

Let's Connect

January 22, 2023

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I'D LIKE MORE INFORMATION

- What it means to follow Jesus.
- How to become a Member.
- Infant Baptism or Dedication
- Online Giving
- Helping with Children's Ministry

SIGN ME UP FOR...

- A phone call from the Pastor.
- Weekly email update list
- Prayer email list

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This Week's Events

Sunday, January 22

9:00am Sunday School (All Ages)
 10:00am Coffee & Fellowship
 10:30am Worship (On-Site & Live Stream)
 11:45am Ecuador Mission Trip Fundraiser Lunch

12:30pm Annual Meeting (after Ecuador Mission Trip Fundraiser Lunch)

Monday, January 23

6:00pm Men's Pickleball & Prayer @ Dammermann Gym (book study)

Tuesday, January 24

6:00pm Tuesday's Table @ Peace

Wednesday, January 25

9:30am Women's Bible Study
 5:30pm Supper for Wed. Night families
 6:00pm Inquirer's Membership Class
 (1 of 2, rescheduled from 1/11)
 6:00pm Awana & Jr High Youth (6-8th)
 6:45pm Sr High Youth Group (9-12th)

Friday, January 27

9:30 to 11:00am Prairie Meadows Staff
 Appreciation Lunch Prep

Next Sunday, January 29

9:00am Sunday School (All Ages)
 10:00am Coffee & Fellowship
 10:30am Worship (On-Site & Live Stream)

For a complete list of events w/descriptions, visit our website or subscribe to our email updates at nlcovchurch.org/upcoming-events.

Prayer Calendar

Sunday Mike & Connie Erickson
Monday Rick & Char Erickson
Tuesday Fred & Debbie Everson
Wednesday Andrew & Stephanie Finsaas & family
Thursday Jerry & Cindy Finsaas & family
Friday Gwen Fredeen
Saturday Kale & Anna Graham & family
Missionary Ministry Julio & Katie Isaza
 Community and Leadership Development; Christian Formation and Discipleship
Assignment Colombia; 2011-Present; 2002-06 (Katie)

Looking Ahead

Monday, January 30, 6:30pm

Women's Bible Study resumes via Zoom for 4 sessions (1/30, 2/6, 2/27 & 3/6; contact Kathy Graham for more information)

Tuesday, January 31, 6:00pm

Tuesday's Table @ Cross Roads Community United Methodist Church

Wed., February 1, 6-8pm

Inquirer's Membership Class (2 of 2, rescheduled from January 18)

Thursday, February 2, 6:30pm

WowMoms in Fellowship Hall



Hearing Assistance Available

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Sunday, January 22, 2023

 **Evangelical
Covenant Church**
 New London, MN

Our Mission: Investing In Lives, Growing Deeper in Christ Together.

Welcome

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

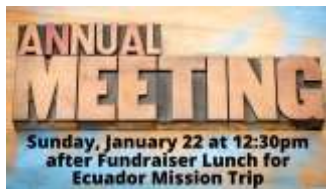
Our nursery is available for children up to age 2. Seedlings (ages 3-5) will be dismissed during worship.



"For you created my inmost being, you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful,"
Psalm 139:13-14 (NIV)

Today is **Sanctity of Human Life Sunday**. Please see the enclosed insert from Hope Pregnancy Center in Willmar. We also have a Guest Speaker, Tim Miller, who will share his message, "Life Choices".

Tim Miller was born into a Christian blue-collar family of six living in a 900 square foot house in a suburb of Chicago. He was premature by over two months and was not expected to survive. He was one of only two members of his extended family to graduate from college. He paid for college by joining the Army Reserves. Tim is now married to his wife Cherie and they live in Prinsburg. They have a blended family of seven children and six grandchildren. Tim recently retired from the Minnesota House of Representatives after serving for four terms. While in office he authored pro-life legislation including two "heartbeat bills", ending fetal tissue research at the University of Minnesota, pro-adoption and foster care legislation, anti-human trafficking bills, and sexual assault law reforms. Tim retired to take on a full-time position with Pro-Life Action Ministries of St. Paul, MN. Pro-life advocacy work is a lifelong calling for Tim. He will share this calling and his hope is to encourage and challenge Believers to join him in the defense of all lives.



The Annual Meeting will be held today, Sunday, January 22, 2023 at 12:30pm in the Sanctuary after a fundraiser lunch in the Fellowship Hall for youth and adults attending this summer's mission trip to Ecuador (expected in July 2023). Matters of our 2023 general fund, the 2023 ballot along with other agenda items will be discussed. All members are encouraged to attend and non-members are welcomed as visitors as we do important business of the church.



Next Adult Sunday School Class Starts January 29th
"What about *that*?", A Biblical Look Into the Spiritual Realm

Reading scripture can lead to lots of questions. But not everything in scripture is straight forward and clear cut – especially concerning the spiritual world. There are often very few scriptural references to angels, demons, heaven, and hell and misreading and misunderstandings can lead to great troubles. How do we approach this scripture in a way that is

effective and honor's God? During this next Adult Sunday School class facilitated by Matt Christiansen and Ben Westby, we will look at some areas of the spiritual world that every Christian questions at some point and yet the Bible is often frustratingly sparing. Over 7 weeks (January 29-March 12), we will explore together some of what the Bible says, how it has been interpreted over the ages, and how we can use it to increase our own understanding and ultimately glorify God. Come join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00am.

Our Vision: Offering Hope to Others, with an Invitation to Belong, Believe and Become.

Upcoming Events

For more details, go to: nlcovchurch.org/upcoming-events



Ecuador 2023 Mission Trip
There is still time to sign up!

Calling all mission friends! Our church family is returning to Ecuador in July of 2023 and we are assembling a team! The dates for the trip are tentatively July 14-23. We will reconnect with our sister church in Mejia after years of being unable to return. Please be in prayer about whether God is calling you to join us on this trip. **There is still time to sign up if you would like to join the team, please talk to Matt Christiansen as soon as possible if you're interested.**



NEW DATES! If you have attended ECC for a time and consider this your church family please consider coming to our next **Inquirer's Membership Class** which will be held on **two Wednesday evenings, January 25th & February 1st, from 6-8pm**. Come at 5:30pm if possible and share supper together! Please contact Pastor Kevin if interested.



Another Opportunity for Community Encouragement
Our church provided a baked potato bar for the Prairie Woods Elementary Staff in December. It was a huge encouragement for them and we would like to do that same thing for the Prairie Meadows Learning Center staff. If you would like to help, **there is a sign-up sheet at the Information Desk**. There are 3 ways that you can help: make a crockpot full of chili, make a pan of bars, or help with food preparation on Friday morning, January 27th from 9:30-11:00am. If you have any questions, please contact Beth Gronli.



Are you a momma with kids at home? If so, you're invited to join us every 1st & 3rd Thursday (February 2nd & 16th) from 6:30-8:30pm for a time of food and fellowship in the fellowship hall at Evangelical Covenant Church of New London. WowMoms takes the place of MOPS and is open to any mom who has kids living at home. We hope you can join us! For more information, please contact Rachel Rambow, Shannon Lindquist or Melissa Christiansen.

The **Wednesday morning Women's Bible study** will finish up the last lesson on the Fruit of the Spirit on Wednesday, January 25th from 9:30-11:30am. Starting in February, they plan to begin the Alistair Begg series on the Book of Daniel.

2022 Contribution Tax Statements are now available. Please stop by the Info Desk and see the Info Desk volunteers to pick up your statement after service today or next Sunday, January 29th or stop by the church office during weekly office hours. The remainder will be mailed on Monday, January 30th. Thank you! ~ Allison Pappenfus, Financial Secretary

Weather-Related Cancellation Policy

During these coming winter months, when you question whether an ECC event or activity has been canceled or rescheduled due to weather, please note the following guidelines:

- If NL-S schools have canceled or sent students home early due to inclement weather, evening programs at ECC are automatically canceled or rescheduled. A school "late start" generally does not affect our church evening schedule.
- Cancellations or late start of any church-related activity will be posted on our website, nlcovchurch.org, and on Willmar radio station KWLM's Operation Snowdesk (1340AM radio, or willmarradio.com and click on Operation Snowdesk).
- Weather-related Cancellations will also be sent out as an email to those on the church's mid-week update email list.
- Use your own discretion. If you deem it not safe to be out, stay at home, even if an event has not been canceled.

Prayer Request

January 22, 2023

We desire to pray for you and rejoice with you. Please share any prayer needs or praise reports you may have.

All (unless marked below) prayers and praises are shared on our email prayer list.

Name: _____

- Confidential (Staff & Elders only)
- Confidential (Pastor Only)

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