

NAZ NEWS

NAZARETH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH ——— SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

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

Second Grade Bibles

This Sunday, Nazareth is celebrating an important Children's Ministry Milestone – 2nd Grade Bibles! During the 9:00 am service, second graders will be provided with their own Adventure Bible, which will help guide them on how to read and explore God's Holy Word alongside parents and mentors. When children start to become familiar with the Bible, it can inspire them to ask questions, grow in faith, and better understand who God is! This Sunday and next, students and their parents will participate in a class to help guide and encourage them as they start to navigate and understand this book that has been set apart from all others.

Confirmation Curriculum Books For Sale

Are you interested in digging deeper into the Bible by following along with the Confirmation Curriculum this year? Good news! This Sunday, you can purchase a curriculum book for \$20 at the Naz Next Steps desk. This book can act as a companion as the Pastors go through the Bible Overview teaching series each Sunday until mid-April. If you have any questions, please get in touch with Meg or email meg.husted@naz.org.

Donations for Irrigation Systems in Jamaica

Our H2Jamaica mission trip is planned for this coming February - providing medical, dental and construction services to the people of Manchester, Jamaica. Over the past eight years, our construction team has installed nearly 150 drip irrigation systems for small farmers in rural Jamaica. We have met and worked with the most amazing people who have blessed us with their joy in the face of many challenges. This coming February we are again planning to install a number of systems for farmers and for an orphanage. In addition, we are purchasing seed and fertilizer to further assist the farmers, especially those who lost equipment and crops due to Hurricane Beryl. Please pray for the mission and for the farmers that might receive a system. If you would like to contribute to this effort, please send your donation to Barb Ericson, 3906 Maryhill Drive, Cedar Falls with checks made out to H2Jamaica. Thank you for your continued support!

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BIBLE OVERVIEW

EXPLORING THE WORD AND WORLD OF GOD

TITLE | The Power of Water to Cleanse and Renew

TEACHER | Pastor Mike Brost

TEXT | Genesis 6:1-13, 9:8-13 & John 3:1-17

Synopsis

What does the flood narrative in Genesis 6 and the Tower of Babel in Genesis 11 teach us about our need for Baptism and the Great Commission? By exploring these chapters we can see what God was foreshadowing.

Digest The Word

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

- *How did the sermon challenge/encourage you?*
- *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?*

SERVICE PROGRAM

Shout to the Lord

This is My Father's World

Confession and Forgiveness

Announcements

Prayers of the Church and Lord's Prayer

Lesson: Genesis 6:1-13, 9:8-13

Children's Sermon

Second Grade Bibles Milestone

Gospel: John 3:1-17

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

Offering

All Creatures of Our God and King

Great is Thy Faithfulness | red 733

Blessing and Benediction

Flowers

The Chancel Flowers are to the glory of God.

Please email jordan.kv@naz.org to dedicate flowers.



MUSIC SPOTLIGHT

At Naz, we want to lift up vibrant, congregational singing as an integral part of our time together on Sunday mornings. Using Spotify, these "Music Spotlights" are designed to encourage us and help familiarize us with the music selections for the upcoming weekend so that we can wholeheartedly sing in full voice as we worship together.

This weekend, we will sing, *Great is Thy Faithfulness* which was written by Thomas Obediah Chisholm, who was born in a log cabin in Kentucky in 1866. Chisholm battled health issues his entire life and lived modestly, working jobs that ranged from journalism to life insurance sales to evangelistic work. Through the ups and downs of life, he discovered new blessings from God every morning – with Lamentations 3:22-23 being especially precious to him – "*His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.*"

Chisholm admitted there was no dramatic story behind the writing of *Great is Thy Faithfulness*. Instead, Chisholm loved poetry and sent several poems to his musician friend, William Runyan. Runyan was so moved by one of the poems that he set it to music in 1923. Eventually, a preacher from the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago happened to hear the hymn; it became part of chapel services and the unofficial theme song at the Institute. Still, it remained relatively unknown until it was popularized around the world by George Beverly Shea and the choirs at the Bill Graham Crusades. When he died in 1960, Chisholm had written 1,200 poems and hymns (including another popular hymn, "Living for Jesus").

We invite you to check out *Great is Thy Faithfulness* along with other music for the upcoming Sunday at this Spotify playlist:



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

Sunday Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to help usher and serve communion at the 10:45 am service. If you are willing to volunteer please talk to Nathaniel Parrish or email nathaniel.parrish@naz.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS *continued...*

Gather and Grow Fall 2024

We are excited to announce a special opportunity designed to help small group leaders learn and grow in their leadership. Join Meg Husted, our Discipleship Coordinator, on October 19 from 10:00 am to noon in Rooms 151/153. This session will focus on learning the 3 Roles a facilitator has within a life group setting. You are invited to attend if you are:

- Interested in growing in the leadership role that you are currently in
- Interested in taking a next step in leadership but looking to be equipped
- Excited about being on mission and making disciples!
- Curious what others doing similar work might be able to share

Please RSVP by emailing meg.husted@naz.org. We hope you take this opportunity to gather, grow, and be equipped to lead. See you there!

HyVee Receipts for Highland

Nazareth is collecting HyVee Receipts from the Cedar Falls, Waterloo, and Waverly stores until April 2025. You can drop off your receipts at the Welcome Desk in the clear bucket labeled "HyVee Receipts" tub. Turning in your receipts supports Nazareth's education partner, Highland Elementary School. Please DO NOT roll, rubber band, fold, paper clip, or staple the receipts. Please remember that only receipts for groceries, prescriptions, and gas are accepted; no receipts for alcohol, lottery tickets, or stamps. Thank you!

Nazareth's Stewardship Sundays are on October 20 and October 27 and November 3. Look out for mailings coming soon!



ONE NIGHT Worship Event

You are invited to ONE NIGHT, our annual partnered event with Orchard Hill Church where all of the student ministries – Junior high, High school, and College – get together and worship as ONE! The event is October 2nd at 7:15 pm in Orchard Hill's gym. Feel free to arrive early to participate in fun games and activities starting at 6:45 pm. Everyone is welcome, and we hope to meet lots of new people! See you there!

Meet the Schafer Family

Nazareth is happy to introduce one of our missionary families! Danny Schafer grew up in Cedar Falls, and his family attended Naz. He is a son of our church family! Danny, his wife Nel, and their children (Emma, Lydia, Tessa) are currently serving in Iowa City focusing on evangelism training, discipleship, and church planting. Danny and Nel have made strong connections with many immigrants and refugees from various parts of the world now living in the Iowa City area and have even shared the joy of some being baptized in Christ. They previously served in the Middle East before being forced to leave the country in which they were serving. Danny will be speaking at Nazareth on Sunday!



This Bible Narrative Timeline is a resource our Pastors have been using in their sermons throughout the Bible Overview teaching series. Feel free to save this and use it as a reference while listening on Sundays, or reading the Bible on your own.

