

WELCOME

Jesus spoke of and came to bring victory over evil. For a time we continue to preserve against and deal with the effect of evil in our lives and God's creation. - Andy Walser

Be Well - Be Loving - Be Courageous - Be the Church

WORSHIP WITH NAZ

SUNDAYS

CFU Channels 18 & 95.5 | 8:30a.m.
In-Person Worship at Nazareth | 9a.m. & 10:45a.m.
CW (check your local listings for channel) | 10a.m.

WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS

CFU Channels 18 & 95.5
4:30p.m. Wednesday | 5:30p.m. Saturday

ONLINE OPTIONS

Recordings of sermons available on
[Vimeo.com/mynazareth](https://www.vimeo.com/mynazareth)
Livestreams Broadcast on our website
www.naz.org/onlinechurch



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Mission Opportunities

Christmas is the time to give, and Nazareth is looking for volunteers to help us give to our community. This Christmas season we will be delivering Food Boxes and participating in the Highland Adopt-A-Family program. Sign-ups for these opportunities will be available November 6th and 13th between the Sunday services at a table in Fellowship Hall.

Food boxes will be packed on December 9th, and delivered on December 10th in Fellowship Hall. Gifts for Highland's Adopt-A-Family should be returned to the church by December 2nd. There will be no Angel Tree distribution this year. If you have any questions feel free to call the church at 319-266-7589. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

2022 Advent Retreat

Contemplative Outreach of Northeast Iowa presents an Advent Retreat, "Mary: Awareness and Anticipation." Save the Date: December 2-4, 2022, In Person Retreat. To register or receive more information, please email CONELowa@gmail.com or visit "Contemplative Outreach of Northeast Iowa" on Facebook. The event will be hosted at New Melleray Guest House in Peosta, Iowa. Any questions may be directed to Dixie Nederhoff at 319-269-1776.

CONNECTIONS

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SERMON | How Can I Resist Evil?

TEACHER | Andy Walser

TEXT | John 10:10 Ephesians 6:10-20

Digest The Word

Read the scripture passages from this week's Sunday's Worship Service and reflect on the sermon and on these questions to help you live out God's Word in your everyday life.

- *How did this passage/sermon challenge or encourage you?*
- *What questions do you have about this topic?*
- *What does this passage teach you about who God is?*
- *What are the personal implications for you?*
- *What does this mean for the Church as a whole?*



Read It

CS Lewis talks about the human condition and God's great restoration plan in his beloved *Classic Mere Christianity*. Read chapter 8 "The Great Sin" to see how he defines the sin of pride and its effect in all of our lives.



Live It

Remember that the "devil" is an accuser but Christ offers a permanent new identity for all who would have faith in Him. This week take time to pray – assess if you have bought into any of the labels that Satan wants to burden you with. If it is an unconfessed sin, confess it to God and accept his forgiveness. If it is something you have already allowed God to forgive you then realize that Satan is trying to accuse you for what Jesus has already paid for.

Sympathies

Prayers for the family and friends of Vern Oltrogge for the death of his brother.

Prayers for the family and friends of Ronald Arntson, a member

Music

9:00 a.m.

Gathering Hymn: For All the Saints | *red 422* (vs. 1, 2, 3, 6, and 7)

Special Music: Sing A New Song | *St. Elizabeth Chorale*

Special Music: Blessing | *St. Elizabeth Chorale*

Communion Hymn: Lord of the Small | *St. Elizabeth Chorale*

Communion Hymn: Hodie | *St. Elizabeth Chorale*

10:45 a.m.

Opening Song: Open Up The Heavens

Communion Song: Goodness of God

Closing Song: Living Hope

ATTENTION

Daylight savings is occurring on November 6th, remember to set your clocks back an hour.

For hospitalizations or pastoral concerns please refer to Andy Walser, Nazareth's Director of Visitation Ministry, at andy.walser@naz.org.

If you have signed up in past years to receive the Living Lutheran Magazine, Nazareth will no longer receive an annual subscription. If you would still like to receive the Living Lutheran, you can order your magazine online at www.AugsburgFortress.org or call 800-328-4648.

Due to some new policy changes this year within the Angel Tree Organization, Nazareth will not participate in this year's mission. We are hopeful to continue working with Angel Tree next year. Thank you for your patience and understanding. We encourage those who are interested, to volunteer for Naz's other Christmas missions.

Naz Is Hiring

Nazareth is currently accepting applications for numerous job openings. To explore the job postings, descriptions, and applications, please visit the Employment Page on naz.org. If you're interested in applying please email your resume and application to angie.rath@naz.org or mail it 7401 University Avenue, Cedar Falls, IA, 50613.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *continued...*

Fall Lunch and Learn

Please join Nazareth on Thursdays, in Bethel Hall from 12:00 - 1:00 pm. Meals are served upon arrival, cost is \$6. Nazareth has an amazing group of speakers scheduled that you don't want to miss! Listening to their stories, we promise you will learn from new perspectives, become inspired, and feel the impact of God's miracles at work. Anyone is welcome to join, registration is not required.

The Remaining Speakers:

- The Task Remaining – 11.10
- Thanksgiving Celebration – 11.17
- Christmas Celebration – 12.01

Daily Texts Available Online

Moving forward, the Daily Texts Devotional Book for 2023 will not be made available through the church. To place an order for you or your family, we are providing the link to the Daily Texts Website, and will also have it linked on our website until December 1, 2022.

Community Meals

Join us November 9th, from 5:00 - 6:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, to enjoy Cheeseburger Macaroni, Mixed Vegetables, and Pears. The prices are \$4 per person & \$15 for a family of 4+. Beverage & dessert included!

A free meal will be served every Tuesday from 4:30-6:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Cedar Falls. It is open to anyone in the community as an opportunity to meet with friends, or to help stretch the food budget!

Christmas Devotionals

Christmas is right around the corner! Which means it's time to get your hands on Nazareth's brand new Christmas Devotional for 2022! The 2022 Devotional is full of inspiring stories, powerful prayers, and proof of God's glory – all written by members of our congregation and community.

Sign up at Naz Next Steps before November 13th so we can have a devotional ready for you. Cost is \$5.00 per person. We will have a free version on our website.



Help us celebrate and pray for our Saints:

Deceased:

Joe F. Adams
Ronald Arntson
Sarah Barth
JoAnn M. Beurer
Karl Bottke
Richard P. (Rich) Bruhn
Joann Carlo
Kenneth Carlo
Kim S. Christopher
Douglas E. (Doug) Coen
Gail A. Corwin
Mildred M. Dankenbring
Dennis H. Dickman
Ila M. Doeden
Don Ender
Arnold (Arnie) Flessner
Dorothy R. Frank
Dennis Gaede
Vernon H. Harms
Dorothy (Dottie) Haugebak
Frederick J. Heins
Kenneth C. (Ken) Huhn
Richard T. (Tom) Huss
Charles T. (Tom) Jacklin
Floyd E. James
Beth A. Johnson
John Kenneth Jones
Larry Keller
Sandra J. Kemp
Mark L. Klinehart
Merriem D. Lane
Paula Larson
Sydney (Syd) Layton
Shirley Eleanor Lee
Dennis J. (Denny) Lenth
Kenneth E. (Ken) Lind
Judith A. (Judy) Loy
Irene V. Matson
Judith A. Moehlis
Natalie A. Morgan
Ray E. Pearson
Verdeen R. Peters
Jeremy J. Rich
John C. (Clark) Ross

Darlene M. Saathoff
Margaret L. Satre
Barb E. Schroeder
Larry Schumacher
Donna Tucker
Barbara Turner
Marilyn R. Wildman
Paul A. Zimmerman

Baptized:

Skylar J. Andera
Theodore J. Arenholz
Conley D. Bauer
Isabelle E. Cue
Tyson R. Dobes
Bennett J. Freiberg
Leah C. Freiberg
Mae R. Freiberg
Bridget R. Gaffney
Charles A. Garrido
Reed A. Garrido
Asher L. Geisinger
Beau M. Hanson
Wyatt R. Henry
Maxwell J. Hoefing
Emerson C. Kettman
Jerad A. Kettman
Laney L. King
John L. Lyons
Noah J. Mork
Hailey Caitlin Nielsen
Jax J. Northness
Eloise K. Peiffer
Everly M. Peiffer
Heather M. Peiffer
Parker M. Ruger
Addison J. Rutledge
Beckett M. Schindel
Kate E. Schipper
Henry S. Schreiber
Connor D. Showalter
Olivia R. Smith
Emmett T. Tack
Alayna J. VanRoekel
Millie A. Woltz



COUNCIL CONVERSATIONS

Question: Can we call a new Senior Pastor before deciding about our ELCA affiliation?

Answer: We cannot call a Senior Pastor from the ELCA until we make that decision. It would be unfair to call an ELCA pastor and then decide to leave the ELCA shortly afterward. Our Synod Bishop was clear that we need to make a decision about our affiliation prior to issuing a call. It could be possible to call a non-ELCA pastor before making the decision, but it's unclear whether a non-ELCA pastor would want to accept a call before we make that decision, and we would need to do more research to understand whether we would be allowed to remain affiliated with the ELCA if we called a non-ELCA pastor as our Senior Pastor.

Question: Should Nazareth decide to leave our affiliation with the ELCA, what, if any changes would there be to our worship services or the way we conduct our ministry and missions?

Answer: We do not foresee any changes to our worship services or the way we conduct our ministry and missions. Nazareth has historically made those decisions independently of our affiliation with the ELCA and would most likely continue to make those decisions independently of an affiliation with a different Lutheran church body.

Question: If our financial giving to the ELCA is currently designated for missions, couldn't we just use those additional monies for our missionaries and our mission outreach organizations (thus making a bigger difference for those missions that we've identified as important)?

Answer: We could use those monies in whatever way we think best fulfills our Nazareth mission statement. This includes continuing to support the ELCA missionaries we are currently supporting.

Question: If we leave the ELCA, what would happen to the different small groups at Nazareth?

Answer: Nothing would change, our small groups would continue to meet as they have been meeting.

Question: I know the Council and Church are going through a lot right now. How can I help?

Answer: Please pray! Pray individually, or as part of a team. We are in the process of identifying people who are willing to participate on prayer teams – one team that will pray specifically for the Council, one that will pray for the Nominating Committee, and one that will pray for the Call Committee and Nazareth's affiliation (starting even before we have a Call Committee in place). If you are willing to participate on one of the teams, please send your name to council@naz.org.

Your Council knows that God knows where we are, and he will lead us to wherever he wants us to be. We have been here before and we got through it. God is still in control, and we will get through this again. Please pray that we will be stronger and more faithful because of struggling with these issues. And give thanks to God for all of the ways that Nazareth continues to fulfill our mission!

Council Actions this week:

1. The Council held a special meeting on October 30 to hold an Exit Interview with Pastor Brian and say a final farewell. We prayed over Pastor Brian before he left the meeting.
2. At the October 30 meeting, the Council also reviewed the recommendations from the By-Laws Task Force. The Council made a few changes to the recommendations and will be scheduling a Congregational Meeting to vote on the revised by-laws.
3. George Nederhoff, Council President, continues to check in regularly with the Bishop of the ELCA Northeastern Iowa Synod regarding the search for an interim pastor for Nazareth.

Watch for weekly Church Council updates in the Naz News. We will try to answer at least one question each week. Council minutes and more are located at the bottom of the naz.org home page. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time of transition. Please send your questions and comments to council@naz.org