

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.*

We want YOU to take an active role in Protestant Worship!

Whether it's greeting people, preparing snack, singing in the choir or helping clean up, worship is more meaningful when you are involved. Consider how you might strengthen your involvement in worship this semester!

Join the Choir! 7:30 PM Sundays in the Community Room (GAC 151)

Come praise God with song! No previous experience necessary. Contact Sydney Schierer sseese1@mail.naz.edu or Eric Hauck ehauck1@naz.edu for more information.

Soul Tending Life Group 10-11 AM Saturdays, Meditation Room (GAC 101)

You are invited to participate in a Small Group with graduate student Whitney Merritt on Saturday mornings in the Meditation Room. A Life Group is a group of people who covenant to do life together. Bring a friend!

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 or (585)389-2306. (Undergrad and graduate student positions available, work/study funding eligible is preferred, but not required.)

Advent Service Retreat Sat., Dec. 15-Wed., Dec. 19 in Philadelphia

Join other Nazareth Students in focusing on the meaning of Christ's coming into the world this Advent while ministering among the poor and homeless at St. Francis Inn in Philadelphia, PA. St. Francis Inn is a Catholic Franciscan community located in the Kensington neighborhood. They offer a soup kitchen, a thrift shop, and a woman's day center. The mission of the Inn is to address structural injustice by building relationships, respecting their human dignity, helping them restore hope in their lives, and by living simply among poor and homeless people. By doing this, St. Francis Inn empowers persons to break the cycle of homelessness and poverty. Only eight people can attend! Cost: \$85 (partial scholarships are available.) Contact Jamie Fazio at jfazio1@naz.edu for more information.

Urban Plunge Service Retreat Sunday, Jan. 6-Saturday, Jan. 12 in Rochester

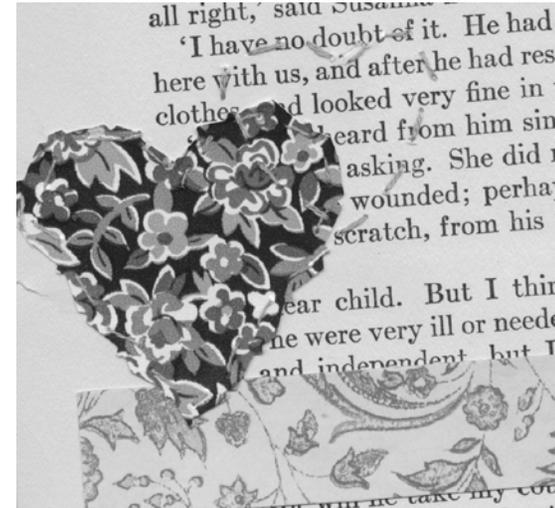
During the last week of winter break, live in intentional community with some Naz students and some nuns (Sisters of St. Joseph) in a big old house in Rochester's South Wedge neighborhood. Each participant will serve at a volunteer site based on their interest. Space is limited, and the cost- for the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

To meet with Rev. Alison Schmied (Alison), please email her at 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.

24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 11, 2012

8:30 pm



Protestant Worship

Linehan Chapel
Nazareth College

Alison Schmied, Protestant Chaplain

Sydney Schierer and Eric Hauck,
Music Leaders

Stephanie Preece, Guest Preacher

GATHERING MUSIC

Eric Hauck

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sydney Schierer

INTROIT

"Here I am to Worship"

Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Tamara Louison

One: We approach the Fountain from which all streams of
goodness flow.

**Many: We bathe in the rays of blessedness that shine from
our God.**

One: We give thanks and return these streams and rays to the
Lord, the Center of our lives.

**Many: Come to the One who accepts the wise and the
ignorant, the bright and the dull.**

One: Come to the one who loves those who are rejected by the
world.

Many: Come to the One who loves us despite our sin.

* HYMN

"I Come to the Garden"
The United Methodist Hymnal

#314

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Kyrra Howard

**O God of the still, small voice, quiet our inner spirit. Help us to focus
upon you, and you alone, to hear your voice within. There are so
many other voices demanding our attention. But we cannot attend to
them without you.... "Be still and know that I am God," you say to us
as you said to Elijah.... May your voice speak through us. In
weakness, be our strength. In poverty, be our wealth. In depression,
be our joy. In apathy, be our love. We cannot sing Love's song, O
Lord, unless it be your voice singing in us. Take this heart, and with
this mouth make your praise and thanksgiving a reality here and
now. Because of, and in the name of our Messiah, Jesus.**

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

SERMON Relationships: Putting God First Stephanie Preece

HYMN "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
The United Methodist Hymnal

#432

BLESSING

Sydney Schierer

*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.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Know that Jesus, who came not to be served but to serve, hears our prayers. Know that this same Jesus hears and forgives us. Walk with lifted heads and bowed hearts. Go now as humble children of God, ready and willing to serve. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

*SHARING SIGNS OF GOD'S PEACE

Alexis Scangas

*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: Psalm 146 (NRSV)

Eric Hauck

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! ²I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. ³Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. ⁴When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish. ⁵Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God, ⁶who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith for ever; ⁷who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free; ⁸the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous. ⁹The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. ¹⁰The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Sydney Schierer

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.

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Philip Schierer

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HYMN

"It is Well With My Soul"

#377

The United Methodist Hymnal

SPECIAL READING

Naomi Lima

God is the fountain from which all streams of goodness flow. He is the center from which all rays of blessedness shine. All our actions are, therefore, only good insofar as they have a reference to him; the streams must revert to their Fountain, the rays must converge again to their Center...He repulsed none for being ignorant, was impatient with none for being dull, despised none for being loathed by the world, and He rejected none for being sinners.

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