

# New Covenant Fellowship

September 28, 2025

## Encouraged by the Holy Spirit

by Pastor Renée Antrosio



God strengthened the church, and its life was marked by reverence for the Lord. Encouraged by the Holy Spirit, the church continued to grow in numbers.

**Acts 9:31b**

### ORDER OF SERVICE

#### Welcome to My Father's House

Welcome (Raquel Mitchell)

#### I Will Celebrate

#### Holy Spirit, Rain Down

Offering Prayer (Patty McNussen)

#### Jesus Said

Acts 9:22-35 (Jubal & Laura)

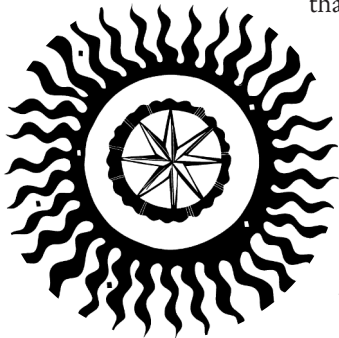
#### Take us Home by Another Way

Teaching (Pastor Renée)

#### This is the Air I Breathe

Benediction (Sharon Chubbuck)

#### Kindle Your Fire within Us



Life-giving God,  
heal our lives,  
that we may acknowledge your wonderful  
deeds  
and offer you thanks  
from generation to generation  
through Jesus the Messiah our Lord.  
Amen.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Thank-Yous!** To all the cooks, and many hands that cleaned up, thank you! From Jan Dalal for her surprise birthday in the fellowship hall- thank you for the memories and being family through the years.

**Radio Show**—Jeff Trask will be a guest on WDWS Penny for Your Thoughts this Tuesday, 9/30 at 9am.

**Condolences**—Lauren Fred, eldest daughter of Mark and Geodee Fred, passed away unexpectedly Sept 15th. There will be a memorial on Oct 7th at the Cat Cafe on University Ave in Champaign. Condolences may be sent to 504 S. Piatt St., Monticello, IL 61856.

**Leadership Team**—We discussed the importance of living with deep faith and integrity. [Click here](#) for the summary.

**It's LarBQ time again!** Paige and Laurence's annual all-you-can-eat BBQ fundraiser for Spring Initiative: Sunday, October 5, 2pm until bedtime. Vegetarian-friendly. Please bring your own beverages. Suggested: \$25/person, \$50/household.

#### Upcoming Events:

- 9/28 Pre-service Prayer in the Library, 9:45-10:15am
- 9/30 Braiding Sweetgrass watch party, 5:45-7pm, 1st Mennonite
- 10/5 LarBQ at Paige & Laurence's, starting at 2pm on!

#### ———— Happenings Beyond NCF ————

**Braiding Sweetgrass LIVE**—Faith In Place is offering a "Watch Party" for Robin Wall Kimmerer, on 9-30-25. Her most famous book, *Braiding Sweetgrass*, is beloved by naturalists and people concerned about climate change. The party is from 5:45-7pm at 1st Mennonite (Springfield and Lincoln). For more info, contact Lee Ann Kelly, or call First Mennonite, (217) 367-5353.



### CONTACTS

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**Family Fund:** Renée A, Barbara P, Judy H, Nancy M, & Lehman W

**Reparations Pilot Project:** reparations.pilot.ncf@gmail.com  
Give online at [ncf-cu.com/giving](https://ncf-cu.com/giving). Thank you!

**Income & Expenditures—August tithes:** \$15,112.81; **Reparations:** \$440; **Family fund:** \$400.

**Jan-June Income:** \$120,287; **Expenditures:** \$149,914