



#### **Covenant Baptist Church**

Reformed and Refreshing

September 22nd, 2019

Welcome to Covenant Baptist Church. We are a Reformed church committed to three things:

#### The Exaltation of God

We desire that the people at Covenant truly understand who God is and His rightful place in their lives as their Lord and sovereign Savior.

#### • The Edification of the Saints

We consider it extremely important to correctly teach the Bible, verse by verse, so we can properly have the Holy Spirit apply it to our lives.

#### • The Evangelization of the Sinner

We understand that God has given us the responsibility to be stewards of the Gospel and that means sharing it exactly like God gave it to us with those who need Jesus.

https://covenantbaptistsc.org

## **Covenant Baptist Church Schedule**

Bible Education Hour (Systematic Theology) ~ 9:30 A.M.

Sunday Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday Prayer Service ~ 7:00 P.M.

(We are not interested in traditional worship or contemporary worship. We are only interested in true worship.)

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#### Order of Worship

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There Is A Fountain, pg. 301

Prayer and Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

In Christ Alone, pg. 177

The Communion Hymn, pg. 343

Lord's Supper

Message: The Promise of the Holy Spirit
—John 14:15-17

Closing Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy, pg 48

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#### **Upcoming cleaning volunteers:**

September 28: Kyzer (D&P, K&R) October 5: Shaffer

October 12: Crapps/McSween

#### Deacon on-call list:

September 22: Trey Egan September 29: Colonel Rogers October 6: Burt Lanier

## Announcements—September 15th, 2019

Greek class will resume tonight at 6 PM.

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We will observe the Lord's Supper today just before the sermon.

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If you have a desire to give cash to a designated project, you need to be sure to place it in an envelope and write on the envelope which project you wish it to be given to (building, India missions, Kenya missions, Kenya orphans, etc.). There has been a lot of cash placed in the offering box with no type of indication as to where it was to be directed. Envelopes don't have to be signed, just designated, otherwise the church treasurers can only place the cash in the general fund.

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The church bookstore is now open, and purchases can be made between and after services by seeing Annsley or Cristan Smoak. To simplify the process for the store operators and church bookkeeping, all transactions are cash only.

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We will be having a conference here at CBC, but the date has been changed to the month of February 2020. More info and exact dates will be provided as we get closer to the event.

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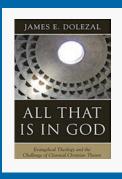
Ladies: you are welcome to join a monthly meeting up of ladies at Ruby Tuesday on Augusta Road every first Tuesday of the month at 11:30. See Diane Falsetti for additional details.

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Men: there will be a men's fellowship and breakfast at church every first Saturday of the month at 8:30 starting in November. See Bob Falsetti for additional details.

### **Book of the Month:**

All That Is In God James. E. Dolezal



Increasing numbers of conservative evangelicals are denying basic tenets of classical Christian teaching about God, with departures occurring even among those of the Calvinistic persuasion. James Dolezal's All That Is in God provides an exposition of the historic Christian position while engaging with these contemporary deviations. His convincing critique of the newer position he styles "theistic mutualism" is philosophically robust, systematically nuanced, and biblically based. It demonstrates the need to maintain the traditional viewpoint, particularly on divine simplicity, and spotlights the unfortunate implications for other important Christian doctrines, such as divine eternality and the Trinity, if it were to be abandoned. Arguing carefully and cogently that all that is in God is God Himself, the work is sure to stimulate debate on the issue in years to come.

## **By What Standard?**

Watch the trailer at: https://founders.org/cinedoc/

"In 1979 the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) formally entered into the "Battle for the Bible" that was raging within North American evangelicalism. Over the next 15 years, the SBC was returned to its historic commitments on the inerrancy and infallibility of Scripture. Many of those who resisted this conservative resurgence were driven by religiously progressive convictions...

"Now, 25 years after the clear success of the conservative resurgence, it seems like evangelicals, including Southern Baptists, are in danger of loosening their commitments to those basic, Christian commitments. Dangerous ideologies like Critical Theory and Intersectionality are gaining inroads into the thinking of some leaders, churches and organizations....

"Founders Ministries is producing this cinedoc to sound an alarm and issue a call for pastors and churches to stand firm against this onslaught by reaffirming the authority and sufficiency of God's written Word. If we care about true justice—what God has revealed to be just—then we must stand against what is being promoted under social justice. If we care about the true gospel—the gospel revealed in the faith once-for-all-delivered to the saints—we must reject the agendas being promoted by godless ideologies."

(From: https://founders.org/cinedoc/)

## **Covenant Baptist Church Events**

#### Greek Class:

Our Greek class, "It's Greek to You and Me", will continue tonight the fellowship hall at 6 P.M.



#### 2nd Sunday Fellowship Dinner:

October 13th is our next second Sunday fellowship meal. Please plan to bring a dish and join us after the service! Also remember that we usually have visitors who stay for the meal, and you are encouraged to bring more than a small side dish so that there is plenty to go around.

#### The Lord's Supper:

We will observe the Lord's Supper today, just before the sermon.



## Why Satan Is No Friend of the Family—by Tim Challies

Over the past couple of weeks I've shared a few articles dealing with family from a Christian perspective. We have seen along the way that family plays a very important role in God's plan for God's world. He created the family so it's his to define. And he created the family for two great reasons: to carry out his will and to picture his truth.

Today I just want to add this to the mix: If family truly comes from the mind of God and plays such an essential role in his world, don't you think this explains why there are so many attacks on the family? It's pretty clear that Satan is going to be no friend of the family. Think about all that Satan can disrupt if he disrupts family. He disrupts our task of bringing more of God's image-bearers into this world while also eroding the most basic and foundational social structure that supports and strengthens human beings so can they thrive in carrying out God's plan. He also disrupts those pictures that help us understand God as Trinity, that help us understand how God saves his people, how Christ and his church relate, and how we relate to one another. No wonder, then, that the family is such a battleground! And as I'm sure you've seen, the attack isn't just on the family, but on your family. Satan doesn't just want to destroy family in general, but your family in particular.

So what can you do? I think we are prone to making this way more complicated than it really needs to be. You simply need to go to God's Word and obey its instructions. You'll find that God is for family—he is for your family. God tells you how to honor and obey him. Husbands, love your wives as Christ loved

the church. Wives, submit to your own husbands as to the Lord. Spouses, stay true to your covenantal vows. Parents, raise your children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Little children, obey your parents in the Lord for this is right. Grown up children, honor your parents and make some return to them. Just look to the Bible and do what it says! This will be good for your family. But it it will also accomplish something else that's good for the world.

As you do all those things, you create picture after picture after picture that God can use to teach others about himself. As you live your life in this world, as you invite others into your life and home, they get to see these pictures that point to much greater realities. The fatherless child gets to see a father loving his son, just like God the Father loves God the Son. The child from a broken home gets to see a husband hold fast to his bride, just like Jesus holds fast to the church. The child born as part of a Canadian parenting contract with 4 equal parents (and who has no siblings) gets to see brothers and sisters who love one another fiercely, purely, and affectionately. All of these give them a picture that points far beyond itself. They may not see these things in their own homes or in their own families, but they can see them in yours.



## Why Satan Is No Friend of the Family—by Tim Challies (continued)

Do you want to serve and honor God with your life? Do you want to proclaim the love of God for this broken world? Then one of the best and most basic things Christians can do is get married and begin one of these families—a family that is true to God's plan and according to his design. You will be carrying out God's will and you will be displaying God's truth.

Of course, this isn't the only way to serve God and live out his will. God calls some to special ministry and special dedication that comes with being unmarried; for his own reasons God wills some couples to be childless. And we need to trust him and believe his purposes are best. But for most of us, God calls us to marry, to have children, and to honor him through our families.

Turn on the TV or fire up Netflix and you'll see picture after picture of society's distorted plan for the family, society's unbiblical redefinition of family, society's vision of how the modern family needs to evolve with the times. They are creating pictures too! Open your Bible and you'll see God's much better plan, God's much sharper definition, God's much clearer vision. It's your job and my job to carry out God's true intention for the family and to create a more accurate picture that he can use—that he will use—to proclaim himself and his gospel.

### **Church News, Local and Global**

## Archaeologists discover mosaic revealing possible new location of Jesus' miracle, feeding the 5000—by Jeannie Law

Israeli archaeologists have discovered a mosaic illustrating the miracle of Jesus feeding the 5,000, located on the floor of a church on the opposite side of the Sea of Galilee from where it has been said the miracle originally took place.

The findings were discovered in Hippos near the Sea of Galilee at the Byzantine "Burnt Church" site, according to University of Haifa archaeologists.

The "Burnt Church" in Hippos is believed to have been one of at least seven Christian churches burned down during the Sasanian conquest of the city in 614 AD, nearly 1,400 years ago. It appears the ash from the fire served as a shield to protect the mosaic which preserved its bright colors and design. One of the designs depict the feeding of the 5,000, mentioned in all four gospels.

"Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he ... blessed and broke the loaves ... and he divided the two fish among them all. And all ate and were filled ... Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men," Mark 6:41-44 reads.

Tabgha, Capernaum is an area on the northwestern shore of the Sea of Galilee where it's traditionally accepted that the miracle took place.

Archaeologists have been studying the "Burnt Church" site since 1993 within Hippos National Park and this new discovery might suggest that the miracle took place closer to this new location.

Excavations of the site were overseen by Dr. Michael Eisenberg, on behalf of the Institute of Archaeology at the University of Haifa. In an interview published by The Jerusalem Post, Eisenberg said the finding does not confirm anything as of yet but appears to be portraying the miracle talked about in the gospels.

"Nowadays, we tend to regard the Church of the Multiplication in Tabgha on the northwest of the Sea of Galilee as the location of the miracle, but with careful reading of the New Testament, it is evident that it might have taken place north of Hippos within the city's region," he said.

"The fish themselves have a number of additional symbolical meaning in the Christian world," Eisenberg continued. "There can certainly be different

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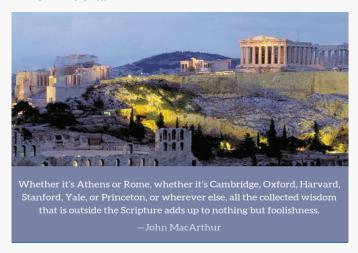
explanations to the descriptions of loaves and fish in the mosaic, but you cannot ignore the similarity to the description in the New Testament."

"Taking the five loaves and the two fish ... he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over," Matthew 14:16-20 states.

Further excavation of the church uncovered designs of a peacock and fish, as well as a pair of lion-shaped door knockers in bronze casting.

According to Haaretz.com, the mosaic will be preserved and is being documented in multiple ways, including drone photography. A 3D model of the church will eventually be made to help archaeologists iron out additional details they might have missed in their excavations.

#### A Reminder...



From:

https://www.christianpost.com/news/archaeologists-discover-mosaic-revealing-possible-new-location-of-jesus-miracle-feeding-the-5000.html

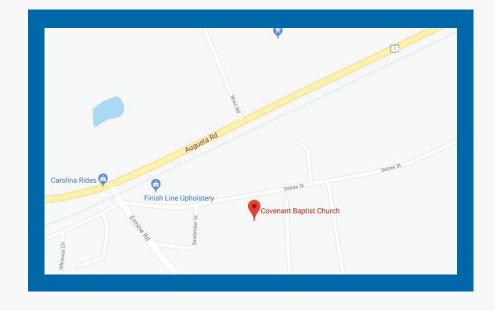


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If you are interested in joining our church, please speak to one of our elders or deacons.

They will be happy to give you the information you need.