

New Covenant Fellowship

October 5, 2025

God has a Plan

by Shereen Arulpragasam



Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

John 15:4

ORDER OF SERVICE

He's Got the Whole World

Welcome (Pastor Melissa)

Good to Me

All Creatures of Our God and King

Ephesians 1:15-23 (Sam Walter)

Praise God for the Body

Teaching (Shereen Arulpragasam)

You Say

Prayer (Pastor Renée)

Anchor of My Soul

In the Secret

Benediction (Ron Simkins)

Go in God's Peace



BENEDICTION

Loving God,

open our ears to hear your word

and draw us closer to you,

that the whole world

may be one with you

as you are one with us

in Jesus the Messiah our Lord.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences—Clair Cannon ([obituary](#)) known for her generosity, hospitality, and faith-filled desire to help others, died on September 29, 2025, surrounded by her loving husband, Joel Cannon and three children.

Our Building—Shortly after asking you all to pray, the water company gave us access to our water usage data which shows that any major issues have been resolved. Our September usage returned to our usual rate. Thank you for continuing to pray! May God be glorified in our worship and in our building.

Leadership Team—Studying Zechariah, we were encouraged by the image of many people of many languages seeking the Lord. We reviewed our bylaws for alignment and prayed for our building and community. [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:

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| 10/12 | Pre-service Prayer in the Library, 9:45-10:15am |
| 10/16 | Advocacy training, 5:45-8:45pm, at 1st Mennonite. |
| 10/24 | Racial justice talk, noon, at UNI YMCA. |
| 10/25 | NCF booth at the CU Pride Fair |

———— Happenings Beyond NCF ————

Memorial—Oct 7th, 4-7pm, at the Cat Cafe on University Ave in Champaign is the memorial for Lauren Fred, eldest daughter of Mark and Geodee Fred.

Mennonite Action Training Tour—"To Build Our Courage," 10/16/25, 5:45-8:45 pm. First Mennonite Church, Urbana, IL. All welcome. More information at this [link](#).

Racial Justice Talk at University YMCA—Friday, Oct 24, noon, [Friday Forum at the University YMCA](#), Ellen's friend Suotonye DeWeaver speaking on his book [Ghost in the Criminal Justice System: Reform, White Supremacy, and an Abolitionist Future](#).

CONTACTS

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

Income & Expenditures—September tithes: \$11,291.20; Reparations: \$290; Family fund: \$50.

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