WELCOME

God has a mission for you. You simply need to be willing to let God use you as a teacher, a doctor, a farmer, a custodian, a mother, a father - whoever you are whatever you do, allow God to work through you and in you as an instrument of grace and as a mouthpiece of His mercy.

Be well! Be loving! Be courageous! Be the Church!
In Christ,
Pastor Brian

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Limited copies of the directory are available at the Welcome Desk or the Receptionist Desk during the week. Additional copies will be printed as needed.

HONORING OUR SENIORS

Nazareth will honor our Graduating Seniors on Sunday, May 30 during the 9 a.m. service. At the end of the service, graduates and their parent(s) will be asked to come to the altar rail for a prayer of blessing. A reception for the graduates will take place in Bethel Hall following the 9 a.m. service. If you have any questions, please call Julia Voss at 266-7589, ext. 131 or email julia.voss@naz.org

PRAYER SHAWL MEETING

On Thursday, April 15, the Prayer Shawl Ministry will have a meeting in the Chapel at 11a.m.

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EPIC FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Education Partners in Covenant (EPIC) is a partnership between Nazareth Lutheran Church and any participating ELCA college in Iowa (Wartburg, Luther, Grand View University). This year, Nazareth will again offer students attending one of these colleges a minimum of a $100 award per school year. Matching funds are available from Grand View University, Luther, and Wartburg colleges. Applications are available at the Information Desk on Sundays, on our website naz.org, or at the church office during the week. The deadline to apply for the 2021-2022 school year is May 1, 2021. A new application must be filled out every year. For more information, please call Jan Glaspie at 266-7589, ext. 104.

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. Wed. | 5:30p.m. Sat.

ONLINE OPTIONS

Naz.org - Recordings of sermons always available on *Vimeo.com/mynazareth*
Livestreams Broadcasted to YouTube Channel | Naz Church Media

SUMMER ALPHA

Looking for ways to engage through the summer months? Join us on Sunday mornings at 10 as we focus on the essentials of the Christian faith through the Alpha Series. Don't let an already scheduled vacation stop you from getting plugged into this series. We will have links for you to watch the videos if you have to miss a session or two due to other obligations.

Sign up at naz.org/nextsteps or contact Mallory Jensen at mallory.jensen@naz.org for questions.

BAPTISMS:

Lakelyn Jo Hunter, daughter of Dustin and Meagan Hunter
Kaylee Marie Dobes, daughter of Brian and Jenna Dobes
Reggie Kent Heimer, son of Cole and Jena Heimer

CONFIRMATION

On Sunday, April 25 at 4 p.m., 26 ninth-grade confirmands will be affirming their faith in our Lord and savior Jesus Christ in celebration of the milestone of Confirmation.The service will be held in the Worship Center. This service will be live streamed.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Saturday, May 1, from 9:30a.m -noon, the Local Mission's Committee is planning a Nazareth volunteer event at the Riverview Bible Conference Grounds. Work projects are yard work, cleaning and repairing cabin, and other assigned activities to help get the grounds ready for celebrations of the Bible Conferences 100th anniversary of ministry. Sign up sheets are at the Naz Next Step area.

CHECK OUT THE MISSION LOUNGE!

Check out the Mission Lounge for the historical display, "Schleswig-Holstein: Turmoil on the Danish-German Border" that communicates a key event that set the stage for Danish immigrants to come to Cedar Falls and establish Nazareth Lutheran Church in 1871. This display will be up through April 25.

BAPTISM CLASS - MAY 2, 2021

These classes are offered to all families seeking an infant baptism at Naz. It is our desire that this is attended prior to the baptism, but we know circumstances can disrupt this and we will work to accommodate all situations.
Save the date for the upcoming class! Each date is one class only. Class will be held at noon on Sunday via Zoom. Please email lori.fegley@naz.org to sign up.

SERMON | "We're On A Mission From God!"

TEACHER | Pastor Brian

TEXTS | John 20:19-31, Acts 4:32-35

ALTER | The flowers at the altar are in memory of Sue Lyons from Greg.

PIANO | The flowers at the piano are in honor of child abuse and prevention awareness month.

GO BEYOND THE SERMON

Use the "Read It", "Watch It" and "Live It" recommendations to apply this Sunday's sermon to your everyday happenings, and/or, gather with a small group to discuss the sermon and do life together! Not connected with a Naz small group yet? Email Mallory Jensen at mallory.jensen@naz.org to learn more or join a group.

DIGEST THE WORD

Read the scripture passages from the 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. Or, use these questions in your Naz Small Group to discuss and apply each week's scripture and sermon!

- 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 | Read or re-read Pastor Rick Warren's modern Christian classic, *The Purpose-Driven Life* and take time to reflect upon what God has done in your own life, how you have been gifted and equipped to serve others, and what God might be calling you to as part of the body of Christ today.

WATCH IT | Use your free Nazareth RightNow Media account (you can sign up for this on our website if you don't already have one) and watch Kyle Idleman's *The Easter Experience*. The Easter Experience brings the passion, and resurrection of Jesus to life through dramatic storytelling and challenging teaching done in a highly cinematic style. Through these in-depth teachings, your small group will grow spiritually, bonding with each other as well as with the eternal message of Easter.

LIVE IT | In response to God's great and amazing love for you, take steps to grow in your faith and begin a closer walk of faith with Jesus and the Church. If you are not already a part of our Nazareth family then sign-up to be part of our Next Belong Membership class which begins on April 11 or sign-up for the next ALPHA Course (which is a basic introduction to the Christian faith), beginning on June 6. Additional Bible studies, classes, and small group experiences, can be found at naz.org by clicking on the "Next Steps" tab.