

Opportunities to Serve

Local Missions: Partner with the American Red Cross to canvass Waterloo and Cedar Falls neighborhoods, install smoke alarms and deliver fire prevention information on Saturday, April 23, 2016. To register online, please go to www.redcross.org/CedarValley-smoke-alarm or email local.missions@naz.org for more details.

Community Meal Helpers: Volunteers of all ages are needed on the first Tuesday of each month, beginning May 3, to assist with preparing, serving and cleaning up a community meal. For more information or to sign up, please contact Barb at barb.burbridge@naz.org or 319-266-7589.



Lutheran World Relief Kits and Quilts: Thank you to all who have served by helping to make kits and quilts! We are seeking 6-7 strong individuals to assist with loading heavy boxes full of completed kits and quilts on Saturday, April 23, at 8:00 a.m. These boxes will be delivered to the WELCA Spring In-gathering and will be shipped to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse from there. To help out, please contact Donna Kirschenmann at 319-483-1994 or dkmann39@yahoo.com.

Announcements

Thank you for the many cards, caring concern and prayers during Don's stay at New Aldaya and then following his passing. All of the support from each of you and the Pastoral staff has been a blessing during this difficult time. ~Marilyn Hasbrouck~

Blessed Beginnings is seeking two full-time lead teachers, one for three-year-olds and one for Scooters. Hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please email Jackie, Director of Blessed Beginnings, at jackie.moyer@naz.org or call her at 319-266-2503 for more information.

Full-Time Custodian Job Opening: Nazareth is seeking one full-time custodian for evenings. Go to www.naz.org/careers.html for a complete job description or contact Angie Rath for more information by emailing angie.rath@naz.org or calling 266-7589.

Food and Fellowship

Eat and Greet Menu for Wednesday, April 20 (from 5:00-6:00) includes spaghetti and meat sauce, garlic toast, salad bar, fruit and dessert. This is the final Eat and Greet for the 2015-2016 school year. Thank you to all who have attended!

Senior Fellowship Lunch menu for Thursday, April 21 (at noon) includes hamburgers, corn casserole, lettuce salad and dessert. RSVP by calling the Reception Desk at 266-7589. There will be NO Senior Fellowship Lunch on Thursday, April 28, due to kitchen construction.

Open Heart—Open Door Project: There are over 4000 children in the foster care system in the state of Iowa, but only 2200 foster families. Many children wait in shelters or other short-term living arrangements because of the lack of available foster or adoptive families, but each one deserves the stability of a caring family. Learn more about how you can help by attending the Iowa KidsNet meeting on Sunday, May 1st, following the 9:50 church service here at Nazareth. For more information, go to www.iowakidsnet.com or email Pastor Denny at dennis.hanson@naz.org.

EVERY CHILD DESERVES TO BE CONNECTED TO A CARING, SUPPORTIVE ADULT. EXPLORE FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION.

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Living together in God's amazing grace, we invite all people to know Christ, grow in Christ, and make Christ known.



"The Plain Truth"

"My sheep listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand."

~John 10:27-28~

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Sunday Worship Services
8:30, 9:50 & 11:10 a.m.

Pastor Brian King
Senior Pastor
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Pastor Denny Hanson
Associate Pastor
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Pastor Bob Ericson
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Office Hours
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Monday - Friday

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Prayer Chain
Call the church office to have your concern placed on the Prayer Chain.

April 17, 2016

April 17, 2016 - The Plain Truth

Sermon - *The Plain Truth* - Pastor Denny Hanson
Today's Texts - Revelation 7:9-17 and John 10:22-30

8:30 a.m.

Prelude - *Sheep May Safely Graze* (J.S. Bach)
Gathering Hymn - **How Firm a Foundation** - #507 (green)
Special Music - *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* (arr. Forrest)
- Nazareth Choir
Hymn of the Day - **Have No Fear Little Flock** - #476 (green)
Offering - *The Lord is My Shepherd* (arr. Jordan)
Sending Hymn - **He Leadeth Me** - #501 (green)
Postlude - *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer* (arr. Carlson)

9:50 a.m.

Gathering Song - **I Want Jesus to Walk With Me**
Offering - *Gentle Shepherd*
- Greg Tagtow, solo
Distribution - *He Leadeth Me*
Sending Song - **How Firm a Foundation** - #507 (green)

11:10 a.m.

Opening Worship - **Let God Arise**
- **Jesus Messiah**
Offering - **Forever Reign**
Closing Worship - **One Way**
Postlude - **More Than Conquerors**

Worship Assistants

Nathaniel Parrish - Director of Music (8:30/9:50)
Nicki Toliver - Nazareth Choir Director/Cantor (8:30)
Worship Leader - Enrique Ochoa (11:10)
Anne Mershon - Reader (8:30)
Marcia Haugen - Reader (9:50)

A Special Welcome to Our Visitors

Whether you're visiting from across town or out of state, we are so glad you are here! Please stop by the Welcome Desk for an information packet and special gift. Today's worship services are our gifts of praise and thanksgiving to God, and we welcome you here as our guests. **Contact Deb Rhoades at deb.rhoades@naz.org or 266-7589, ext. 101, regarding our Membership Class--BELONG. There is still time to join the current class!**

As we live in response to God's amazing grace and love, the people of Nazareth value



NAZ Notes

Read It:

John 10:1-42
Psalm 23

Live It:

To whom this week is the voice of Jesus leading you? Jesus proclaimed, "my works confirm my relationship to the Father". What are three practical things you can do for others this week that confirm your relationship to the Good Shepherd, Jesus?

Mark Your Calendar

KidzWOW and JUMP56 will have their final meeting for the 2015/2016 school year THIS Wednesday, April 20. A picnic is planned for next Wednesday, April 27. Please contact Kim at kim.hansen@naz.org for more information.

Confirmation Sunday is next Sunday, April 24, at 9:45 a.m. Please email Lori Haag at lori.haag@naz.org for more information.

CHAOS and BIGHouse will have their final meetings for the 2015/2016 school year on Wednesday, May 4. For more details, go to www.cedarvalleystudents.org.

KidzRock and Confirmation Classes will have their final meetings for the 2015/2016 school year on Sunday, May 22.

Graduation Sunday is May 22 at 9:50 a.m. Parents of graduating Seniors need to send one childhood photo and one Senior photo, along with the student's Confirmation verse (if possible), to Kristina McBurney at kristina.mcburney@naz.org. Please submit these photos by Monday, May 10.



Teen Serve: Junior/senior high school students are invited to Teen Serve's mission camp in Fairmount, Illinois, July 10-16. The cost of the trip is \$425, with \$200 scholarships available on a first come, first served basis. Contact Pastor Brian at brian.king@naz.org for more information.

Caravan: Registration is still open for high school students who want to be a part of Caravan from July 30-August 7 to New York City. The cost of the trip is \$899. Please contact Kristina for more information at kristina.mcburney@naz.org.

Today at Nazareth

The flowers at the altar and the pulpit are in honor of National Playground Safety Week, April 25-29, from Donna Thompson.

Known To Be Hospitalized (as of April 13)
Helen Duncan, Phyllis Gray and Everett Juhl

Our Deepest Sympathy to Janet Sandell and her family upon the death of her mother; and to Larry Steffens and his family at the death of his mother.

Highlighted Partners in Ministry - April

Missionaries of the Month: Please pray for Matt and Cara, our missionaries in the eastern U.S...

...for their outreach to international students and the local Muslim immigrant community.

...for an event on April 30 bringing Muslims and non-Muslims together for an evening of dialogue and food.

...for Cara's new opportunity as a project manager for a mission-focused magazine and for Matt's doctoral studies.

...with thanks and praise for their adopted sons from Ethiopia, who are doing well and learning quickly.

Local Missions Spotlight: The mission of the Northeast Iowa Food Bank is to provide nutritious food and grocery products to nonprofit organizations and individuals in Northeast Iowa, while offering hunger education programs to the community and those in need. In Black Hawk County alone, more than 19,000 individuals are food insecure. Servicing 200 Member Agency Food Distribution Programs in 16 counties, NEIFB distributes over a million pounds of food in a year. Volunteers are invited to serve in a variety of programs. Go to www.northeastiowafoodbank.org or call 319-235-0507 for more information.

