



Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

November 21, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

Prelude - *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* (arr Bober)

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting

Gathering Song - **We Praise You, O God** - #870 (red)

Call to Worship - *O Taste and See* (Wagner)Nazareth Choir

Litany of Thanksgiving

P: It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

C: To declare your steadfast love in the morning and your faithfulness by night.

P: Make a joyful noise to the LORD all the earth.

C: Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with thanksgiving.

P: Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his.

C: We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

C: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Prayer of the Day: ***Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

Special Music - *You Are Good* (Nordeman).....Worship Team

Lesson - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18.....David Spake

Children's Sermon.....Pastor Brian King

Children's Hymn - **God Whose Giving Knows No Ending** - #678 (red) (alt. tune)

Gospel - Luke 17:11-19

Sermon - *Thanks-Living*Pastor Brian King

Hymn of the Day - **Now Thank We All Our God** - #840 (red)

Prayers of the Church and the Lord's Prayer

Offering - *Jesus, Tender Shepherd, Hear Me* (Getty)..... Aleesha, Annaliss and Michael Smith, vocalists

Sending Song - **The Doxology**

Postlude - *Now Thank We All Our God* (Bach/Fox)

Worship Assistants

Director of Music and Worship Arts.....Nathaniel Parrish

Choir Director.....Nicki Toliver

Worship Ensemble.....

Sarah Bey Larry Johannsen

Jeff Finke Ali Parrish

Felicity Frisch Greg Tagtow

Nancy Graen

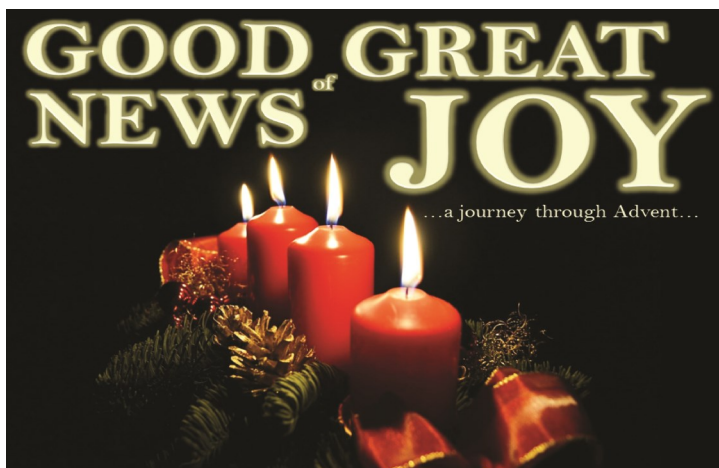
Pie Social: Thank you for worshiping with us this evening! Immediately following the service, please join us in Bethel Hall and Fellowship Hall for our annual pie social. Pie and beverages will be served. A special thanks to all who donated pies to share!

Offering: All that is collected in tonight's offering will be given to alleviate hunger. Half of what is received will be utilized by the Nazareth Food and Essentials Pantry to assist those in need locally. The other half will be given to ELCA World Hunger to help our neighbors in need all across the world. Thank you for your generosity!

Naz Nursery is Open Tonight!

Naz Nursery: Children of all ages are ALWAYS welcome in our worship services! However, for families who wish to use it, the Naz Nursery is open this evening for children ages three and under. The "Wiggle Room" is also open in Room #151.

Advent and Christmas at Nazareth



Wednesday, November 28: A soup supper (beginning at 5:00 p.m.) will be followed by singing Christmas carols together in the worship center, "decking the halls" around the Nazareth building and enjoying cocoa and cookies. All are welcome to join us for this fun evening of food, worship and fellowship!

Wednesday Advent Soup Suppers are from 5:00-5:45 p.m. followed by the Advent Worship Service at 6:00.

Wednesday, December 5

"You, Oh Bethlehem" (Laura Sohl-Cryer)

Wednesday, December 12

"For Unto You" (Pastor Brian King)

Wednesday, December 19

Comfort & Hope (Pastor Dennis Hanson and Andy Walser)

Sunday Advent Worship Services will be held at 9:00 and 10:45 a.m. in the Worship Center.

Sunday, December 2

"The Second Coming" (Pastor Brian King)

Sunday, December 9

"Elizabeth" (Nikki Britzman)

Sunday, December 16

"He > Me" (Pastor Dennis Hanson)

Sunday, December 23*

"Mary's Song" (Laura Sohl-Cryer)

**The Christmas Eve "Eve" service will be at 7:00 p.m.*

Grow and Serve

Advent Devotionals: We invite you to find inspiration and encouragement as you celebrate the joy we find in Christ this Advent season through the daily reading of Nazareth's Advent Devotional. Devotionals cost \$5 each and are available at the Naz Next Steps area this evening.

Local Missions Christmas Outreach: The Local Missions Committee is seeking volunteers to assist with packing and delivering Salvation Army Christmas Food Boxes on Friday, December 7 (4:00-6:00 p.m.) and Saturday, December 8 (beginning at 9:00 a.m.). They are also seeking families and individuals to participate in the Local Missions Giving Tree partnership with Exceptional Persons Incorporated (E.P.I.) and to purchase school uniforms, personal care and household cleaning items and a family game for families at Highland Elementary. Call the church office at 266-7589 with questions or sign up at Naz Next Steps this evening.

Christmas Carolers are needed to go to homes and care facilities on Sunday, December 9, from 2:30-5:00 p.m., with a meal to follow. This is a great opportunity for families and friends to serve together! Sign up at Naz Next Steps or contact Pastor Denny at 319-266-7589 with questions.

Mark Your Calendar

Deck the Halls: Do you love setting up Christmas decorations? We need your help! Please make plans to help decorate the Nazareth Christmas trees and more on Wednesday, November 28. There will be a soup supper from 5:00-5:45. Then, at 6:00, we will be singing Christmas carols in the Worship Center. After that, all are welcome to help "trim the trees" and then to stay for cookies and cocoa. Please call the church office at 266-7589 with questions.

Christmas BASIC: All are welcome to enjoy a soup supper at 6:00 p.m. followed by a worship service presented by BASIC, our college-age ministry, at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 6. For more information, go to basicatlang.org or email sara.rockow@naz.org.

Christmas Extravaganza: All families are invited to join our Children's Ministry team for this fun event on December 9! To learn more, please email Children's Ministry Director Kim Hansen at kim.hansen@naz.org.

The Christmas Eve "Eve" Worship Service will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 23.

The Christmas Eve Worship Services will be held at 3:00, 5:00, 7:00 and 10:00 p.m. on Monday, December 24.



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