# NAZ NEWS

NAZARETH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 10, 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 Livestreams Broadcast on our website www.naz.org/onlinechurch

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# **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 8

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.

#### Missionary Visit This Sunday

Please join us in welcoming Josh Dilly to Nazareth this Sunday! Josh and his family work in Caribbean countries to help encourage, support, and train workers for the mission field. Josh will be sharing a presentation and answering questions between services in Bethel Hall. Please join us in hearing his Good News!

# 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.



SCAN HERE TO DONATE A PIE FOR NAZ'S PIE SOCIAL!

# **CONNECT WITH NAZARETH**

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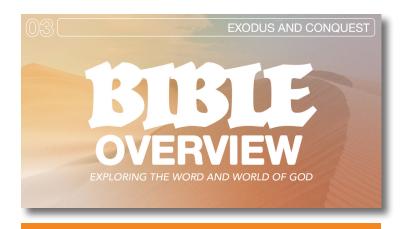
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TITLE | Judging the Judgers that Judge **TEACHER | Pastor Mike Brost** TEXT | Judges 2:1-15 & Matthew 7:1-11

#### **Synopsis**

In the promised land, God's people began to do what was right in their own eyes rather than what was right in the eyes of the Lord. As we read through the book of Judges, we can ask ourselves whether we have more commonly choose what's right in our own eyes or what the Lord wants for us.

#### **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

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

I Stand Amazed

Confessions and Forgiveness

Announcements

Prayers of the Church and Lord's Prayer

Gospel: Matthew 7:1-11

Baptism (9:00 am) / Children's Sermon (10:45 am)

Lesson: Judges 2:1-15

Sermon

Offering: As the Deer

On What Has Now Been Sown | red 550

Blessing and Benediction

#### **Sympathies**

Prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Dr. Ron King who passed away Thursday, October 31. His funeral will be at Naz on November 15 at 11:00 am.

Prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Mayzie Seehase passed away Friday, November 1.

#### **Baptisms**

Congratulations to Baker Jeffrey Farley, son of Jake and Katy Farley, who is celebrating his Baptism this morning during the 9:00 am service.

#### **Flowers**

Altar flowers are in dedication to the glory of God. To dedicate flowers, please email jordan.kv@naz.org.



# **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 weekend, we will sing "Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone" – a worship song that's become enormously popular and combines a traditional hymn with a refrain written by a contemporary Christian artist, Chris Tomlin. Tomlin shares that he never set out to add a refrain to "Amazing Grace" and was even apprehensive to do so. However, he recounts an encounter with a friend who told him about the making a movie about William Wilberforce – and inquired if Tomlin would create a contemporary arrangement of "Amazing Grace." At that point, Tomlin learned the history of Wilborforce and "Amazing Grace" – that Wilborforce was mentored by John Newton (1725-1807), the author of "Amazing Grace" (1779), and Wilberforce converted to Christianity, abandoned his career as a slave trader and led efforts to abolish the slave trade in Europe. After reading the history of John Newton and reflecting on the lyrics in their context of slavery, Tomlin said that the lyrics for a refrain came to him quite naturally. "My chains are gone; I've been set free. My God, my savior has ransomed me. And like a flood, his mercy reigns. Unending love, amazing grace."

We invite you to check out "Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone" along with other music for the upcoming Sunday at this Spotify playlist:



**SCAN HERE TO** LISTEN TO THE SPOTIFY PLAYLIST!

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS continued...

#### Ingathering and Stewardship Update

Our ingathering worship service this past Sunday was a day of celebration for our congregation as we responded to our love for Christ by laying our offerings of time, talent, and resources at the altar. What a privilege to partake in this act of worship together as the body of Christ!

If you were unable to attend our ingathering celebration to place your offerings at the altar, you may place your pledge card and Time & Talent sheet into the offering plate this coming Sunday, drop them off at the church office, or mail them to Nazareth. Please try to get them back to the church no later than Sunday, November 10th. For your convenience, if you prefer to respond online, the QR codes for both the online Time & Talent form and the "Give" page on the Nazareth website can be found below.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration over the past several weeks of how you will practice Biblical stewardship here at Nazareth Evangelical Lutheran Church over the coming year. As we respond out of love for Christ in relationship to our faith with offerings of our time, talents, and resources, God will certainly use and multiply our gifts to further His kingdom!





Time & Talents

Give Page

## 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.

#### Share in the Newsletter

Do you have an announcement for Naz News? Please email sam.madson@naz.org

#### DAVID - Movie Night at Nazareth

This Sunday is the final day to RSVP to attend Nazareth's showing of DAVID from Light and Sound theaters on Monday, November 11, at 6:00 pm in the Worship Center. DAVID follows the story of David's ascent to the throne. Be prepared to be delighted not only by the great king after God's own heart but also by the artistic production of this Biblical narrative. The confirmation program will cover all costs and snacks. Please RSVP by November 10 to Meg at meg.husted@naz.org.

#### **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.

#### Christmas Extravaganza

Naz 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.

#### American Red Cross Blood Drive

Nazareth is hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, December 9, from noon to 5:00 pm in Bethel Hall. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767, or visit *redcrossblood.org* and use the sponsor code: NazarethCF, or call the church at 319-266-7589.

## **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 11 - 6:00 pm DAVID Movie Night	
Nov 27 - 6:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service	
<b>Nov 27 - 7:00 pm</b> Thankso	giving Pie Social
Dec 1 - No Time Advent I	Devotional Study Begins
Dec 8 - 4:00 - 7:00 pm Family (	Christmas Extravaganza
Dec 9 - 12:00 - 5:00 pm America	ın Red Cross Blood Drive
Dec 24 - 3:00 pm Christmas Eve Service	
Dec 24 - 5:00 pm Christm	as Eve Service
Dec 24 - 10:00 pmChristmas Eve Service	
<b>Dec 29 - 10:00 am</b> One Service Time	



The Gideons will be sharing a presentation at Nazareth next Sunday, November 17th. Informational pamphlets are available at the welcome desk if you want to learn more.

Thank you for praying for our staff as a group traveled to Dallas, Texas last week to attend the Right Now Media conference. It was a fantastic learning and bonding experience. Check out one of our favorite speakers here: youtube.com/watch?v=F0dMgMtf-qU