

# New Covenant Fellowship

October 4, 2026

## Restorative Justice: Belonging to Each Other

by Ellen Dahlke



Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift at the altar and go. First make things right with your brother or sister and then come back and offer your gift.

**Matthew 5:23-24**

### ORDER OF SERVICE

**Come By Jesus**  
Welcome (Elizabeth Rieke)  
**Great and Wonderful**  
**Freely, Freely**  
Prayer (Jim Linder)  
**O the Deep Deep Love of Jesus**  
Matthew 5:21-26 (Karen Hogenboom)  
**We Believe in God**  
Teaching (Ellen Dahlke)  
**To the River**  
**Do Justice**  
Benediction (Sharon Chubbuck)  
**Salt of the Earth** (Jean-Rene Balekita)

### SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (10/11)

Building Open: **Lee Ann Kelly**  
Greeters: **Lazaro Garcia**  
Early Childhood: **Vrnus Grass**  
Projector: **Needed!**  
Sound: **Carl Tucker**  
Worship Leader: **TBD**  
Teaching: **Jeff Trask**  
Prayer Chairs: **Paige & Shereen**  
Offering: **Carolyn & Joyce**  
Announcements: **TBD**  
Building Close: **Carolyn Vance**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Condolences

Vonne's mother, Alice Nicholson, died on Sept 18. She thanks everyone for their kind words in person and on social media. "It means so much that you took the time to give me your condolences. Thank you again." - Vonne Ortiz.

#### Melissa on Leave

Pastor Melissa will be on medical leave through October. Kind gestures she would appreciate include prayers, cards sent to her home, and gift cards for places that she can get food delivered.

#### Leadership Team

Welcoming new members, we focused on how we "belong to each other" as a leadership team and as a fellowship. How do we cultivate connections and belonging- in our building on Sundays and throughout the week?

[Summary here.](#)

#### Book Talk!

*Beautiful Struggle: How One American High School Took On Systemic Racism*, by Sharon Chubbuck and Cynthia Ellwood. Attend her book talk November 7 at NCF 1-2 pm.

#### Happenings Beyond NCF

#### Roads to Reparations

Don't miss a major announcement from Dr. Jeff Trask about a transformative initiative in the struggle for reparations in Champaign County at this exciting community event on Thursday Oct 15, 6:30pm at NCF.

#### Upcoming Events:

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|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 10/15                                     | 6:30-8:15p Reparations Town Hall @NCF |
| 10/17                                     | Pridefest Downtown Urbana             |
| 10/25                                     | Snacks after Service                  |
| 11/1                                      | Prayer & Fasting after Service        |
| 11/7                                      | 1-2pm Sharon's Book Talk @NCF         |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays | Prayer in library 9:45-10:15a         |

### CONTACTS

**Leadership Team:** LT@ncf-cu.com, Ellen D, Patty M, Valerie H, Vern F, Tim C, Nancy M, Elizabeth R, Pastors Renée & Melissa, Carolyn V, (secretary)  
**Board:** Walt K, Jason B, Joyce M, Vonne O, Carolyn V (secretary), Lehman W. (treasurer)  
**Pastors:** Renée, Melissa, & Jeff

**Family Fund:** Renée A, Barbara P, Judy H, Nancy M, & Lehman W  
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**Jan-June Income: \$140,452; Expenditures: \$130,945.**

**September Tithes \$12,501; Family Fund: \$70; Reparations: \$446.**