

We are so pleased you have joined us for worship today. If you are a guest visiting with us for the first time, please sign the card handed to you by our church host or hostess and place it in the offering plate. We would be thrilled if you choose to worship with us again soon.

For children:

All Children are invited to worship with the youth and adults in the sanctuary. For infants through 3 years old, nursery care is available. Children ages 4 through 5th grade are welcome to take part in Children's Church. Pastor will dismiss the children to Children's Church after Offering. The first Sunday of each month there is no Children's Church. We all worship together on the first Sunday.

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

The Lord's table is open to all who belong to the body of Christ and who know Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, no matter what denomination or fellowship you call home. We invite you to join us by faith in this sacrament on the first Sunday of each month (we serve nonalcoholic juice in individual cups).

You are also invited to join us monthly for our All Church Fellowships following our morning worship to give us a chance to welcome you and give you the opportunity to meet others in this community.

Our Website:

www.frederickfirstnazarene.org

Today's schedule -

6:30am Community Intercessory Prayer
8:15am Proclamation Prayer (simply praising God!)
9:30am Sunday School
10:45am Worship Celebration - Sanctity of Life Sunday
12:15pm Soup-er Bowl Fellowship
1:30pm Falam (Burmese) Baptist Church Meets Here
4:30pm Cristo para las Naciones Iglesia del Nazareno Meets Here
6:00pm Kingdom Conversations

The Church in fellowship and ministry

Monday - Saturday

8:15am Community Intercession & Prayer Gathering

Tuesday -

10:00am Citizen's Nursing Home
4:00pm Word for Word Tutoring

Wednesday -

7:00pm Adult/Teen/&Children's Bible Studies/Activities

Thursday -

3:30pm Monocacy Campus Life Club

Friday -

7:00pm Falam Baptist Worship in Sanctuary

Saturday -

8:00am Men's Prayer Breakfast
1:00pm Baltimore Auto Show Outing

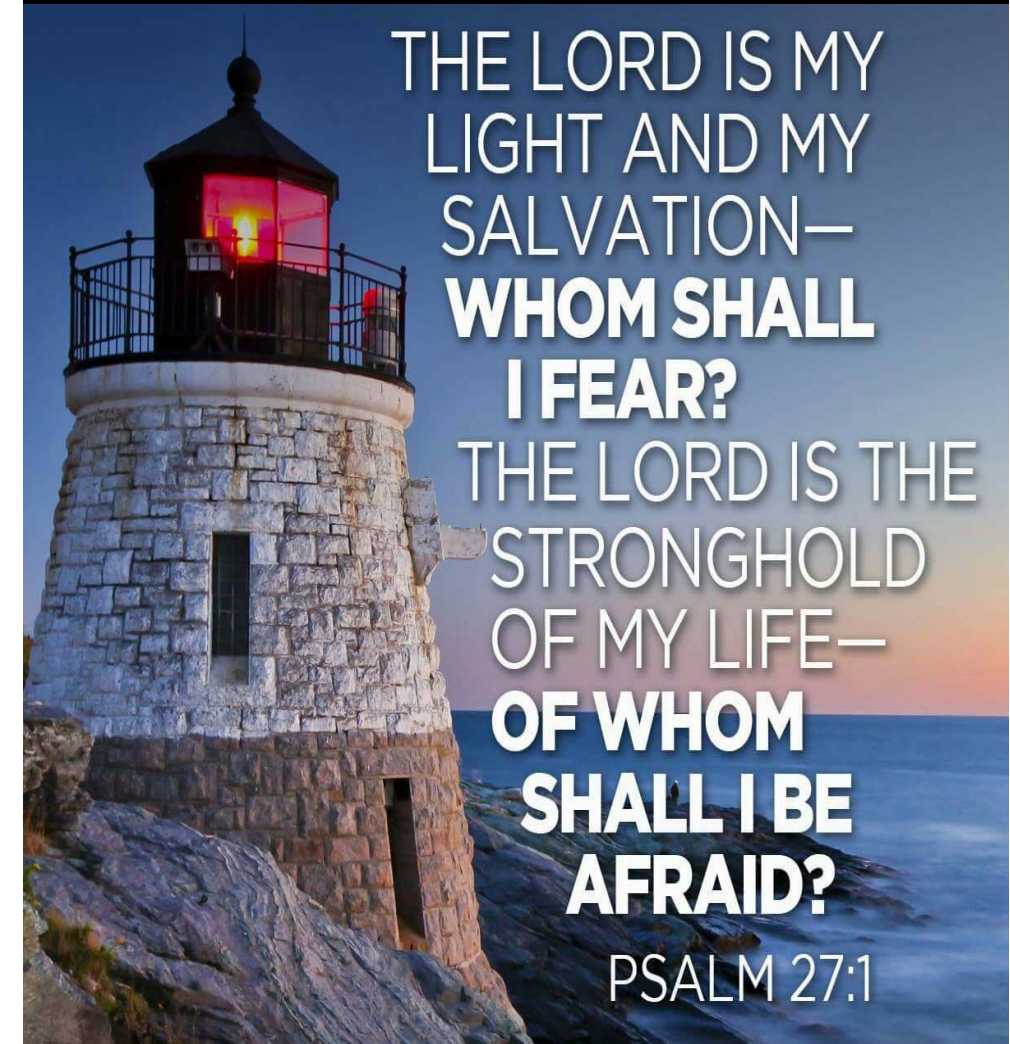
Sunday -

6:30am Community Intercessory Prayer
8:15am Proclamation Prayer
9:30am Sunday School
10:45am Worship Celebration
12:00pm Annual Church Elections
1:30pm Falam (Burmese) Baptist Church Meets Here
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"You were never created to live depressed, defeated, guilty, condemned, ashamed or unworthy. You were created to be victorious."

The Lord's Day

February 4, 2018



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Frederick 1st

CHURCH of the NAZARENE

“Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful.” Joel 2:13

Prelude

Family Matters

Invocation

Worship In Song*

Breath on Us

Scripture Reading*

Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

Worship In Song

***Here I Am to Worship
Wonderful (#377)
Victory in Jesus (#352)***

His Tithes & Our Offerings

Offertory Special

Dave Drake

God’s Word

Pastor Rob Merki

The Lord’s Supper

Call To The Table

Prayer

Consecration of the Elements

The Lord’s Prayer

Communion

Benediction*

Series: Succeeding In the Race that Really Counts

Message: “The Race Marked Out for Us”

Hebrews 11:1-3

“All persons begin the Christian life as mere ‘babes in Christ.’ There is a radiant beauty about each newborn soul. What the author does deprecate is arrested development. It is sad to see men and women, who for years have been professed Christians, to whom the deeper spiritual realities have no meaning, no power, no appeal”. - Charles R. Erdman

A. THE COURSE WAS SET BY JESUS

In the Christian life we have a GOAL

In the Christian life we have a INSPIRATION

In the Christian life we have a HANDICAP

In the Christian life we have a MEANS

In the Christian life we have an EXAMPLE

In the Christian life we have a PRESENCE

B. COMPETING WITH ENDURANCE - RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HOLINESS

Life with Christ means that one has put off ... the old self

Life with Christ means being made new in the attitude of your mind

Life with Christ means putting on a new nature

“When we put on Christ, who is ‘the new man of all men,’ the divine nature becomes operative in our lives (Rom. 13:14; Gal. 3:27). We are partakers of the divine nature (2 Peter 1:4). When this happens, the twin traits of Christlikeness - righteousness and holiness - begin to appear in life. F. F. Bruce concludes, ‘God Himself is righteous and holy; His righteousness and holiness are perfectly manifested in Christ, and those who put on Christ are accordingly characterized by righteousness and holiness.’”
- Willard Taylor

Praise God for the joy of celebrating lives lived victoriously for Him. God is good!

Congratulations Ken & Jackie - Baby Joyce Chepkok was born Thursday, January 25th.

Jamie Doody—Tremendous improvements, but his health situation is still very fragile.

Steve Dobrienecki (Hawkin’s friend) - Recently began receiving hospice care.

Kathy DeLaquil - Her mother, Jenny Rodger, passed away Saturday, January 27th.

Athena & Austin (Bob & Maria’s Niece) - Just had twin daughters, but only one was alive.

Ward Zigler (Rachel’s brother) - Undergoing chemotherapy for non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma.

Violet Boteler (Werner’s granddaughter) - Annie & David’s baby struggling with RSV.

Rob O’Donnell - 3-6 month surgery recovery expected; Rob is family’s sole provider.

Rebekah (Dotte Puga’s sister) - Caring for husband, Robert, who is battling dementia.

Doris Rockwell - Moved to Citizen’s Memory Care. Please pray the family as well.

Kiersten (friend of Knippenbergs) - Snowmobile accident-suffered numerous injuries.

Richard Bowerman - Health concerns.

Stephanie Ramirez - Pray for God’s provision and for shalom in difficult circumstances.

Isha Hallowell - Needs a full time job. Those serving the military abroad & at home.

Pray for College-age students: Alvy Butler; Anthony Drake, Aaron Gindlesperger; Andrew Gindlesperger; Joey Meisner, Jacquelyn Merki, Jonathan Merki, Chloe Taylor.

Continuing Needs: Sharon Clausen; Joe Barnes; Stacy Doody; Janet Fry; Barbara Green; Betty Green; Janet Harmon; Beverly Hubbard; Bruce Hug; Kreimer Family; Ken Marsh; Eric Merkle; Zelda Murphy; Tina O’Donnell; Mel Rice; Taylor Family; Mark Wicklein; Jonathan Young; Don Zigler; Rachel Zigler.

Mission Requests: January 22nd, the Mayon Volcano, 200 miles southeast of Manila, Philippines on the Church of the Nazarene’s Bicol District, erupted. It is anticipated that more eruptions could be worse and possibly deadly. There are Churches of the Nazarene in two of the greatly affected areas: the City of Liago and the Municipality of Polangui.

Family Matters

February 4th, 2018

Our mission: Loving God—loving you

Our sincere thanks go to our nursery volunteers for today.

Sectional prayers: Mary Doody (1) Chris Merki (2)
Samuel Wanki (3) Joe Meisner (4)

Today's Reader: Sally Rice

Information you need

- 1) **Welcome in Worship** – We pray you will know God's nearness and the warmth of His people in worship today. We ask guests to please fill out the blue card from the pew rack; this will enable us to know you better and best minister to you. The Lord bless and keep you!
- 2) **The Lord's Supper** – We celebrate the Sacrament most Sundays in worship. You are invited to join in the remembrance of Jesus' death and resurrection; consider the price Jesus paid for your sin debt.
- 3) **Changes in the Church Office** – Due to ongoing health-related matters, Robbie Runyon has stepped down from her role as church secretary. Pastor Andrew assumed the secretarial/administrative responsibilities this week and will serve in this capacity for the foreseeable future. Our gratitude to Robbie for ministry and service well done. We are glad that she will be Pastor Andrew's sub when he cannot be in the office.

Action requested today/this week

- 4) **Annual SOUPer Bowl** – Today, immediately after Worship Celebration. Even if you didn't sign up to bring something, please join in the fellowship luncheon. Fun for EVERYONE! This is more about being together than being a team fan!
- 5) **Child Sponsorship Sunday** – If you missed the opportunity to sign up last week, please see Clara Swengosh. She can get you information on sponsoring a needy child through Nazarene Compassionate Ministries.
- 6) **Citizen's Nursing Home Ministry** – Tuesday at 10am.
- 7) **Word for Word Tutoring** – Tuesday at 4pm.
- 8) **Midweek Ministry Activities** – Wednesday at 7pm - Bible study for Adults, Teens, and children. Come & bring the whole family!
- 9) **Men's Prayer Breakfast** – Saturday, February 10th, 8:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Always an anointed time together for men of faith.
- 10) **Baltimore Auto Show Trip** – Saturday, February 10th. We'll leave the church at 11am. Admission is \$12, plus you'll want money for food.
- 11) **Annual Church Elections** – Next Sunday, February 11th, following worship celebration. All members are encouraged to stay and vote.
- 12) **Community Prayer Continues** – Daily prayer times continue at Frederick Nazarene at 8:30am Monday – Saturday; Sundays at 6:30am.

Dates on the Horizon

- 13) **Midweek Choir Rehearsals Resume** – Wednesday, February 21st, 6pm in preparation for Easter. "Come, Christians, join to sing!"
- 14) **Teen Ice Skating** – Friday, February 23rd, 7:45pm
- 15) **Easter Choir Rehearsal** – Saturday, February 24th, 10am.
- 16) **Women's Ministry Gathering** – Saturday, February 24th, noon, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring some light snacks to share and your baby shower gifts for Jackie Yatich (baby girl). The next gathering will be March 17th.
- 17) **Celebration of Life Fundraising Banquet** – Saturday, March 24th, 6pm, (doors open at 5pm) with guest speaker Abby Johnson. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Financial Report	Yearly Budget	Weekly Budget	Received
Tithes/Offerings (1/28)		\$4,020	\$6,448
World Missions (1/28)		\$ 435	\$ 480
Year-to Date Giving (Jan 2018)			
Tithes (4 weeks)	\$25,792		\$18,517
World Missions (Faith Promise)	\$ 5,288		\$ 1,322

Pray for your Church Board and Ministry Team: Eric Beane, Tim Cox, Mike DeLaquil, David Drake (SDMI), Sharon Hawkins, Joe Meisner, Dexter Plumb (Treasurer), Clara Swengosh (NMI).

Prayer Chain: For prayer requests; call/text Robbie, 940-642-6282 or email frederickfirstnazarene@gmail.com

Guest WiFi password: Love

