



Events

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SCAN ME

Operation Christmas Child



GOAL 100 Boxes

Shoebbox Distribution:
Welcome Center
October 11 - November 9

Shoebbox Dropoff:
Welcome Center
November 1 - November 15

PRAYER for Shoebboxes:
Sunday, November 15

**Work Groups at the Operation
Christmas Child Processing Center:**
Dates TBD



How to build
a shoebbox

Community Chili Bowl!

October 25th 4-6:30 @ Covenant of Grace

Free Chili and Baked
Potatoes!

Pumpkin Decorating
Costume Contest

Fall Games

Campus Scavenger Hunt
Candy Swap

Hosted by COG Student Ministries

For more details, register online.
Or contact Emily MacKenzie
at emily@cogpca.org



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

These Truths Alone

a study of the Five Solas

FIRST 3 THURSDAY EVENINGS OF EACH MONTH
BEGINNING OCTOBER 8, 2026

ALL MEN ARE WELCOME
TO ATTEND
7PM
@COVENANT OF GRACE



Jason Helopoulos

The Five
Solas

These Truths Alone



4-Session Bible Study

Sunday Morning Christian Education

Children

9:15am The Biggest Story - Room #6

10:30am Rainbow Room-Nursery - infant-age 3

Kids worship during sermon in Room #6- age 3-2nd
grade

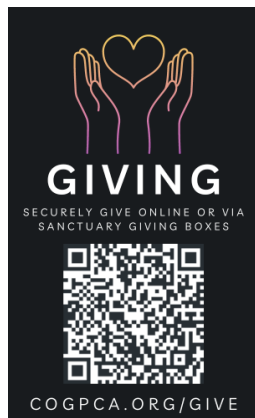
Adults

9:15am Preparing for Glory - Fellowship Hall

9:15am What We Believe - Senior Pastor's office

9:15am Journey in the Bible: Matthew - Room #9

10:10am Prayer Meeting in the Church Office



October 4, 2026

Shadow of the True King



Covenant of Grace
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9:15am Christian Education

*Coffee and Tea available in the Welcome Center between
Christian Education and Worship

10:30am Worship Service

Connect with Us

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We are so glad you're here! At Covenant of Grace we strive to be a hospitable, gospel-centered fellowship committed to helping people know God, become more like Jesus, and serve his world. As we worship together today, our prayer is that Jesus would be glorified, his word made clear, and his people equipped and empowered to love and serve God & their neighbors. Soli Deo Gloria!
~Pastor Mark Samuel

Children @ Covenant of Grace

Your children are welcome in all parts of worship at Covenant of Grace! To help support the full participation of families in worship, we make available a kid's worship program during the sermon for children ages 3 - 2nd grade as well as a nursery and cry room. Christian education classes are available for all ages (see back cover). Have a child with special needs? Please let us know & we'll make every effort to accommodate.

After the Service an Elder will be up front with stickers for children who share what they learned this morning.

Week at a Glance

Sun. October 4, 2026

10:30am Worship Service
6:00pm Verge - Youth Ministries

Tues. October 6, 2026

10:30am Women's Bible Study
7:00pm Women's Bible Study

Wed. October 7, 2026

10:00am Women's Bible Study
7:00pm Women's Bible Study (Zoom)
7:00pm ESOL

Thurs. October 8, 2026

7:00pm Men's Bible Study

Fri. October 9, 2026

8:50am Wo. Prayer Mtg. (Zoom)

Order of Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....PASTOR MARK SAMUEL
CALL TO WORSHIP.....LIZZY KRAJAN
from Psalm 118

SONGS OF PRAISE

COME THOU FOUNT
LEAD US BACK

INVOCATION PRAYER

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE AND RENEWAL

Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin, but in you there is the fullness of righteousness and abundance of mercy. We are spiritually poor, but you are rich and in Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor. Strengthen our faith and trust in you. We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us. We are weak in faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love; warm us, and make our hearts fervent for you that our love may go out to one another and to our neighbors. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE.....TITUS 3: 4-7

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH.....ELDER TOM METZBOWER

OUR GIFTS FOR GOD'S GLORY.....TITHES AND OFFERING

SONG OF PREPARATION

I WILL WAIT FOR YOU

SCRIPTURE READING*.....BETHANY NORSEEN

2 SAMUEL 15: 13-14, 16: 5-14

THE SERMON.....PASTOR MARK SAMUEL

"WALKING WITH SHIMEI"

SONG OF REFLECTION

LORD FROM SORROWS DEEP I CALL

CONFESSION OF FAITH.....NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic† and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

SONG OF COMMITMENT

DOXOLOGY

BENEDICTION

* Children ages 3 through 2nd grade are invited to attend Kids worship in room #6

† By 'catholic,' we mean the universal church made up of all Christians who are saved by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone.



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