

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, December 18

Youth Bible Study @ 9:30 am-10:15 am

Worship Service @ 10:30 am

Sunday Squad ~ 10:45 am

Monday, December 19

Board of Spiritual Life Meeting @ 7 pm

Tuesday, December 20

Women's Bible Study (In-Person) @ 9:30 am

Wednesday, December 21

Ohana 5-6 pm

Courageous Conversations @ 6-7 pm

Courageous Kids @ 6-7 pm

Choir Rehearsal @ 7 pm

Saturday, December 24

Candlelight Christmas Eve

Service @ 5 pm

Youth Events

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.

Upcoming Events



Follow us on Instagram at
[NaperCovYouth](#)

Weekly Gatherings

Wednesdays, 5-7 PM

Experience God through discussion and fellowship. Jr. and Sr. High Students initially combined, then split into smaller groups.

Sundays, 9:30-10:15 AM

Dive into an Inductive Bible Study on the book of James. We welcome both Jr. and Sr. High.

Upcoming Retreats:

One Life (High School)

1/13 - 1/16

We hope you encounter Jesus through a speaker, winter games, skiing, and small groups.

Register:

cpbc.campbrainregistration.com

Deep Freeze (Middle School)

2/10 - 2/12

Take the weekend to feel refreshed, connected, and energized to serve Jesus as well as your community.

Register:

covenantharbor.campbrainregistration.com

Welcome to
Naperville Covenant Church

The Spirit
of the Lord
is Upon me...



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Sunday, December 18, 2022 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

Worship Music

"Emmanuel"

Advent Reading/Candle Lighting

Yarber-King Family

Children and Youth Christmas Program

See insert of songs/performers

YMEN Choir Feature

"Mary Did You Know..."

Young Men's Educational Network Choir

Message

"The Spirit of the Lord is Upon Me..."

Luke 4:14-21

Pastor X

Announcements & Prayer

Pastor Josiah

Offertory

Closing Worship

"Now Behold The Lamb"

YMEN & Naperville Covenant Church Choir

"Go Tell It On A Mountain"

Benediction

Pastor X

A warm welcome to Naperville Covenant! Thank you for joining us today for worship. While face masks are encouraged, they are not required. 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 right) 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! Kids will be dismissed right before the sermon to head to classroom K for a Bible lesson, craft, and games. Parents, please come retrieve your kids after service. (Sunday Squad is every 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sunday of the month.)

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...

YMEN Fellowship Sunday & NaperCov Potluck Today! - Enjoy a special choir performance from both the Naperville Covenant Church choir and the Young Men's Educational Network today during service. Afterward, The Community Life Committee is organizing a potluck luncheon to follow in Fellowship Hall. Come celebrate the Christmas season with us by strengthening relationships with church friends!

Women's Bible Study concludes Tuesday, December 20! - Join the women of NECC this Tuesday at 9:30 am at church as they conclude the 12 Women of the Bible bible study. As part of the study, Wycliffe Bible Translators' Eleanor Good will join the ladies with a special presentation and the morning will culminate with a Christmas Party! The study is written by Lysa TerKeurst. For more information, please contact Kathy Buettner at kathy_buettner@comcast.net.

Christmas Eve Choir Rehearsals - Our Director Music and Arts Lucas Gillan is seeking singers to perform with the choir as part of our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. If you are interested, or know someone who would be, please see Lucas. The choir will be rehearsing Dec. 21st from 7-8 pm with a special Christmas Eve rehearsal from 3:30-4 pm just before the service.

Candlelight Christmas Eve @ 5pm/Christmas Day @ 10:30 am - Please join us for a very special Candlelight Christmas Eve service at 5 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! Sunday morning, celebrate the birth of Jesus with your church family as part of your Christmas morning celebrations at 10:30 am! Both services will be live-streamed to Facebook and YouTube if you cannot attend in person. For more info, please contact the church office.

Membership Class - January 14 @ 9:30am-12pm - Are you interested in becoming a member of Naperville Covenant Church or looking to transfer from another church? Be sure to join our Membership Class Saturday, Jan. 14 from 9:30am -12pm. For more information, please contact Pastor X (lesliex@napercov.org).

- Gifts for Scotts Elementary School -

To all those who donated gifts, money, food and time to Scott Elementary this Christmas...
Thank YOU!

- Have an announcement or event you'd like to publicize? -

Please fill out our Publicity Request Form. You can access it by following <https://tinyurl.com/NECCPRF> or visit the Events page on the NaperCov website at <https://www.napercov.org/events>.



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Naperville Covenant Church Children & Youth

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 18, 2022

Program

"We Wish You a Merry Christmas"

Performed by the Christmas Choir

Scene 1: Mary's Home in Nazareth

"Magnificat" (Flo Paris Oakes)

Vocal Duet by Nithya Augusthy & Addy Offutt

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

*Performed by Sathya Augusthy, piano; Kaidon Dwyer, bass clarinet;
Gwendolyn Sandall, tenor sax*

Scene 2: The Inn at Bethlehem

"Silent Night"

Performed by the Christmas Choir

Scene 3: Shepherd's Field

"Away in a Manger"

Performed by the Christmas Choir

Soloists: Anastasia Alberty, Parker Johnston, Ruby King

Scene 4: The Stable

"Joy to the World" (arranged by Mariah Carey and Walter Afanasieff)

Performed by the Christmas Choir

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Cast

NARRATORS: Ashton Dwyer, Cayden Hill

GABRIEL: Shealon Dwyer

MARY: Alexis McRoberts

JOSEPH: Silas Johnston

INNKEEPER: Kaidon Dwyer

ANGELS: Armando Acevedo, Anastasia Alberty, Nithya Augusthy,
Sathya Augusthy, Ana Hruska,
Parker Johnston, Ruby King, Jany Kisémbó,
Joy Kisémbó, Lincoln Smith

SHEPHERDS: Nicolas Alberty, Christian Johnson, Vincent Pinard

SHEEP: Ajith Augusthy, Asher Sanford, Abby Smith, Devon Smith

COWS: Jonah Gillan, Rhyán Sanders

CHICKENS: Margot McRoberts-Bennett
Zola McRoberts-Bennett

MICE: Catalina Acevedo, Axel Kisémbó, Vale Leander

WISE ONES: Oren Johnston, Edison Leander

CHOIR: Armando Acevedo, Anastasia Alberty, Nicolas Alberty,
Nithya Augusthy, Sathya Augusthy, Ana Hruska, Oren
Johnston, Parker Johnston, Ruby King, Jany Kisémbó,
Joy Kisémbó, Addy Offutt, Vincent Pinard

DIRECTED BY Kelly Johnston

MUSICAL DIRECTOR

& CHOREOGRAPHY: Melinda Alberty

MUSICAL ASSISTANCE: Lucas Gillan

ACCOMPANIST: Joe Clifton

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