

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 4**

NECC Teacher Check-In Meetings @ 9-10 am

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

Worship Service @ 10:30 am

**Tuesday,
December 6**

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

**Wednesday,
December 7**

iCan Together @ 5-7 pm

Community Meal

Christmas Carols

Service Projects

(gift wrapping & Christmas card making)

**Friday,
December 9**

MOPs Meeting @ 9:15 am

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](#)

December

**Christmas Caroling
12/11**

1:30-2:30 PM

Register @

<https://tinyurl.com/2022NCY>



Find us @NaperCov on Social Media



Welcome to Naperville Covenant Church

Sunday, December 4, 2022 - Second Sunday of Advent

Worship Music

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Advent Reading/Candle Lighting

Susan and Marty Casey

Worship Music

"Familia"

"Build My Life"

Message

The Plank Paradox

When Justice Came Down Sermon Series

Luke 6:37-42

Pastor X

Communion Sacrament

Pastor Kelly & Pastor X

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

Announcements & Prayer

Pastor Josiah

Offertory

Closing Worship

"We Are One"

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 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 service and take part in the Children's Message. 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...

Educational Gifts for Scott Preschool Families - For the 3rd holiday season in a row, we invite you to bless the families whose children attend the Preschool for All program at our partner, Scott Elementary. Follow this link to sign up to donate one or more gift: <https://tinyurl.com/ScottPreK2022>. Please bring unwrapped gifts to church by Wednesday, December 7. See Pastor Kelly with any questions.

Women's Bible Study Resumes Tuesday, December 6! - Join the women of NECC on Tuesday mornings weekly continuing December 6 at 9:30 am at church as we focus on 12 Women of the Bible, a study written by Lysa TerKeurst. For more information, please contact Kathy Buettner at kathy_buettner@comcast.net.

iCan Together - Wednesday, December 7! - This Wednesday, December 7 we have a special iCan TOGETHER planned for Christmas for our entire NaperCov community. Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m. (donations appreciated to help cover the cost of our meal). We will spend some time singing Christmas carols, reflecting on the spirit of this season, and working together on some service projects, including wrapping our gifts for Scott School Preschoolers and making cards for residents at the Pearl. We will conclude at 7:00 p.m. For more info, please contact the church office.

Christmas Caroling at the Pearl - December 11! - Please join us in our ministry to the residents at the Pearl Dec 11 from 1:30-2:30 pm. Our hope is to bring some of God's joy and light into their lives during what can be a lonely season. We will be singing Christmas Carols along with handing out cards to residents. Please sign up (<https://tinyurl.com/PearlCaroling22>). There are 4, fifteen-minute time slots so that we can comply with their Health policy and ensure the safety of the residents. They ask for no more than 8 people at a time. For any questions, please see Pastor Josiah.

Rehearsal for Youth Christmas Program Resumes December 14! - We are excited about everyone who wants to be involved in the Christmas Program!

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE:

Wed. 12/14, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - DRESS REHEARSAL with Preschoolers

Sun. 12/18 - Program Day! - Kids arrive 9:00 a.m.

It's not too late to get involved! Please see Pastor Kelly with any questions.

Let it Be Christmas Play/Pizza Dinner Event December 17! - NECC Community Life has purchased a block of 40 tickets for the Saturday, December 17, 2022 production of the "Let it Be Christmas." The 3:00 p.m. performance takes place at Community Christian Church (Yellow Box Church) in Naperville. Reservations will be on a first come/first serve basis. The play will be followed by a pizza dinner at the home of Ed/Patti Fey. The cost for each play ticket/pizza dinner is \$20.00. Please RSVP to Marty Casey, mcasey2727@gmail.com or at (630) 548-2565 as soon as possible. Payment for tickets/pizza dinner should be made in cash or a check made out to Marty Casey.

NaperCov Potluck Lunch - December 18! - The Community Life Committee is organizing a potluck luncheon to follow our Christmas program Sunday, December 18 in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share as a sign-up sheet will be available at church today & December 11. For more information, please contact Marty Casey. Come celebrate the Christmas season with us by strengthening relationships with church friends!

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**Second Sunday of Advent
December 4, 2022**

***“The Plank Paradox”
Luke 6:37-42
Pastor X***

Takeaway #1:

Takeaway #2:

Takeaway #3:

Takeaway #4:

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