Important Reminders

Please take a few minutes to fill out the blue survey located in each pew. Your help with this is most appreciated! You may leave the completed survey in the pew or drop in the baskets located in the back of the Worship Center.



"A Celebration of Mission and Ministry"
The Annual Meeting of the Congregation
Sunday, January 31 • 9:45 a.m. • Worship Center

You will have the opportunity to cast your vote for new Church Council members and vote on the final design work on Bethel Hall remodel, storage extension, and Kitchen remodel/expansion!

Registration begins at 8 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Members must register to receive voting ballots.

All Nazareth members who have been confirmed are eligible to vote.

Copies of the 2015 Annual Report are available TODAY, Sunday, January 24 at the Welcome Desk!



Prayer Concerns - Please call the Nazareth Office at 266-7589 to have your prayer placed on our Prayer Chain.

For Those Interested in Becoming a Member!

The next Belong Class for membership at Nazareth will be April 13, 20, 27, and May 4. Please email Deb Rhoades at deb.rhoades@naz.org for call her at 266-7589, ext. 101 for more information!

B-r-r! It's Cold Outside!

Visit the Nazareth Coffee Shop TODAY! Family Life Center Lobby (by the gym) Good Coffee • Sweet Treats Donations Accepted

Church Council Nominees

Leonard Upham

Occupation: Retired. Taught instrumental music in Northeast Iowa schools for 41 years; taught education courses at UNI for 7 years before retiring in 2010.

Immediate Family: Wife Cathy and two children

Church Activities: Mid-Kids Community Group, Worship & Music Committee, Local Missions Committee, Men's Bible Study, and Nazareth Food Pantry.

Contact: 266-7509 or leonard.upham@cfu.net

 $How \ has \ God \ prepared \ you \ to \ serve \ on \ Church \ Council?$

God has guided me in the life decisions I have made by pursuing my higher education experiences, my employment positions, my family life, and my service opportunities. At times, I am aware of His guidance, while at other times, that awareness has come while reflecting on past decisions. I feel prepared to serve on the Church Council and serve Him in this way.

Larry Steffens

Occupation: Farm Credit Services of America for 40

years. Also active in Hobby Farming.

Immediate Family: Wife Karen and three children. **Church Activities:** Usher at 8:30 service, Men's Bible

Study, greeter, communion server.

Contact: 415-7635 or steffensw@mchsi.com

How has God prepared you to serve on Church Council? God has generously blessed our family. I feel serving on the Church Council is just a small way of giving back what He has so graciously given us. I have been a member of Nazareth for 30 years, which has enabled me to meet many other members and become familiar with the operations of the church. I am humbled and anxious to serve.

Haley Andersen

Occupation: Marketing Manager, Ameriprise Financial

Immediate Family: Husband Joseph

Church Activities: Endowment Committee, All Hands on Deck Campaign, VBS, Wedding Coordinator Contact: 243-5654 or haleyandersen24@yahoo.com

How has God prepared you to serve on Church Council? Nazareth has helped me grow in my personal faith walk. I have experienced God's love during good times, but have also felt Him carry me through the difficult ones. I am eager to find new ways that I can serve Him and be a blessing to others.



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

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Sunday Worship Services

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

Pastor Brian King

Senior Pastor brian.king@naz.org

Pastor Denny Hanson

Associate Pastor dennis.hanson@naz.org

Pastor Bob Ericson

Visitation/Teaching Pastor bob.ericson@naz.org

Office Hours

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

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Sermon - *Put Me in Coach* - *I'm Ready to Play!* - Pastor Brian King **Today's Texts** - 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a; Luke 4:14-21

8:30 a.m.

Prelude - *Gather Us In* (arr. Honore)
Gathering Hymn - *Here in This Place (Gather Us In)* - #718 (blue)
Hymn of the Day - *We Are Called* - (see screens)
Offering - *Adagio* from Fantasie in C Major (Franck)
Sending Hymn - *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve* - #723 (blue)
Postlude - *Rondeau* (Mouret)

9:50 a.m.

Gathering Song - Hear the Call of the Kingdom (ensemble) Offering - We Are Called (see screens) Distribution - Let Us Break Bread Together (arr. Raney) Sending Hymn - We Are (ensemble)

11:10 a.m.

Opening Worship - God is Able; Build Your Kingdom Here Offering - You Never Let Go Closing Worship - We Are; Send Me Out Postlude - Centerfield

Worship Assistants

Nathaniel Parrish - Director of Music (8:30/9:50) Erik Schmidt - Cantor (8:30) Enrique Ochoa - Worship Leader (11:10) Anne Mershon - Reader (8:30) David Duncan - Reader (9:50) Bethany Nuese - Reader (11:10)

Naz Notes

Read It!

Read all of Romans 12 and 1 Corinthians 12. In these two biblical chapters, Paul gives us exceptional descriptions and insights related to the variety of spiritual gifts God has distributed among His people and how we are to steward and share our various gifts and talents in the community.

Watch It!

These recent sports-themed movies (several of which lift up strong Christian themes) explore different aspects of what it means to be an integral part of a larger team/family/community: Remember the Titans; McFarland USA; Facing the Giants; Hometown Hero; When the Games Stands Tall.

Live It!

If you are looking for ways to belong/get connected through the ministries of Nazareth, then go to our website at naz.org and under the menu heading "Connect", click onto the tabs for "Belong" or "Naz Next Steps" and explore way to get involved and use your gifts as part of our Naz family!

A Special Welcome to Our Visitors

We are glad you are here! Please stop by the Welcome Desk for a special gift. If you are a guest today, please feel no obligation to give. If you already know the love and grace of God in your life, we invite you to respond generously and joyfully as you give!

Follow us on Facebook and check out photos from Naz at www.nazarethlutheran.org/forms-and-documents.html

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









Naz News

Nazareth Seeking Communication Coordinator

Bachelor's degree in journalism/graphic design preferred with a minimum of five years experience. Responsible for writing and designing the worship bulletin, brochures, printed materials, annual reports, etc. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

The IF Gathering for Women - February 5-6

This event will take place at Nazareth Lutheran Church, and will gather, equip, and unleash this generation of women to live out God's calling in their lives! Please contact Jenny Nelson at jenny.nelson@naz.org for more information.

Winter Discipleship U Classes for Adult Learners of all ages! Register for classes today at Naz Next Steps table in Fellowship Hall or online at www.naz.org

Sign Up for Ski & Shop - Junior High Students (CHAOS) and leaders will go on their Annual Ski & Shop February 20-21 to Afton Alps . Please sign up today in Fellowship Hall or contact Logan Mundt at logan.mundt@naz.org for more information! Registration deadline is February 12.

CARAVAN 2016 will be heading to New York City July 30 - August 7. For more information visit the Welcome Desk or go on line at cedarvalleystudents.org - Registration is now open!

Giving Voice for Iowa Children & Families
Lutheran Day on the Hill - Please join Lutheran
Services in Iowa (LSI) and the three Iowa synods of the
ELCA for Lutheran Day on the Hill. The event will be

ELCA for Lutheran Day on the Hill. The event will I held Wednesday, February 17. Vis www.LSIowa.org/advocacy for event details.

Prayer is Powerful! The Staff at Nazareth prays for families, friends, and the congregation every Monday at 10 a.m. (10 at 10) We invite you to keep Nazareth friends & families in your prayers every Monday at 10 a.m., wherever you are, take 10 minutes to pray! The staff also meets every Tuesday 10 a.m. to 12 noon to go over projects and needs for the week – please keep the staff in your prayers every Tuesday during this time.

Today at Nazareth

Known to be Hospitalized (as of Jan.18) Stacy Winter.

Flowers in the Worship Center Today are in honor of Tom & Rebecca Abbas' 50th wedding anniversary; in loving memory of Kenley Jane Carter from her family; and in honor of Kim & Deb Christopher's 40th wedding anniversary.

Informational Meetings leading up to the Annual Meeting about the "All Hands on Deck" Nazareth building design will be held **TODAY**, Sunday, January 24 - 8:30 a.m. and at 11:15 a.m. in Bethel Hall **and** also on Wednesday, January 27 from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Worship Center

Finance Committee Q & A Session - TODAY - Sunday, January 24 • 9:50 a.m. • Room 153 Nazareth members are invited to discuss the 2015 financial report and the 2016 budget.

Eat & Greet Wednesdays at 5 p.m.

Dinner will be in Fellowship Hall. \$4/person \$15 max/family. Kids under 3 eat free.

Menu for January 27

Breaded Chicken Sandwich Starz, Green Beans Fruit & Dessert

Thursday Fellowship Meals

Cost is \$5; and reservations are appreciated.

Menu for January 28

Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes

Beef Gravy, Sliced Carret, Dinner Roll

Beef Gravy, Sliced Carrot, Dinner Roll
Dessert

"BASIC" Thursday Night Meals at 6:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall - Free for College Students

Menu for January 28

Breaded Chicken Sandwich Starz, Green Beans Fruit & Dessert