

## **Covenant Presbyterian Church of Sulphur LA**

Covenant Presbyterian Church is situated in Southwest Louisiana on Interstate 10 roughly 2 hours from Houston and 2.5 hours from New Orleans. We own our building and 12 acres of land in the city of Sulphur, Louisiana. Southwest Louisiana is known for some of the friendliest people and amazing food that is world class. Our local waters produce much of the seafood enjoyed in the gulf coast and we live in one of the fastest growing economies in the nation.

We became a reformed church in May of 2000 and in October of 2009 we became a full member church in the CREC. Our membership is well studied, faithful with attendance, and stewardship. Demographically, we are a diverse congregation, but we do have a large number of young families with children. Over the past twenty years, Covenant has grown into a higher form of liturgical worship. Our body finds the following important to our worship: the authority and centrality of the Holy Scripture, observance of weekly communion, traditional hymns/psalms sung exuberantly by the congregation, active congregational participation in worship, and a liturgical form of covenant renewal (i.e. creeds, corporate confession, responsive readings).

We are currently seeking for a pastor and shepherd. The congregation especially seeks teaching and leadership in areas of practical Christian living, holistic outreach ministries, biblical exposition, and the catholicity of the church. Christian education will be an important shared responsibility of the session. Our congregation understands the Church, alongside the family, to have the paramount role in the education of its members, in both formal and informal environments. A possible future goal of our church is the development of our current home school co-op into a classical school as an aid to our growing families.

Overall, the body at Covenant believes it is necessary to have strong leaders in the pastor and the elders to guide its ministries, but it is the role of the laity to *own* these ministries in order for them to be effective. Covenant ideally would love to support several different avenues of outreach.

We seek a pastor with strengths and capabilities in preaching, teaching, counseling, discipleship of members, shepherding, exhortation of the laity to utilize their gifts, and fostering congregational hospitality. A man with a seasoned ministry experience of at

least 5 years or more will be actively sought, but we ask any man believing himself to be called our way, regardless of years of experience, to apply for candidacy.

Interested men may contact Covenant's pulpit committee via email to Gary Johnson at [gwj@suddenlink.net](mailto:gwj@suddenlink.net), or 2019 Ruth St, Sulphur, LA 70663.

Thank you, and the Lord bless you,

Pulpit Committee of Covenant Presbyterian Church