

Gratitude and Hope for a Future

As we look back at 2018 we are excited to see what God has done in this particular church. We have seen the marriage of two churches becoming one as Christ Covenant Church PCA. We rejoice in our Lord and give him thanks as he demonstrates to us his steadfast love and faithfulness to his church. Give thanks with us as you recount his deeds in accomplishing his purposes, and look forward with us in hope for the future of his church.

The leadership of Christ Covenant Church wants to ask you to commit to praying earnestly as we seek God's wisdom in 2019 for the church. We will be transitioning the worship, life and ministry of the church to 3100 Covenant Road. As we embark on the replanting of the church in that location we want to be led by the Lord to do his will for the glory of his name. Please pray that God will lead us in his way and purposes.

We also want to invite you to engage with the church as we re-visit the Mission and Vision of CCC. In the early weeks and months between the elders of the two churches we discussed adopting the Mission and Vision. Since we have become one congregation, the leadership continues to embrace this Mission and Vision. We desire to spend the first 6 weeks of 2019 reflecting on that Mission and Vision. We will do this in our regular services of worship on Sunday mornings. We will also use smaller groups to encourage the congregation to discuss, ask questions, pray, and consider and reflect on what the Mission and Vision mean as we move forward. The engagement of members, regular attenders and visitors will enable us to embrace the Mission and Vision, and allow us to put together a plan for trusting the Lord for fulfilling his purpose for his church at 3100 Covenant Road. There will be more details coming as we approach January 2019.

Advent Season

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. - John 1:14

At Christ Covenant Church we will be celebrating the advent season in our morning worship together. In the season of Advent we have the privilege of encountering Jesus our true joy. Advent is a season of waiting, a time of anticipation, as we look for the arrival of our Savior in our hearts. The word advent means arrival. The most common advent traditions celebrated by the church celebrate the first arrival of Jesus Christ in his birth. The scope of our advent celebrations extend beyond his birth to his life, death, resurrection, ascension and promised second coming. Advent encompasses the whole of the good news of God's kingdom revealed in Jesus Christ. Therefore it is our aim to encounter Jesus Christ this advent season as he is revealed in the gospel. But this encounter is not complete until we lift up our hearts to him in worship by faith expecting him to be our joy.

During the Sunday mornings in December we will be focusing our attention on the person and work of Jesus revealed in his offices of prophet, priest, and king:

- ❖ December 2nd Jesus, the Coming Prophet
- ❖ December 9th Jesus, the Coming Priest
- ❖ December 16th Jesus, the Coming King
- ❖ December 23rd Jesus' Coming Kingdom

In the evenings we will be looking at Jesus from the doctrines given to us in the Apostles' Creed:

- ❖ November 25th Only Son
- ❖ December 2nd Lord
- ❖ December 9th Incarnation
- ❖ December 16th Atonement
- ❖ December 23rd Judge

Please pray that our hearts will be renewed to worship our Creator, Savior, and Lord this Advent Season.