# **Weekly Events at Naperville Covenant Church**

## Sunday, December 5

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

# Monday, December 6

No Events

## Tuesday, December 7

MOPs and MOMSNext Meeting @ 7 pm

#### Wednesday, December 8

Ohana 5-6 pm Christmas Program Rehearsal @ 6:30-7:30 pm

## Thursday, December 9

No Events

## Friday, December 10

No Events

## Saturday, December 11

No Events

# Naperville Covenant



Our Mission: to glorify God by being an authentic Christian community that brings people to Jesus Christ, builds them up to maturity in the faith an equips them to be disciplemakers who KNOW, LOVE and SERVE God.

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

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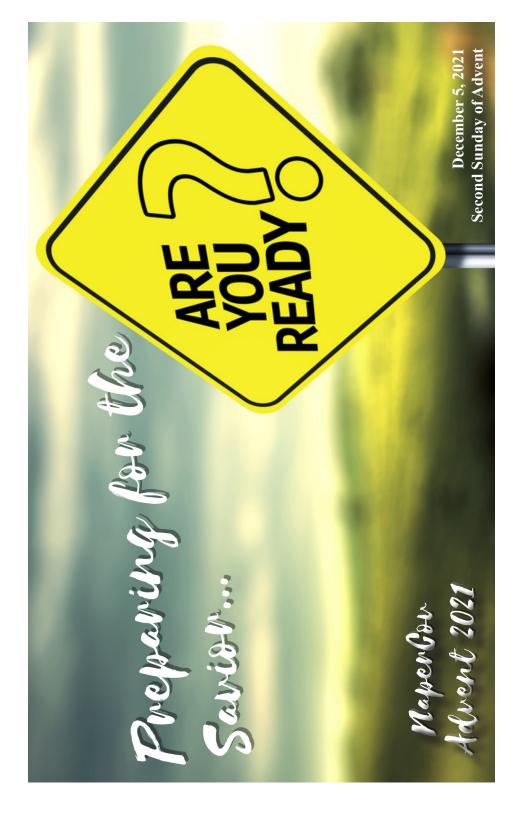
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# **Welcome to Naperville Covenant Church**

Sunday, December 2, 2021 - Second Sunday of Advent

# Worship Music

"Glorious Day"

# Advent Reading/Candle Lighting

Brandon and Tess Leander; Edison, Vale

## **Worship Music**

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"
"When I Think About The Lord"

#### Message

"Power, Peace and Preparation" Luke 3:1-6 Pastor Cheryl Lynn Cain

## **Communion Sacrament**

Pastor Cain and Pastor Kelly

## **Prayer and Announcements**

Pastor Josiah

## **Closing Worship**

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

#### Benediction

**Pastor Cain** 

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 <a href="mailto:necchurch@napercov.org">necchurch@napercov.org</a>.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

## Knowing, Loving and Serving...

NaperCov Prayer Group TODAY! - Join fellow congregant Samantha Zylstra and others TODAY for the first 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 Josiah.

Children & Youth Christmas Program - Rehearsals continue this week! We are excited to be putting on a Christmas program during our worship service Sunday, December 19. All kids and youth are invited to participate. We will be rehearsing Wednesday evenings, 6:30-7:30 pm. Please see Pastor Kelly if your kids plan to be involved. We'd love to have some parent helpers too!

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 <a href="mailto:kathy\_buettner@comcast.net">kathy\_buettner@comcast.net</a>.

**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</u> at <u>covenantharbor.org</u>.

Summer Camp Registration at Covenant Harbor/Point is NOW OPEN! Make sure to sign up (<a href="https://tinyurl.com/CovCamp22">https://tinyurl.com/CovCamp22</a>) 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 <a href="mailto:nechurch@napercov.org">nechurch@napercov.org</a>.

**Sponsor a Child with World Vision** - NaperCov has become the first Evangelical Covenant Church to have the opportunity to sponsor Covenant Kids in Karawa, DRC, a new development area where Covenant mission in Congo began in 1937! Sponsorship is one of the most personal and effective ways we can address global childhood poverty and if you are able, child sponsorship folders are available at church to choose from. If you wish to find and sponsor Karawa Kids online, please follow the link <a href="https://teamworldvision.org/napercov">https://teamworldvision.org/napercov</a>.



KNOW. LOVE. SERVE.

Naperville Covenant Church

Worship Service Sunday December 5, 2021

Power, Peace and Preparation
Pastor Cheryl Lynn Cain
(Luke 3:1-6)

Takeaway #1:

Takeaway #4:

Takeaway #3:

Takeaway #2:

