

## Poinsettias

Thank you to everyone who gave poinsettias to the honor and glory of God.

You may pick up your poinsettias beginning Thursday, December 26.

Unclaimed poinsettias will be given to our guests at the Thursday Fellowship Luncheon on January 9.

Jack and Maxine Welcher Kathryn Miller Tom and Joyce Barbatti Duane and Mary Hanneman Walt and Deon Senchina Del and Kay Carpenter Dean and Margaret Sorensen Maxine Buhr Daryl Magee & Mary Lou Knight Darlene A. Nelson Margaret Shay The Gerber Family Vern and Jill Hanus Dee Anderson John and Donna Tucker Chuck, Bette & Michelle Wubbena Darlene Surface Michael and Cassidy Fritts Lane and Joanne Reeves Irv and Molly Myron Homer Larsen Bill and Janet Kahler Daryl and Ginny Davis Paul and Joanne Helland Jamie and Julia Voss & family George and Dixie Nederhoff Duane and Jackie Wulf	Peter and Darlene Saathoff Gary and Linda Hanus Larry and Sandy Fox Jacques and Kathy Dubois Steve and Kathy Auginger Gary and Phyllis Alberts Bill and Esther McGuire Gaylen and Barb Witzel Brad and Terri DeHoff Larry and Bernice Nuss Marlene Danielsen Darrell and Shirley Salmons Everett and Shirley Juhl Greg and Rená Raecker Ron and Trinna King Mary Swenson Keith and Louis Sandvold Dave and Norine Sandvold Ross and Tara Barbatti Barry and Kaye Haskins Donna Kirschenmann John & Kristie Lehman & family Alan and Luann Long Matt and Lory Pauli Lee and Marlene Engen Larry and Nancy Lunde Paul and Nancy Christensen	Aaron and Christie Sannes Gene and Tanya Crowe Phyllis Carter Paula Larson Marc and Angie Rath & family John and Terry Ketter & family Stan and Lois Koester Norma Strom Floyd and Marilyn James Jeff & Mary Margaret Halverson The Meisinger Family Dick and Vivian Beener Ethel Ackerman Cindi Kaiser Betty Heine Dixie Miller Larry & Karen Steffens Joyce Cawelti Lee and Ashley Geisinger Don and Nadine Lilleskov The Kloos Family Kevin and Susan Gillett Jeff & Denise Rathjen & family Ted & Deb Whitesell, Sam Bass Phil and Judy Roberts Lloyd and Pat Dove
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# nazareth

evangelical lutheran church

Living together in God's amazing grace, we invite all people to know Christ, grow in Christ, and make Christ known

### Nazareth Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Cedar Falls, Iowa 50613  
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### Welcome to Nazareth

We are blessed to have you worship with us this morning

### Sunday Worship Services

8:30, 9:50 & 11:10 a.m.

### Sunday Nursery Provided

Infants & toddlers up to 3 years

### Pastor Brian King

Senior Pastor  
brian.king@naz.org

### Pastor Denny Hanson

Associate Pastor  
dennis.hanson@naz.org

### Pastor Dennis Dickman

Visitation & Education Pastor  
dennis.dickman@naz.org

### Office Hours

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. • Mon - Fri



## Simple Gifts

O God for whom we long,  
we thank you for the gift of family and friends.  
Strengthen the ties that bind us together,  
that we may sing with Mary,  
"My soul magnifies you, and holy is your name.  
You shower mercy from generation to generation."  
We pray in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ,  
your gift to all the world.  
Amen.

December 22, 2013

**Today's Sermon:** *The Gift of Family* - Pastor Denny Hanson  
**Today's Texts:** Isaiah 7:10-16; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25

**8:30 a.m.**

Prelude - *Angels from the Realms of Glory* (Cherwien)  
Gathering Song - *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* (alt. tune) - #30 (green)  
Advent Hymn - *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* (vs 1, 2, 3 & 4) - #34 (green)  
Nazareth Choir - *Behold a Star from Jacob Shining* (Mendelssohn)  
Hymn of the Day - *What Child Is This?* - #40 (green)  
Offering - *Angels We Have Heard on High* (Cherwien)  
Presentation of Offering - *Gloria in excelsis deo*  
Sending Song - *Joy to the World* - #39 (green)  
Postlude - *Joy to the World* (Young)

**9:50 a.m.**

Gathering Song - *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* (alt. tune) - #30 (green)  
Advent Hymn - *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* (vs 1, 2, 3 & 4) - #34 (green)  
Offering - *What Child Is This?*  
Distribution - *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear* (ensemble)  
Sending Song - *Joy to the World*

**11:10 a.m.**

Songs - *The First Noel*; *What Child Is This*; *Hark the Herald Angels Sing*  
Song for Reflection - *Joseph's Lullaby*

**Worship Assistants**

William McGuire - Director of Music/Organist (8:30 & 9:50)  
Nathaniel Parrish - Associate Organist/Pianist (8:30 & 9:50)  
Mike Jensen - Worship Leader (9:50 & 11:10)  
Readers - Howard Gallatin (8:30); Kathy Oakland (9:50)

**Advent Candle Lighters**

8:30 - John, Sue, Dan, Charlie, Teddy, Maggie, and Sam O'Brien  
9:50 - Chuck and Bette Wubbena  
11:10 - Shannon, Erika, Alaina, and Jonah Leonard

**Next Week's Worship**

December 29, 2013  
Guest Teacher: Dennis Haugen

**Visit us online at [www.naz.org](http://www.naz.org)**

- Listen to the sermon
- Subscribe to the podcast
- Watch the sermon

**See the entire service on DVD**

Order a DVD of the 8:30 or 11:10 service at the Information Desk. Cost: \$1  
Questions about the DVDs?  
Contact Nancy Woodford  
[nancy.woodford@naz.org](mailto:nancy.woodford@naz.org)

**The Coffee Shop is Open!**

Good coffee • Sweet treats  
Family Life Center Lobby  
(by the gym)  
Donations accepted

**The Nazareth Offices Will Be Closed**

Tuesday & Wednesday • December 24 & 25  
Limited office staff on Thursday, December 26

**Christmas Eve Worship Services**

Tuesday, December 24  
Pastor Brian King at all services  
3:00 p.m. • Family service for children up to 12 years  
4:30 & 6:00 p.m. • Traditional Nazareth service  
8:00 p.m. • Contemporary service  
11:00 p.m. • Candlelight service

**Christmas Eve Nursery Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed to serve in the Nazareth Nursery at the 4:30 & 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve services. To volunteer, contact Dawn Brinker at 319-415-8290 (evenings).

**Ushers & Greeters Needed on Christmas Eve**

3:00, 4:30, 6:00, 8:00 & 11:00 p.m.  
To volunteer, contact Pat Dove  
319-266-7589 or [pat.dove@naz.org](mailto:pat.dove@naz.org)

**It's That Time of Year Again!**

When retrieving your coat from the racks, please **MAKE SURE** you have **YOUR OWN COAT!**

**Lost Black Top Coat: Do You Have It?**

A black top coat went missing at the Cliff Satre funeral on December 7. The coat had gloves and a set of car keys in the pocket. Another top coat was left behind. If you are wearing the wrong top coat, please call Ron King at 266-9417.

**Did You Know . . . ?**

DVDs of the Sunday worship service have always been available free of charge for our homebound members. If you would like to take a DVD to a homebound friend or family member, place your order at the Information Desk and write "for homebound member" next to your name. You may also request a DVD during the week by contacting Communications Secretary Nancy Woodford at 319-266-7589 or [nancy.woodford@naz.org](mailto:nancy.woodford@naz.org).

**Church Record**

**Funeral:** Rich Lehman (Dec 21)

**Known To Be Hospitalized** (*as of Dec 17*)

Phyllis VerPloeg

**Sympathy**

The Nazareth congregation offers condolences to Mary Lehman and family on the death of her husband.

**Pray for Our Missionaries**

Jim and Marissa Stamberg, missionaries with SEND International, serve in a remote area of northwest Alaska. They request prayers for these concerns:

- Pray that Jim and Marissa's church would be a God-honoring church.
- Praise the Lord for three experienced and enthusiastic adult leaders who have come forward to lead the Boy Scout troop. Pray that the leaders will mentor the boys and help them know the Lord.
- Pray for Jim and Marissa's son Brennan, who was recently diagnosed with childhood asthma.

**Fair Trade Products Make Great Christmas Gifts!**

Pair a bag of fair trade coffee with an organic chocolate bar and you have a terrific last-minute gift! Four kinds of organic, fair trade chocolate bars are in stock: chocolate with almonds, milk chocolate with hazelnut; chocolate caramel crunch; and very dark chocolate. Purchase fair trade coffee and chocolate in the Nazareth Coffee Shop this morning or visit the church office during the week.

**Nazareth's Financial Books**

**Close at Noon on Tuesday, December 31, 2013**

**Contributions Are Effective When Delivered**

This means that a check deposited in the church offering in January 2014 cannot be deducted in 2013 even if it is backdated to 2013. For additional information, please contact Financial Secretary Lori Haag at 266-7589 or [lori.haag@naz.org](mailto:lori.haag@naz.org).

**Check Your Email for a Gift from Nazareth**

If you would like to join **RightNow Media** but did not receive an email invitation, please fill out a **RightNow Media** Access Card at the Information Desk today.

As we live in response to God's amazing grace and love, the people of Nazareth value

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