

## MORNING WORSHIP

*Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. Psalm 100:4*

### GATHERING TO PRAISE AND ADORE OUR GOD

The Father's Love

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*God's Word*

*Confession of Sin*

*Assurance of Forgiveness*

### WORSHIP IN HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

Sooner Count the Stars

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

### WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD READ PUBLICLY

Romans 3:21-31 (Red Bible p.1114)

### WORSHIP THROUGH JOINING OUR HEARTS TOGETHER IN PRAYER

### WORSHIP IN OUR GIVING

In Christ Alone

### WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Colossians: Small Church, Great Christ | Col. 1:1-14 | Bradley Aucoin

### WORSHIP THROUGH OUR COMMON CONFESSION OF THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### WORSHIP AT THE LORD'S TABLE

*The Lord's Table is open to everyone who is a baptized believer in good standing with a Christian church. Starting from the back, we proceed down the center aisle and return to our seats on the side aisles. It is our custom to take the bread individually as a sign of our personal discipleship to the Lord Jesus Christ and to hold the cup and take it together as a token of our unity in the Body of Christ. If you are unable to come forward, please tell an usher, and we will bring communion to you. Gluten-free bread is available.*

### HYMN OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

Amazing Grace

### BENEDICTION TO RETURN AS GOD'S AMBASSADORS TO THE WORLD

## PRAYER LIST

**Church Family:** That we would expect conversations with other church members to be deep, and often theological in nature as we seek to grow together in Christian maturity.

**Vocation—Engineers/Scientists:** To exhibit integrity and faithfulness in their calling so that their work is done unto the Lord and helps bring good things to their fellow man.

## Colossians: Small Church, Great Christ

Colossians 1:1-14

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, <sup>2</sup> To the holy and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace and peace to you from God our Father. <sup>3</sup> We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, <sup>4</sup> because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all the saints—<sup>5</sup> the faith and love that spring from the hope that is stored up for you in heaven and that you have already heard about in the word of truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup> that has come to you. All over the world this gospel is bearing fruit and growing, just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and understood God's grace in all its truth. <sup>7</sup> You learned it from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, <sup>8</sup> and who also told us of your love in the Spirit. <sup>9</sup> For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. <sup>10</sup> And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, <sup>11</sup> being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light. <sup>13</sup> For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

### Paul Prays *Because of Them* (1:3-8)

### Paul Prays *For Them* (1:9-14)



### Questions to Consider as You Respond to the Word of God Preached

1. Do you regularly and often give thanks to God for fellow believers? How can their faith, hope and love give focus and content to your prayers of thanksgiving for them?
2. How can you use verses 9-14 to guide your prayer time for your brothers and sisters in Christ?

### Questions to Ask a Friend After the Worship Service

1. How did God's Word challenge or speak to you today?
2. How can I pray for you this week?

Next Week: Col. 1:15-20 (Send questions about Colossians to [jamesbradleyaucoin@gmail.com](mailto:jamesbradleyaucoin@gmail.com))

# WELCOME TO CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

1700 Lee Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808 | 225.924.2269 | [christcovenantchurch.net](http://christcovenantchurch.net)

If you have questions about following Christ, reach out to a pastor, elder or even a church member sitting near you. Our church family would love to help you in any way that we can.

**Pastor:** Bradley Aucoin | **Assoc. Pastor:** Shawn Branscum  
**Pastoral Assistant:** Josh Motta **Pastor Emeritus:** Phill Yoho  
**Pianist:** Vasil Cvetkov  
**Current Elders:** Bradley Aucoin, Shawn Branscum, Matt Edwards, Bob Welch, and Casey Williamson  
**Deacons:** Bill Stickle and Mark Tiller

## LIFE TOGETHER TODAY AND THIS WEEK

**OPEN AIR MINISTRY - TODAY AT NOON:** Join us as we help Open Air Ministries (Florida Blvd at N. 17th) and its outreach to the homeless. For more info, contact Tyler at 318-542-3407. Youth participation is a big help.

**SNG—CAMPUS OUTREACH FISH FRY—TONIGHT:** Join us from 5:00-6:00 p.m. as we enjoy fried fish (and all the sides) and then stick around from 6:00-7:15 p.m. as we hear about the summer projects that our CO Students will be doing this summer. This is always a great night of vision and also a crucial time of fundraising. Our goal is to raise \$15,000 to support our students. Home made desserts are welcome! Future SNGs: March 15, April 5.

**FIRST MONDAY PRAYER AND FASTING:** On the first Monday of each month, members of Christ Covenant Church are encouraged to fast (at least one meal) and pray for one another. The Membership Directories (on the Resource Table) have some great suggestions for how we can be praying for our church family.

**COMMUNITY BIBLE READING AND PRAYER DURING LENT:** Pick up a bookmark on the Resource Table as we continue to read the NT together during Lent. And, beginning tomorrow, the Conference Room will be open on Mondays and Fridays, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., for you to stop by and pray with others in our church family (and there will be resources there to guide this time of Bible reading and prayer).

## OTHER WAYS TO PARTNER TOGETHER IN THE GOSPEL

**SPRING BOOK STUDY—BONHOEFFER'S *LIFE TOGETHER*—BEGINS MARCH 4 :** We'll discuss the Introduction and Chapter 1 at our first meeting. See the Resource Table for Discussion Questions.

**MEMBERS' MEETING—MARCH 8 AFTER THE MORNING WORSHIP GATHERING:** Join us as we discuss matters related to our church family, including welcoming the following new member: Jordon Love.

**Q&A TIME ABOUT BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S TABLE—SUNDAY, MARCH 15 AT 4:30 PM IN THE CO ROOM UPSTAIRS:** In addition to Q&A, we will think specifically about how to disciple our young children toward baptism, church membership and taking the Lord's Table.

**YOUTH RETREAT - MARCH 20-21 AT JUDSON BAPTIST RETREAT CENTER:** All 7th-12th grade students (and their friends) are invited to join us as we go to Judson Retreat Center for 24 hrs. of fellowship, games, worship and teaching! Sign up by March 6. Contact Josh at [joshmotta21@gmail.com](mailto:joshmotta21@gmail.com). Cost: \$50. We will leave at 4 p.m. that Friday and return on Saturday about that same time. Pray for this weekend retreat.

### CORE SEMINARS AT 9:00 AM

Pre-K through 8th  
*The Gospel Project*

Upstairs Rooms & Preschool Office

High School  
 Cold Case Christianity  
 Campus Outreach Office

College and Above  
 Meeting with God  
 Fellowship Hall

### BIBLE AND BOOK STUDIES

Men's Study	Monday's at 6:15-7:30 AM Fellowship Hall	Book: <i>Desiring God (Revised Edition)</i>
Divorcecare	Tuesday's at 6-7:30PM Conference Room	Contact Chris Shipley 318-416-3768
Mother's Study	Wednesday's at 12-1:30PM Conference Room	<i>Contentment</i>
Griefshare	Wednesday's at 2:30-4:30PM Fellowship Hall	Contact Bob & Lucy 225-769-3100
Women's Study	Thursday's at 12:30-1:45PM Conference Room	<i>Contentment</i>

