

# WELCOME

**Thank you for being here today!** Whether you're joining us from across town, from out of state or beyond...we are so glad you are here! There are no perfect people here. We are a people and place of grace. Whether you're single, married, divorced, with or without children, a student or retiree – no matter where you've been or what you've done – we invite you to experience the transforming power, presence, and peace of God here.

## New to Naz?

We want to connect with you! Please fill out the **YELLOW CONNECTION CARD** found in the pew and drop it into the offering plate or bring it to the Welcome Desk - where you can pick up a visitor's packet and a special gift. It is a blessing to have you here!

## Who is Nazareth?

### Our Mission Statement

Living together in God's amazing grace, we invite all people to know Christ, grow in Christ, and make Christ known.

### Our Vision

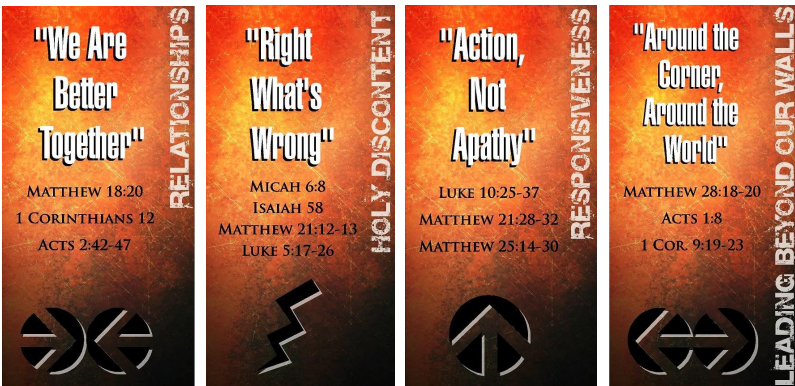
Getting our hands dirty for the cause of Christ.

### Our Values

Holy Discontent - Righting What's Wrong  
Responsiveness - Action, Not Apathy  
Relationships - We Are Better Together  
Leading Beyond Our Walls - Around the Corner, Around the World

### Our Congregational Intention

To prepare every person to become a fully committed follower of Christ.  
To make the love of God real for people.  
To excel in our stewardship of God's gifts and resources.



# TODAY AT NAZARETH *September 8, 2019*

**The flowers at the altar** are in memory of Shirley Salmons.

**The flowers at the pulpit** are to wish a Happy 65th Anniversary to our parents - Elton and June Green.

**The flowers at the piano** are in thanksgiving to God for the 83rd anniversary of Christian Crusaders and to Naz for graciously hosting the ministry with office space and monetary gifts.

**KidzRock and Confirmation** begin for the fall THIS MORNING!

**2020 Vision Congregational Surveys:** Beginning TODAY and all throughout September, the 2020 Vision Team invites ALL Nazareth community members to complete a congregational survey. See the announcements page for more details. **Paper copies are available at the 2020 Vision Table in Fellowship Hall, and the link to the online survey can be found at [www.naz.org](http://www.naz.org).**

**Transportation Needs:** Would you like to help someone get to and from Nazareth on Sunday mornings? Volunteers are needed to provide rides to and from our worship services for those who are not able to get here without a ride. To learn more about serving in this way, please contact Andy Walser at [andy.walser@naz.org](mailto:andy.walser@naz.org).

**Nazareth Staff Update:** Please join us in welcoming Terri Packard to the Nazareth staff team! Terri will be serving as Nazareth's full-time receptionist.

## Making Christ Known

**Nazareth Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
7401 University Avenue  
Cedar Falls, Iowa 50613  
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**Sunday Worship Services**  
9:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

**Pastor Brian King**  
Senior Pastor  
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**Pastor Denny Hanson**  
Associate Pastor  
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**Pastor Bob Ericson**  
Visitation/Teaching Pastor  
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**Office Hours**  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Monday - Thursday  
9:00 a.m. to Noon  
Friday

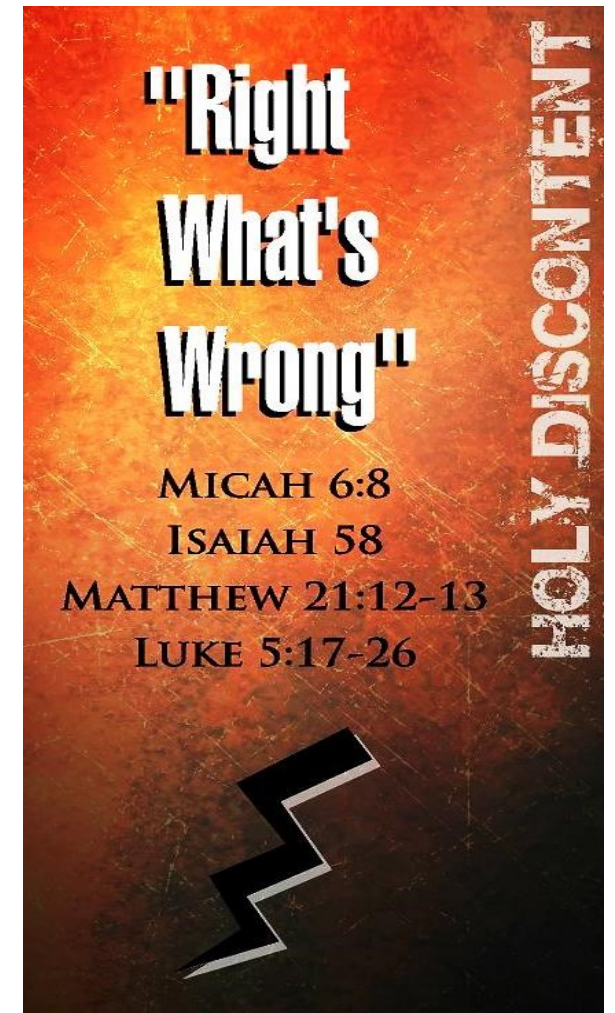
**Prayer Chain**  
Call the church office to have your concern placed on the Prayer Chain.

**Connect with Nazareth!**  
[www.naz.org](http://www.naz.org)  
[facebook.com/MyNazareth](https://facebook.com/MyNazareth)  
[twitter.com/mynazchurch](https://twitter.com/mynazchurch)  
[instagram.com/mynazchurch](https://instagram.com/mynazchurch)

**Be Invitational!**  
Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to worship with us at Nazareth.



# VALUABLES



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# WORSHIP

September 8, 2019

# SERMON NOTES

# SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Sermon - *VALUABLES: Holy Discontent*  
- Pastor Brian King  
Today's Texts - Isaiah 58:1-12 and Luke 5:17-26

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9:00 a.m.  
Prelude - *Menuet gothique* (Boëllmann)  
Gathering Hymn - **Holy, Holy, Holy**  
Special Music - *Wake Up, Church, Wake Up!* (Choplin)  
- Nazareth Choir  
Children's Song - **Go, My Children, With My Blessing**  
Offering - *O Church, Arise* (Getty)  
- Larry Johansen, solo  
Sending Hymn - **Sent Forth by God's Blessing** - #547 (red)  
Postlude - *Toccata* (Boëllmann)

10:45 a.m.  
Opening Worship - **Glory to God Forever**  
- **Holy Holy Holy**  
Offering - **Create In Me**  
Special Music - *O Church, Arise* (Getty)  
- Larry Johansen, solo  
Closing Worship - **Lay Me Down**

Prayer of the Day  
*Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Nathaniel Parrish, Director of Music and Worship Arts  
Nicki Toliver, Nazareth Choir Director (9:00)  
Jim Buschkamp, Reader (9:00)  
Hannah Hilgenkamp, Worship Technology Coordinator (9:00 and 10:45)  
Anna Smolikhagen, Reader (10:45)

**Thank you to all Nazareth volunteers for your faithful service!**

### Read It

- ⇒ *Amazing Grace: William Wilberforce and the Heroic Campaign to End Slavery* (Eric Metaxis)
- ⇒ *Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy* (Eric Metaxis)
- ⇒ *The Hole in Our Gospel* (Richard Stearns)
- ⇒ *A School For My Village* (Jackson Kaguri)

### Watch It

There are any number of movies and documentaries that tell the story of individuals and communities that are stirred to compassionate action when their neighbors in need are hurting or struggling. Though often rated PG-13 or R due to the nature of their themes, a few options this week might be: *Amazing Grace*, *Schindler's List*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, and *Pay It Forward*, which are all diverse movies that demonstrate the quality of "Holy Discontent".

### Live It

Advocates are those who speak or act on behalf of those who cannot speak or act on behalf of themselves. Is there a justice issue that stirs your passion, or troubles your spirit? Go to [elca.org](http://elca.org) and the "Our Work" tab, and then the "Publicly Engaged Church" heading under which there are a plethora of ways in which you can become involved with the Church's work for justice in the world as an extension of your faith in Jesus Christ.

**Explore the texts for this week and reflect on/discuss these questions:**

How is "Holy Discontent" different from normal discontent and what makes it "Holy"?

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Share some examples of "Holy Discontent" from scripture and your own experience.

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What is something in the Church, larger community, or world right now that generates a spirit of "Holy Discontent" within you and how do you feel called to respond, or "right what is wrong" in that specific situation?

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The Prophet Isaiah contrasts false worship with true worship? What are the distinguishing characteristics of worship that is pleasing to God according to Isaiah 58?

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Our Gospel lesson shows the lengths the man's friends go to in order to bring him to Jesus. What barriers keep many people from transitioning from a spirit of discontent to one of "Holy Discontent" and why do most fail to "right what is wrong"?

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