

# Dennis Hanson

## Associate Pastor



I served Lutheran churches as an ordained minister as an Associate Pastor and Senior Pastor in Lake Mills and Osage, Iowa. I believed this experience has prepared me to bring seasoned pastoral leadership to the Nazareth ministry team in August of 2011.

My chief duties include Senior's ministry, where I help coordinate visitation and pastoral ministry. I work with the Local Mission's committee to live into our vision to reach out beyond our walls in the Cedar valley in service and witness. I am also the Confirmation program coordinator, working with a team of staff and volunteers to organize and provide Christ-centered curriculum, service opportunities, and learning to our Grade 7, 8 and 9 Confirmation students.

A passion of mine is to live out the calling that the church (people of God) be Christ's body, redeemed and empowered to work together in order that we can live into Nazareth's mission statement, "Living together in God's amazing grace we invite all people to know Christ, grow in Christ, and make Christ known". One of my key strengths is 'positivity', and it is my passionate belief that if we understand all Christ has done for us and live into his grace, we will bear much good fruit through our witness in word and deed.

I love spending time with my grandchildren and gardening.

Favorite verse right now? "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in them will bear much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5