

NAZ NEWS

NAZARETH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

MAY 18, 2025

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](https://vimeo.com/mynazareth)

Livestreams Broadcast on our website

www.naz.org/onlinechurch



ANNOUNCEMENTS

60/60 Experiment

Are you looking to take another step in your faith, but are too busy for another group study? We get it! The 60/60 Experiment is an "on-the-go" opportunity that's easy to share with your family. Our Sunday morning series on Acts teaches us to focus on prayer. We see this in how Paul and other leaders committed to prayer during the early church's formation. We encourage you to set regular reminders to pray throughout your day. It's all about our relationship with God. Spiritual life is simple but not easy. We can love God by trusting His spirit as He reminds us of Jesus's teachings. And we can learn to let God lead us moment by moment in an authentic relationship.

Join us on our 60-day journey of working to connect with God throughout the day by setting alarms or leaving reminders. Kris Boettger will lead a 60/60 Experiment discussion meeting in Room 156 on Sunday, May 25, from 10:10 to 10:40 a.m. This meeting is a great place to discuss your experiences. Registration is not required for our meetings on June 8, June 22, and July 13. We invite you to join us and encourage the loved ones around you to pray at the sound of your alarm.

2025 Nazareth Food Pantry Update

Nazareth's mission is to know Christ, grow in Christ, and make Christ known. One way we share the blessing of God's love is to support the community by providing the opportunity to receive food and other essentials from our Food Pantry. Throughout the first four months of this year, we are proud to have served 102 households and 267 individuals with 4711 pounds of food and essentials.

We want to thank everyone who has supported this ministry by consistently donating products every month and giving financially. Your generosity has made it possible for us to serve our neighbors in need.

Visit naz.org/foodpantry to learn more about the Food Pantry, schedule an appointment to receive a food box, or find a complete list of acceptable donations. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Peg Merfeld, Nazareth's Food Outreach Ministry Coordinator, at peg.merfeld@naz.org.

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UNSTOPPABLE

A STUDY OF ACTS

TITLE | Evidence of God's Work

TEACHER | Pastor Tim Boettger

TEXT | Acts 5:12-16, 6:7 & Luke 24:36-53

Synopsis

In the Book of Acts, many things are happening in Jerusalem as the church is called into existence by God. Last week, we looked at how humbled, suffering, prayerful, and needy people are finding grace and salvation. Jesus is being obeyed and honored, and proud people are confronted with the truth about themselves and God. As we look into Acts chapters 4-6, consider what else you see God's Spirit doing in their midst?

Digest The Word

Read the scripture passages and reflect on these questions to help you live out God's Word in your life.

- How did the sermon challenge/encourage you?
- Does this passage teach you about who God is?
- What are the personal implications for you?

SERVICE PROGRAM

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

In Christ Alone

Confessions and Forgiveness

Welcome and Announcements

Prayers of the Church and Lord's Prayer

Lesson: Acts 5:12-16, and 6:7

Children's Sermon

Nocturne

Gospel: Luke 24:36-53

Sermon

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less | red 597

How Firm a Foundation | red 796

Flowers

The chancel flowers are dedicated to the glory of God.

Congregation members can dedicate service flowers to family, friends, or whomever they would like. This touching gesture is perfect for anniversaries, birthdays, or honoring individuals no longer with us. If you are interested, email jordan.kv@naz.org.

MUSIC SPOTLIGHT

At Nazareth, we want vibrant singing to be an integral part of our Sunday mornings. Using Spotify, these "Music Spotlights" are designed to encourage and familiarize us with the music for the upcoming weekend so that we can wholeheartedly sing as we worship together.

This coming weekend, we will sing, "In Christ Alone." Not to be confused with the Getty Music hymn that goes by the same title, we will use a refrain from Michael English, an American singer/songwriter who began his career in 1972 and rose to prominence in 1992 as the "New Artist of the Year" in Christian music. English's refrain conveys a simple, yet powerful, reminder for Christians; that is, there is no way to salvation except through Jesus, and we can boast in the power of the cross, where Jesus died for us. May it be our hope and prayer that people everywhere will find Jesus as their source of strength and their source of hope.

We invite you to check out "In Christ Alone" along with other music for the upcoming Sunday at this Spotify playlist:

open.spotify.com/user/bvcn1ug98cq5vgzdb0668tcep



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

CHURCH REMINDERS

KidzRock Out For Summer

KidzRock, our Sunday school program, is having their final day this Sunday, May 18. The program will pick up again for the 25/26 school year in September. Thank you to all the kids, families, and volunteers for a wonderful year. Please email Kim Albertsen via kim.albertsen@naz.org if you have questions or concerns.

Membership Updates

We would love to be informed by members about their permanent or temporary address changes, family changes, or other life updates so we can update our records. Please share your relevant information with Jordan by calling 319-266-7589 or emailing jordan.kv@naz.org.

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New Aldaya Volunteers Needed

Nazareth's Local Missions Committee is looking for volunteers to help transport NewAldaya residents who need assistance to the Sunday Chapel Services throughout June. We need 2-4 volunteers each Sunday. The services at NewAldaya run from 10:30 until 11:30 so volunteers would need to be there shortly after 10:00 am until approximately 11:45 am to return the residents to their rooms or lunch room. To sign up as a volunteer, please visit our table in Fellowship Hall or email local.missions@naz.org.

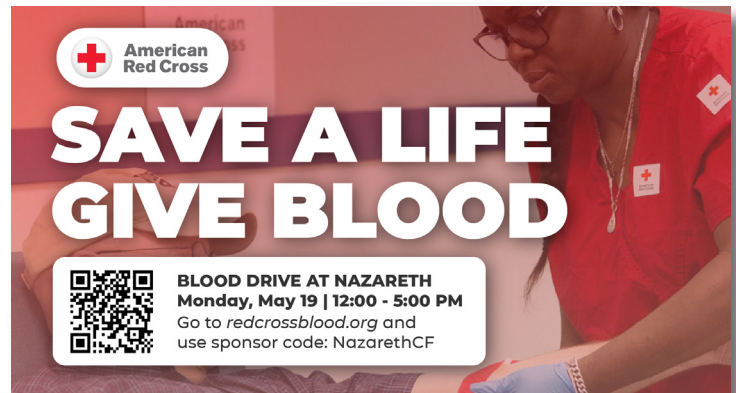
May Donation Requests

During the month of May, we are accepting donations for our food pantry and partnered ministries. Nazareth is participating in Love Inc's Make-a-Difference Monthly donation campaign, which is accepting \$10-20 Fuel-Only Gas Cards. Nazareth's food pantry is accepting donations of laundry detergent, soap, and cleaning supplies. 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. Thank you for your generosity! Call the Nazareth church office with any questions.



Summer Trap Shooting Ministry

Nazareth's trap shooting Ministry begins June 10 at the Cedar Falls Gun Club. Join leaders Eddy Coen and Larry Steffens on Tuesday Nights from 5:30-7:00 pm for our 6-week program. Each night includes Biblical devotions, prayer, and trap shooting. This program is open to children and adults to learn trap shooting and gun safety. Children must be at least 12 years old and accompanied by a guardian. To register, please sign up at the Welcome Desk in Fellowship Hall or go to naz.org/nextsteps.



Community Blood Drive

Blood donations are always in demand because there is no substitute for human blood - and donations directly saves lives and supports various medical needs. Nazareth is hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, May 19 from noon to 5:00 pm in Bethel Hall. To schedule an appointment visit redcrossblood.org and use the sponsor code: NazarethCF or call the church at 319-266-7589 for assistance.



Register for Vacation Bible School 2025

Registration for Nazareth's Vacation Bible School is now available! All children between the ages of 4 years old and 6th grade are invited to join us June 8-12 from 6:00 to 8:30 pm for this year's VBS "Road Trip," where we are on the go with God!

Each night will be packed with worship, songs, Bible skits, science experiments, crafts, and recreational games, to help us learn that God is with us; on the journey, when we go off course, when we are joyful, when we are lonely, and near and far.

To join Nazareth on our exciting Road Trip this summer, please register online by visiting our website, naz.org, or stop by the VBS Booth in Fellowship Hall any Sunday between now and when VBS starts! T-shirts and music are also available for purchase at the booth. If you have questions, please email our Children's Ministry team; kim.albertsen@naz.org and sam.wyckoff@naz.org.