

## 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*

### WORSHIP IN HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

Glory Be to God

Emmanuel (Glory in the Highest)

### WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD READ PUBLICLY

Zephaniah 3:14-20 (Page 790)

### WORSHIP THROUGH JOINING OUR HEARTS TOGETHER IN PRAYER

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

### WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Who Will Be King?—The King and His Kingdom | Genesis 1-2 | Josh Motta

### 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 first and then those in the two outer pew sections will follow in the same manner. When 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.*

### HYMN OF RESPONSE

Fairest Lord Jesus

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

## PRAYER LIST

**Church Family:** That we would be faithful in practicing hospitality with one another and strangers, remembering that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

**Single Parents:** For God to strengthen, encourage and provide for the single parents in our family.

## Who Will Be King?—The King and His Kingdom

Genesis 1-2 (Pg 1)

*"We see in the garden of Eden a pattern of the kingdom of God. God's people, Adam and Eve, live in God's place, the garden of Eden, under God's rule; as a result, they enjoy God's blessing." - Vaughan Roberts*

### 1. The King is Powerful

### 2. The King is Purposeful

### 3. The King is Personal



### Questions to Help You Respond in Faith and Obedience to God's Word

1. What in your life weakens your awe for God? What will you change in order to see God more clearly?
2. How are you encouraged by remembering that God is both purposeful and personal?

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

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

**Next Week:** 2 Samuel 7:1-17 (If you have questions about God, what it means to follow Christ, our church or one of our sermons, please email us because we'd love to help if we can--[christcovenantchurchbr@gmail.com](mailto:christcovenantchurchbr@gmail.com)).

# 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 **Deacons:** Bill Stickle, Mark Tiller

## TODAY AND THE WEEKS AHEAD

**SUNDAY NIGHT GATHERING—TONIGHT AT 5 PM:** Potluck 5:00 p.m. Worship 5:30-6:45 p.m. Bring an entrée and/or side dish to share. Drinks and desserts will be provided. Catechism for K-6th Graders. We need 10 volunteers to set-up the gym right after this morning's service—so if you can participate, that would be a great help.

**CCC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INFO MEETING—THIS SATURDAY—DECEMBER 11 FROM 10:00-11:15 AM:** Pastor Bradley and Chris Shipley will be discussing the "Why, When and How" of Christ Covenant Elementary. This will be the same content covered in November and, whether your child ends up attending CCE or not, this discussion will be helpful for you as you develop a Philosophy of Education. For childcare, contact [erikaroseprice@gmail.com](mailto:erikaroseprice@gmail.com).

**MARDI GRAS MEXICO MISSION TRIP--FEB. 25-MARCH 3, 2022:** This will be our church's 8th trip to work at the "Little House of Hope" home for children. Cost: \$750/pp (includes everything except your passport costs and spending money). **A \$250 non-refundable deposit is due December 15** (Check memo: Mexico Mission Trip). If you are planning on going (or are interested), visit with Shawn up front by the piano right after the service today.

## OTHER WAYS TO PARTNER TOGETHER IN THE GOSPEL

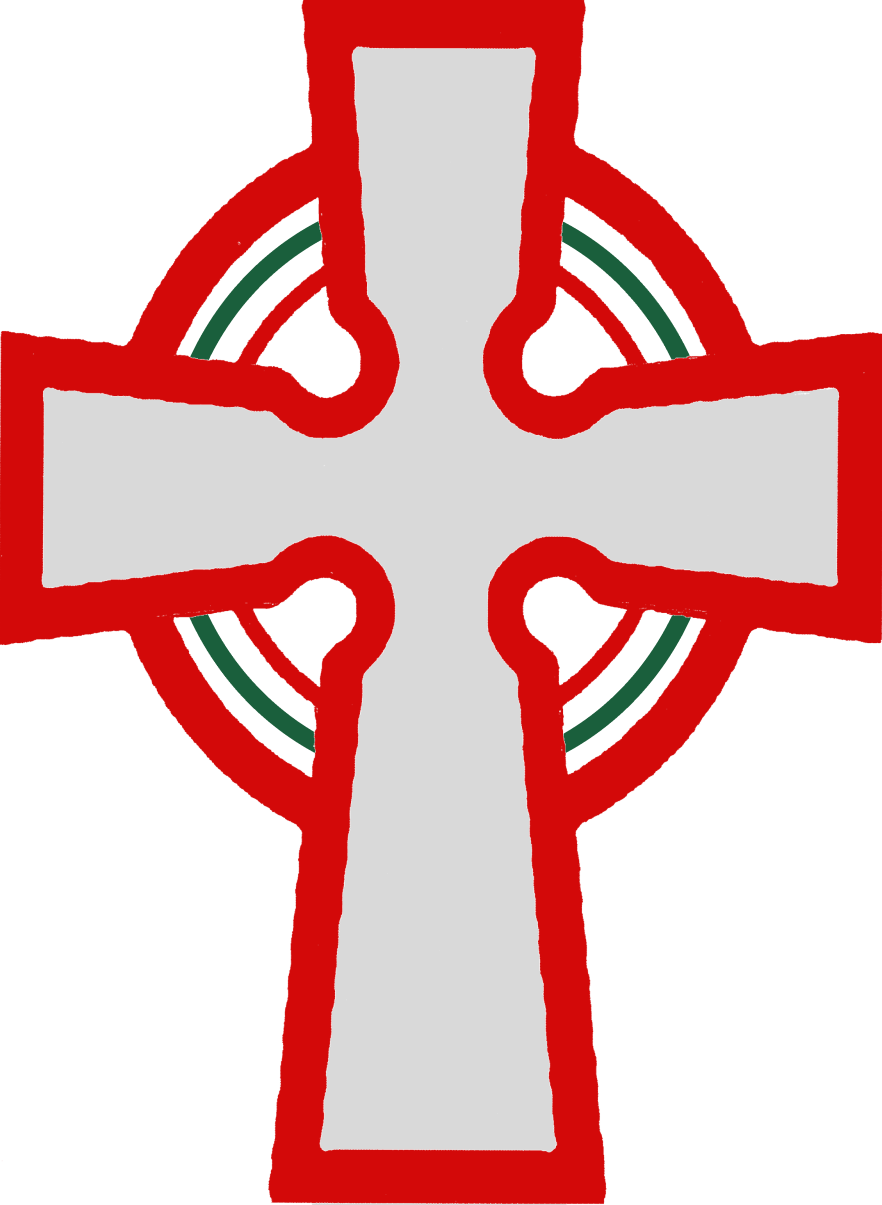
**IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR . . . FOR SHARING THE GOSPEL:** Our friends, neighbors and co-workers are often more open to the Christian faith during the holidays than at any other time during the year. Make use of the Holiday Postcards on the Resource Table to invite a friend to join us this holiday season. **Christmas Eve** at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary (Lord's Supper Service) and **Christmas Day** (December 25) at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall (a brief, causal service focused on God's Word and singing).

**"WHO WILL BE KING?" FOR CHILDREN:** If you would like a short gospel tract to discuss with your children, pick up a "Who Will Be King?" booklet on the Resource Table. This does not follow our Advent Sermon Series exactly, but it does capture the big idea of Christ the New Born King. **Also, there are free copies of *The Case for Christmas* to read and/or give away to those who might be interested in learning about the historical veracity of Christmas.**

**ADVENT SCRIPTURE READING GUIDES:** Available on the Resource Table and helpful for private/family devotions.

**END OF THE YEAR GIVING:** For tax purposes, all 2021 giving must be received at the church office by Friday, December 31, 2021 (by 12 noon), post-marked by December 31, 2021, or completed on-line by midnight on December 31, 2021. Thanks for your faithful and sacrificial giving to help us meet our 2021 budget.

FINANCIAL UPDATE	Budgeted Giving	Actual Giving	Surplus (Deficit)
<i>as of 11/28/21 (rounded)</i>	\$687,696	\$591,570	(-\$96,126)



DECEMBER 5, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**CHRIST  
COVENANT  
CHURCH**

**Building Fund Matching Challenge | \$59,823 (Given since 10.1.21)**

For the first \$81,000 given to the Building Fund between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31, another \$81,000 will be matched and, together, \$162,000 will be enough to pay off an entire year's worth of principal/interest on our loan.