

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

Come Praise and Glorify

CALL TO WORSHIP

God's Word

Confession of Sin

Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

WORSHIP IN HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

You Are My King

Yet Not I But through Christ in Me

WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD READ PUBLICLY

Romans 4:1-12 (Red Bible p.1114)

WORSHIP THROUGH JOINING OUR HEARTS TOGETHER IN PRAYER

WORSHIP IN OUR GIVING

And Can It Be?

WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Colossians: The Supremacy of Christ in Creation and New-Creation | Col. 1:15-20 | Bradley Aucoin

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

Behold the Lamb

BENEDICTION TO RETURN AS GOD'S AMBASSADORS TO THE WORLD

PRAYER LIST

Members: Loyd Daniel, Kelly Field, Carolyn Fletcher, Diane Garbo, and Lanell Speights.

Pastoral Internship Program/Church Planting Efforts: For God to strengthen our internship program and increase our vision for planting and helping revitalize healthy churches in the BR area.

Colossians: The Supremacy of Christ in Creation and New-Creation

Colossians 1:15-20

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. ¹⁷He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

SUPREME IN CREATION (vv. 15-17)

- Image of the invisible God
- Firstborn over all creation
- All things created in, by and through him
- Sustainer of all things

“As God’s representation and representative, Christ brings clarity to our hazy notions of the immortal, invisible God, who lives in unapproachable light (1 Tim. 1:17; 6:16). In Christ we see who God is—Creator and Redeemer; what God is like—a God of mercy and love; and what God does—one who sends his Son to rescue people from the dominion of darkness and bring about the reconciliation of all creation through his death on a cross.” Garland, *NIV Application Commentary: Colossians*, p. 87

SUPREME IN NEW-CREATION (vv. 18-20)

- Head of the body, the church
- Beginning and firstborn from among the dead
- God’s fulness dwells in him
- All things reconciled to God through him



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

1. What is significant about the claims this hymn makes about Jesus—being the image of God, Creator, Head of the Church, Reconciler of all things—historically and personally?
2. How can you turn each of these declarations into a prayer of praise this week?

Questions to Ask a Friend After the Worship Service

1. How did God’s Word speak to you today—to encourage, instruct, challenge?
2. How can I pray for you this week personally and as you reach out to others with the gospel?

Next Week: Col. 1:21-23 (Send questions about Colossians to jamesbradleyaucoin@gmail.com)

WELCOME TO CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

1700 Lee Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808 | 225.924.2269 | 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

MEMBERS' MEETING—TODAY AFTER THE MORNING WORSHIP GATHERING: Join us as we discuss matters related to our church family, including voting on the following new member: Jordon Dove.

COMMUNITY BIBLE READING AND PRAYER DURING LENT: 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 (use the resources provided there to guide this time of Bible reading and prayer). Also, pick up a bookmark on the Resource Table as we continue to read the NT together during Lent.

Q&A ABOUT BAPTISM/THE LORD'S TABLE—SUNDAY, MARCH 15 AT 4:30 PM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL: 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. All are welcome to attend.

NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT GATHERING—MARCH 15: Potluck 5:30 p.m. Worship 6:00-7:15 p.m. Bring an entrée or side dish to share. Drinks and desserts will be provided. Future SNGs: April 5; May 3.

OTHER WAYS TO PARTNER TOGETHER IN THE GOSPEL

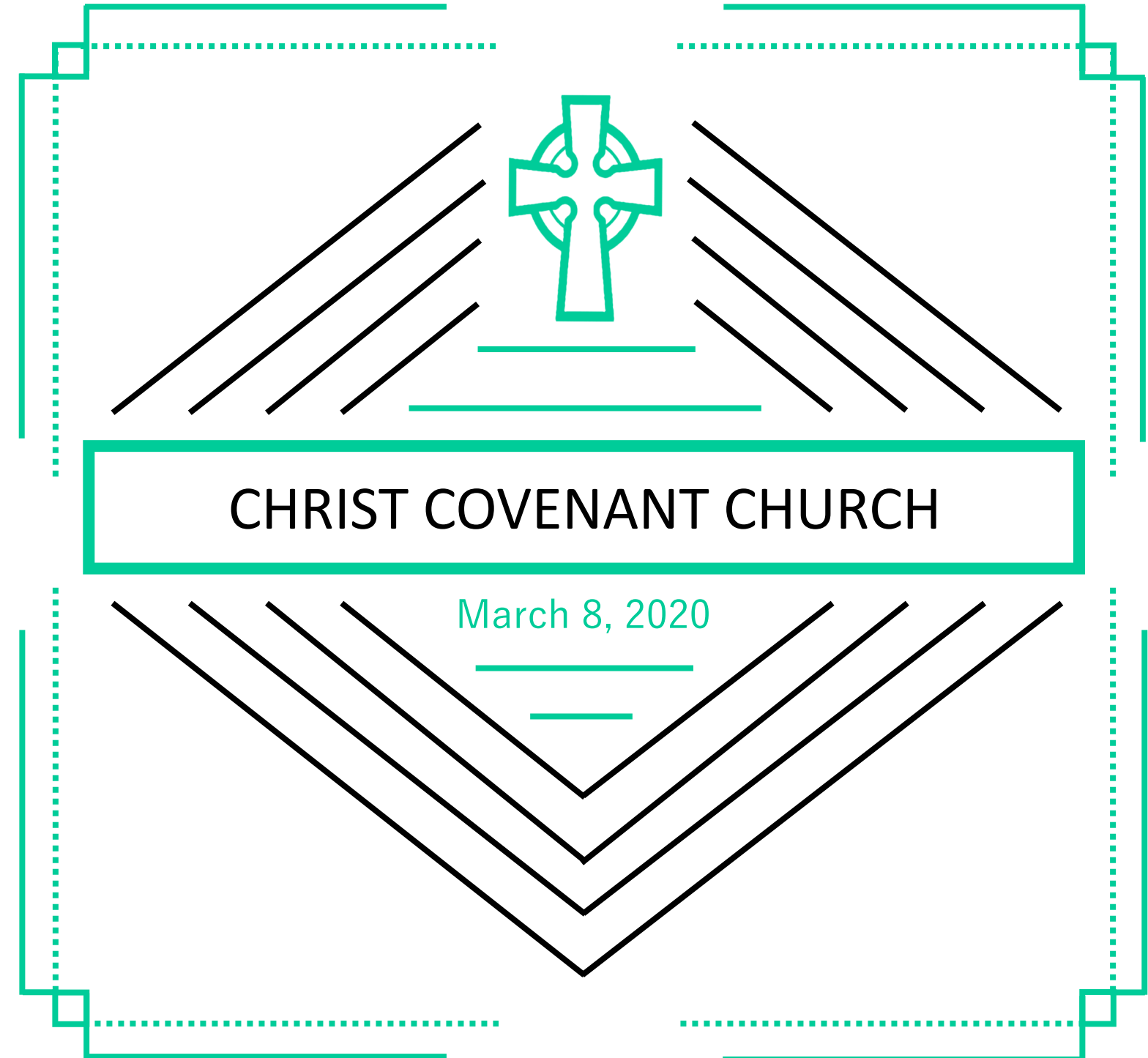
CAMPUS OUTREACH FISH FRY UPDATE: As you know, the Fish Fry SNG is our church's one fundraiser to help support our college students as they head out on summer projects. We have raised \$6,400 toward our goal of \$15,000. If you would like to contribute, please make your check out to "Campus Outreach" (Memo: Summer Projects) or by giving online (Memo: Tampa Project). For questions, contact Colton at 225-361-0222.

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! We will leave at 4 p.m. that Friday and return on Saturday about that same time. Contact Josh at joshmotta21@gmail.com for more info. Cost: \$50. **Sign up is this week!**

THE HUB OUTREACH TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: Please join us at the free, weekly International Dinner each Monday at the BCM at 6 p.m. Just showing up and visiting with the students is a big help to our outreach to the nations who are here on the LSU campus! Contact Josh at 334-714-6912 to learn more.

UPCOMING DATES FOR TACOS AND TESTIMONIES—APRIL 2 & MAY 7: Join CCC women (college and up) in the Fellowship Hall for dinner, singing, prayer and sharing. More details to come.

VISITOR PARKING: We're down a few parking spaces due to the renovations so let's continue to be considerate to our visitors by leaving the designated visitor parking spots available for them to use on Sunday morning.



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>