

## 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, October 1**

Worship Service @ 10:30 am  
Urgent Congregational Meeting  
@ 12 pm

#### **Tuesday, October 3**

Women's Bible Study @ 9:30 am

#### **Wednesday, October 4**

Church in Our Changing World  
Discipleship Miniseries @ 6:30 pm  
Script Writing Workshop @ 6:30 pm

#### **Saturday, October 7**

Men's Breakfast @ 8 am

**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.



### Youth Events

#### Upcoming

10/1 Confirmation  
12-2 pm

10/4 Ohana  
5-6:30 pm

Check out our website:  
[napercov.org/youth](http://napercov.org/youth)



Find us @NaperCov on Social Media



# Welcome to Naperville Covenant Church

Sunday, October 1, 2023 - Worship Service

**Worship Music**  
"House Of The Lord"

**Scripture Reading**  
Mark 12: 41-44

**Worship Music**  
"Make Room"

**Message**  
"God Sees..."  
Lord Of The Fries Sermon Series Pt. 3  
Pastor Leslie X.

**Communion Sacrament**  
Pastor Kelly & Pastor Leslie X.  
"Es Mi Cuerpo"  
Naperville Covenant Church Choir

**Announcements & Prayer**

**Offertory**

**Closing Worship**  
"10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)"

**Benediction**  
Pastor Leslie X.

**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 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 unstaffed, but available for parents and their infants to use.

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS!

*Knowing, Loving and Serving...*

**Lord of The Fries - Sermon Series Continues TODAY!** God has blessed us with possessions, money, time, influence and the list goes on. He has placed those things in our hands. The danger is money and all it can buy begins to possess our hearts. God, our provider, wants nothing and no one in possession of our hearts except Him. This series will examine these topics and much more!

**Urgent Congregational Meeting – TODAY** Join us TODAY after service in the sanctuary for an urgent congregational meeting where we will discuss upcoming tasks for the church. Childcare will be provided.

**Women's Bible Study Continues October 3!** This fall the Women's Bible Study meets weekly on Tuesdays, continuing October 3 at 9:30 am at church. We will be studying Angie Smith's study, "Seamless." For more information, please contact Kathy Buettner at [kathy\\_buettner@comcast.net](mailto:kathy_buettner@comcast.net).

**Fall Miniseries: Church in Our Changing World** Beginning October 4, this discipleship miniseries will focus on the church and the challenges we face in our changing world without sacrificing the sacred. For more information, please contact Greg Johnston at [gregory.t.johnston@gmail.com](mailto:gregory.t.johnston@gmail.com).

**Script Writing Workshop for Christmas Program Wednesday Nights in October** Calling all creative kids and youth! Want to help write the script for our 2023 Christmas program? We welcome you to come to church Wednesday nights in October (10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25) to work on this project together. Please contact Pastor Kelly ([kelly@napercov.org](mailto:kelly@napercov.org)) if you or your child is interested in this opportunity.

**Men's Breakfast - October 7** The monthly NaperCov men's breakfast resumes THIS SATURDAY October 7 at the Colonial Cafe located at South Washington and Gartner Street. For more information, please contact the church office.

**Chicago Marathon Cheering Group - Oct. 8!** Let's support our marathon runners (<https://tinyurl.com/NECCTWVChiMar23>)! Pastor Josiah is organizing a group to cheer on our runners and give them that extra burst of energy. Please let Josiah know if you plan on going to cheer for our runners and your email. We'll be sure to send information on cheering locations, parking/transportation, and timing.

**Patio Gathering - October 8!** The NECC Community Life Committee is hosting an outing at the Patio Restaurant in Bolingbrook following our church service Sunday, October 8, 2023. This opportunity is open to our church. Come out for a meal, at your own expense, and enjoy fellowship with church friends. The Patio Restaurant is located at 151 S. Weber Road, Bolingbrook, IL 60490. For more info, please see Marty Casey or Ed Fey.

**Finding Your Why? Workshop – Oct. 28** Based on Simon Sinek's book Find Your Why: A Practical Guide for Discovering Purpose for You and Your Team, this workshop, which will take place at church from 9 am-2:30 pm (with a 30-minute meal break) and is FREE to attend, focuses on discovering the ultimate reason a specific congregation exists. The workshop includes extensive small group work, large group brainstorming, video, facilitator instruction, visuals, & storytelling to empower multiple learning styles. To sign up, follow <https://tinyurl.com/FindYourWhy23>.

## NECC Financials – Month of August 2023

	Month		YTD	
	Actual	Plan	Actual	Plan
<b>Giving</b>	<b>\$ 27,110</b>	<b>\$ 30,289</b>	<b>\$ 76,929</b>	<b>\$ 98,440</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 40,121</b>	<b>\$ 37,217</b>	<b>\$ 108,214</b>	<b>\$ 115,476</b>

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**Worship Service**  
**October 1, 2023**

***“God Sees...”***

***Lord Of The Fries Sermon Series Pt. 3***  
***Pastor Leslie X.***

Takeaway #1:

Takeaway #2:

Takeaway #3:

Takeaway #4:

**NaperCov Giving**  
<https://napercov.org/give>

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<https://tinyurl.com/NaperCovConnect>