



## Covenant Baptist Church

*Reformed and Refreshing*

*October 30, 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  
~ 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

*(October 30, 2022)*

Call to Worship: Romans 1:16-17 (NKJV) |  
Pastor Charles Swann

Worship Through Music:  
led by Elder-in-Training Sandy Allen

Hymn: A Mighty Fortress 53

OT Reading: Job 25:1–26:14 (LSB)  
| CBTS Ministry Student Matthew Lawson

Hymn: By Grace Alone 93

Hymn: Reformation Song (screen)

NT Reading: Romans 3:19-28 (ESV) |  
Elder-in-Training Andy Shumpert

Hymn: In Christ Alone 177  
Message: After Darkness Light 2.0: A Call for Reformation  
—John 1:4-5; 2 Corinthians 4:3–6 | Pastor Charles Swann

Lord's Table

Hymn: These Great Things 32

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### Church Cleaning Schedule:

- November 5: Shumpert/Smoak
- November 12: Egan/Fudge
- November 19: Phifer

### On-Call Deacon List:

- October 30: Colonel Rogers
- November 6: Bob Falsetti
- November 13: Wesley Smoak

### Church Bookstore:

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

## Announcements

This Lord's Day we have dedicated to the Reformation. This is the most important historic event since the coming of Christ, which reclaimed the gospel out of darkness that lasted for 1,000 years. We have our English bibles from events leading up to and through the Reformation. We have the Protestant faith due to the willingness of many to die, burned at the stake for the truth of salvation by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone for the glory of God alone. We are a blessed people. May God be praised for His willingness to be merciful to us.

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We will observe the Lord's Supper Today. Please be in prayerful preparation for the receiving of the Lord's Supper. I Corinthians 11:23-32

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We will have a fellowship meal following our worship. Please plan to stay and have lunch with us. We have a tent set up outside to help with seating.

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The Mission Team would like to purchase a gift for each of our orphans at Covenant's Orphan Homes in Guntur, India. If you would like to participate, gifts of books and clothes can be purchased reasonably for about \$6 each, or a total of \$600 for both the 63 orphans, and the live-in families that care for them. See Alton for details.

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This Wednesday we meet for our extended prayer service at 7 PM.

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As announced last week, we are participating in helping 'Faith Cometh by Hearing' and providing Proclaimers with the Bible in the Ukrainian and/or Russian language to share with the thousands that do not have Bibles. This way the people of Ukraine can listen to God's word whether they are in bunkers or in their homes. We can purchase 10 mid-size Proclaimers at \$45 each. Please pray about helping and earmark envelopes or checks 'Bible Proclaimers'. Thank you all from the Mission Team. Any questions please see Alton.

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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.

## Covenant Baptist Church Events

### Greek Class—*On hold*

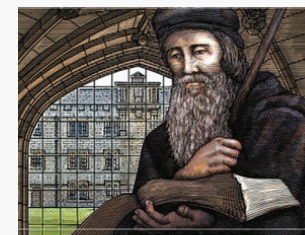
**Second Sunday Dinner**—*We will not be having our 2nd Sunday Meals for now. Due to not having enough room for everyone to eat, we are postponing our 2nd Sunday meals until we can figure out how better to accommodate the crowd. We are so thankful that so many want to stay in to eat and have fellowship 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 Bible Convictions of John Wycliffe, by Steven J. Lawson

The fourteenth century was a dark time for the church in England. Superstition and error obscured the truth of the gospel, and even the clergy had little knowledge of the Bible. Against this bleak backdrop, God raised up a scholar and preacher who would stand with conviction on His Word, even if it meant standing alone... Trusting Scripture as his highest authority, John Wycliffe believed the Bible was what England needed most. Only through the Word of God would the Holy Spirit reform hearts and, in turn, reform the church. But for this to happen, Wycliffe knew that everyday people needed to have the Bible in their own language...In The Bible Convictions of John Wycliffe, Dr. Steven Lawson tells how Wycliffe's devotion to the gospel made him the forerunner of the Reformation who translated the Bible into English for the first time. We're indebted to him for our English Bibles today, and his story can encourage us to establish our convictions on God's Word.

Purchase at:

<https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/the-bible-convictions-of-john-wycliffe-lawson.html>



The Bible Convictions of

John  
Wycliffe

STEVEN J. LAWSON





**Listen:**

<https://www.ligonier.org/learn/articles/very-heart-reformation>

## The Very Heart of the Reformation

—by R. C. Sproul

At the very heart of the controversy in the sixteenth century was the question of the ground by which God declares anyone righteous in His sight. The psalmist asked, “If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?” (Ps. 130:3). In other words, if we have to stand before God and face His perfect justice and perfect judgment of our performance, none of us would be able to pass review. We all would fall, because as Paul reiterates, all of us have fallen short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23). So, the pressing question of justification is how can an unjust person ever be justified in the presence of a righteous and holy God?

The Roman Catholic view is known as analytical justification. This means that God will declare a person just only when, under His perfect analysis, He finds that he is just, that righteousness is inherent in him. The person cannot have that righteousness without faith, without grace, and without the assistance of Christ.

## G3 Weekly—October 29, 2022

*—by Ben Zeisloft*

Welcome to G3 Weekly—a summary of this week’s top news stories on Christianity and the public square.

This week, documents showed that high school football coach Joe Kennedy will return to the field after winning a landmark Supreme Court battle. Midterm election polling indicated that a large segment of the voting population wants America to be a “Christian nation.” Meanwhile, left-wing protesters stole and ate a teenage street preacher’s Bible.

### Listen:

<https://g3min.org/g3-weekly-october-29-2022/>



## News


**Chris Tomlin Promotes False Teacher Joyce Meyer**— <https://g3min.org/chris-tomlin-promotes-false-teacher-joyce-meyer/>

**The State of Theology, 2022**— <https://thestateoftheology.com/>

**Colorado utility company locks 22,000 thermostats in 90 degree weather due to 'energy emergency'**— <https://www.foxbusiness.com/politics/colorado-utility-company-locks-22000-thermostats-in-90-degree-weather-due-energy-emergency>

**Biden ignores China's infiltration of US universities**— <https://www.foxnews.com/opinion/biden-ignores-chinas-infiltration-us-universities>

## Quote of the Week:



FAITH IS LIKE AN EMPTY,  
OPEN HAND STRETCHED OUT  
TOWARDS GOD, WITH  
NOTHING TO OFFER AND  
EVERYTHING TO RECEIVE.

—JOHN CALVIN

## 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/>



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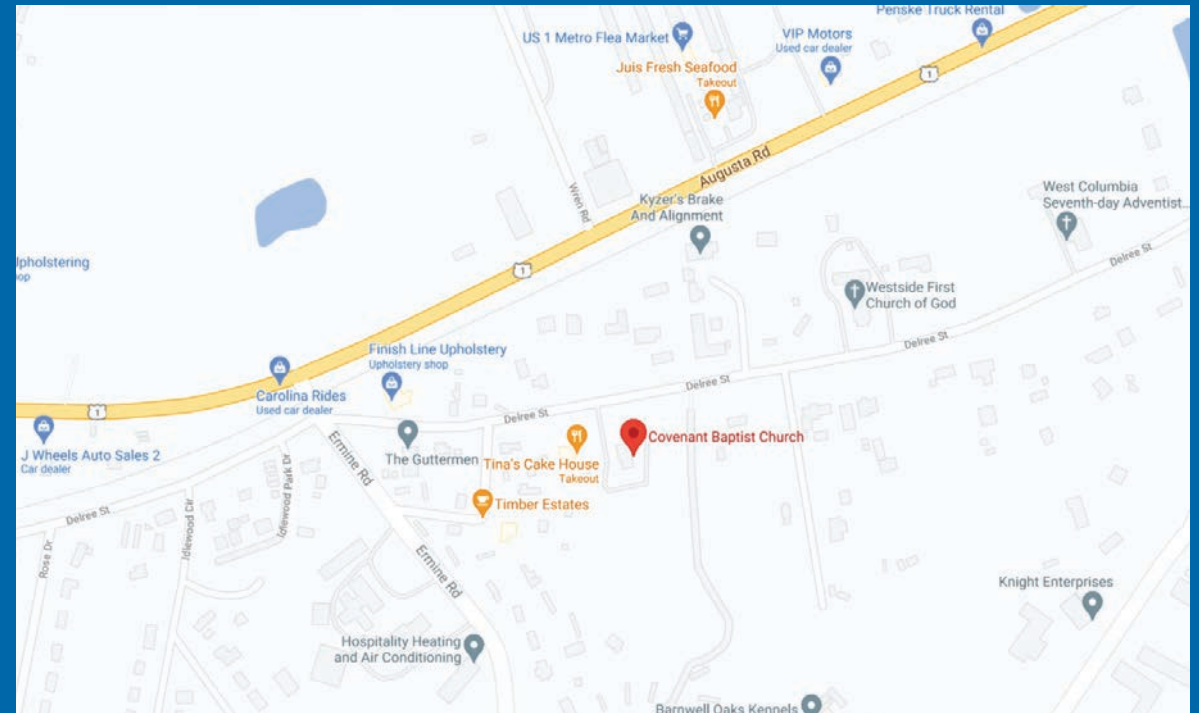
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## Location:



*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.*