



LAJUNTA NAZARENE



February, 2023

I LOVE MY CHURCH

One night angels sang, "Glory to God in the highest...", and the world began to believe that the baby born and placed in the manger might be the Christ of God. A group of startled shepherds propelled the notion forward by telling their family, friends and acquaintances everything they had seen and heard.

The number of those who believed was small at first, but 30 years later when John the Baptist preached and Jesus came out of the shadows, the number began to grow in spurts and bursts. People who experienced Jesus believed He was the Promised One. They began to tell others, with conviction, about the man from Nazareth. When the Holy Spirit was poured out on the day of Pentecost, the spurts and bursts became an unstoppable explosion out of which was born The Church. The movement continued until The Church encircled the globe and shaped the progress of all mankind.

But something has changed. I am afraid The Church has begun to retreat. Instead of The Church Triumphant we are in danger of becoming The Church Apologetic, and a faith that we must apologize for lacks the power to change anyone.

I LOVE MY CHURCH is a caffeine induced idea that envisions a church full of believers who are unapologetic about their faith, who love their Lord with everything that is in them, who are passionate about seeing the Lost come to faith in the Savior and believe that the vehicle that best accomplishes those objectives is the local church-Grandma's church on the corner of every town in every community.

So, say it out loud at least once every day and then, as the Holy Spirit opens opportunities, say it at least once every week to someone in your circle who needs what The Church has to offer: I LOVE MY CHURCH! Then let's see what happens.

Pastor Mark



1st Miles Bond
2nd Reese Addington
5th Brianne Bond
8th Jennifer Butler
8th Lori Owen
9th Jolie Bond
9th Levi Jones
10th Sharon K. Jones
12th Crystal Clanton
13th Jan Blair
14th Hugh Schooley
16th Robin Lopez
18th Hilda Reyher
20th Savannah Grasmick-Fluke
20th Raven Price
22nd Darrel Hoss
22nd Sharon Jones
23rd David Hare
23rd Marie Malden
23rd Randy Havens
24th Patty Russell
25th Florence Reese
27th Katie Bickel



Matthew 22:37-39

**"Jesus replied:
'Love the Lord your
God with all your
heart and with all
your soul and with
all your mind.'**

**This is the first
and greatest
commandment.
And the second
is like it:**

**'Love your neighbor
as yourself.' "**



January Tithes & Offerings

up through Sunday,
Jan. 22, 2023

\$21,081.25

Sunday Services

Sunday School

9:15 am

**Classes for
all ages!**

Cafe Fellowship

10:15 am

**Worship
10:30 am**

**Kinder &
Children's Church
(Age 3 - 5th grade)
Nursery is available**

**Youth Group
6:30 pm**

**Watch the
Worship Service
Live Stream**

**on
Facebook**

**or
YouTube**

@ Lajunta Nazarene

**Website
www.**

lajuntanazarene.org

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS



Feb. 12th

SOUP-er Bowl Luncheon
12:00 noon

Tickets

Adults - \$8
6 & Under - Free
**Children attending camp
are free**

**Funds raised help send
our children to camp!**



**Chili
Cook-off**



DESSERT AUCTION

Youth Fundraiser

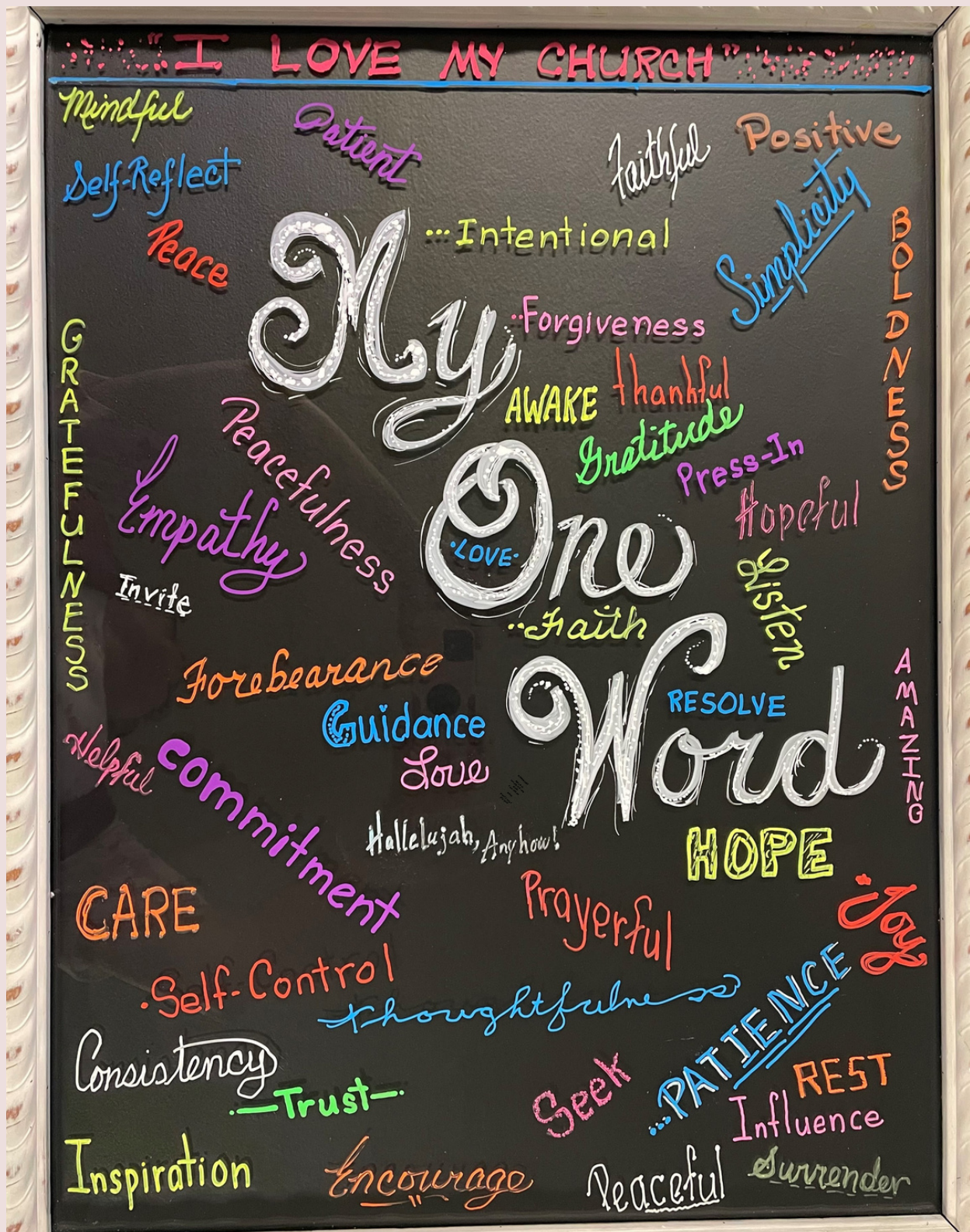
Sunday, Feb. 26th

12:00 noon

Cost \$8 Age 6 & Under-Free

*If you would like to enter a chili or
donate a dessert, please sign up at
the Information Desk.*

**Funds raised are used for the Youth Retreat
held in the summer at Golden Bell Camp**



**Here are your 2023 One Words,
that represent what you hope God will
do in you and that you will focus on
for the entire year.**