

## WELCOME TO CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

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*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  
**Elders:** Bradley Aucoin, Shawn Branscum, Matt Edwards, Scott Gendron, Bob Welch, and Casey Williamson

### COVID PRECAUTIONS

- Please wear a mask at all times and practice social distancing before and after the service.
- The aisle to the far left (as you face the pulpit) is reserved for those who are at a higher risk for Covid.
- An Offering will not be taken, but you can use the Offering Box in the back of the sanctuary for donations.
- We are using pre-packaged Lord's Supper container. Please be careful as you open and dispose of it.

### TODAY AND THIS WEEK

**YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY—FRIDAY NIGHT:** All students grades 7th-12th are invited to a Christmas party on December 11 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the youth room (upstairs). We will have snacks, games, and will play White Elephant (\$10 gift limit). Make sure to wear your ugliest Christmas sweater and feel free to bring a friend with you. Contact [joshmotta21@gmail.com](mailto:joshmotta21@gmail.com) for info.

**“CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH IN 10”—SUNDAY, DEC. 13:** “CCC in 10” is a brief meeting (10 minutes) with the pastors of CCC in the Fellowship Hall immediately after the morning’s worship gathering, the purpose of which is to give you an opportunity to meet the pastors, hear a brief word from them about CCC and answer any questions you might have about what it would look like to pursue membership in our church family.

**IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR . . . FOR SHARING THE GOSPEL:** Our friends, neighbors, family members and co-workers are often more open to the Christian faith during the holidays than at any other time during the year. Make use of the Christmas postcards on the Resource Table in the foyer/narthex to invite a friend to join us during the holiday season.

**FREE BOOK—THE CASE FOR CHRISTMAS:** Please grab a copy of Lee Strobel's book to read and several others to give to friends who might be interested in learning about the historical truthfulness of the Christmas Story.

### OTHER WAYS TO PARTNER TOGETHER IN THE GOSPEL

**CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG AND MEET-AND-GREET WITH THE MARXES--WED., DEC. 16 AT 6:00 P.M.:** Join us as we sing our favorite Christmas carols in the sanctuary and then gather afterwards in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and a time to visit with Brian and Heather Marx (and Ethan, Jayden and Elyse). If you would be willing to bring a homemade dessert, please contact Jean at [jeancarolraggio@gmail.com](mailto:jeancarolraggio@gmail.com).

**LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING:** Throughout December, we highlight the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, an annual offering in which 100% of the money collected is used to support the efforts of the IMB to bring the gospel to the nations. This year’s National Goal is \$175 million. Giving envelopes are on the Resource Table (note "Lottie Moon" on the memo line of your check) and you can give online as well.

**INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH:** If you are interested in building relationships with international students at LSU and being a part of this ministry, please contact Josh at [joshmotta21@gmail.com](mailto:joshmotta21@gmail.com).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE NURSERY:** If you are a member of CCC and can serve the body in this way, please email Chris at [wacoshiplay@hotmail.com](mailto:wacoshiplay@hotmail.com) or text her at 318-416-3768 to learn more.



DECEMBER 6, 2020

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CHRIST  
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#### FINANCIAL UPDATE

as of 12/1/20 (rounded)

#### Budgeted Giving

\$660,000

#### Actual Giving

\$532,200

#### Surplus (Deficit)

(\$127,800)

YEAR TO DATE BUILDING FUND: \$139,641

## 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

O Come All Ye Faithful

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*God's Word*

*Confession of Sin*

*Assurance of Forgiveness*

### BELIEVER'S BAPTISM

Rachel Raggio

### WORSHIP IN HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

Glory Be to God

Who Would have Dreamed

### WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD READ PUBLICLY

Isaiah 40:1-11

### WORSHIP THROUGH JOINING OUR HEARTS TOGETHER IN PRAYER

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

### WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD PROCLAIMED

The Promise of Peace | Matthew 1:1-17 | Shawn Branscum

### SILENT REFLECTION UPON GOD'S WORD

### 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. Those sitting in the two main pew sections will proceed down the center aisle, starting from the front, and then return to their seats using the outer aisles. After that, those sitting in the two outer pew sections will proceed in the same manner. Then, after all are served, we will share communion together as one body. If you are unable to come forward, please ask an usher to bring communion to you.*

### HYMNS OF RESPONSE

Fairest Lord Jesus

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

## The Promise of Peace

Matt. 1:1-17 (Page 807)

Main Idea: *The fact that God is trustworthy, gives us peace and brings us into peace with God.*

### 1. Why did Jesus Come?

### 2. What did He Do?

*"God cannot give us a happiness and peace apart from Himself, because it is not there. There is no such thing." – Clyde Staples Lewis*

*"There is more mercy in Christ, than sin in us." – Richard Sibbes*



### Questions to Answer as You Respond to God's Word Preached

1. How often do you consider the consequence of your sin?
2. What truths from God's Word can help reorient you toward being more at peace?

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

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

Next Week: Matthew 1:3-6 (E-mail the elders any questions you may have about our sermons)