

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME!** Protestant Worship is a spiritual home - a family on the Naz campus. It is a place of **belonging** in Christian fellowship. It is also a place for **becoming**, for discerning God's call in your life. Come - participate, observe, question, seek. *You are welcome, just as you are.*

### Student Worker Jobs Available for Next Semester!

Protestant Worship at Naz needs a few student workers willing to provide assistance with creating Sunday bulletins, email, website and Face Book updates, and leading worship music. If the Holy Spirit is prompting you to think this might be a way to use your gifts, please contact Alison at [aschmie1@naz.edu](mailto:aschmie1@naz.edu) or (585) 389-2306. (Undergrad and graduate student positions available, work/study funding eligible is preferred, but not required.)

### Urban Plunge Service Retreat Sun., Jan. 6-Sat., Jan. 12 (Rochester)

During the last week of winter break, live in intentional community with some Naz students and some nuns (Sisters of St. Joseph) in a big old house in Rochester's South Wedge neighborhood. Each participant will serve at a volunteer site based on their interest. Space is limited, and the cost- for the whole week- is \$35 (scholarships are available). Contact Jamie Fazio at [jfazio1@naz.edu](mailto:jfazio1@naz.edu) for more information.

Have a wonderful winter break and a merry Christmas!

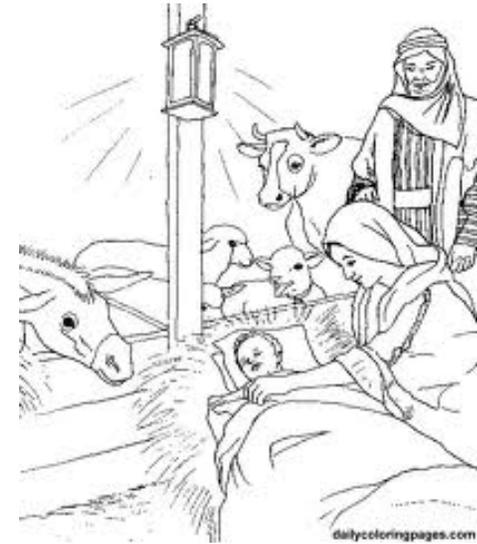
To meet with Rev. Alison Schmied (Alison), please email her at [aschmie1@naz.edu](mailto:aschmie1@naz.edu), call (585) 389-2306, or visit her office (GAC 164). She's part time, so it is best to make an appointment. She's usually on campus on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

- Like our *Nazareth College Protestant Worship* page on Facebook!
- Visit our website to print out a Clairvaux application, view our bulletins, and more (<http://www.naz.edu/center-for-spirituality/protestant-community>)!

## 2nd Sunday of Advent

December 9, 2012

8:30 pm



## Protestant Worship

Linehan Chapel  
Nazareth College

Alison Schmied, Protestant Chaplain

Sydney Schierer and Eric Hauck,  
Music Leaders

GATHERING MUSIC

Eric Hauck

*Please sign and pass the Friendship Binder,  
and kindly turn off phones.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alison Schmied

INTROIT

“Marvelous Light”

Congregation

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Alexis Scangas

One: Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation.

**Many: O sing to the Lord a new song!**

One: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.

**Many: Sing to the Lord all the earth!**

One: Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

**Many: O sing to the Lord a new song!**

One: Say among the nations, “The Lord is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. He will judge the peoples with equity.”

**Many: Sing to the Lord all the earth!**

One: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice. He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with his truth.

**Many: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.**

(Psalm 96)

\*HYMN

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

#238

*The United Methodist Hymnal*

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Sydney Schierer

**God, grant that we may receive and spread the compassion of Christ Jesus. May our love overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help us determine what is best; grant that in the day of Christ we may become pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through the Son for your glory and praise. We confess that the demands of life sometimes distract us from hearing your voice, and we ask you to bless all that we do in your name.**

(Adapted from Philippians 1:9-11)

BLESSING

Whitney Merritt

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints. Amen. (1 Thess. 3)

SUNG RESPONSE

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

**Let there be peace on earth,**

**and let it begin with me;**

**Let there be peace on earth,**

**the peace that was meant to be.**

**With God our Creator,**

**children all are we.**

**Let us walk with each other,**

**in perfect harmony**

**Let peace begin with me,**

**let this be the moment now**

**with every step I take,**

**let this be my solemn vow:**

**to take each moment and live each moment**

**in peace eternally**

**Let there be peace on earth,**

**and let it begin with me.**

***Worship is over...service begins!***

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds. In Christ you are forgiven. Amen.

(Titus 2)

## \*SHARING SIGNS OF GOD'S PEACE

Kelsey Quigley

## \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

BIBLE READING: **Isaiah 9:2-7 (NRSV)**

Philip Schierer

<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. <sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. <sup>5</sup>For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. <sup>6</sup>For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup>His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onwards and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

BIBLE READING: **Luke 1:28-30; 46-55 (NRSV)**

Eric Hauck

<sup>28</sup>And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.' <sup>29</sup>But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. <sup>30</sup>The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. <sup>46</sup>And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, <sup>47</sup>and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, <sup>48</sup>for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; <sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. <sup>50</sup>His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. <sup>51</sup>He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. <sup>52</sup> He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; <sup>53</sup> he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. <sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, <sup>55</sup> according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever.'

## \*HYMN

"Silent Night"

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*The United Methodist Hymnal*

## SERMON

Alison Schmied

## \*HYMN

"The First Noel"

#245

*The United Methodist Hymnal*