

MORNING WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Mighty Fortress

CALL TO WORSHIP

God's Word

Confession of Sin

O God of Grace,

You created us to worship and serve you, but we have often, even this week, forsaken you, and we have sought to worship and serve ourselves instead. We come to you with penitent hearts and, although our sins are great, your grace is greater still. Forgive and cleanse us because of your Son and what he has done for us. For it is in his name that we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

WORSHIP IN HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

From Everlasting

WORSHIP THROUGH THE PUBLIC READING OF SCRIPTURE

Psalm 72 (Page 485)

WORSHIP THROUGH CORPORATE PRAYER AND OUR GIVING

Behold Our God

WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Opposition to God's Kingdom | Ezra 4 | Josh Motta

WORSHIP AT THE LORD'S TABLE

The Lord's Table is open to anyone who is a baptized believer in good standing with a Christian church. If you are a Christian who has yet to be baptized or not a Christian, you can remain seated or come forward for prayer (and indicate that by crossing your arms or telling the pastor).

Those sitting in the two main pew sections will proceed down the center aisle first with the two outer sections to follow. 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.

HYMNS OF PRAISE

Psalm 62

BENEDICTION TO RETURN AS GOD'S AMBASSADORS TO THE WORLD

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

PRAYER LIST

Members: Nola Craig, Matt Edwards, Katie Fetzer, James Guillory, and Danny Price.

Culture of Meaningful Membership: That we would see the relationships in our church family as central to what it means to be a Christian so that, together, we are built up into our head, Jesus Christ.

Opposition to God's Kingdom

(Ezra 4 pg 391)

1. Opposition to Temple Building (1-5, 24)

2. Opposition to City Building (6-23)



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

1. How can we maintain our hope in a world that hates God?
2. Why is it dangerous to live as if we are the king of our own lives? How will you submit to god as your King this week?

Questions to Ask a Friend After the Worship Service

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

Next Week: Ezra 5 (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).

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
Assistant Pastor: Josh Motta **Pastor Emeritus:** Phill Yoho
Elders: Bradley Aucoin, Shawn Branscum, Eric Campbell, Matt Edwards, Scott Gendron, Josh Motta, Michael Raggio, Bob Welch, and Casey Williamson
Deacons: Bill Stickle, Mark Tiller **Pianist:** Vasil Cvetkov

TODAY AND THE WEEKS AHEAD

CRY ROOM: Once the service begins, the Narthex/Foyer is converted into a "Cry Room" for nursing mothers and excited infants. There are several benches and a speaker so you will be able to hear the sermon.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT--TONIGHT AT 5:00-7:00 P.M.: Bring your blankets and any dinner/snacks you want and join us in the gym for a Family Movie Night. Drinks/Desserts provided. For childcare—nursery for children 3 months to 2 years—please RSVP to Sarah at sarahburcks@gmail.com.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH (IO)—MONDAY, JULY 25 AT 7PM: We are trying to grow our IO team. If you are interested in reaching out to International Students at LSU, there is an interest meeting on Monday night at 7:00 p.m. at the BCM @ LSU. Contact Josh Motta for more details: joshmotta21@gmail.com.

OTHER WAYS TO PARTNER TOGETHER IN THE GOSPEL

LUNCH BUNCH—AUGUST 14 AT 12 NOON: Join us at Jason’s Deli (650 Arlington Creek Center—next to Rouses on West Lee) right after the worship gathering as we seek to get to know one another better and welcome friends/visitors into our church community.

SMALL GROUPS FOR CCC MEMBERS: If you are a member of CCC and would like to be in a small group for discipleship, encouragement and accountability this coming fall, please contact Josh at joshmotta21@gmail.com.

UPDATE DIRECTORY INFORMATION: Please contact Jean (jeancarolraggio@gmail.com) to update your contact information in our church directory.

SLIDE TEAM: If you would like to help us project slides (lyrics) on Sunday mornings, please contact Josh Motta at joshmotta21@gmail.com. We’re trying to build a team of 12 volunteers so you would serve 1x/quarter.

VISITOR/SENIOR/OVERFLOW PARKING: Please be mindful of the designated spots for Visitor and Senior Parking and, if our lot is full when you arrive, there is overflow parking available at Glasgow Middle School—which is a couple of blocks down Palm St. or Sweetbriar St. heading toward the Rouzan Subdivision.

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**CHRIST
COVENANT
CHURCH**

ONGOING BIBLE AND CHRISTIAN BOOK STUDIES

Divorce Care	Sundays at 3:30-5:00 pm (Open to All)	(Resumes Sept 11)	Contact Chris 318-416-3768
Men’s Study	Mon. at 6:15-7:30 am (Skype) or Wed. at 11:45 am	(Foyer/Narthex)	Contact Bob 225-266-7710
Grief Share	Wednesdays at 2:30-4:00 (Open to All)	(Resumes Aug 17)	Bob & Lucy 225-266-7710
Bible Recap	Fridays 2x/month at 10 am (Women)	TBD	Contact Erika 225-288-4735