

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
- 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 -

- 6:00pm Easter Musical Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Adult/Teen/&Children's Bible Studies/Activities

Thursday -

- 3:30pm Monocacy Campus Life Club

Friday -

- 6:30pm Church Board Meeting

Saturday -

- 6:00pm Our Emergency Family Shelter (EFS) Guests Arrive

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“Look for yourself, and you will find loneliness and despair, but look for Christ, and you will find Him and everything else.” - C. S. Lewis

The Lord's Day

February 25, 2018



Future worship musicians playing the piano during Word for Word tutoring

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Frederick 1st

CHURCH of the NAZARENE

***“I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the future glory that will be revealed in us.”
—Romans 8:18***

Prelude

Family Matters

Invocation

Worship In Song* *You Are Good*

Scripture Reading* **Psalm 22:23-31**

Worship In Song *Carry Your Name*
O, How I Love Jesus (137)
I Love You, Lord (133)

His Tithes & Our Offerings

God’s Word **Pastor Rob Merki**

Our Response *Carry Your Name*
O, How I Love Jesus (137)

We Meet God in Prayer **You are invited to present your praises, needs and requests at the altar.**

Benediction*

Series: SUCCEEDING IN THE RACE THAT REALLY COUNTS

Message: “HOPE” **Colossians 1:4-6a**

“Paul was grateful because the Colossians were in possession of the three cardinal Christian graces - faith, love, and hope. Faith is in Christ; love is within the Christian community; hope is ‘stored up for you in heaven.’ Faith and love are based on hope.” - John Knight

“The Christian existence has three tenses: past, present, and future. It is based upon the Foundation which has been laid— Christ; it lives in the present by the power of the Spirit; it presses toward the full redemption of the future.” - William Greathouse

A. IN THIS HOPE WE WERE SAVED
The confident expectation that Christ will return (Romans 8:24)

B. CHRISTIAN HOPE SANCTIFIES
Hope in Christ purifies (1 John 3:3)

C. THIS HOPE IS NOT WISHFUL THINKING, BUT SURE CONFIDENCE
“Hope will never fail to satisfy our deepest need” (Romans 5:5)

“Faith rests on the past; love works in the present; hope looks to the future” - J. B. Lightfoot

“The Christian hope is that God’s way is the best way; that the only happiness, the only peace, the only joy, the only true and lasting reward are to be found in the way of God.... The Christian hope is the certainty that it is [best] to stake one’s life on God.” - William Barclay

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 earlier this month.

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

Jeff’s Family (Runyon’s son-in-law) - Jeff’s father recently died very unexpectedly

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) - Please pray for good results on recent blood work and radiation treatments.

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.

Morgan Doyle (Aldrich’s niece) - Pregnancy complications requiring C-section.

Jim McClure (Hawkins’ neighbor) - Had a heart attack at work this week. Please pray for healing.

Cox’s Niece - is having a difficult pregnancy with her fourth child while also trying to watch 3 children under age 6.

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:

See bulletin insert.

Family Matters

February 25th, 2018

Our mission: Loving God—loving you

Our sincere thanks go to our nursery volunteers for today.

Sectional prayers: Mike DeLaquil (1) Vangie Knippenberg (2)
Joy Yoder (3) Sally Rice (4)

Today's Reader: Mary Doody

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.

Action requested today/this week

- 3) **Alabaster Offering** – Today is our semi-annual Alabaster Offering. This special offering goes to support constructing churches, schools, clinics, and other buildings on the mission field. 100% of the loose change, bills, and checks will go to projects worldwide for kingdom purposes.
- 4) **Nazarene World Week of Prayer** – See bulletin insert.
- 5) **Citizen's Nursing Home Ministry** – Tuesday at 10am.
- 6) **Word for Word Tutoring** – Tuesday at 4pm.
- 7) **Midweek Choir Rehearsal** – Wednesdays at 6pm, in preparation for Easter. "Come, Christians, join to sing!"
- 8) **Evangelical Minister's Fellowship Luncheon** – Thursday, March 1st, 12pm. We're partnering with Arn Bjorndal and Youth for Christ to host the March luncheon in our fellowship hall. Would you be able to help with setup, serving or clean up? We're also looking for 4 folks to prepare crockpots of soup, if you might be able to do so. It's an honor to partner with and serve the community. Let us know if you can help.
- 9) **Church Board Meeting** – Friday, March 2nd, 6:30pm.
- 10) **World Day of Prayer** – Please pray for revival and God's *Shalom*.
- 11) **Calendar Meeting** – Saturday, March 3rd, 11am.
- 12) **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.

- 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) **Peru 2018 Meeting** – At Grace Pointe, March 10th, 9am.
- 15) **Easter Choir Workshops** – Saturday, March 10th & 31st, 10am.
- 16) **The Gideons to Minister at FredNaz** – Sunday, March 11th, 10:45am.
- 17) **March Fellowship Dinner** – Following worship celebration on March 11th. Further interaction with our friends from Gideons International.
- 18) **Men's Prayer Breakfast** – Saturday, March 17th, 8am.
- 19) **Women's Ministry Gathering** – Saturday, March 17th, 12pm.
- 20) **District Teen Bible Quiz** – Saturday, March 24th, at Grace Pointe.
- 21) **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	Budget	Weekly Budget	Received
Tithes/Offerings (2/18)		\$4,200	\$5,497
World Missions (2/18)		\$ 385	\$ 261

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

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

Guest WiFi password:
Love





World Week of Prayer

February 25 – March 3, 2018

Join with fellow Nazarenes around the world in praying for God to advance the gospel message in each of the regions in the Church of the Nazarene.

Sunday's target area: Africa Region

Monday's target area: Asia-Pacific Region

Tuesday's target area: Eurasia Region

Wednesday's target area: Mesoamerica Region

Thursday's target area: South America Region

Friday's target area: USA/Canada Region

Saturday's target area: Everywhere the Church is "Not Yet"

Detailed regional prayer requests available at:

www.bit.ly/2018-NWWP

(Note: This is a DropBox folder; select English, then the file for day of the week.)