

Nazareth Lutheran Church

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**We welcome all to join us every
Sunday!**

Worship service @ 10:15 am

**Marcia Kisner, Pastor
Eileen Lewis, Administrative Assistant**

May 2017

FROM THE PASTOR

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God. Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise. Psalm 84: 1-4

When we have visitors at Nazareth they often comment on how beautiful, loved and taken care of God's church is in Cambridge. One visitor said to me that she could actually feel the love the moment she walked into the building. It is a joy to worship in such a beautiful place and feel that love myself every time I walk into God's dwelling place. Nazareth has been of service to God and God's people for over 115 years. It is amazing each Sunday to not only praise our God but to think of all the saints that have sat in the pews.

We have much ministry to continue in God's church but also much work to do on the building. The bell tower is in need of repair and the council is going to present a bid to the congregation to repair and paint the tower. We will have a congregational meeting in a few weeks. We hope and pray many of you will participate in donating funds to help in this venture. We understand it is property but Nazareth's building has become part of the ministry of our community.

Nineteen years ago I came to Nazareth and accepted the call to God, God's people and God's house here in Cambridge. A dear friend from Seminary, who had gone to school at ISU, went through Cambridge and took a picture of the bell tower at Nazareth knowing I had accepted a call here. I still have that photo and remember fondly those first years serving this community.

We are all asked to care for God's creation, God's people, and God's temple. Prayerfully consider helping with the Bell Tower Fund. Thank you and with the summer coming soon we hope to see many of our friends from the many family who grew up here at Nazareth. God Bless.

See you all on Sunday! Love, Pastor Marcia

In Our Prayers This Week:

Nancy Weatherman, Pat Bartleson, Arnie Pearson, Matt Carver, Alan Duhn, Liam Griggs, Camden Kelsey, Patti Barnett, Chad Grandon, Don Rhode, Ken Larkin, Eva Mae Sampson, Doc Bartleson, Diane Pickar, Mary Ann Apland, Dorothy Denton, Max Dobson, Janet & Roger Thorsen, and all the military especially Taylor Bartleson, Jackson Ringgenberg, Nathan Hovland, and Neal Hovland.

We lift up our community as we faithfully pray for peace and faith in our country and the world.

May Birthdays

1 Janet Thorson	1 Logan Hasbrouck
5 Todd Moody	10 Katie Smith
14 Ken Smith	20 David Lewis
23 Lance Bartleson	27 Forrest Ullom
29 Janice Dobson	

If you wish to have your name added to the birthday list, or if it is incorrect, please call Eileen at the office 515-383-4328



Cambridge Jubilee Fireman Days

Guess What!!

We are working on Silent Auction items. Do you have anything or know of anyone who has something that they would like to donate for the auction? If you do call Pastor Marcia or the church and we will contact you.

In the past on Sunday of the celebration we have had worship in the park followed by a pot luck lunch. This year there will not be worship in the park event but we will be having "Worship on the Lawn". We will be celebrating Nazareth's 115th anniversary. We have been inviting past Pastors and members to come and join us. Watch for more information coming soon.

Activities for the Month of May

	May 10	6:30 PM Confirmation
Tuesday		
May 2	6:00 PM Food Pantry	Saturday 9
		May 13
Wednesday	4-6 Clothing Pantry	10-12 Clothing Pantry
May 3	6:30 PM Confirmation	Sunday
		May 14
Saturday		10:15 AM Worship Service
May 6	10-12 Clothing Pantry	1-3 PM Clothing Pantry
		Congregational meeting
Sunday		Tuesday
May 7	9:00 AM Sunday School	May 16
	10:15 AM Worship Service	6:00 PM Food Pantry
	1-3 Clothing Pantry	Wednesday
	3:00 PM Ladies Tea	May 17
		4-6 Clothing Pantry
Tuesday		Saturday
May 9	6:00 PM Food Pantry	May 20
		10-12 Clothing Pantry
Wednesday	4-6 Clothing Pantry	Sunday
		10:15 AM Worship Service

May 21 1-3 PM Clothing Pantry

May 28 1-3 PM Clothing Pantry

Tuesday

May 23 6:00 PM Food Pantry

Monday **Memorial Day**
May 29 Honor our Veterans!!

Wednesday

May 24 4-6 Clothing Pantry

Tuesday
May 30 6:00 PM Food Pantry

Saturday

May 27 10-12 Clothing Pantry

Wednesday
May 31 4-6 Clothing Pantry

Sunday 10:15 AM Worship Service

Sunday school Announcements...

We are wrapping up the Sunday School activities and the last day of Sunday School is May 14th. Sunday School is at 9:00 AM every Sunday before worship.

Confirmation

The last day for Confirmation class this year will be May 10th. Confirmation will be on May 21, 2017. Please come and help celebrate this special day with the class.

Upcoming Worship Volunteers

May	Greeters/Ushers	Lector	Alter Guild
7	John Egeland and Dave Lewis	Mike L	Dale D
14	Nathan Hoveland and Kevin Lewis	Nathan H	
21	Doug Larkin Family	Ray R	John E
28	Mark Lewis and Mava Lewis	Robin S	Joyce A
June	Greeters/Ushers	Lector	Alter Guild
4	Steve Lewis and Mike Lewis	Steve L	Mark L
11	Ray Ringgenberg Family	Vince T	
18	Vince Tomlinson Family	Wendy R	
25	John Egeland and Dave Lewis	Eileen L	
July	Greeters/Ushers	Lector	Alter Guild
2	Nathan Hoveland and Kevin Lewis	Ellen O	Steve L
9	Doug Larkin Family	John E	
16	Mark Lewis and Mava Lewis	Joyce A	
23	Steve Lewis and Mike Lewis	Kevin L	
30	Ray Ringgenberg Family	Maria T	

Nazareth Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Sunday, April 9, 2017

The Nazareth Lutheran Church Council Meeting was called to order at 11:34 AM following fellowship by President Mark Lewis. Present for the meeting were Mark Lewis, Steve Lewis, Dave Lewis, Vince Tomlinson, John Egeland, Janice Hovland for Nathan, Pastor Marcia, Joyce Allen and Church Secretary Eileen Lewis.

1. Minutes from the March 19 meeting were approved as read, with the correction of “Mike” and Joann will work on the ceiling, and the Hovland’s last name does not have an “e”. Sorry guys!
2. **Treasurer’s Report:** Lisa was not present for the meeting but submitted a report. We are ecstatic! to report the general fund balance was greater at the end of the month than at the beginning, even after paying bills. Beginning balance was \$2,648.28. Deposits came to \$5,600.27, disbursements were \$4,463.11, leaving a total of \$3,785.44. \$181.00 to the General Fund was from Thrivent, so if anyone uses them for insurance, please ask your agent how you can help contribute. After the \$2.89 interest was added to the Capital Improvement Fund, its total is \$22,681.26. SCRIP had an opening balance of \$828.84, and an ending balance of \$862.49
3. **Pastor’s Report:** Everyone has Spring Fever! Sunday School kids (not disclosed if this included the adults), confirmation kids – tis the season, and we welcome the beautiful weather as we prepare for Easter. Michael’s has her scheduled three different days during Holy Week so this will be a particular challenge, but none of the dates or time interfere with worship times, of course. Pastor was excited that she met a lady who makes hand puppets who will let her use some during children’s sermon, so we can look forward to more fun more skits! Also, Wendy Dubberke has agreed to take over the Memorial Fund for Nancy, so the necessary paperwork will be drawn up to sign her over as the new treasurer.
4. **Committee Reports:**
 - Property:** Only the bell tower; see “old business”
 - Christian Ed:** VBS kits will be ordered, theme being “Superheroes”
 - Stewardship:** Nothing new to report
 - In reach/outreach:** Nothing new to report
 - Music and Worship:** Nancy was the bread maker for communion. Discussion given as to whether to just use plain bread (Pastor Marcia’s suggestion) or go through the ginormous box of communion wafers on hand (Eileen’s suggestion). Council members seemed non-committal to either proposition, so Mark Lewis volunteered to be the new communion bread maker.
5. **Old Business:** The bell tower and what to do. Much thanks to the parishioners who came forward and voiced their desires. In response, Eileen will contact a few contractors in the area to get bids on restoring, repairing, revitalizing our beloved

bell tower. Various suggestions were given how to best fix it up, ie – vinyl siding, adding louvers, etc. Bottom line will come with the experts. Thrivent will pay \$500 towards the repair, and the rest should be taken care of by undesignated memorial funds. Of course, any contributions won't be turned away.

6. Second order of old business is Constant Contact. To get a charitable organization discount for this service, the church needs to be federally designated, but we are only designated by state. This can be done, but it would necessitate filling out a 37-page application. Discussion given as to whether the 20% savings over a one-year period (\$48) would be worth it. Decision was to table the final decision when the treasurer can be at the meeting to voice her words of wisdom.

7. **New Business:**

- Dale Hennick from the City of Cambridge contacted the church, stating a blocked drainage pipe from Nazareth caused flooding on Sycamore. Discussion given on whether this is indeed a church issue or a city issue? Eileen will call a few plumbers to get their sage advice on the topic and / or costs if necessitated.
- Sheila has replaced our broken electric piano with her own, as ours had a pedal that wasn't working, along with a few other problems. Craig's list has a few identical organs available in the \$1000 – \$1200 range, whereas a new one would be \$5000-\$6000. Since this is a matter of over \$1000, notice will be given to the congregation twice, then brought up for a vote as to whether to continue with the process.
- Lastly, the Easter Brunch menu has been planned. At 8:30 AM, downstairs will be turned into a buffet line with the following items:

Fruit parfait	French Toast Casserole	Egg casseroles
Homemade rolls	Casey's breakfast pizza	Biscuits and gravy
Mixed fruit	Milk / juice / coffee	
Egg hunt to follow (aka, candy for dessert)		

Then worship. Happy Easter!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:34 PM by President Mark Lewis, and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Joyce Allen, Council Secretary.

Upcoming Events

May Events

Ladies High Tea May 7 at 3:00 PM
Confirmation May 21 At 10:15

June Events

Silent Auction June 10
Church on the Lawn June 11

July Events

VBS uly 17 - 21 at Nazareth
Picnic at Hickory Grove July 23

Weekly Income for February and March

March	Offering	Attendance
1 Ash Wednesday	\$ 360.00	23
5	\$ 2,072.00	29
12	\$ 1,744.00	30
19	\$ 1,011.41	33
26	\$ 585.00	31
Total	\$5,772.41	
April	Offering	Attendance
2	\$ 2,217.00	26
9	\$ 1,188.00	49
13 Maundy Thursday	\$ 298.00 To MICA	21
14 Good Friday	\$ 11.34 To MICA	20
16 Easter	\$ 2,069.00	53
23	\$ 985.00	15
30	\$ 1,025.00	30
	\$7,484.00	

Your church needs \$4,897.92 monthly to meet budget and does so through your generous giving. (This monthly amount is significantly reduced due to the change in Pastor Marcia's hours.)



**Nazareth Lutheran Church Council calls for
A Congregational meeting
May 14th after the 10:15 AM Worship Service.**

On the Agenda for the meeting are a presentation, discussion and congregational vote on Bell Tower repairs.

As you may know the bell tower has been leaking for a long time. We have attempted multiple times to have the tower fixed and to stop the leaks. We have caulked and tarred and tried many different options. We have had the inside of the church painted to cover the stains.

Unfortunately the repairs have only worked for a short time. The bell tower is leaking again and the inside of the church is stained again.

You may recall that the Council asked for input on whether the bell tower should be repaired or removed. We did receive some responses from the congregation and the resounding response was “Fix the Bell Tower!”

The Church council contacted a number of construction companies to bid on the repairs and we have received only one company willing to bid on the repair. Enclosed is the bid that we received.

We will have a congregational meeting to discuss the bid and we will also discuss options to pay for the repairs.

Your presence is requested so that you may voice your opinion, vote on the repairs and discuss ideas to pay for the repairs to the bell tower.

Sincerely
Mark Lewis, President
Nazareth Lutheran Church Council

Hedrick Construction, Inc.
Shawn Hedrick, Owner
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Huxley, IA 50124
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Estimate 17722 April 15, 2017
 Billing Address Nazareth Lutheran Church
 (515) 491-8927 Att: Eileen Lewis
 517 Vine St.
 Cambridge, IA 50046

Item	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	UOM	Amount
Flat Roof	Labor and materials to demo existing (3) layers of flat roofing materials, install Fully Adhered EPDM .060-mil rubber membrane roofing system with all accessories (1/2" high density wood fiberboard, screws, plates, bonding adhesive, flashings, sealants), etc. on entire upper flat roof of Bell Tower	1.80	\$1,600.0000	SQ	\$2,880.00
Dead Valley	Labor and materials to loosen existing steel roofing & install new rubber membrane under steel panels on main church roof	1.00	\$675.0000	EA	\$675.00
Time and Materials	Labor and materials to replace rotten bottom posts with new treated 4x4's, remove & reinstall existing Bell, etc. (\$400.00-\$500.00)	1.00	\$450.0000	EA	\$450.00
Pipe Flashing	Labor and materials to install (2) 1.5" new EPDM pipe boots for Bell ropes	2.00	\$60.0000	EA	\$120.00
Railings	Labor and materials to demo existing railings, cut out rotten bottoms of middle pillars, frame up & install new 36"x6' treated framing & cover with new cedar car siding, clean up and dispose of all wastes, etc. on all (4) sides of Bell Tower (\$1,600.00-\$1,900.00)	1.00	\$1,750.0000	EA	\$1,750.00
Sidewalls	Labor and materials to cut out existing car siding and replace with new car siding along bottom edges of (4) posts	1.00	\$850.0000	EA	\$850.00
Siding Repair	Labor and materials to replace rotten boards/trim with new cedar on Bell Tower (\$600.00- \$1,000.00)	1.00	\$700.0000	EA	\$700.00
Gutters	5" Labor and materials to demo existing, fabricate and install new White Hidden				

	Suspended 5" seamless .032 mil aluminum gutter (hidden gutter brackets), install 4" oversized downspout tap, clean up and dispose of all wastes, etc. on entire Bell Tower of Church	1.00	\$594.5000	EA	\$594.50
Painting	Labor and materials to scrape, prime & paint siding/trim with Sherwin-Williams brand exterior grade paint on upper Bell Tower and (3) lower Bell Tower windows of Church	1.00	\$5,052.0000	EA	\$5,052.00
Dump Fee	Dump fee/Recycle fee	1.00	\$300.0000	EA	\$300.00
Lift	Lift Rental	1.00	\$1,500.0000	EA	\$1,500.00
					Subtotal: \$14,871.50
					Tax(0%): \$0.00
					Total: \$14,871.50