

Nazareth Church Offices will be closed from December 24 to December 27 and will also be closed January 1, 2020.

Thursday Fellowship Meal will not be served on December 26 or on January 2.

Nazareth is seeking a part-time Worship Leader. Please go to www.naz.org/careers for more information and a complete job description of this position. With questions, please contact Angie Rath at angie.rath@naz.org.

Blessed Beginnings Learning Center is hiring a full-time School-Age Site Supervisor. To apply, please contact Kate DeMartino at kate.demartino@naz.org. Find a job description and an application form at www.naz.org/careers.

Perspectives Class: Join us and experience God's heart for all peoples, and encounter the momentum of the WORLD CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT. This class begins on Monday, January 20, 2020, and will be offered on Monday evenings for 15 weeks from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. here at Nazareth. Now is the time to register online at www.perspectives.org! Please contact Maureen Hanson at (319) 988-4492 with questions.



The 2020 Daily Texts have arrived! Please pick your copy up today if you have ordered one! You can still purchase one for \$7 at the Welcome Desk.

Nazareth Volunteers are needed to help folks at NewAldaya get to and from Sunday chapel services during the month of December and to get to and from the NewAldaya Christmas Eve chapel service. Go to Naz Next Steps to sign up.

The Nazareth Altar Guild is looking for volunteers to help prepare Communion and Baptisms. Volunteers would serve two Sundays a year for Communion and one Sunday a year for Baptisms. Persons interested can contact Sandra Heller (319-266-9668) or Deb Blanchard (319-277-7454).

Changing Lives One Drop At A Time: As part of the 2020 H2 Jamaica Mission Trip, we will once again be installing drip irrigation kits for subsistence farmers in Jamaica. You have responded so faithfully in the past, and we need your help again. Each kit costs \$400. If you would like to partner with a farm family in Jamaica, please contact Barb Ericson at 319-493-5039 or Hank Wellnitz at 319-961-2288. Or, write your check to Nazareth with "Jamaica Irrigation" in the subject line.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all who purchased and delivered Angel Tree Gifts and E.P.I. Gifts and to all who helped to pack and deliver Salvation Army Food Boxes as part of Nazareth's Local Missions Christmas Outreach a few weeks ago! Also, our deepest gratitude to all participated in the Shepherd's Staff Christmas Caroling outreach event last Sunday. By serving as the hands and feet of Jesus in these ways, your kindness and generosity brought many, many smiles to the faces of those in need in our community!

Ushers and Greeters Are Needed for the Christmas Eve "Eve" and Christmas Eve Worship Services on December 23 and December 24. This is a wonderful way to be hospitable to all who join us at Nazareth this Christmas, and all ages are encouraged to serve! *(This is also a great way for families to serve together!)* Stop by the Welcome Desk TODAY to sign up or contact Terri Packard at 319-266-7589 or terri.packard@naz.org to sign up this week.

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

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

This is a great opportunity to be invitational! Please pick up postcard invitations - which you can share with others - at the Welcome Desk today.



*Coming Home
With Jesus*

WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES
December 23 - 7:00 p.m.
December 24 - 3:00, 5:00, 7:00 and 10:00 p.m.

Discipleship U Winter 2020 registration is NOW OPEN, and we encourage every Nazareth member to get connected by engaging in one or more of these opportunities to know Christ and grow in Christ. Please stop by Naz Next Steps to pick up a brochure and/or to register. Or, sign up online at www.naz.org/discipleship-u.



DISCIPLESHIP

WINTER 2020
~ Bible Studies ~
~ Community Groups ~
~ Spiritual Growth Classes ~

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Sign up at Naz Next Steps or online at www.naz.org.

CHILDREN AND STUDENT MINISTRIES

Sunday Mornings

The Wiggle Room, in Room 151 just outside of the Worship Center, is available each Sunday for parents with little ones who would like to use it. In *The Wiggle Room*, there will be a live stream of the worship services, and toys and books for little ones to enjoy.

- ◆ Contact meg.husted@naz.org.

The Naz Nursery is also open at each worship service for infants to three-year-olds, and is located near the Family Life Center gym. A Nursing Room is also available. Stop at the Welcome Desk for details.

KidzRock (for Pre-K to 6th Graders) meets from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Children who go to KidzRock and are attending the 9:00 service with their families will be dismissed from the service following the Children's Sermon to meet their leaders in Fellowship Hall. Please use the check-in stations in Fellowship Hall or near Door #6 prior to the worship service. Parents should pick up their children in their classrooms at 10:30 a.m.

- ◆ Contact kim.albertsen@naz.org.

Confirmation (for 7th-9th Graders) meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Sundays.

- ◆ Contact Lori Haag at lori.haag@naz.org.

Mid-Week School-Year Ministries

WOW (K-4th graders) and **JUMP56** (Jesus Use Me Please for 5th and 6th graders) meet from 6:00-7:15 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. Resumes on January 22, 2020.

- ◆ With questions about Children's Ministry programs here at Nazareth, please email kim.albertsen@naz.org.

POWW (Parents on Wednesdays Worship) meets from 6:00-7:15 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. Please see the Discipleship U brochure for details about the POWW Bible Study! Resumes on January 22, 2020.

- ◆ Contact meg.husted@naz.org.

CHAOS (Christ Has All Our Solutions for 7th-9th graders) meets from 6:30-8:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the FLC.

- ◆ Contact kristin.sauerbrei@naz.org.

BIGhouse (for 10th-12th graders) meets from 7:00-9:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings.

- ◆ Contact kristina.mcburney@naz.org.

Find additional details and information about CHAOS and BIGhouse at www.cedarvalleystudents.org.

BASIC (college-age community) meets at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings in Lang Hall on the campus of the University of Northern Iowa.

- ◆ Contact sara.sladky@naz.org.

Find additional details at www.basicatlang.org.

MUSIC MINISTRY AND WORSHIP ARTS

Nazareth's worship team accepts new members on an ongoing basis. Whether you would like to join the Nazareth Choir, to be a part of a vocal or instrumental ensemble/special music, or you would like to help by greeting, ushering, serving communion, reading scripture or being on the technology team, there is a spot for you!

- ◆ Contact nathaniel.parrish@naz.org.

ADULT COMMUNITY GROUPS

Get connected with an Adult Bible Study and/or Fellowship Group by stopping at the Naz Next Steps counter in Fellowship Hall. Whether you are a young adult, a parent, a retiree or anything in between, there is an opportunity for you to find community here.

- ◆ Contact bob.ericson@naz.org.

MISSIONS

At Nazareth, we encourage you to lead beyond our walls through serving others in the name of Christ right here in the Cedar Valley and beyond all across the globe.

- ◆ Contact dennis.hanson@naz.org.

MEMBERSHIP

To learn more about becoming a Nazareth member...

- ◆ Contact lori.fegley@naz.org.

COMMUNION

Nazareth practices "Open Communion", meaning that Communion is offered to all baptized Christians who confess they are sinners in need of redemption and who believe the promise of forgiveness of sins and salvation through Jesus. To make a request to receive Communion in your home, please call the church at 319-266-7589. Communion is typically offered on 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

- ◆ Contact brian.king@naz.org.

BAPTISM

Baptism is a gift from God offered to all as a "mark of faith" in Jesus Christ. Because of this, Nazareth provides infant baptisms, child baptisms, youth baptisms and adult baptisms. Public baptisms are typically held in our worship services on the second Sunday of each month. To learn more about Baptism at Nazareth, to express your interest in being baptized or to have your children baptized, please call the church at 319-266-7589.

- ◆ Contact lori.fegley@naz.org.

FOOD AND HOSPITALITY

The Naz Family Meal is served from 5:00-6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings throughout the school year. Cost is \$4 per meal or \$15 for a family of four or more.

- ◆ Contact barb.burbridge@naz.org.

Thursday Fellowship Luncheon is served from 12:00-1:00 p.m. on Thursdays for those age 55 and older. Cost is \$5 per meal.

- ◆ Contact barb.burbridge@naz.org.