Weekly Events at Naperville Covenant Church

Sunday, December 12

Worship Service @ 10:30 am Sunday Squad ~ 10:45 am Confirmation @ 12-2 pm Sunday Service @ The Pearl 1 pm

Monday, December 13

Executive Board Meeting @ 7 pm

Tuesday, December 14 No Events

Wednesday, December 15

Ohana 5-6 pm

Gifts for Scott Elementary Due @ 6pm Christmas Program Rehearsal @ 6-7:30 pm

Thursday, December 16

MOPs & MOMSNext Meeting @ 9:15 am Gift Wrap for Scott Elementary TBA

Friday, December 17

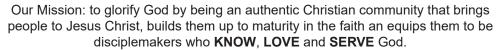
Gift Delivery for Scott Elementary @ 9 am

Saturday, December 18

No Events

Naperville Covenant





Our Vision: An increasingly diverse, compassionate community committed to knowing, loving, and serving Jesus Christ in our neighborhoods and world.

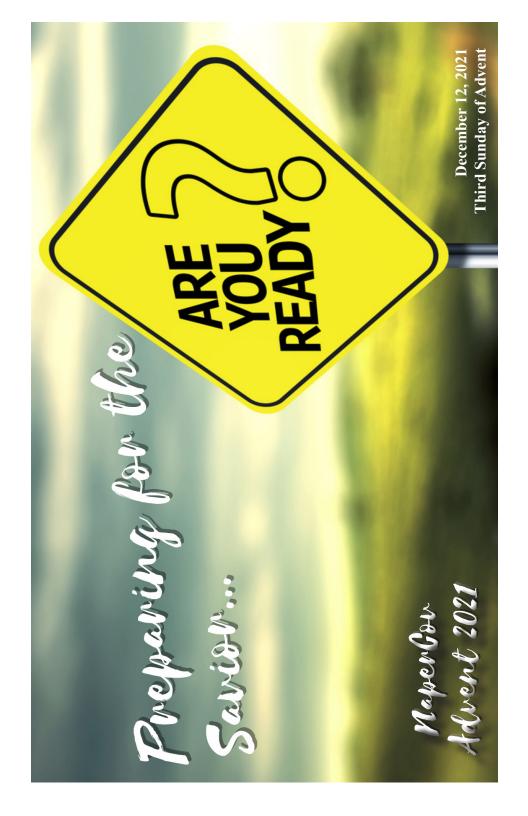
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Welcome to Naperville Covenant Church

Sunday, December 12, 2021 - Third Sunday of Advent

Worship Music

"Emmanuel"

Advent Reading/Candle Lighting

Rev. Dennis and Susan Edwards

Worship Music

"Joy To The World (Joyful Joyful)"
"Come Thou Font Of Every Blessing"

Child Dedication

Greta Elisabeth Gillan

Message

"The Fruit of Our Labor" Luke 3:7-18 Pastor X

Prayer and Announcements

Pastor X

Closing Worship

"What A Beautiful Name"

Benediction

Pastor X

A warm welcome to Naperville Covenant! Thank you for joining us today for worship. Please wear a mask and plan to use the portable church hand sanitizer stations at each door when you enter. We are taking every precaution to ensure a safe and healthy environment for all who worship in person with us. If today is your first day visiting us, please fill out the Connection Card 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: Sunday Squad today! Join Pastor Kelly and friends in the Fellowship Hall for a Bible lesson, craft, and games. Kids will be dismissed right before the sermon. Parents, please come to the Fellowship Hall after service to retrieve your kids (Sunday Squad is every 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sunday of the month).

PRESCHOOL ROOM: Our Preschool Room is open and staffed during the entire worship service every week. 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 and second Sundays of the month).

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH: Please write prayer concerns on the back of Connect cards or send an email to necchurch@napercov.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Knowing, Loving and Serving...

NaperCov Prayer Group TODAY! - Join fellow congregant Samantha Zylstra and others TODAY for a prayer group meeting! We'll be meeting each week at 10 am in the youth room for prayer and reflection before service and it is open to ALL ages. For more information please see Pastor X.

Candlelight Christmas Eve Service @ 6pm - Please join us for a very special Candlelight Christmas Eve service at 6 pm on December 24th. A night of worshiping our awesome God and the gift of His only son, Jesus, born in a manger in a stable -- he came in humility to serve and gave His life so that we may receive the gift of salvation and the promise of eternal life! Praise God! Come, Messiah! For more info, please contact the church office at necchurch@napercov.org.

Gifts for Families of Scott Elementary School - Please join us in helping provide two educational toys and supplies for a Christmas dinner for sixteen different families, who are unable to purchase these much-needed items to help them start Kindergarten next fall at Scott Elementary School. To provide for these families, please visit the link https://tinyurl.com/ScottGifts21. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Josiah (josiah@napercov.org).

Children & Youth Christmas Program - Rehearsals continue this week! - We have one remaining rehearsal for our Children & Youth Christmas Program - this Wednesday, December 15, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. We look forward to sharing our gifts with the entire congregation on Sunday, December 19! If you have questions about the Christmas program, please see Pastor Kelly.

Women's Bible Study Christmas Potluck Brunch Tuesday 12/14 @ 9:30am We will be celebrating the birth of Jesus together on Tuesday, 12/14 at church at 9:30 am with a potluck breakfast/brunch. Please bring something breakfast/brunch oriented to share (can be anything from cinnamon rolls to egg casseroles to gingerbread to fruit and yogurt and/or anything in between). Pastor Kelly has agreed to lead us in a Christmas/Advent devotion, and then we will eat! Games will follow. For questions, please contact Kathy at kathy-buettner@comcast.net.

Calling Volunteers for Alden/Pearl Sunday Service - We are looking for some passionate volunteers to help with our Sunday Services at both the Pearl of Naperville and Alden Estates. If you are interested or have questions in being a part of our elder congregants lives and those who cannot join us on a weekly basis, please contact the church office.

Deep Freeze Youth Retreat - Jan. 7-9, 2022 - Coming the weekend of January 7-9, 2022, enjoy winter activities, food, lodging, and Christian speakers with worship leaders. The end result is students and leaders alike leaving the weekend refreshed, more connected to their youth group and energized to serve Jesus as well as those in their community. This will be a winter retreat for 6-12th grade. Please register by <u>December 17th at covenantharbor.org</u>.

Summer Camp Registration at Covenant Harbor/Point is NOW OPEN! Make sure to sign up (https://tinyurl.com/CovCamp22) as soon as possible for your preferred dates for Summer Camp! We will have a printout today to coordinate having students attend camp at the same time. For questions, please contact the church office at nechurch@napercov.org.

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Worship Service Sunday December 12, 2021

The Fruit of Our Labor
Pastor X
(Luke 3:7-18)

Takeaway #1:

Takeaway #4:

Takeaway #3:

Takeaway #2:

