

*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](http://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
- 1:30pm Falam (Burmese) Baptist Church Meets Here
- 4:30pm Cristo para las Naciones Iglesia del Nazareno Meets Here
- 6:00pm Kingdom Conversations and Teen Bible Quizzing

**The Church in fellowship and ministry**

**Monday - Saturday**

- 8:30am 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

**Saturday -**

- 10:00am Easter Choir Workshop
- 12:00pm Baby Shower for Jackie Yatich and Baby Joyce
- 1:00pm Community Prayer Walk

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***“Get close to God first, before getting close to anyone else. God without a man is still God, but a man without God is nothing.”***  
*- Author unknown*

# The Lord's Day

February 18, 2018



Taking a well deserved break at the Auto Show.

## Frederick First Church of the Nazarene

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**Frederick 1st**

**CHURCH of the NAZARENE**

**Prelude**

**Family Matters**

**Invocation**

**Worship In Song\***

*Blessed Be Your Name  
Blessed Be the Name (#116)*

**Scripture Reading\***

Psalm 25:1-10

**Worship In Song**

*Our God*

**His Tithes & Our Offerings**

**God's Word**

Pastor Rob Merki

**We Meet God in Prayer**

**You are invited to present your praises,  
needs and requests at the altar.**

**Benediction\***

***“God is not a man, that He should lie, nor a son of man, that He should change His mind. Does He speak and then not act? Does He promise and then not fulfill?” Numbers 23:19***

**Series: SUCCEEDING IN THE RACE THAT REALLY COUNTS**

**Message: “BY FAITH... WE KEEP OUR EYES ON JESUS” Hebrews 11**

Hebrews 11 is more than a summary of triumphs of faith in the past. It is an outline of the redemptive purpose of God, advancing through the age of promise to Jesus. It was written to people who had lost the keen edge of their former conviction. Their religious life had gone stale, so they were challenged to hold fast to the beliefs and practices that had stood the test of time, as witnessed in these faithful examples.

**A. FAITH DEFINED**

The object of faith is that which has been revealed by God. The underlying idea is that faith is our response to God's revelation.

**B. THE OBEDIENCE OF FAITH**

In a special way, Abraham represents the one who accepts what she/he cannot understand.

**C. A BETTER FAITH FOR US**

When the author refers to the Old Testament, it is always to move beyond it to a better provision made for the people of God through Christ

The Christian Faith is the final faith because “it is faith in the heavenly reality revealed in its full glory in Christ” (Alexander Purdy). We should be humbled by the thought that our faith rests on the reality of Calvary and Jesus' resurrection, and should therefore be much stronger than the faith of those who lived before Jesus came bringing fullness of life.

***Praise God for His work among our teens and children; six have asked to be baptized.***

***Evan Werner - Recovering from surgery.***

***Stacy Doody - has dealt with severe pain since her surgery last Friday.***

***Terry Holechek (Drake's friend) - Diagnosed with stage 4 brain cancer.***

***Jeff's Family (Runyon's son-in-law) - Jeff's father died very unexpectedly last week.***

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

***Jamie Doody - Much better, but health still very fragile. He is home. Needs God.***

***Steve Dobrienecki (Hawkin's friend) - Critically ill; in need of God's healing.***

***Athena & Austin (Bob & Maria's Niece) - Twin daughters born, but only one was alive.***

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

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

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

***Robbie Runyon - Ongoing health issues.***

***Isha Hallowell - Work hours increased!***

***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: Joe Barnes; Violet Boteler; Richard Bowerman; Sharon Clausen; DeLaquil Family; Janet Fry; Marcha Gamber; Barbara Green; Betty Green; Janet Harmon; Beverly Hubbard; Bruce Hug; Ken Marsh; Eric Merkle; Zelda Murphy; Tina O'Donnell; Rebekah & Robert; Mel Rice; Doris Rockwell; Jimmy Scott; Taylor Family; Mark Wicklein; Jonathan Young; Don Zigler; Rachel Zigler.***

***Mission Requests: The Kudjip Nazarene Hospital in Papa New Guinea is starting a three-year hospital expansion project that should meet many current needs and open the doors for future possibilities. Projects, however good, can still bring a different level of stress, especially in community relations. Pray for people to continue to come to Christ while the work is going on.***

# Family Matters

February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Our mission: Loving God—loving you**

*Our sincere thanks go to our nursery volunteers for today.*

**Sectional prayers:** Valerie Williams (1) Runyon Family (2)  
Clara Swengosh (3) Dave Drake (4)

**Today's Reader:** Mark 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) **Church Board Organizational Meeting** – Immediately following worship celebration today in the library. 10 minutes to start the year.

## Action requested today/this week

- 4) **Child Sponsorship Sunday** – If you missed the opportunity to sign up to sponsor a child, please see Clara Swengosh. She has information on sponsoring a needy child through Nazarene Compassionate Ministries.
- 5) **Citizen's Nursing Home Ministry** – Tuesday at 10am.
- 6) **Word for Word Tutoring** – Tuesday at 4pm.
- 7) **Midweek Choir Rehearsals Resume** – Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 6pm, in preparation for Easter. "Come, Christians, join to sing!"
- 8) **Teen Ice Skating** – Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:45pm
- 9) **Easter Choir Workshop** – Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 10am.
- 10) **Baby Shower for Jackie Yatich** – This is the Women's Ministry gathering for the month, and it is next Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, at noon, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring some light snacks to share and your baby shower gifts for Jackie Yatich (Joyce). Celebrating new life!
- 11) **Community Prayer Walk** – Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 1pm. Covering the area in prayer, connecting with neighbors, and being a presence outside the walls of the 7899 building
- 12) **Alabaster Offering** – Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> is our semi-annual Alabaster Offering. This special offering goes to support building churches, schools, clinics, and other structures on the mission field. Start collecting all your loose change and bring some dollars too.

- 13) **Community Prayer Continues** – Daily prayer times continue at Frederick Nazarene at 8:30am, Monday - Saturday; Sundays at 6:30am.

## Dates on the Horizon

- 14) **Emergency Family Shelter** – Our church will be hosting the shelter March 3- 10. Your help is needed to clear rooms for these families to sleep in and to share God's love by providing meals and being present. Sign up on the bulletin board to help with this ministry.
- 15) **Easter Choir Workshops** – Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>, 10am.
- 16) **The Gideons to Minister at FredNaz** – Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:45am.
- 17) **Men's Prayer Breakfast** – Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 8am.
- 18) **Women's Ministry Gathering** – Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 12pm.
- 19) **District Teen Bible Quiz** – Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, at Grace Pointe.
- 20) **Celebration of Life Fundraising Banquet** – Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 6pm, (doors open at 5pm) with guest speaker Abby Johnson. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Financial Report	Budget	Weekly Budget	Received
Tithes/Offerings (2/11)		\$4,200	\$3,188
World Missions (2/11)		\$ 385	\$ 306

**Pray for your Church Board and Ministry Team:** Eric Beane, Jean Blank, Tim Cox, Mike DeLaquil, David Evans (SDMI), Robin Kolb (Treasurer), Joe Meisner, Clara Swengosh (NMI), Lou Worrel.

**Prayer Chain:** For prayer requests; call/text Robbie, 940-642-6282 or email [frederickfirstnazarene@gmail.com](mailto:frederickfirstnazarene@gmail.com)

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