

NAZ NEWS

NAZARETH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH — NOVEMBER 17, 2024

WORSHIP WITH NAZ

SUNDAYS

CFU Channels 18 & 95.5 | 8:30 am
In-Person Worship at Nazareth | 9 & 10:45 am

WEDNESDAYS

CFU Channels 18 & 95.5
4:30 pm Wednesday

ONLINE OPTIONS

Recordings of sermons available on
[Vimeo.com/mynazareth](https://vimeo.com/mynazareth)
Livestreams Broadcast on our website
www.naz.org/onlinechurch



BASIC Trivia Night

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Holiday Services

All are invited to celebrate with us this holiday season at Nazareth's Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve worship services! Nazareth is the perfect place to share rich, vibrant worship and hear hope-filled Biblical messages. We can't wait to celebrate these meaningful and memorable occasions with you and your family! Please join us throughout the holiday season!

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Date: Wednesday, November 27

Time: 6:00 pm

Join us as we gather to express our gratitude through uplifting worship to honor God and his many blessings. After the service, stick around to enjoy delicious pies and share in fellowship.

Christmas Eve Worship Services

Date: Tuesday, December 24

Time: 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, and 10:00 pm

Experience the miracle of Christ's birth with joyful music, inspiring messages, and the warmth of our community. Come share in the celebration of love, hope, and joy with Nazareth! Our 3:00 and 5:00 pm services feature children's nativity story plays.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

Nazareth's prayer shawl ministry is hosting their monthly meeting on Thursday, November 21 at 11:00 am in Larsen Chapel. The prayer shawl ministry is reaching out an invitation to all Nazareth's members, encouraging them to attend to learn more about this incredibly faithful group.

Thanksgiving Eve Service and Pie Social

Join Nazareth for our Thanksgiving Eve worship service and Pie Social on Wednesday, November 27, at 6:00 pm. If you are interested in providing pie(s) for this event please sign up at the Welcome Desk in Fellowship Hall or scan the QR code below to sign up online.



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NAZ'S PIE SOCIAL!**

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MUSIC SPOTLIGHT

At Nazareth, we lift up vibrant, congregational singing as an integral part of our time together on Sunday mornings. Using Spotify, "Music Spotlight" is designed to encourage and help familiarize us with the music selections for the upcoming weekend so that we can wholeheartedly sing in full voice as we worship together.

This coming weekend, we will sing, "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending," which was written by Robert Edwards, a pastor who was born in 1915 and served churches throughout New England. In addition to authoring several hymn texts, Edwards was instrumental in establishing low-income senior housing, in prison ministry, and in other community endeavors aimed at helping those in need. Edwards died in 2006 and this hymn endures still today as his most famous work.

Although "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" appears in our Lutheran hymnal (#678), the text is not set to a tune that is familiar to our congregation nor is it easily-recognized by its title alone. However, in hopes of utilizing a rich message centered on being thankful for God's gifts (both tangible and intangible) and – in turn – sharing those blessings with the world around us, the text is written with a rhythm/meter that can be applied to a more familiar tune. Accordingly, we will sing this hymn to the familiar tune of "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

We invite you to check out "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" along with other music for the upcoming Sunday at this Spotify playlist:



SCAN HERE TO LISTEN TO THE SPOTIFY PLAYLIST!

CHURCH REMINDERS

The Gideons will be sharing a presentation at Nazareth on Sunday, November 17. Informational pamphlets are available at the Welcome Desk if you are interested in learning more.

Red Cross Blood Drive at Nazareth is December 9, from noon to 5:00 pm. Visit redcrossblood.org and use the sponsor code: NazarethCF.

TITLE | Don't Settle for Second Best
TEACHER | Pastor Tim Boettger
TEXT | 1 Samuel 8:1-9 & Psalm 23

Synopsis

In the promised land, God's people rejected Him as their King. They decided to do what was right in their own eyes and begged to be given a human king to protect them in their folly. God granted them their request, but it was not God's best for them. How often do we settle for second best in our lives today?

Digest The Word

Read the scripture passages from the Service and reflect on the sermon and on these questions to help you live out God's Word in your everyday life.

- How did the sermon challenge/encourage you?
- Does this passage teach you about who God is?
- What does this mean for the Church as a whole?

SERVICE PROGRAM

- Rejoice
- Goodness of God
- Confessions and Forgiveness
- Announcements
- Prayers of the Church and Lord's Prayer
- Lesson: 1 Samuel 8:1-9
- Children's Sermon
- Gospel: Psalm 23
- Sermon
- Offering: *Be Thou My Vision*
- God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* | red 678
- Blessing and Benediction

Flowers

The chancel flowers are in loving memory of Ron King from his family.

Please email jordan.kv@naz.org to dedicate service flowers to family and friends as a touching gesture for honoring anniversaries, birthdays, or in memory of passed loved ones.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *continued...*

Christmas Extravaganza

Nazareth invites you to our Family Ministry Christmas Extravaganza on Sunday, December 8 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm! This faith-filled night is for families (kids and guardians) to connect, make memories, remember the reason for the season, and share some laughs. The cost is \$20 per family unit and covers activities and meal. To sign up, please email kim.albertsen@naz.org and let her know how many will be attending.

Winter Clothing Drive

The UNI Office of International Engagement is launching its Annual Winter Clothing Drive. Many international students from warmer climates who attend UNI are often unprepared for the harsher weather here. Nazareth World Missions would like to help collect new or gently used coats, hats, mittens, and scarves in adult small, medium, and large sizes. Drop boxes are behind the Welcome Desk. If you have any questions, please email Teresa Martin at marty@cfu.net.

November Donation Requests

Naz's food pantry is accepting donations of Canned Fruits and Vegetables. We are also participating in Love Inc's annual Christmas Store. Love Inc is collecting Christmas gifts for children ages 2 to 17, with retail prices from \$10 to \$40. Gift cards are welcome. Scan the QR code for an Amazon list of gift ideas. Please drop donations off at the Welcome Desk. Thank you!



**SCAN HERE TO CHECK
OUT LOVE INC'S
CHRISTMAS GIFT LIST!**

CHURCH CALENDAR

ALL NAZ'S UPCOMING DATES

Nov 27 - 6:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service
Nov 27 - 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Pie Social
Dec 1 - No Time Devotional Study Begins
Dec 8 - 4:00 - 7:00 pm Christmas Extravaganza
Dec 9 - 12:00 - 5:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive
Dec 24 - 3:00 pm Christmas Eve Service
Dec 24 - 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Service
Dec 24 - 10:00 pm Christmas Eve Service
Dec 29 - 10:00 am One Service Time

Advent Devotional Study Group

Nazareth invites you to join our new Advent Devotional study group this December. We will be using YouVersion Bible's "The Adventures of Christmas: A 25-Day Devotional." Author Dan Stanford describes "the true intention behind Advent was a way of preparing one's heart for Christmas. This devotional is designed to help us do that." This is a wonderful opportunity for families to study God's word together. To join, please email meg.husted@naz.org or visit naz.org/nextsteps.



**SCAN HERE TO JOIN
THE ADVENT DEVOTIONAL
STUDY GROUP!**

Adopt a Senior at New Aldaya

Nazareth has partnered with New Aldaya to bless a few residents this Christmas season. Stop by the table in Fellowship Hall, this Sunday, to adopt a senior and receive instructions. If you have questions or can't sign up on Sunday mornings, please email Meg at meg.husted@naz.org. Seniors can be adopted until December 8 or as available.

BASIC Update

BASIC, our college and young adult ministry, is going on a mission trip from March 14 - 22 to Knockpatrick, Jamaica. Students will be staying and working with our friends at the Caribbean Christian Center for the Deaf.

The group will be doing a variety of ministries throughout the week including: construction and labor projects for the schools and building relationships with the students and staff at CCCD. They will have time together to sing, experience small groups, and share young adult stories each night as well. College students enter this trip as learners as they seek to learn about what God is already doing in this place!

The focus of this trip is RELATIONSHIPS -- which is why it is often called a "RELATIONtrip" instead of a "MISSION trip." Students and leaders will focus on our relationship with God, each other and the community they will be immersed in.

This trip is currently at capacity with 18 students signed up. Please pray with us as they continue to prepare and organize in the next few months. Keep a look out for more updates as they become available. If you have questions about BASIC or want to know more ways to support this ministry, please email meg.husted@naz.org.