WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

CHAPEL

What is the purpose of our chapels at CCS and why do they look different?

The purpose of chapel at Covenant Classical School is to fulfill the mission of helping students to understand the world from a biblical perspective; equipping them with the leadership skills needed to affect their culture and world for Christ. As a covenantal school, we come alongside the teachings of the family and church. Our goal is to disciple rather than evangelize.

How do we accomplish this purpose?

Our chapels are focused on worshipping God in a variety of ways. Half of our yearly chapels are led by a pastor sharing a lesson centered around our yearly theme (gratitude). A few of our chapels are worship chapels or practice chapels. The rest of our chapels are class presentations demonstrating what students have been studying about God and His creation, wisdom and virtue, and learning to speak clearly and lovingly about their faith.

What does a typical chapel look like?

Each chapel begins with a prayer written by a sixth grader followed by a liturgy. Traditionally, the liturgy is the “Apostles’ Creed”. Then, we worship with a hymn or other worship songs. This is followed by a presentation by a pastor or class. Every chapel ends with the Lord’s Prayer.

What is liturgy?

Liturgy is repeated words or actions that form our affections and habits. Liturgies find their way into our hearts, words, and actions because of repetition.

How do we find speakers?

Speakers are selected from our CCS church community and given the theme for the chapel.

How do I know what is happening in chapel?

In the weekly ENews, you will see the chapel speaker or class listed along with our speakers/presenters for that chapel. Parents are invited to any chapel.

Covenant purposely sets aside time for corporate worship and teaching; however, worship happens throughout the day in every class.

For more on this topic, check out the resources below.

Resources: Habits of the Household by Justin Earley
Thoroughness and Charm by Mandi Gerth