

Now to him who is able to
do immeasurably more

*than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory
in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.*

Ephesians 3:20-21



Our Covenant on Display

Christ Covenant Church's Facilities Ministry

A Letter from Our Pastors

**“...so that we might put
God’s character and our
covenant on display...”**

October 9, 2016

Dear Church Family:

Almost fifty years ago, the congregation meeting at 1700 Lee Drive chose to make a significant investment in gospel ministry in South Baton Rouge by building a church facility. We are extremely grateful for their sacrifice that helped build and dedicate the current facility to gospel ministry because it has served both this church family and the surrounding community for nearly five decades.

As we seek to extend the effectiveness of this facility into the next fifty years, we hope to improve on the structure that is here by breathing new life into the campus, both inside and out. The planned renovation will draw our family of believers into worship and continue to be a beacon to the community,

inviting them to investigate the gospel that we hold out as the hope of the world.

New interior appointments will draw us together to lift our hearts in worship to God in a beautiful, well-lit space. Expanded foyer and exterior areas will allow opportunities for growth in our relationships and in our already thriving community of believers. Improvements to our children’s spaces, parking lot, and air conditioning will maximize safety and eliminate barriers to those seeking to come onto our campus. Elements facing Lee Drive as well as an improved exterior will seek to reflect outwardly to our friends and neighbors what we believe inwardly, namely that the gospel of Jesus Christ is the center point of truth, goodness, and beauty.

Along with you, we desire to be faithful stewards of all God has entrusted to our care, and so we write on behalf of the elders to invite you to join with us in taking the next step in improving this church campus so that we might put God’s character and our covenant on display and serve this community for many years to come.

In Christ,

Bradley Aucoin
Pastor

Blake Price
Associate Pastor



Drawing from Our Past

Southside Baptist Church

1942

1956

October 28

Southside Baptist Church was organized on Perkins Road at the home of Rev. Charles Heine.

1959

July

The 1700 block of Lee Drive was purchased for a new church building.

1969

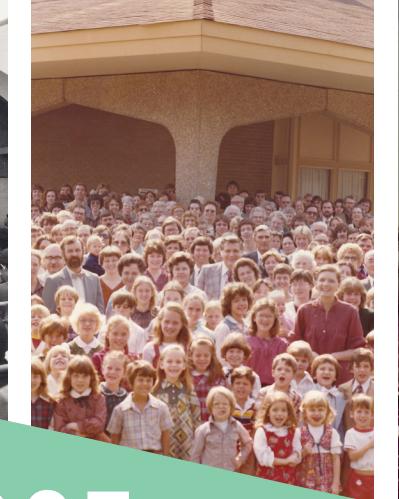
February 22

The new chapel and education building were completed and dedicated by the congregation.

1995

June 18

Phill Yoho was called as the pastor of Southside Baptist.



The Cornerstone Chapel

2003

August 31

The Cornerstone Chapel was formed and began meeting at the LSU Law Center and, later, the Walden Clubhouse.

2005

June 12

Bradley Aucoin joined The Cornerstone Chapel as Senior Pastor.

2006

September 17

Blake Price joined The Cornerstone Chapel as Associate Pastor.

2007

February

After being left without a facility, The Cornerstone Chapel began to rent the sanctuary at Southside.

Building on the Present

Christ Covenant Church

2009 2011

June

Leadership between The Cornerstone Chapel and Southside Baptist began to discuss a potential “merger” of the two congregations into one new church.

May 15

Southside Baptist and The Cornerstone Chapel merged to form Christ Covenant Church and adopted a new constitution and bylaws along with incorporation with the State of Louisiana.

2015

January

Christ Covenant Church commits to a comprehensive renovation process in a unified effort to breathe new life into its campus, both inside and out.

2017

January

Christ Covenant Church will officially adopt Campus Outreach and be the hub church for the ministry in the state of Louisiana.

How can you be a part of Christ Covenant's future?

PRAY

Join us in asking God for his divine guidance during this renovation. Pray that His will, not ours, be done. Pray that He will provide a spirit of unity for our congregation, wisdom for our architects and builders, and patience for everyone involved as we strive to continue to emulate Paul’s instruction in Ephesians 4.

GIVE

God has bestowed many blessings upon our members, but He did not give us these gifts to keep to ourselves. Instead, we should use our gifts—our time, talents, and treasure—to serve and glorify God. What a delight it is to use our time, skills, and money to serve the Lord and strengthen the gospel ministry of our church!

WAIT

As we continue through the renovation process, we know that not everything will be perfect and that the process will take time. During this time of waiting, let us embody the fruit of the Spirit, particularly patience, as we put our covenant on display to show Christ to those who are not yet members of His body. May He cause us to trust Him, not our own efforts, as the psalmist prays in Psalm 33.

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:2-3

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

James 1:16-18

We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you.

Psalm 33:20-23

Planning for the Future

Our comprehensive renovation plan includes many upgrades to our facilities that will create a safer, more functional, and more beautiful environment for Christ Covenant's many ministries.

Area 1

Sanctuary, Nursery,
Main Playground

Area 2

Outdoor Fellowship Plaza,
Parking Lot, Landscaping

Area 3

Gymnasium, Preschool Playground,
Preschool Covered Drop-Off

Estimated Total Cost
\$3.5 million

Estimated Fundraising Timeline
3-5 years





Area 1

Overview Interior Church Renovation & Exterior Sitework

Estimated Cost
\$2 million

Estimated Time of Construction
12 months

Sanctuary

The front wall of the sanctuary and a new baptistery with mosaic tile will be moved inward towards the pews to create a more intimate space for our corporate worship. Updated flooring, lighting, paint, and windows will brighten the sanctuary.

Parlor

Moving the front wall of the sanctuary will create a flexible space at the front of the church that may be divided into two rooms for classes or kept as one continuous space for larger gatherings.

Nursery & Bride's Room

A multi-purpose room and restroom will be added off the foyer to serve the needs of infant care during worship services and a bride's room for weddings.

Foyer

To increase the size of the foyer, we will move the exterior walls outward to be in line with the roof's edge. Enlarging this area will provide more room for fellowship before and after worship services.

Back Porch & Sanctuary Garden

New seating and landscaping will make the current entrance to the foyer an inviting place for people to gather before and after our main services.

Main Playground

An enclosed playground will be added right off the Back Porch to allow parents some flexibility while watching their children play. The new playground will also provide easier and safer access for the weekday preschool.

Front Exterior Gathering Plaza

The new front of our church will offer a welcoming entrance to our campus and will help to let passing traffic know that 1700 Lee Drive is a place of worship. A new sign, sidewalk, landscaping, and front steps will all aid in inviting our community to join us in worship. New fencing will not only provide safety from traffic on Lee Drive, but it will also provide some privacy for the Parlor rooms at the front of the church. Lastly, a new window at the front ridge of the roof will bring more light into the sanctuary while also improving the curb appeal of the church.





Area 2

Overview

New Entry, Parking Improvements, & Community Garden

Estimated Cost

\$1 million

Estimated Time of Construction

6 months

New Parking Lot Layout

The parking lot renovation will occur in phases so that we have access to half of the parking spaces during construction. Traffic flow will be greatly improved, and our parking capacity will be increased.

New Covered Drop-off

The addition of a second covered drop-off area will allow better access to, and create a better entrance for, the education building and the sanctuary.

Landscaping

New landscaping will be planted throughout our campus including new

trees in the parking area, flower beds at the front of the church, and other foliage in the Outdoor Fellowship Plaza.

Entry Corridor

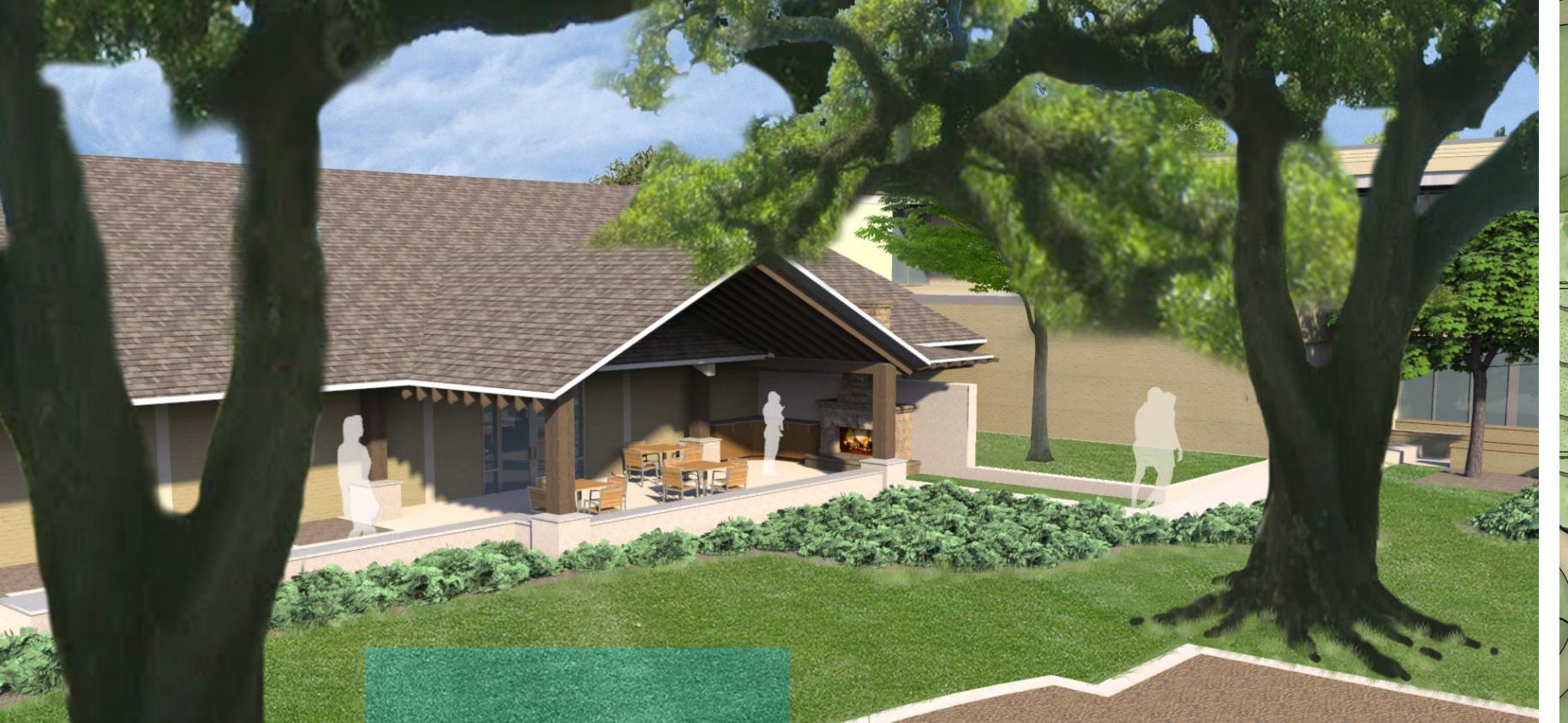
A covered corridor will lead people from a covered drop-off to entrances of the foyer and education wing

Outdoor Fellowship Plaza

New landscaping that complements our existing structures will be the main upgrade in this area. A new sidewalk will also be added, at the request of the city, to provide more safety to foot traffic along Lee Drive and around our campus.



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our friends and neighbors what
we believe inwardly*



Area 3

Overview **Gymnasium, The Hearth, & Exterior Improvements**

Estimated Cost
\$500,000

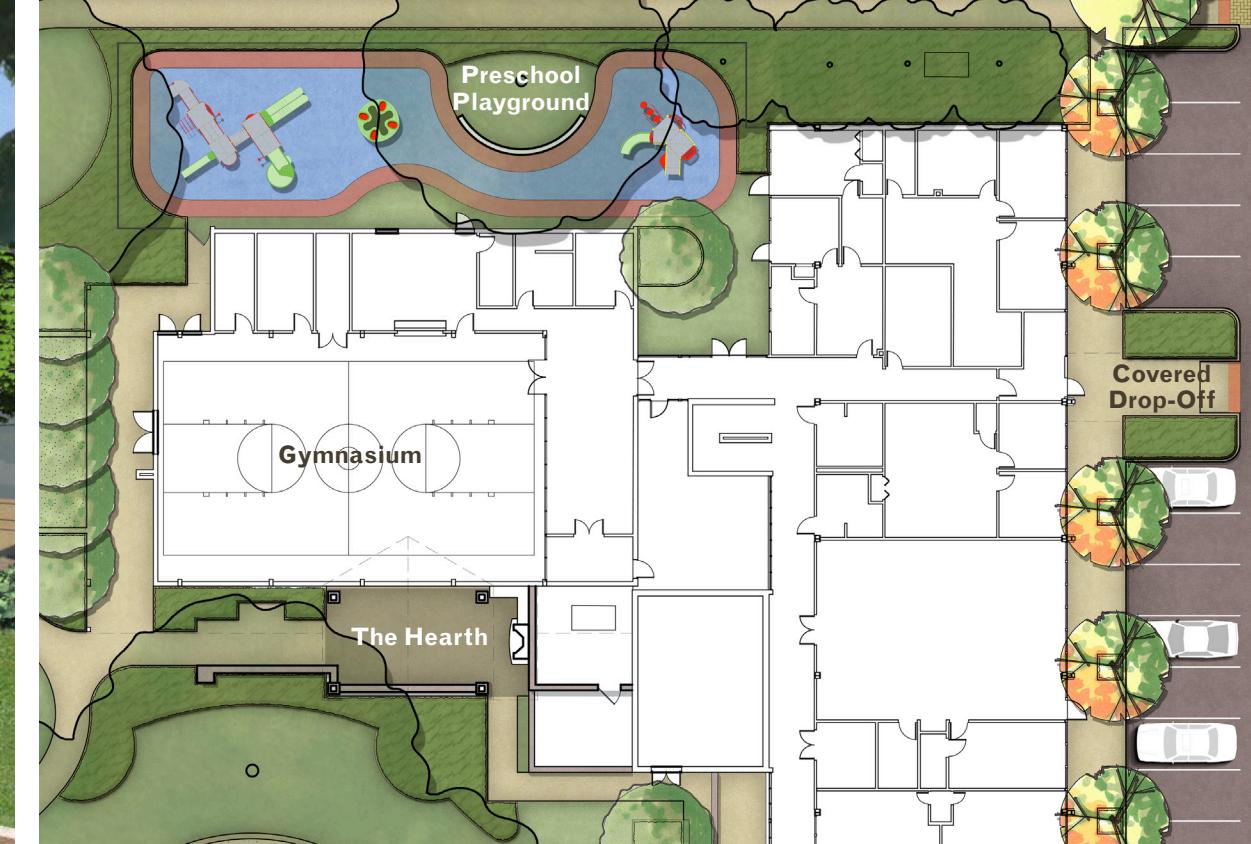
Estimated Time of Construction
8-10 months

Gymnasium Updates

Though this space will still function as a gym, it will look and feel more like a fellowship hall. We have already made progress in this area by giving the room a fresh coat of paint. The ceiling and lighting will also need refurbishing.

The Hearth

This covered, outdoor space will function as an intimate gathering space for small groups and Bible studies and will include a fireplace. It will also provide a direct path from the gym to the outdoor area.



Preschool Playground

This playground will serve younger children who are not able to play on the bigger playground. It will also be closer in proximity to the building so that children are not crossing the parking lot each day on their way to the playground.

Updated Preschool Drop-off

Our current covered entrance will be updated, refurbished, and extended to allow the preschool to have two covered drop-off/pick-up lanes that will run much more efficiently as our current set-up.

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Dates to Remember

Home Groups

OCT 17

Please join us as we meet at the homes of our church members to discuss, answer questions, and receive feedback about this renovation.

All home group meetings will be from 7:00-8:00 PM.

at the home of
Rachel & Charles Dabadie

*1161 S. Cloverdale
Baton Rouge 70808*

OCT 19

at the home of
Leslie & David Bark

*516 Woodleigh Dr.
Baton Rouge 70810*

OCT 20

at the home of
Versa & Bill Stickle

*1335 Kenilworth
Baton Rouge 70808*

OCT 25

at the home of
Lynn & Warren Rabb

*5412 S. Pointer Ct.
Baton Rouge 70808*

OCT 30

make-up meeting in
The Fellowship Hall

*right after Worship Service
from 11:30-12:30*

Commitment Sunday

NOV 13

Sanctuary

We will have a Members' Meeting directly after the service where we will have the opportunity to commit ourselves to this endeavor. A church-wide picnic will follow.

The Trellis & the Vine

JAN 2017

Fellowship Hall

Beginning in January, we will dedicate a series of Core Seminars to discussing *The Trellis and the Vine* and how it relates to our church's ministry and vision.

Maintaining Our Multi-Year Campaign

Quarterly Updates

Some of our members will give quarterly updates during our Members' Meetings on the progress of our fundraising campaign and renovation plans. These updates are a vital way to stay informed and encouraged during this multi-year campaign.

Website

Be sure to check the website for more information on the fundraising campaign and renovation. A campaign video, downloadable PDF of this booklet, and link to online giving will be available. The website is a great resource for anyone you know who might like to learn more about our Gospel Ministry.

christcovenantchurch.net

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