Words of Love 195

Closing Prayer

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Church Cleaning Schedule:

- July 23: Olds/Todd
- July 30: Kyzer (K&R)/Bean
- August 6: Allen (J&W)/Steele

On-Call Deacon List:

- July 17: Trey Egan
- July 24: Colonel Rogers
- July 31: Andy Shumpert

Church Bookstore:

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

Announcements

Ben Smith is the new contact for the church texting service. If you need to send a prayer request, or would like to be added to the list, you can text him at 910-330-3778.

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Our homeschool co-op is still looking for a few teachers and assistants. If you are interested in helping, please see Kerri Olds.

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Parents, please be mindful of others as you are training your children to sit through the service quietly. If your child is fussing or talking, please step out with them to the foyer, overflow room, or nursery rooms in the back where the sermon is being played over speakers and TV so you do not miss anything. We gladly welcome children being apart of the worship service, but encourage you to train them for this task. If you need some help in this area, please see one of the elders and they can direct you to families willing to share some advice that has worked in training their own children.

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We are looking for more ladies to help serve in the nursery. You need to be a member of CBC and you we will need to get a background check. Please see Kerri Olds.

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Our New Members Class continues 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.

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The 3rd Covenant Home now has 21 boys taken off the streets and living within its walls. We now need 21 supporters to adopt a boy to support at \$41.00 a month. The Mission Letter will be reaching outside of the church to those who may be interested in working alongside of us in getting these children off the streets of India. Please see Alton for more details. Prayer is our #1 tool. Thank you all.

Covenant Baptist Church Events

Greek Class—*On hold*

Biblical Counseling Class—*Thursdays, 7 pm.*

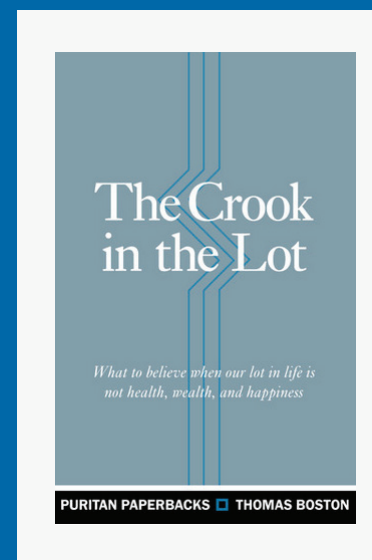
Second Sunday Dinner—*We will not be having our 2nd Sunday Meals for now. Due to not having enough room for everyone to eat, we are postponing our 2nd Sunday meals until we can figure out how better to accommodate the crowd. We are so thankful that so many want to stay in to eat and have fellowship together but we also want to be able to have enough room for you, and your friends and family to do the same. Please be in prayer for the elders and deacons as they make the needed decisions to accommodate the growing church.*

Book of the Week: The Crook in the Lot, by Thomas Boston

Thomas Boston (1676-1732) was a remarkable Scottish theologian and pastor. His Works run to 12 volumes and contain some lengthy theological treatises. But Boston also wrote brief, very accessible, and pastoral books, and chief among these is the quaintly titled, *The Crook in the Lot: The Sovereignty and Wisdom of God, in the Afflictions of Men Displayed*. This little book is a pastoral masterpiece, in which Boston reflects on the words of Ecclesiastes 7:13, ‘Consider the work of God: for who can make that straight which he hath made crooked?’...By ‘lot’, Boston means our ‘lot in life’, the shape of our lives as they are styled by God’s many providences. By ‘crook’, he means those unforeseen troubles that afflict, unsettle, or disturb us in any way. Boston sets out to minister pastoral wisdom and help to God’s people experiencing what Paul calls ‘the sufferings of this present time’ (Rom. 8:18)....*The Crook in the Lot* is pastoral medicine prepared in the laboratory of Boston’s own personal and ministerial sufferings. It is little wonder that Jonathan Edwards considered Boston ‘a truly great divine’. He was indeed! — *From The Foreword by Ian Hamilton*

Purchase at:

<https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/the-crook-in-the-lot-boston.html>





Keep Reading:

<https://tabletalkmagazine.com/article/2022/07/the-salt-of-the-earth-and-light-of-the-world/>

The Salt of the Earth and Light of the World

—by Christopher J. Gordon

Think of the struggle we are witnessing in our culture over the question of identity. Today, people are on an endless quest of finding an identity in those things that they believe will make them happy. The culture tells people to turn inward and follow the desires of the heart to define one's identity. And once people believe they have found their true identity, notice how passionate they are to make it known.

With all the challenges surrounding identity, we often tell Christians to be careful of these alternative identities proposed by the world and to pursue the identity we have in Christ. But what is our identity in Christ? Have we thrown this phrase around too loosely without helping people understand precisely what we are talking about? It is not enough simply to tell people that they have a new identity in Jesus. Great attention needs to be given to help people understand what this identity is so that it will be valued and exercised. When we understand how Jesus defines our identity, that understanding forms the foundation for how we are to live in this world as His followers.



Continue Reading:

<https://www.breitbart.com/politics/2022/07/11/woke-churches-label-pro-life-movement-demonic-agenda-claim-god-is-pro-choice/>

Woke Churches Label Pro-Life Movement a 'Demonic Agenda' and Claim 'God Is Pro-Choice' —by *Hannah Bleau*

Woke churches across the country have celebrated abortion and even gone as far as labeling the pro-life movement a “demonic agenda” in the wake of the Supreme Court’s decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade*.

It remains to be seen how each individual state will handle the defeat of *Roe v. Wade*. Several red states have already enacted abortion bans that, despite popular belief touted by the radical left, do provide exceptions for the life of the mother. But the battles still continue. Florida, for example, is currently facing legal challenges over its 15-week abortion ban as Gov. Ron DeSantis’s administration continues the fight.

“To say that the state constitution mandates things like dismemberment abortions — I just don’t think that’s the proper interpretation,” DeSantis said this month, making it clear there would be an appeal.

Meanwhile, blue states seek to codify abortion. California Gov. Gavin Newsom (D), for example, signed a bill making the Golden State a “safe haven for women across the nation” to get an abortion.

News (Cont.)

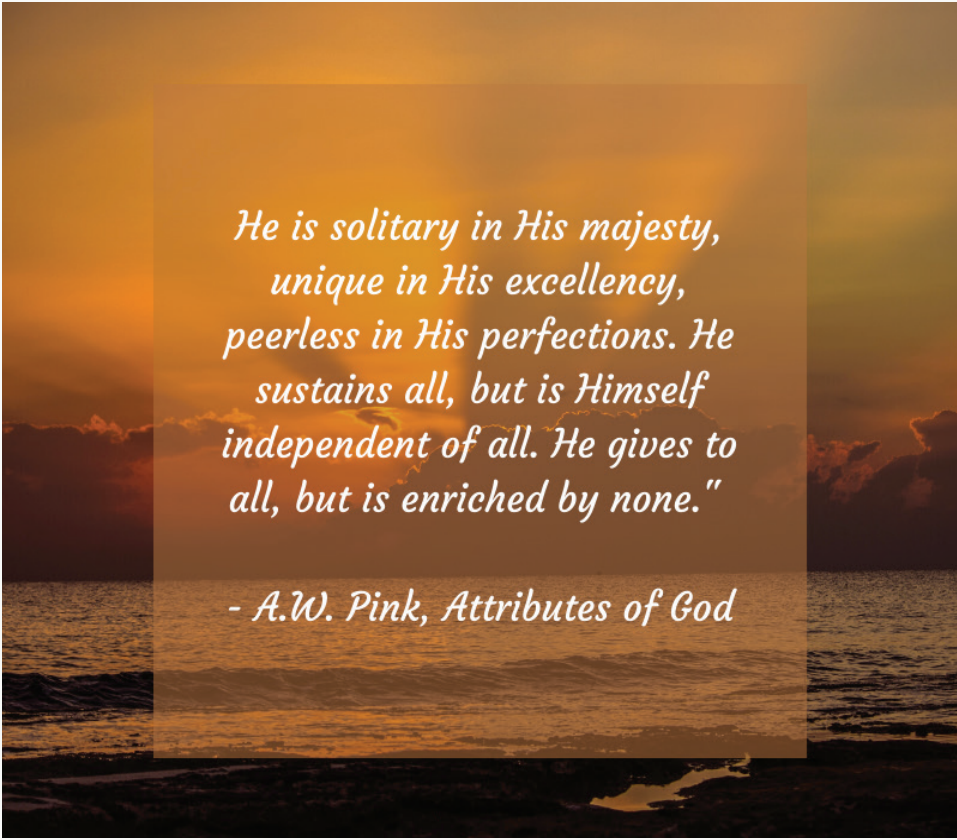
Chinese firm bought North Dakota farm near US Air Force drone base: report— <https://nypost.com/2022/07/01/chinese-firm-bought-farm-near-us-air-force-drone-base-report/>

Global Food Crisis ‘Will Kill Millions’ By Disease, Health Executive Warns— <https://www.barrons.com/news/global-food-crisis-will-kill-millions-by-disease-health-executive-warns-01655961907>

Another US Food Processing Plant Erupts In Flames— <https://www.zerohedge.com/markets/another-food-plant-erupts-flames>

Mennonite Church USA passes resolution allowing pastors to perform gay weddings— <https://www.christianpost.com/news/mennonite-church-usa-to-allow-pastors-to-perform-gay-weddings.html>

Quote of the Week:



*He is solitary in His majesty,
unique in His excellency,
peerless in His perfections. He
sustains all, but is Himself
independent of all. He gives to
all, but is enriched by none."*

- A.W. Pink, Attributes of God

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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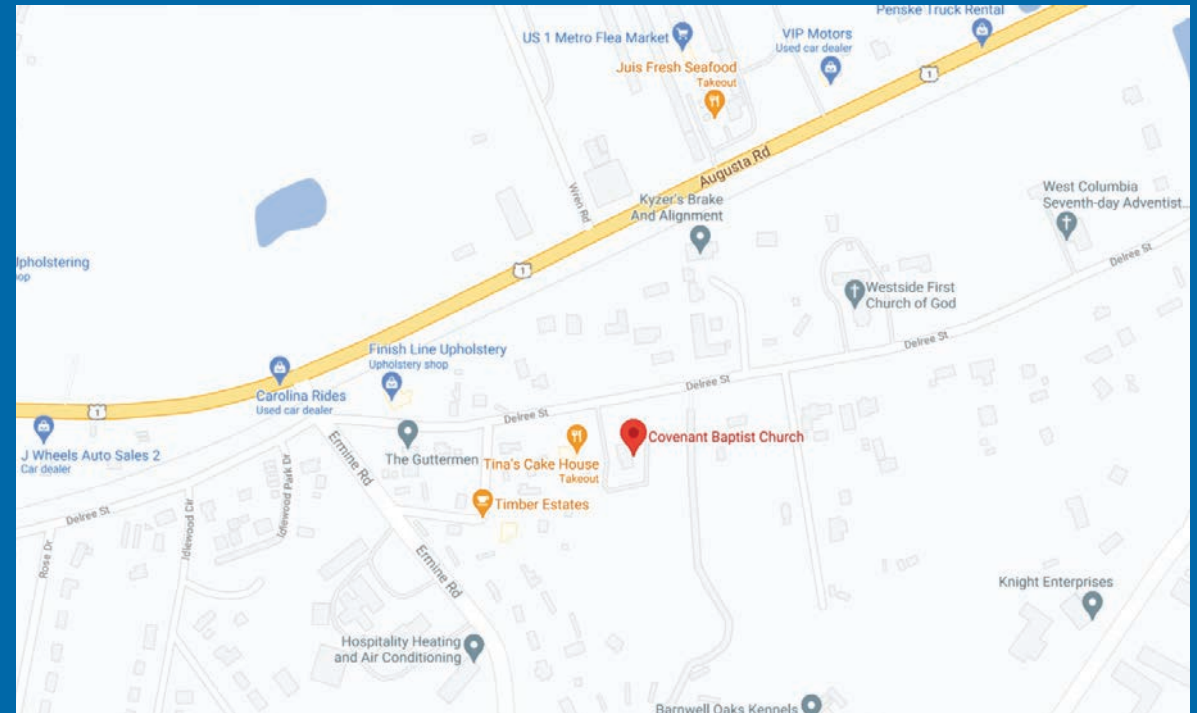
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Location:



*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.*