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NAZARETH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nazareth's Food Pantry

Parents Night Out

Are you looking for time to yourself as a parent, time with another adult, or a chance to meet other parents? If so, Nazareth's Parents' Night Out is perfect for you! Join us on Friday nights: February 28, March 7, 21, 28, and April 11 – for an enjoyable night while Nazareth staff and volunteers spend time with the kids! We ask for a few dollars per child to help cover dinner.

If you are interested in joining any of our Parents' Night Out dates, please register online at our website – naz.org/programs. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Jennifer Brost at jbrost4@gmail.com. We are so excited to offer this opportunity to you and your children!

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February Donation Requests

Nazareth is participating in Love Inc's Make-a-Difference Monthly donation campaign, who is accepting <u>Baby Essential Items</u> such as wash clothes, lotion, wipes, bottles, cups, and bibs.

Nazareth's food pantry is accepting donations of <u>Canned Fruit and Hot Chocolate</u>. To learn more, schedule an appointment, or find a complete list of acceptable donations, visit <u>naz.org/foodpantry</u> or email <u>peg.merfeld@naz.org</u>. All donations can be dropped off at the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings or at the Receptionist's desk during the week's office hours.

Food Outreach Ministry Coordinator

Nazareth is looking to hire a part-time Food Outreach Ministry Coordinator. They will be responsible for Nazareth's Food Pantry and helping with outreach food ministry opportunities. To explore the job description, please visit naz.org/careers.

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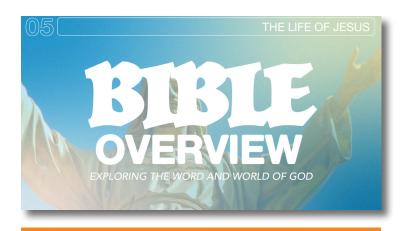
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TITLE | The Multiplication Power of Addition **TEACHER | Pastor Mike Brost** TEXT | Mark 4:1-9 & 4:10-20

Synopsis

Jesus is the Master of everything. Colossians 1:15-17 tells us, "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him, all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities, all things were created through Him and for Him!" This morning we sit at the Master's feet to glean wisdom on how His Kingdom has advanced to "earth as it is in heaven."

SERVICE PROGRAM

As For Me and My House Only a Holy God Confessions and Forgiveness Announcements

Prayers of the Church and Lord's Prayer

Lesson: Mark 4:1-9

Children's Sermon (9:00) / Baptisms - Trzaskos (10:45)

Blessed Assurance - Carillon Ringers

Gospel: Mark 4:10-20

Sermon

Prayer and Apostles' Creed

Offering: Andante Tranquillo from Sonata III I Have Decided to Follow Jesus | brown 376

Blessing and Benediction

Flowers

The chancel flower arrangement is in loving memory of Eva Jasmine Wetlaufer, daughter of Ryan and Sara.

Sympathies

Prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Aric Shepard, who passed Friday, January 31.

Prayers and condolences to the family of Ruth Jacobson, mother of Linda Hansen and grandmother of Kim Albertsen, who passed away Thursday, January 6.



MUSIC SPOTLIGHT

At Nazareth, we want vibrant, congregational singing to be an integral part of our Sunday mornings. Using Spotify, these "Music Spotlights" are designed to encourage us 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 "Only a Holy God" by City Alight, a music ministry based out of St. Paul's Church in Sydney, Australia. City Alight often uses a hymn structure, and its vision is to write songs with Biblically rich lyrics and simple melodies for the church to sing. At Nazareth, we introduced this song during one of our "Second Sunday" services over the past two years.

While no hymn can fully convey the holiness of God, "Only a Holy God" does an excellent job of portraying several aspects of God's holiness. In the first and third verses, we see His power, though with different emphases. In verse one, we see a holy God who commands angel armies, bends the knees of kings, and strikes fear in the hearts of his enemies. Yet this great and mighty God is also the protector of His people, and His power gives us courage as His power defeats evil, destroys death, and cannot be stopped. The second verse connects the beauty of God to His holiness; how glorious is it that He who is supremely powerful is also supremely beautiful? And, best of all, God is supremely good, and His goodness is directed toward us. Verse four makes it plain to us that our salvation can come from no other source than a holy God. When we look at our own failure in the light of His holiness, at the giving of His Son as our atoning sacrifice, and at the invitation to call him "Father", we can full-heartedly worship through the repeated refrain: "Come and behold him, the One and the Only. Cry out, sing Holy, forever a holy God. Come and worship the holy God."

Check out "There's Something About that Name" along with the music for Sunday on Spotify:

open.spotify.com/playlist/2JyRxc1fyDvcfWTpRgYMlv



SCAN HERE TO LISTEN TO THE SPOTIFY PLAYLIST!