

# **LAJUNTA NAZARENE**

**July, 2023**

## **What We Believe**

**Ever get into a discussion with a friend or acquaintance who asked, "So, what does your church believe?" It can be tough sometimes to boil it all down to a conversation.**

**If you have struggled with how to answer that question don't be too hard on yourself, you are not the first one to struggle with condensing it all into a manageable format. In fact, some of our early Church Fathers got together and had exhausting conferences trying to state the beliefs of our faith in a format the average person could handle. We received their work in the form of the Creeds.**

**Within our Hymnal are both the Nicene Creed and the Apostles' Creed. Both attempt to condense the statement of our faith into a concise body of work. Let me include the text of the Apostles' Creed here.**

**"I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hades; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy church universal, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen."**

**Smarter men than me have toiled for days and this is the result of their labor as they attempted to summarize a statement of our faith.**

**I don't know about you, but I find it possible to get lost in all of that. If the words of the Creed go above you or around you or through you then maybe there is another, more simplified statement of our faith found in that same hymnal. Let me quote it for you.**

**"Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong." "Jesus loves me! This I know, as He loved so long ago, taking children on His knee, saying, 'Let them come to me.'" "Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven's gates to open wide. He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in." "Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way. He's prepared a home for me, and someday His face I'll see."**

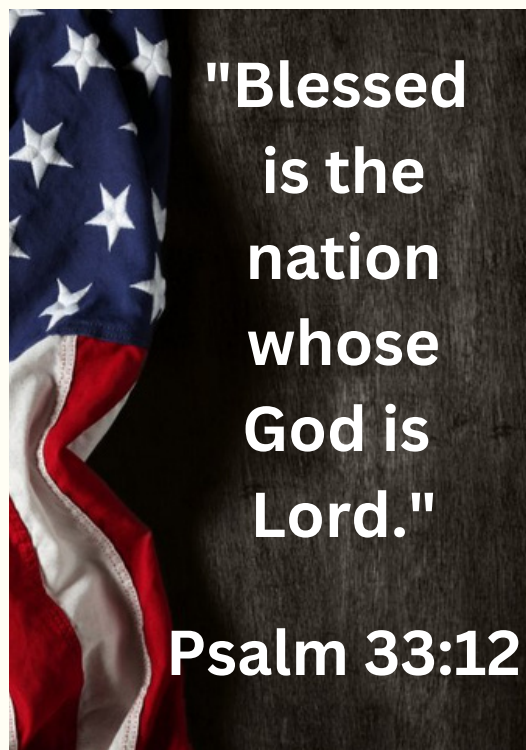
**Hold on to whatever works for you.**

**Pastor Mark**

## ***July Birthdays***

**1st Janita Coffee**  
**2nd Derek Adler**  
**2nd George Pierson**  
**2nd Kamryn Fisher**  
**3rd Phoebe Sullivan**  
**6th Delilah Mason**  
**8th Danelle Berg**  
**9th Mariah Gallegos**  
**10th Elizabeth Domsen**  
**11th Norma Glover**  
**12th Gloria Medina**  
**13th Samantha Owen**  
**15th Jessinia Medina**  
**15th Lisa Reynolds**  
**15th Walker Balicki**  
**17th Jordan Berg**  
**17th Maggie Fay**  
**17th Randy Cruzan**  
**19th Baylie Krueger**  
**19th Susan Schrock**  
**23rd R.J. George**  
**25th Shelby Price**  
**29th Xandek Sullivan**

***Happy Birthday!***



## **June**

### **Tithes & Offerings**

**\$22,069.63**

If you are watching the services online and would like to give tithes and offerings, you may:

- Come by the office
- Mail It
- Give online
- Use this QR code



**Thank You  
For Your Generosity**

## **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**



# **LJ Naz Kids Sports Camp**

## **HALL OF FAME**

**July 24-26, 2023**

**5:30 - 8:00 pm**

**Ages 3 (and potty trained) through  
entering 6th grade**

A light meal will be provided at 5:15

**La Junta Nazarene Church**

**Volunteers Needed:**

**Contact Kassie at 719-469-5979**

**To donate food:**

**Contact Lisa Reynolds at 719-469-2308**

**For Prayer Group:**

**Contact Denise Balicki at 719-469-7862**

# Family Sundae Blast



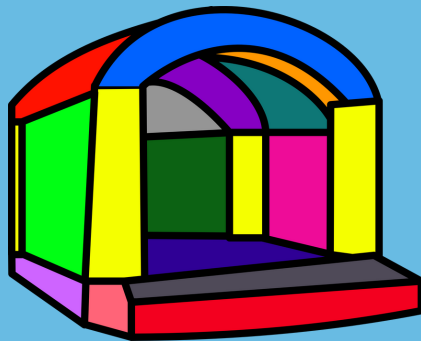
**Sunday, July 30th**

**6:00 - 8:00 pm**

**Bring Your Family and Friends**



**Outdoor Water  
Games**



**Bounce House  
(age 2- 8 years)**



**Indoor Table  
Games**



# Kid's Bible



# Blast Sundays

**Every Sunday**  
**in JULY**

**9:00 -11:45 am**

**Age 4 - 6th grade**  
**(Grade Completed)**

**2-3 yr olds are welcome,**  
**a parent must be on the**  
**premises.**



**Bible, Music,**  
**Crafts, Games,**  
**Snacks & more**

**You can register**  
**on our La Junta**  
**Nazarene Facebook**  
**page or at the**  
**registration desk.**