

# Welcome to NCFC



SUNDAYS 12 PM

Our Welcome Team is available in the back of the Worship Center before and after service. Please stop by to pick up a small gift prepared for you!

## Sermon

The Christmas Story: Lament to Hope  
Luke 2; Matthew 1-2  
Speaker: Pastor Brian

I. The First Christmas Story

- 1. A Chaotic, Not a Silent and Calm Night (Luke 2:1-7)
- 2. A Dark Night, Not All is Bright
  - a. Jesus was born into a dark and broken world (John 1:9-11; Matthew 2:13-18)
    - i. The Spiritual Climate (John 1:9-11)
    - ii. Political Climate (Matthew 2:1)
  - b. The Violence & Escape to Egypt (Matthew 2:13-18)
  - c. The Lament (Matthew 2:18)

II. The Hope of Christmas

- 1. Jesus is the Light: Darkness cannot overcome it! (John 1:1-5)
- 2. Jesus is Our Peace (Luke 2:14; Ephesians 2:14, 17)
- 3. Jesus is the Savior (Matthew 1:21)
- 4. Jesus Is Immanuel (Matthew 1:23, John 1:14)
- 5. Jesus is the LORD (Matthew 2:6)

III. Application/Reflection

- 1. **Reflection:** What stood out to you from the sermon and why?
- 2. **The First Christmas:** The first Christmas was chaotic, dark, and uncertain. Where do you see similarities between that world and our world—or your own life—right now?
- 3. **Lament to Hope:** Jesus didn’t remove all suffering immediately—but He entered it and lived in it. What is one area of your life where you need to move from lament toward hope—even if the situation hasn’t changed yet?
- 4. **Waiting:** Imagine Mary and Joseph’s journey—pregnant, displaced, and unsure of what God was doing. What part of their experience feels most relatable to you right now? How does knowing that God was fulfilling His promises—even when it didn’t feel like it—encourage you in your own season of waiting?
- 5. **Immanuel:** How does the truth that “God is with us” change the way we walk through suffering or uncertainty?

Upcoming Speaker:  
Dec 28, 2025  
Pastor Esther

## Announcements

LINK

Saturday Morning Prayer

Saturdays, at 7:30 AM via Zoom. No SMP on the fourth or fifth Saturdays of the month. Links will be sent via email.

Post-service Prayer

The intercessory prayer team will be available to pray for you and with you after the service on Sundays. Please come up to the front right corner to receive prayers.

Young Adults

Christmas Potluck + White Elephant

Monday, December 22nd at 6:30 PM in the Lobby  
Cost to participate in White Elephant: \$20  
Please RSVP to invite and sign up for food on Discord.

Ethnos Conference

Our Story: How the Arc of Redemption Compels our Mission  
January 8 - 10, 2026 in Fairfax, VA  
**Cost:** \$40 / Register [here!](#)  
Carpool will be available from church.

New Year Praise & Prayer Night + Potluck

Saturday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 PM in Worship Center  
Potluck at 6 PM in the Lobby  
Sign up for potluck [here!](#)

Legacy Group: Food + Fellowship

Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup> right after service in Dreamland (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)  
This event will be only for Legacy Ministry (Age 50+)  
Contact E. Po Jung for questions or more info  
RSVP [here](#) by Sunday, December 21st.

Rev. Neil Kim Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund Contributions

To provide financial support for those preparing to attend bible college, seminary, and missionary training for pastoral and missionary ministry.  
Donate online [here!](#)

Youth Group Winter Retreat Info

December 28<sup>th</sup> - 31st  
We will depart from church Sunday, Dec 28<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM and come back on Wednesday, Dec 31<sup>st</sup> at 2 PM.



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If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to our Safeguarding Team.

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## Ministry

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