



Covenant Baptist Church

Reformed and Refreshing

December 4, 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

(December 4, 2022)

Call to Worship: Isaiah 9:6-7 | Pastor Charles Swann

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

Hymn: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus 216

Scripture Reading: Luke 1:5-25 | Pastor Bud Moss

Hymn: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel 218

Hymn: Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery 184

Message:
The Evil of Favoritism, Part 1—James 2:1-13
Pastor Charles Swann

The Lord's Supper

Hymn: The Communion Hymn 343

Closing Prayer

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Church Cleaning Schedule:

- December 10: Allen (J&W)/Steele
- December 17: Crapps
- December 24: Thomas/Waddell

On-Call Deacon List:

- December 4: Kenny Lucas
- December 11: Trey Egan
- December 18: Colonel Rogers

Scripture Songs Memorization Tool:

<https://tinyurl.com/cbcs scriptureplaylist>

Text biblesongs to 55498 to be notified of new song releases.

Church Bookstore:

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

Announcements

We are observing the Lord’s Supper today. Please prayerfully prepare.

Starting Wednesday, Dec 21 at 7pm, Pastor Joe Whiting will be teaching a series on “Biblical Ethics”. This is a great opportunity to get sound biblical teaching on what the Bible says about ethics. In a world of confusion, the Bible is the plumb line for all that is holy.

There is a list of widows and homebound of our church in the foyer. Pick up a copy.

Please pray for the Orphan Funds. The incoming funds have dropped off somewhat seriously. To keep taking the children off the streets, we must pray for God’s support.

A number of books are missing from the church library, and the pastor’s personal study. If you have any books at home you have yet to return, please do so soon unless it was just recently checked out. The books in the conference room are not for lending.

Please contact Chris Waddell (803-447-8257) if you would like to help clean the church in 2023. The current cleaning rotation is approximately 10-weeks for each family. We are looking to add five families in 2023. If you have any questions please contact Chris.

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.

This Wednesday we have whole time committed to prayer. Starts at 7PM, come and pray as long as you would like.

We will be having a Christmas Eve service with the Lord’s Supper on Saturday, Dec 24th at 5pm. December 25th we will have our worship at 11 AM and will not have Bible Ed.

Please pray for a location for the new church plant, pastored by Bud Moss and Joe Whiting. If you are going to be giving to this new church, please indicate it by writing that this is for the “New Church Plant”.

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. We can purchase 10 mid-size Proclaimers at \$45 each. Bible sticks in Ukrainian can be purchased for \$25 each. Please pray about helping and earmark envelopes or checks ‘Bible Proclaimers’. Any questions please see Alton.

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: Sermons on Job, by John Calvin

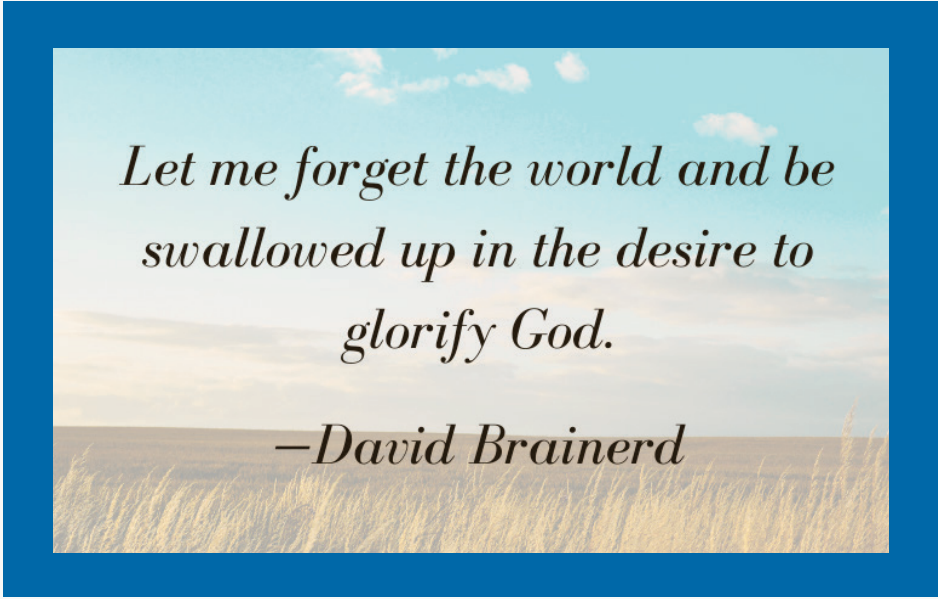
It has been said of [Calvin] that he became a theologian in order to be a better pastor. Nowhere is that more clearly seen than in his sermons.

In 1549, the Compagnie des Étrangers, refugees who thought highly of his ministry, employed a professional scribe, Denis Raguenier, to record and translate Calvin’s sermons.

Thanks to the foresight of these sixteenth-century Christians we can still read the 159 sermons Calvin preached on the Book of Job on week-days in 1554-5. They abound in faithful and lively exposition, and remain one of the finest examples of evangelical preaching – faithful to the biblical text and thoughtfully applied to the individual and society.

Purchase at:
<https://banneroftruth.org/us/store/sermons-and-expositions/sermons-on-job/>





*Let me forget the world and be
swallowed up in the desire to
glorify God.*

—David Brainerd

Listen:

<https://www.ligonier.org/learn/articles/missionary-david-brainerd>

Who Was David Brainerd?

—by Dustin Benge

On a spring day in 1747, mounted on his horse, a frail twenty-nine year old David Brainerd (1718–1747) rode into the yard of the Northampton parsonage of New England pastor Jonathan Edwards. Before this day, Brainerd and Edwards were relative strangers to one another. However, the summer of 1747 nurtured a growing friendship between the two men culminating in one of the most influential missionary biographies in the history of American evangelicalism.

Childhood and Unspeakable Glory

Born on Easter Sunday, April 20, 1718, in Haddam, Connecticut, David was one of nine children born to Hezekiah and Dorothy Brainerd. The Brainerd family were descendants of a long line of men and women noteworthy for their religious zeal. It was said that David's father, Hezekiah, was a man of "great personal dignity and self-restraint . . . and of extreme scrupulousness in the Christian life."

G3 Weekly—December 3, 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, census results in England and Wales showed that less than half of residents identified themselves as Christians. The Episcopal Church has lost nearly one-fifth of its members in a single decade. Meanwhile, two ministers launched “pastor story hour” events at their local libraries in response to the “drag queen story hour” movement.

Read:

<https://g3min.org/g3-weekly-december-3-2022/>

News

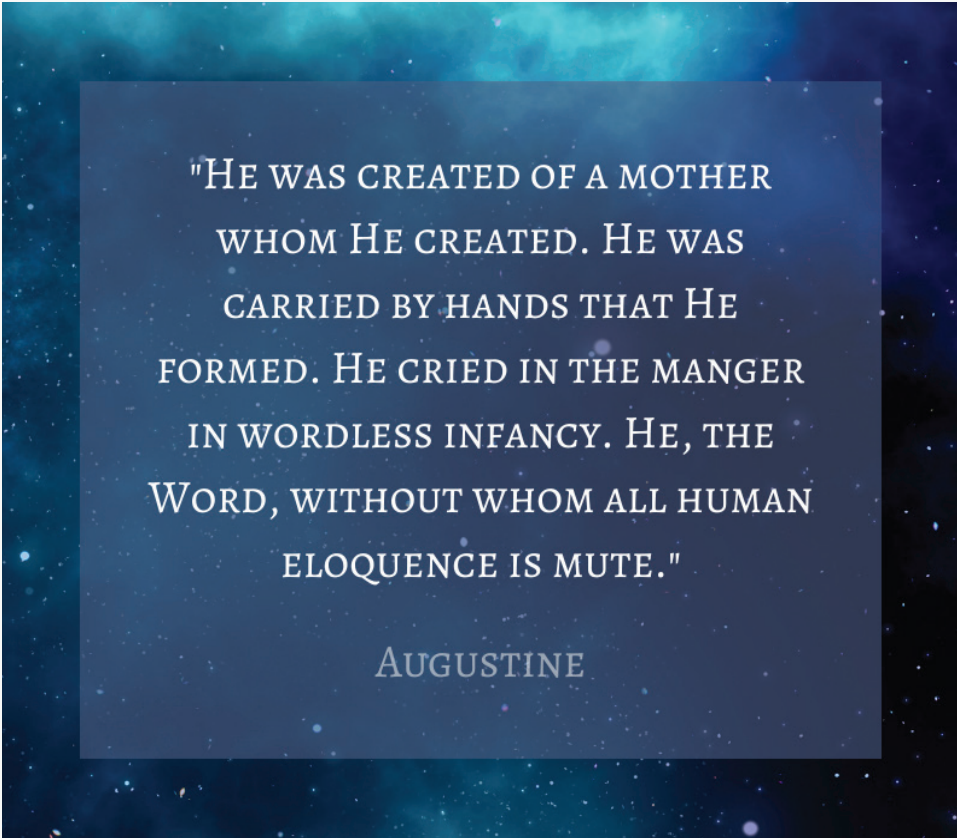
G3 Weekly Features—Tobias Riemenschneider— <https://g3min.org/g3-weekly-features-tobias-riemenschneider/>

G3 Weekly—November 19, 2022— <https://g3min.org/g3-weekly-november-19-2022/>

G3 Weekly—November 12, 2022— <https://g3min.org/g3-weekly-november-12-2022/>

G3 Weekly—November 5, 2022— <https://g3min.org/g3-weekly-november-5-2022/>

Quote of the Week:



"HE WAS CREATED OF A MOTHER
WHOM HE CREATED. HE WAS
CARRIED BY HANDS THAT HE
FORMED. HE CRIED IN THE MANGER
IN WORDLESS INFANCY. HE, THE
WORD, WITHOUT WHOM ALL HUMAN
ELOQUENCE IS MUTE."

AUGUSTINE

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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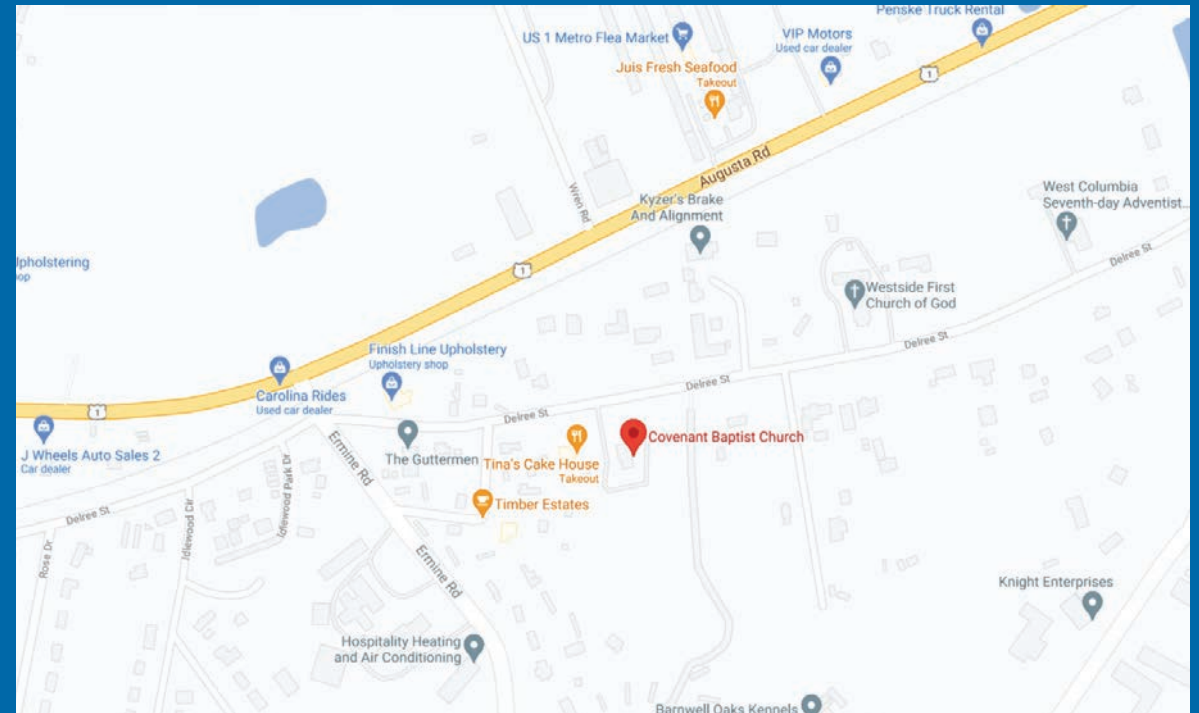
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Location:



*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.*