

## 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

Praise to The Lord, The Almighty

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*God's Word*

*Confession of Sin*

*Assurance of Forgiveness*

### WORSHIP IN HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

All Glory be to Christ

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

### WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD READ PUBLICLY

Romans 12:14-21

### WORSHIP THROUGH JOINING OUR HEARTS TOGETHER IN PRAYER

### WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD PROCLAIMED

The Christian Work Ethic | 2 Thess. 3:6-18 | Bradley Aucoin

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

Be Merciful to Me

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

## PRAYER LIST

**Members:** Lynn Aucoin, Kristen King, Amai Mokeba, Lynn Morgan, and Yvette Price.

**BCM at LSU (Director: Steve Masters) and BCM at Southern (Director: Michael Aguiard):** For God to use the faithful witness of this ministry to reach LSU and Southern students for Christ.

**Daniel and Peggy Shangguan:** For encouragement and grace as they minister to their growing family, students on the college campus, and pastor a church in East Asia.

## The Christian Work Ethic

2 Thessalonians 3:6-18

<sup>6</sup>In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you, brothers, to keep away from every brother who is idle and does not live according to the teaching you received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>nor did we eat anyone's food without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, laboring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. <sup>9</sup>We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to make ourselves a model for you to follow. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "If a man will not work, he shall not eat." <sup>11</sup>We hear that some among you are idle. They are not busy; they are busybodies. <sup>12</sup>Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the bread they eat. <sup>13</sup>And as for you, brothers, never tire of doing what is right.

<sup>14</sup>If anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take special note of him. Do not associate with him, in order that he may feel ashamed. <sup>15</sup>Yet do not regard him as an enemy, but warn him as a brother.

<sup>16</sup>Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you. <sup>17</sup>I, Paul, write this greeting in my own hand, which is the distinguishing mark in all my letters. This is how I write. <sup>18</sup>The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

### A Christian's Work

*"Who you work for is more important than what you do.* The world will tell you otherwise. The world will tell you that life finds its meaning in success at work, or that work is just a necessary evil on the path to leisure. All those ways of thinking are lies. You *do* work for someone beyond your boss. You work for Jesus. . . . We are freed completely from thinking that our work is without meaning and purpose, and we are equally freed from thinking our work hold some *ultimate* meaning. Even more, we discover anew the connection between our jobs and our primary identify as disciples of Jesus. We stop disengaging from our role as disciples from nine to five each day. On the contrary, our engagement with our jobs becomes one of the primary ways we express our discipleship to and love for our Lord."

Traeger and Gilbert, *The Gospel at Work*, pp. 14-15

**Resources:** *The Gospel at Work* by Traeger and Gilbert; *The Rest of Success* by Haack; "Christian View of Work" (Sermon in our "Foundations in Genesis" series—Fall 2018).

### A Church's Love

### Christ's Peace and Presence



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

1. What general rule does this passage teach about work (v.10)? Why is work so important to God? Why do you work?
2. Why is church discipline (accountability) in the Christian life fundamentally about love and not judgement?

### Questions to Ask a Friend After the Worship Service (while maintaining social distancing!)

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

Next Week: Ecclesiastes 1:1-11 (e-mail the elders any questions you may have about the sermons)

# 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, Scott Gendron, Bob Welch, and Casey Williamson  
**Deacons:** Bill Stickle and Mark Tiller

## COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

- Bulletins and Bibles are located in the entrance area.
- Hand sanitizer stations are located throughout the building.
- An Offering will not be taken during the service, but you can use the Offering Box to make a donation.
- We will share the Lord's Table again when we are back together as one body in the sanctuary.

## TODAY AND THIS WEEK

**COLLEGE STUDENT BRUNCH:** This morning at 10:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All college student are invited.

**SMALL GROUP DISCIPLESHIP FOR CCC MEMBERS:** If you are a member of CCC and would like to be in a small group for discipleship, encouragement and accountability, contact Shawn at [thebranscum3@gmail.com](mailto:thebranscum3@gmail.com).

**WOMEN'S STUDY TO BEGIN SEPT. 16:** Join us this fall for a women's Bible study on the book of Jude. We will meet every other Wednesday from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Please order your workbooks early (*Jude: Contending for the Faith in Today's Culture* by Jackie Hill Perry) from Lifeway or Amazon and begin the homework for Session 1. Email [lynnhodesaucoin@yahoo.com](mailto:lynnhodesaucoin@yahoo.com) with any questions.

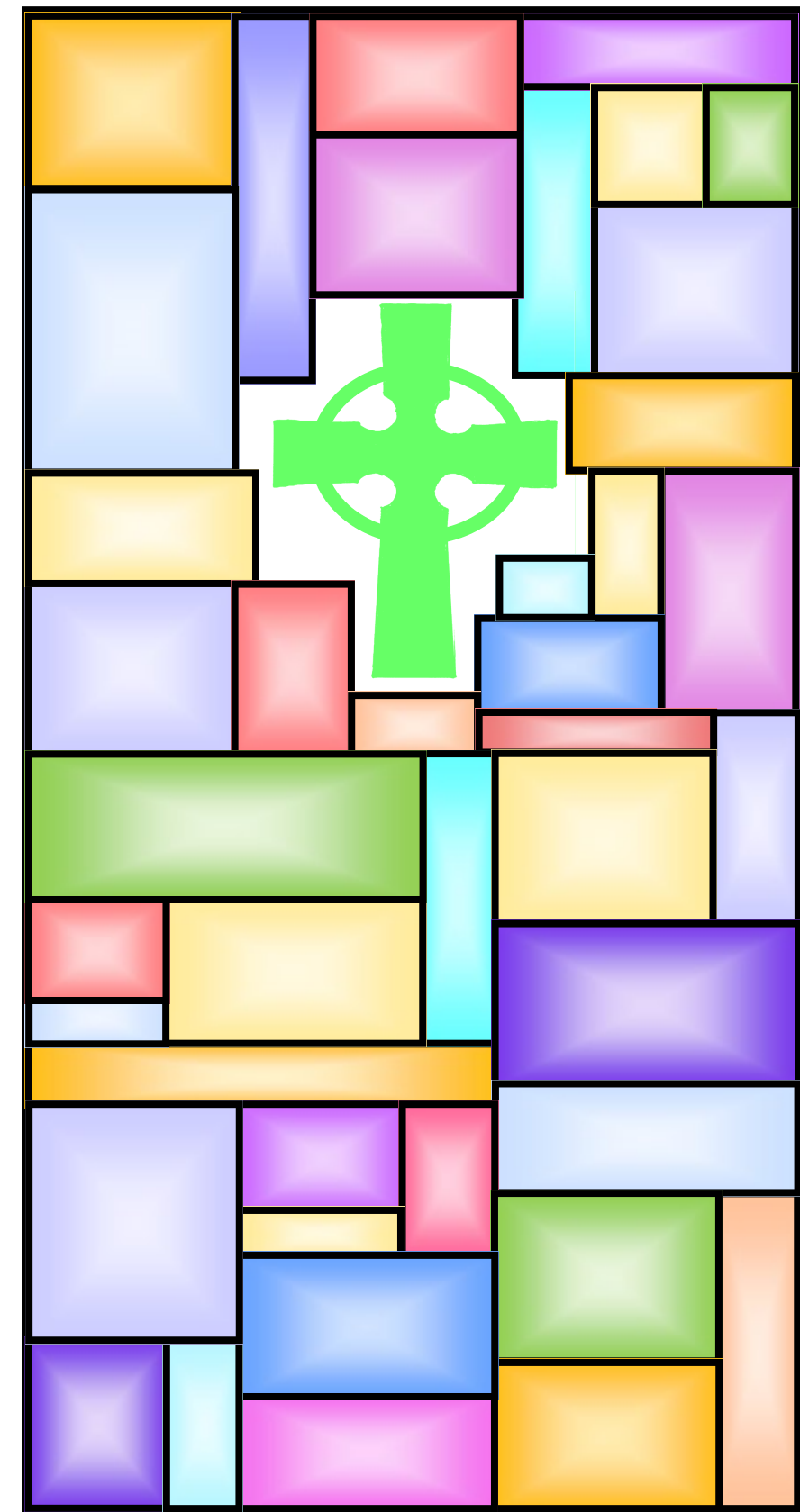
**VOLUNTEERS FOR THE NURSERY (TENTATIVELY SET TO RE-OPEN SEPT. 27):** If you are a member of CCC and have been serving in this area or would like to serve, please email Chris at [wacoshipley@hotmail.com](mailto:wacoshipley@hotmail.com) or text her at 318-416-3768. A training meeting is set for Sept. 20 at 4:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

**Q&A TIME ABOUT BAPTISM /THE LORD'S TABLE—SEPT. 27 FROM 4:00-5:30 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. If you have questions you'd like addressed, please contact Shawn.

**BOOK STUDY ADDRESSING THEMES IN ECCLESIASTES:** On Tuesday, Sept. 29, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, we will discuss Ernest Hemingway's *The Sun Also Rises* in relationship to themes that come up in our fall sermon series in the Book of Ecclesiastes. So buy a copy and come ready to discuss this classic.

**MEDIA TEAM:** We are looking for people who might be interested in serving on our new "Media Team!" This team would be responsible for controlling the slides for the song lyrics each Lord's Day. If you are interested, contact Josh at [joshmotta21@gmail.com](mailto:joshmotta21@gmail.com).

**RELIEF EFFORTS:** If you would like to support Christian Relief Efforts in the wake of Hurricane Laura, visit <https://louisianabaptists.org/disasterrelief/volunteer-training/> to learn more.



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GATHERED 8.30.20

*2 THESSALONIANS 3:16 "NOW MAY THE LORD OF PEACE HIMSELF GIVE YOU PEACE AT ALL TIMES AND IN EVERY WAY. THE LORD BE WITH ALL OF YOU."*

### FINANCIAL UPDATE

as of 8/1/20 (rounded)

Budgeted Giving

\$412,500.00

Actual Giving

\$326,200.00

Surplus (Deficit)

(\$86,300.00)