NOTEWORTHY

Welcome to First Church of the Nazarene! We are glad you are here!

It is our most sincere desire that you feel at home while worshipping with us.

If you do not have a church you call home, we invite you to consider making our church, your home.

Dare To Care Ministries

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 5 at 10:30 am.

Community Prayer Gathering

Thursday, October 6. 6:30-8:00pm

At the Kankakee YMCA

ONU Prime Time & Grandparents Day

Thursday, October 6, 9:00am to 3:00pm.

Featuring

The Collingsworths and Dr. Ron Blake

Cost: \$24 (lunch included).

Grandparent of an ONU Student?

Special dinner at 6:30pm, McHie Arena, with Dr. Bowling Additional cost: \$12/grandparent—\$7.50/ONU student

Register at 815-939-5258.

TICKETS: Please see Joy Long or Bettyjane Hulse in the North Commons TODAY.

If you have bought your tickets thru ONU, please let Joy Long know today.

Youth Retrival 2016 "Upside Down"

Annual gathering of area youth groups.

October 21-23, at Kankakee First.

Cost: \$40 for the weekend.

Registration and payment are due by October 9.

Ladies Book Club

Monday, November 7, 7:00 pm

Teri Blanchette's home

Book: The Alliance by Jolina Petershiem

"The Alliance is a gripping story that shows how cultural differences drop away in the face of life altering

circumstance and only the most deeply held truths survive."

Special Prayer Gathering

Monday, November 7 at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary.

As the election approaches, we need to pray for the issues and concerns that confront our country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.

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Chicago Central District Prime Time Thanksgiving Banquet.

Tuesday, November 8, 11:00am—1:00pm

Manteno Church of the Nazarene.

Cost: \$13. Register with Joy Long or Janet Cline.

TICKETS: Please see Prime Time Committee Member in the North Commons.

CULTIVATE 2016

Saturday, November 12, Olivet Nazarene University campus. A day of leadership development, community building and church strengthening.

Ready to Register? Online Registration is NOW OPEN Early Registration (\$30) Only 20 spots available at this price!!! Please contact the Church Office.

Regular Registration: \$40

Register online: www.ccdnaz.org

NOTE: No registrations can be accepted after October 24.

Grace & Humility Ministry—"Kickoff"

Tuesday, October 25, 9:00am -4:00pm

Ministry Purpose: to cook and freeze meals for the time when our church family is in need of a meal.

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Please bring: enough food and ingredients to make a meal for 2 or 4 people and disposable containers to freeze the meal in. Bring your lunch and we will fellowship together.

Please contact Stephanie Meads, 815-735-7936 or Mimi Meads 815-483-9325 if you plan to come.

"Deeper" Bible Study: Wednesdays, 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. Next week's study will be on the prophet Amos. Taught by Pastor Leon.

Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Men's Bible Study

Tuesdays, 7:00pm at Manteno Church of the Nazarene An interdenominational Bible study through the book of John. Contact Richard Meads, *rmeads@k3naz.org*

Women's Bible Study "Open Your Bible"

Wednesdays at 6:30pm in room 104. A study from Raechel Myers and Amanda Williams. Facilitator: Mary Schweigert.

ONU Homecoming & Family Weekend: October 28-30

Special time for friends of the University to gather on Olivet's campus, with activities planned for all ages and interests. For details, please call 815-939-5258, Monday-Friday between the hours of 8:00am—4:30pm

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Thank You Note

"My dear, sweet, beloved Church Family,

There are no ways or words to express our gratitude for all that you have meant to our family from the time we learned of Ed's diagnosis to one month later when he left us!

He would have had the right words- because he always had the right words, and please know how much Alea and I appreciate everything you have done and continue doing for us. My prayer for each one of you is that you'll always live for Jesus, having no regrets. Ed's life changed when he met people who loved Jesus! May all of us introduce others to Jesus and may we continue to live for him.

Joyfully,

Kathy & Alea Heck.

With Children

Children's Bible Quizzing Reward Party!

October 15th at Pastor Debbie's House 6:00 to 8:00

RSVP or for details, Joel Greer 815-278-5818

Children Christmas Musical

Children 1st - 6th grade are invited to join us Sunday evenings, 4:30-5:30 p.m. beginning October 16th as we prepare for the Children's Christmas musical, **'1t's all About that Baby**".

Sign-up for audition time, and audition packets:

Children's Worship area.

Cost:\$10 per family (includes CD and word booklets)

Auditions for the musical

TODAY, 11:45am-1:00pm in the Children's Sanctuary

Performances:

Wednesday, December 7 at Heritage Village Sunday, December 11 in the FLC.

Life at K3NAZ

Sunday, October 2
8:30 am
9:00 am

GENERATIONAL WORSHIP/COMMUNION
Lighthouse Café
Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)11:45 am Auditions for Children's Musical

(Children's Sanctuary)

6:00 pm Youth Life Groups

Tuesday, October 4

6:30 pm Prayer Gathering (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, October 5

10:30 am Dare To Care Ministries (Room 104)
4:45 pm Teen Quizzing Practice (Room 309)

5:30 pm Lighthouse Café 6:30 pm Children's Ministries

Midweek Youth Ministries

Ministerio de Oración-Hispanic Ministry

(Room 301 & 305)

Men Under Construction (Room 304) Women's Book Study (Room 104) Worship Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Thursday, October 6

9:00 am ONU Prime Time Day (Ticketed event)

Sunday, October 9

8:30 am Lighthouse Café 9:00 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Spanish Worship Service (Room 160)

6:00 pm Youth Life Groups



From your Lay Leadership Council (Meeting September 25th, 2016)

- We are working on our meeting schedule with the LLC and Dr. McKain
- In compliance with the Manual of the Church of the Nazarene, when a Senior Pastor resigns os passes away, all pastoral staff must submit a letter of resignation. The LLC has unanimously rejected all letters and have asked our staff to **REMAIN** through our transition. Our pastoral staff will continue to lead the day to day ministry.
- We are beginning discussions on the process of gathering effective and meaningful information from our congregation.

Prayer focus:

- Along with our church, there are four Nazarene churches in our district without a pastor. Please pray for Dr. McKain as he balances his schedule for all of us.
- Pray for wisdom and clarity for the LLC.

Promise from God's Word: Isaiah 43:1-7

1 But now, this is what the Lord says he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. 2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. 3 For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead. 4 Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life. 5 Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west. 6 I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.' Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth— 7 everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

