

New Covenant Fellowship

October 1, 2023

“Changing Our Minds” by Renée Antrosio

A man had two sons, and he came to the first and said, ‘Son, go work today in the vineyard.’ But he replied, ‘I do not want to.’ Yet afterward he regretted it and went.

—Matthew 21:28b-29



ORDER OF SERVICE

Shelter

Welcome (Melissa Logsdon)

How can I keep from Singing?

Lead me, Guide me

Good to Me

Matthew 21:28-32 (David Krist)

Prayer (Judy Husband)

Changing Our Minds (Renée)

Communion

Lead Me, Lord

You Say

Power of Your Love

Benediction (Jackson Courter)

Instruments of Your Peace



BENEDICTION

Welcoming God,

you receive and bless all

who come to you in humility.

Show us our false pride,

that we may repent of all conceit and arrogance

and, caring for one another,

may honor Jesus

to the glory of your name.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leadership Team—In our [Sept 25 meeting](#), we noticed how God is the initiator for rebuilding the temple. We discussed how to strengthen NCF through increasing involvement, building resilience, and increasing sustainability using a “teams” approach to fill roles and complete tasks (like opening/closing the building on Sundays).

Condolences—We grieve with the family of Suzanne Ayers, daughter of Laura and Kevin Ayers and granddaughter of Ron and Dodie Meyer, who passed away suddenly as a result of a car crash last weekend. [Service details and obituary here.](#)

LarBQ 2023—Paige and Laurence’s annual BBQ fundraiser for [Spring Initiative](#), is on Sunday, October 15. Come any time after 2pm—bring your own beverages and a donation for Spring. See NCF directory for directions to their home.

More Poetry! Vern will read from his new book—[REFLECTION ON DOTS](#)—on Sat, Oct 14, 5-6 pm at the Analog Wine Bar, 129 N.Race St, Urbana. Copies will be available, and he would appreciate anyone coming to listen.

Building Care—The sanctuary walls have a fresh coat of warm neutral paint. Tuckpointing is finished on the south side; work on the west side begins soon. New carpet, a fresh awning, and a solar panel plaque are on the agenda. We are prayerfully preparing our building to host the community on November 16 for the Repairs Coalition Event.

Upcoming Events:

- Oct 5 Book Study at Bethel AME 6:30-8 pm
- Oct 8 Prayer @NCF 9:45-10:15 am
- Oct 24 Gomperts noon service, Renner-Wikoff
- Nov 16 [Evanston Repairs](#) 6:30pm, NCF

CONTACTS

Leadership Team: LT@ncf-cu.com

Caroline (maternity leave), Laurie K, Carolyn V (secretary), Jason (consultant)

Finance Team: Joyce, Paco, Tim, Patty, & Walt

Family Fund: Karen H, Barbara P, Judy H, Nancy M, & Lehman W

Repairs: Jeff, Sharon, Vern, & Gladys

Pastors: Renée (lead), Melissa (assoc), Jeff (adjunct)

Pastors’ Day Off: Fridays

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September tithes: \$14,876.09; **Family fund:** \$2525; **Repairs:** \$5625; **Special gift:** \$5000!

Thank you...we are grateful to God for the generosity of his people!