

Women's Christmas Brunch

December 5, 2026, 10am - 12pm

What is this?

- This event is designed to not only be a great place to gather with other women from NCC, but also as an inviting, non-threatening way to invite friends and family to hear the good news of Jesus in a warm and welcoming environment. Each year up to half of the attendees at the NCC women's Christmas brunch are invited guests!

Common Hosting Misconceptions

- *"I'm not sure I could fill a table with guests."* You don't need to! If you only want a seat for yourself or a guest or two, not a problem—we will fill the rest of the table with others who would like to attend but are unable to host. You may purchase only one seat for yourself, or as many seats as you would like at your table (up to 10 seats).
- *"I'm not really a decorator."* This is *not* a competition. Let me say this again: ***this is not a competition***. If you want to bring your grandmother's Christmas china, feel free! If you want to skip plates altogether, you don't even need them (food is served on clear heavy-weight plastic plates and will be set down on top of plates at the table, or straight onto your tablecloth). Some people use chargers. Some people use ribbon. Some people use pretty paper plates. Some people team up with a friend and mix-and-match everything on the table. Get creative, or put a wreath and a battery-operated candle on the table to keep it simple. We love to see these beautiful tables come together, but let me mention again: *this is not a competition*. ***Hosting is about hospitality, not about decorating.***
- *"I don't think I can pull this off by myself."* We always have women who team up and co-host a table together—and have a lot of fun in the process! Talk with others in your study group or community group and make it a team effort. This is a perfect opportunity for a group to host a table or two together and bring neighbors, family members, and coworkers to join you!

Ticketing

- Tickets are \$15 each, with ***one complimentary hostess ticket per table***.
- Visit [this link](#) to let us know you are interested in hosting and how many tickets you would personally like to purchase. You can also indicate whether you prefer to set your table for 8, 9, or 10 guests.
 - If you are wanting to reserve seats at your table for specific friends and family members, please pay for the tickets yourself and have them reimburse you directly.
 - Any additional tickets for your table that you do not purchase yourself will be available for general ticket sales.
- General ticket sales begin on **Sunday, November 15**. You can pay for and pick up your tickets at the ticket table in the lobby.

- When picking up your tickets, please notify us if you or any of your guests require a gluten-free or dairy-free meal.
- If you end up with unused tickets, please notify Ro Hoover (216-970-8360, rosemarie@ncchapel.com) as soon as possible so we can connect you with anyone looking for extra tickets.

Hostess Expectations

Please refer to this checklist as you plan and prepare!

Items to Provide

- ☐ Tablecloth for 70" round table (90" rounds work well)*
- ☐ Centerpiece
 - ☐ No specific theme—have fun and make it festive!
 - ☐ Keep height in mind to encourage conversation across the table.
 - ☐ Battery-operated candles only, please.
- ☐ Place settings for at least 8 (let us know if you can set for 9 or 10)
- ☐ Dishes or chargers (encouraged, but optional)
- ☐ Napkins (nice disposable or cloth)
- ☐ Flatware (nice disposable or metal)
- ☐ Water glasses or goblets (nice disposable or glass)
- ☐ Coffee cups
- ☐ Bowl for creamer (mini-moos provided, or bring your own creamer pitcher)
- ☐ Sugar bowl *and* sugar (or packets)
- ☐ Coffee carafe, if possible*
- ☐ Water pitcher, if possible*

**These items can be borrowed from NCC if requested in advance on your [hostess signup form](#).*

Optional Add-Ons

- ☐ **Small Favors:** Chocolates, bookmarks, or baked goods. Please keep favors small and inexpensive (\$2 or less per person).
- ☐ **Extra Treats:** The provided brunch includes quiche (or scrambled eggs for dietary needs), salad, and fruit. Hostesses may choose to add muffins, cinnamon rolls, or small baked goods to their table (***these can also double as a favor***. Again, please keep these small and inexpensive - ***this is not a competition***).

Table Setup

- The sanctuary will be open for setup on Friday, 12/4, between 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM.
- All tables must be fully set by 8:00 PM on Friday.
- Please do not bring young children into the sanctuary during setup.
- A designated storage area for boxes and baskets will be provided.

Morning of the Brunch

- Doors open at 9:30 AM for guests. Hostesses should arrive by 9:15 AM to greet attendees.
- Each ticket will be assigned a table number, and tables will be clearly marked.
Hostesses play a key role in hospitality—please warmly welcome guests who may be new or unfamiliar with the building.

Cleanup After the Brunch

- Due to limited kitchen space, dishes cannot be washed at NCC.
- Food will be served on clear plastic plates set on top of place settings, keeping your dishes clean.
- Bus tubs and trash cans will be provided in the room during tear-down for liquids and trash.
- We recommend bringing a large zip-top bag for dirty flatware, wipes or a rag for cups, and a sturdy box or basket for transport.

Questions?

- **Tickets:** Ro Hoover — rosemarie@ncchapel.com | 216-970-8360
- **Hostessing & General Questions:** Kristi Stephens — kristi@ncchapel.com

Ready to join the fun? [Sign up to host a table here](#)