

## 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, November 19

UNITE Meeting @ 9:30 AM

Worship Service @ 10:30 AM

Confirmation @ 12 PM - 2 PM

Xmas Program Rehearsal @ 2PM - 3PM

### Monday, November 20

Board of Spiritual Life @ 7:00 PM

### Tuesday, November 21

Women's Bible Study @ 9:30 AM

Sign up for our Weekly All-Church Email and our Parent Connection Email Newsletters: <https://tinyurl.com/NECCNews>

Find us @NaperCov on Social Media

### NaperCov Youth

While engaging with 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 Youth Events:

Today 11/19: **Confirmation** 12-2PM

No Ohana 11/22

No Confirmation 11/26

Wed. 11/29: **Service Project** (Care packages for Pearl) 5PM



Welcome!

Naperville Covenant Church  
November 19, 2023

**Worship Music**

“House of Lord”  
“Oh How Good It Is”

**Scripture Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

**Worship Music**

“Kingdom”

**Choir Anthem**

“Come Let Us Worship and Give Thanks”

**Message**

“Children of Light”  
Pastor Leslie X.

**Announcements & Prayer**

**Giving of Tithes & Offerings**

*Offertory:* “Love Divine All Loves Excelling” (#127)

**Closing Worship Song**

“Sanctuary / Take My Life”

**A warm welcome to Naperville Covenant!** Thank you for joining us today. If it's your first time visiting us, please fill out the Connection Card in the pew and place it in the offering bag or follow the QR code in this bulletin. Please also stop by the Welcome Center for more information and a free gift!

**CHILDREN 1ST-5TH GRADE** are invited to head to Sunday Squad for prayer, learning, and fun right before the sermon begins. We will return to the sanctuary during the closing song.

**PRESCHOOL/KINDER ROOM** is open and staffed during our entire service. Children ages 2.5 - 5 are invited at any time to come explore the Bible together through story and play.

**NURSERY** is staffed by volunteers today. Infants and toddlers welcome!

**PRAYER AFTER SERVICE** - We have a rotating team of ministers who are ready to pray for anyone who would like it today. Head out the sanctuary to the library to receive prayer.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Cake after service today honoring Lucas Gillan** - Today we say farewell and blessings to our Director of Music & Arts, Lucas Gillan, as he is headed to a new ministry opportunity. Community Life will be serving cake and coffee, so stick around!

**Hanging of the Greens after service next Sunday Nov. 26!**

Volunteers are needed after service 11/26 to help decorate for Christmas. Lunch will be provided. Contact Worship Ministry Group Co-Directors, Shirley Gustafson and Sneha Augusthy, for more information.

**Youth Winter Retreats** are coming up - register soon! Deep Freeze for Jr. High is 2/2 - 2/4. Register at [covenantharbor.org](http://covenantharbor.org). One Life (Ski Trip) for High School is 1/12 - 1/15. Register at [www.cpbc.com](http://www.cpbc.com). *Registration deadline is December 8!*

**All-Church Lunch Dec. 10!** The Community Life Team is sponsoring an all-church lunch following our Christmas Program service 12/10. Plan to stick around and head to the fellowship hall for baked potatoes with toppings and salad. Contact Marty Casey with any questions.

**TODAY! Christmas Program Rehearsal 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

This year our program will be held Sunday December 10 and all children and youth are encouraged to participate. Its not too late to be involved - Contact Pastor Kelly if interested!

**Women's Bible Study Continues November 21 @ 9:30 a.m.** - This fall WBS is studying *Seamless: Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story* by Angie Smith. Contact Kathy Buettner for more information: [kathy\\_buettner@comcast.net](mailto:kathy_buettner@comcast.net)

**Scripture Readers Needed** Serve during Sunday morning worship by reading the Scripture passage for the day. This ministry is coordinated by Worship Ministry Group Co-Directors Shirley Gustafson and Sneha Augusthy - contact either if you are interested!  
Shirley: [shirley121@comcast.net](mailto:shirley121@comcast.net); Sneha: [sarah.augusthy@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.augusthy@gmail.com).



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