# La Junta Nazarene November, 2020

# "Spread It Around"

I received news this past week that one of our pastors on the the Colorado District has contracted the virus, he is turning the corner and expected to make a full recovery. Isn't it amazing how a virus spreads and multiplies? A cough, a kiss, a little contact and the virus is onboard attacking various bodily processes. Then it goes from one house to another spreading until the word "pandemic" becomes an everyday part of our vocabulary.

They tell us, "Wear a mask, slow the spread!" Mask or no mask, this virus has turned our world upside down. My daughter is coming home from Brazil in a few weeks and instead of planning a joyous reunion we are planning a frustrating quarantine. But that is life in 2020 when we are living with a virulent virus.

If only the spreading of the gospel were so effortless. Our children would be infected at an early age, the people we work with wouldn't stand a chance, our relatives would all come down with the same life changing condition. All it would take would be just a little proximity and Christians would grow more Christians.

The truth is that it is not effortless. It is effort intensive. It takes energy and forethought and persistence and wisdom. We have to be creative and insightful and stubborn and willful. If you are ever going to reproduce your faith in another person you must do so intentionally.

Jesus said, "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation." There is a little part of the world right there where you live that needs to be infected with a little "good news." Give the effort, be intentional and spread the gospel around in your corner of the world.

**Pastor Mark** 





# **November BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Diana Farris
- 5 Natalie Berg
- 7 Karlie Morley
- 7 Sadie Martinez
- **11 Suzanne Trotter**
- **12 Marvin Berg**
- **12 Ronin Hand**
- **14 Peyton Stoker**
- 17 Pat Gamboa
- 18 Alvin Gallegos, Jr.
- 21 Duncan Balicki
- 23 Spencer Brereton
- 23 Izaias Stengel-Rodriguez

If we have missed your birthday, please let the church secretary, Charlotte, know.



# **Monthly Giving**

October, 2020 (4 Sundays) \$15,816.30

October, 2019 (4 Sundays) \$17,697.30 Thank you!

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

- Come by the office
- Mail it
- Go to the website
   Click on Donate

THANK YOU FOR GIVING!



Pastor Mark, Gary and Jake would like to thank everyone who showed their love and appreciation for them.

Blessings to all!

# **Sunday Worship Services**

Sunday School 9:15 am Ages 3 & up

Worship 10:30 am

You can also watch
Live Stream
on
Facebook
and
YouTube

Kinder Church & Children's Church available

No nursery available.

Youth Service 6:30 pm

**First Sunday of the Month** 





We wrapped up our Ladies' Bible Study on the book, "He Speaks to Me; Preparing to Hear From God"

We learned that God desires us to have; **A simple RELATIONSHIP** with Him, unfettered by sin and pride.

A single-minded WORSHIP that is focused on Him and His glory

A set-apart HOLINESS, determined to live a life that honors Him

**A still ATTENTIVENESS**, willing to be silent before Him

A sold-out HUNGER, passionately pursuing God's presence

A servant SPIRIT, submitted to God's call



Join us in November as we focus on Thanksgiving and Prayer!

See Charlotte, Jenise or Denise for a prayer sheet!

# Children's Ministries



Denise Balicki, Children's Director



# **Children's Christmas Program**

Dec. 6th @ 10:30 am

**Dress Rehearsal** 

Dec. 5th (stay-tuned for time)

Practices will take place during the Worship Service on Sundays. We hope your children can come. For more information follow the LJ Naz Kids Facebook group.



Youth Group Sundays, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Come to the church for a time spiritual reflection from Jake, followed by food and fellowship in the FLC (gym)

Jake & Lori would love to have you.!



# Karlie Morley, NMI President Faith Promise

Needed \$13,000 Pledges \$10,796.00

It's not too late to make a pledge.

Pick up a pledge card on the offering table or for those watching from home, return the one mailed to you.



We will be providing
Christmas gifts for the
Navajo Nation. Take a tag
from the Christmas Cactus
and bring your gift by Nov.
29th or earlier.



# **BLESSING BASKETS**

The church is collecting funds for the blessing baskets we distribute to those in need at Christmas time. This is a wonderful way to share with others in response to the blessing the Lord has poured out on us. Please mark your donation, "Blessing Baskets".

# Sunday School 9:15 am

Danelle Berg,
Sunday School Superintendant

**Adult Classes for November** 

# **Class of Hope**

Teacher: Jan Schooley
Ray Vander Laan's
That the World May Know Series:
Fire on the Mountain"

When the Israelites left Egypt, they were finally free. Free from persecution, free from oppression, and free to worship their own God. But with that freedom comes a new challenge--learning how to live together the way God intends. Discover how God teaches the Israelites what it means to be part of a community that loves him and the lessons we can begin to live out in our lives today.

# **Templebuilders**

Teacher: Velva Addington
Dr. David Jeremiah
"Everything You Need"
(6 Sessions)

Are you searching for greater confidence, purpose, and peace? Are the pressures of this world weighing you down? Are you feeling overburdened and overwhelmed? In this six-session video Bible study, Dr. Jeremiah draws on 2 Peter 1:3-11 to show how there is help at your fingertips-help that will give you everything you need to walk life's trail with resilience and strength.

# **Homebuilders**

Teacher: Pastor Mark Callister
Room 100
"Beattitudes- part 1"
Learn how to add blessing to your
life from the beatitudes as
given by Jesus in Matthew 5.