Who We Are At Naperville Covenant Church

We desire to be an increasingly diverse, compassionate community committed to knowing, loving, and serving Jesus Christ in our neighborhoods and world.

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Weekly Events

Sunday, August 20

Worship Service @ 10:30 am

Monday, August 21

Board of Spiritual Life Meeting @ 7 pm

Sign up for our Email and Parent Connection Newsletters:

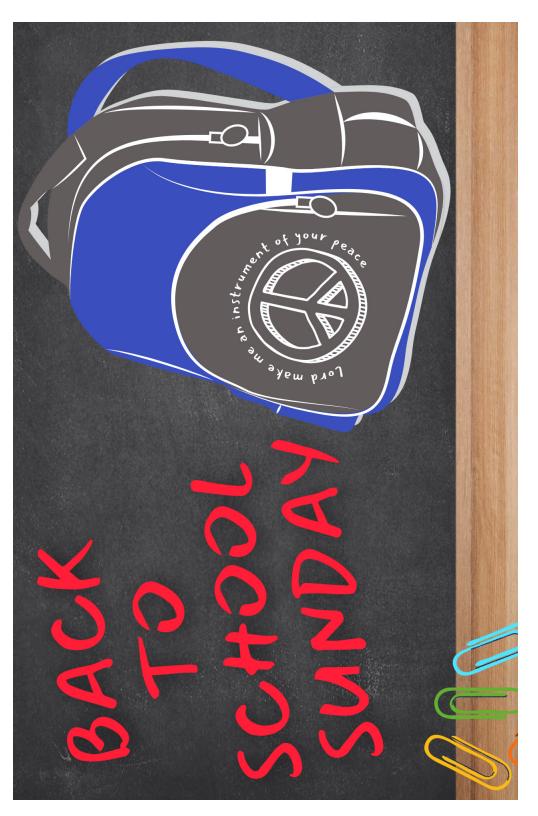
https://tinyurl.com/NECCNews

NaperCov Youth

While engaging with their peers and community, NaperCov Youth Ministry will be a place where students find acceptance for who they are and challenged to grow deeper in faith with Christ.







Welcome to Naperville Covenant Church

Sunday, August 20, 2023 - Back To School Sunday

Worship Music

"Great Things"
"Our Psalm 23"

Back To School Prayer for Students

Pre School & Elementary Middle School & High School College & Graduate School

Worship Music

"Instrument of Peace"

Message

"Lord, Make Me and Instrument of Peace"
Pastor Kelly

Ministry Highlight

Monday Crew - Scott Elementary School

Prayer for Schools, Administrators & Educators

Come forward to add your prayers (write, draw, and/or add a sticker) to our schoolhouse. You may take a Pray for Me card from the perimeter of the sanctuary at this time as well.

Worship Music

"Same God"

Announcements & Prayer

Offertory

Closing Worship

"The Blessing"

Benediction

Pastor Kelly

A warm welcome to Naperville Covenant! Thank you for joining us today for worship. If today is your first day visiting us, please fill out the Connection Card (or scan the QR Code and visit the website link on the insert) and place it in the offering plate or take it to the front office desk. Please also stop by the Welcome Center for more information and a FREE gift!

CHILDREN K-5TH GRADE: No Sunday Squad today. Be sure to grab an activity bag to enjoy during today's Back To School service.

PRESCHOOL ROOM: Our Preschool Room is open and staffed during our entire service. Children 2 - 5 are invited at any time to come explore the Bible together through story and play.

NURSERY: Our nursery is OPEN today with volunteers ready to care for children up through age 2. (Nursery will be staffed the first, second and third Sundays of the month).

PRAYER TIME: Each Sunday after worship, NECC's Stephen Ministry offers individual prayer in the prayer room (library).

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Knowing, Loving and Serving...

Pray For Me Cards - Available TODAY! Please join our effort to intentionally pray for every young person in our congregation. During the service you will have the opportunity to take a Pray for Me card. Feel free to grab one after service as well. We encourage you to find the person you are praying for as well as their parent(s) and find out any specific prayer requests for that child. If you need help getting in touch with someone, Pastor Josiah or Pastor Kelly are happy to assist.

The Peace Table Storybook Bible Limited quantity available for purchase today. If you are interested in taking home a wonderful new storybook Bible we will be using in our classrooms this Fall, visit the counter by the Preschool Room. Special price for NaperCov families is \$20.

Ministry Fair - August 27! Join us Sunday, August 27 as all NaperCov ministries will exhibit their various programs and how to get involved at our Ministry Fair! In advance of the Fair, take a minute to check out our volunteer form and fill it out to the best of your ability (check the bulletin insert). In the meantime be in prayer about What God is calling you to in the next season of ministry at NaperCov. Come to the Ministry Fair to learn more!

Ice Cream Socials September 3! - The Community Life Team is sponsoring TWO ice cream socials Sunday, September 3! The first to honor our church staff (Pastor Leslie X., Pastor Josiah, Pastor Kelly, Lucas, Kevin, Joe and Evelyn) for their service to the NECC community (after Sunday Service). The second will be at the Pearl Health Center following the worship service conducted by our group of volunteers who minister to the Pearl residents on a weekly basis. We anticipate that social will begin at 2:00 p.m. All are invited! Please see Ed Fey or Marty Casey for details.

Kickoff Sunday - September 10! To launch our fall season of ministry, we will gather for a special kickoff service OUTDOORS at NaperCov! Invite a friend, bring a chair, and join us for this special Sunday.

60+Day at Covenant Harbor Covenant Harbor's popular 60+ Day returns Tuesday, September 12, 2023! All adults age 60+ are welcome to register, whether they are members of your church or not. Registration is open by following https://tinyurl.com/60DayCov (preferred method) and includes an option to request overnight accommodations in Geneva Bay Center on Monday, September 11, and/or Tuesday, September 12. If you have questions or need assistance, please call (262) 248-3600 or email development@covenantharbor.org.

Women's Retreat at CPBC: Sept. 29-Oct. 1! Come for a weekend of fun, fellowship, meaningful conversation, and worship! Invite your friends out for the excellent food, good times, and life-giving worship and messages. Registration begins at 4:00 PM on Friday, with our first gathering for dinner at 5:30 PM.*Early Bird Registration Discount applies if registered or postmarked by September 15, 2023. Pricing and details at www.cpbc.com/womensretreat.

NECC Financials – Month of July 2023							
	Month		YTD				
	Actual	Plan	Actual	Plan			
Giving	\$ 27,130	\$ 37,862	\$ 49,820	\$ 68,151			
Expenses	\$ 36,486	\$ 37,142	\$ 68,094	\$ 78,259			

YOU ARE INVITED TO VOLUNTEER MINISTRY @ NAPERVILLE COVENANT CHURCH

There are countless ways to share your time and gifts through volunteer service. From ongoing service on one of our ministry teams to periodic events on and offsite, it is easy to find ways to be involved. Ministry group leaders are always looking for willing volunteers to help further our mission. Whether it's helping to organize or staff a one-time event, serving regularly on Sunday mornings, or even making calls from home, there is something you can do to help.

Name:	
Best Email:	
Best Phone Number:	
How do you prefer we follow up with you?	I WOULD LIKE TO
□ Phone Call □ Email □ Text	LEARN MORE ABOUT
	MY SPIRITUAL GIFTS.

WHAT'S YOUR PASSION?

CHECK YOUR TOP 3

Examples provided are just a sample of ways to serve in that area of ministry. This form is not a commitment, but a way for staff to get to know you. We look forward to doing ministry together!

- □ Adult Ministries
 - (teaching, mentoring, Life Group leadership, Men's and Women's Ministries
- ☐ Children & Family Ministries ☐
 - (nursery—5th grade, Sunday classes, Wednesday evening program, special events)
- ☐ Community Outreach & Service

(community partnerships, service events, benevolence, evangelism, ministries of mercy

☐ Stephen Ministry (help serve the needs of our □ Congregational Care

(new comer contact team, visiting ill or home-bound congregants, meals)

Global Engagement

(World Missions, missionary prayer support)

☐ Governance & Guidance

(Leadership Team, Ministry Teams, Search Teams, Special Committees)

■ Ministries Support

(facility/property maintenance, administration, technology)

OR SCAN THE QR CODE

□ Praver

(intercessory prayer, prayer

□ Service Ministries

(event setup or clean up, helping in the kitchen)

☐ Student/Youth Ministries

(6th-12th grade/College, classes, events, small groups, Wednesday evening programs)

☐ Welcome & Hospitality

(Welcome Center, greeters, ushers)

■ Worship & Arts

(choir, vocalists, praise bands, drama, tech support, video

Know Love Serve

church family and community)

YOU ARE MINISTRY @ NAPERVILLE COVENANT CHURCH

APTS

SPORTS

WHAT ARE YOUR SUPER POWERS?

SKILLS

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☐ Couns ☐ Finance Accou	Construction Counseling Finances/ Accounting Handy/Small Repairs Marketing &		Bass Guitar Guitar Dance Director Drama Drums	LE	Athlete Camping/Hiking Coaching/ Officiating ADERSHIP			
			Keyboard/Piano Lead Worship Lighting Photography		Event Planning Mentoring Adults Mentoring Youth			
□ Paintir Exterio □ Securi □ Teach	Office Work Painting (Interior/ Exterior) Security Teaching Computers/Tech		Sound Mixing Videography Vocalist Writer		Conversationalist Good Listener Housework Meal Prep Special Needs Support Stephen Ministry			
ELL US MORE ABOUT OURSELF AND WHAT MAKES YOU YOU:								

Naperville Covenant Church







