

## Life at Valley Center

### A CHRISTMAS CAROL ... REVISITED:

Don't miss this special performance of *A Christmas Carol ... Revisited* on Saturday, December 17, at 7:00 pm in the Valley Center Sanctuary. This is a free event. No tickets are required, but donations are welcome. If you would like to contribute to an afterglow reception following the presentation, please bring cookies to the church by 6:30 pm that night. Your loving touch will be a valuable contribution to this outreach event. For more information, contact Candace Nicholson at [cnicholson@paznaz.org](mailto:cnicholson@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2433.

### HOLIDAY SERVICES

Make plans to join PazNaz and Valley Center in celebrating the holiday season. Valley Center will have normal services at 9:00 am on Sundays, December 11 & 18. There will be a special Christmas Eve service held at the PazNaz campus on Saturday, December 24, at 6:00 pm. On Sundays, December 25 and January 1, Valley Center will be joining the combined 10:30 am service on the PazNaz campus.

### YOUNG ADULTS

**Monday Night Fellowship** - You are invited to a night of dinner and fellowship at Pastor Joe and Cindy Halbert's home each Monday night from 6:30 -9:00 pm. Contact Pastor Joe Halbert at [jhalbert@paznaz.org](mailto:jhalbert@paznaz.org) for more details.

### CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Your pastoral staff wants to know when you or members of your family are in the hospital, facing surgery, or any other crisis. They want to join you in prayer and support during those difficult times. Please notify Pastor Joe Halbert at [jhalbert@paznaz.org](mailto:jhalbert@paznaz.org), or by calling him directly at 626.351.2421. Pastor Joe will alert the pastoral staff and the other prayer teams that meet throughout the week.

### Leadership Team

**Joe Halbert**, Campus Pastor  
**Terry Irish**, Associate Pastor  
**Scott Farris**, Youth Ministry Director  
**Liane D'Arezzo**, Valley Center Preschool Director

## This Week at VC

### Sunday, December 11

8:30 am Simply Prayer—Sanctuary  
8:45 am Nursery Care (Birth - 3)  
8:45 am Children's Church (Age 4 - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
*Children's Room*  
9:00 am Morning Worship—Sanctuary  
10:15 am Afterglow—Food and Fellowship on the patio

### Monday, December 12

6:30 pm Young Adult Fellowship—Halbert Home

### Tuesday, December 13

7:00 pm Youth Group (Grades 6-12)—Frazier Hall

### Wednesday, December 14

*No activities this day*

### Thursday, December 15

7:30 pm Worship Team Rehearsal—Sanctuary

### Friday, December 16

*No activities this day*

### Saturday, December 17

7:00 pm *A Christmas Carol ... Revisited*—Sanctuary

### VALLEY CENTER GIVING UPDATE

#### Tithes and Offerings Year to Date

Received December 4—\$1,669  
Needed per Sunday—\$1,599  
Received Year-to-Date—\$67,690  
Budget Year-to-Date—\$62,859

*The church fiscal year is from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017*

### Valley Center: A Campus of PazNaz

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## Helpful Information

### Parking Lot Shuttle

A shuttle is available at the back ramps and on the patio for those in need of assistance.

### Guest Registration

Complete the information requested on the Friendship Pad as it is passed during the service.

### Today's Offering

If you are a guest, please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. This is an opportunity for regular attendees who consider PazNaz their church home to support the ministries of the church.

### Listening Assistance Devices

These devices are available at all worship services. Ask an usher for assistance.

### HeBrews

It's the welcome area on the patio. Guests can stop by for a free cup of coffee and information.

### Cry Room for Babies & Children

A special room is available just off the main lobby equipped so that you'll be able to see and hear the service while tending to the needs of your child. Nurseries are also available with nursery attendants trained and screened to provide a safe environment. Ask an usher for assistance.

### Lost and Found

Lost and Found is located at the reception desk in the church office from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm during the week.

### Sunday Morning Messages

You can watch or listen to the Sunday morning messages online. Just go to [www.paznaz.org](http://www.paznaz.org) or download the PazNaz App for iPhone or Android.

## PazNaz Pastoral Team

**Tara Beth Leach**, Senior Pastor  
**B. Scott Anderson**, Executive Pastor  
**Alan De Vries**, Worship & Celebration Arts  
**Joe Halbert**, Service & Outreach  
**Darwin Ng**, Congregational Care / Senior Adults

**Faith Romasco**, Early Childhood Ministries  
**Doug Ravasdy**, Children's Ministries  
**Mackenzie Smith**, Youth Pastor  
**Heather Handley**, Youth Pastor  
**Julie Keith**, Special Needs / *In His Image*  
**Megan Marsh**, Women's Ministries  
**Janine Sagherian**, Sunrise Preschool Director

**Mano Agulian**, Armenian Christian Outreach  
**Marcos Canales**, Hispanic Ministries  
**Sam Chung**, Cantonese Ministries  
**Timothy Lee**, Korean Ministries  
**Min Xiao**, Mandarin Ministries



## This Week at PazNaz

### Sunday, December 11

7:40 am Simply Prayer—Bride's Room, Lee Chapel  
8:00 am Morning Worship—Lee Chapel  
8:00 am Early Birds Childcare—228, Arms Hall  
8:30 am Church in the Park—Central Park  
9:15 am Young Adult Ministries—147, Reed Hall  
9:15 am Early Childhood Classes—Arms Hall  
9:15 am Special Needs Children's Class—123, Arms Hall  
9:15 am La Fuente Ministries, Estudio Biblico—146, Reed Hall  
9:15 am 华语主日学 Mandarin Sunday School—149B, Reed Hall  
9:15 am Sunday School for children of all ages  
9:15 am Adult Sunday School Classes—various locations  
9:30 am Coffee Talk with a Pastor—Bride's Room, Lee Chapel  
9:30 am Cantonese Sunday School—305, Upper Sanctuary  
10:15 am Simply Prayer—Sanctuary  
10:30 am Morning Worship—Sanctuary  
10:30 am Early Childhood Classes—Arms Hall  
10:30 am Children's Church—102, Lower Sanctuary  
10:30 am Special Needs Children's Classes—122 & 123, Arms Hall  
10:30 am Mosaic Special Needs Youth Moderate to Severe Class—115, Lower Sanctuary  
10:30 am Cantonese Service—Lee Chapel  
10:30 am La Fuente Ministries—Meguiar Youth Center  
10:45 am Korean Service—249, Reed Hall  
11:00 am 华语崇拜 Mandarin Service—248, Reed Hall  
11:45 am SonSeekers Rehearsal—108, Lower Sanctuary  
12:10 pm Student Worship Rehearsal—101, Lower Sanctuary  
12:30 pm 华语午餐会 Mandarin Lunch—148, Reed Hall  
1:00 pm 华语体育活动 Mandarin Sports Fellowship—Gym  
6:00 pm Armenian Christian Outreach—Lee Chapel  
6:00 pm *A Christmas Carol ... Revisited*—Sanctuary

### Monday, December 12

*No activities this day*

### Tuesday, December 13

4:00 pm Men's Basketball—Gym, Open to everyone  
7:30 pm Soccer—Gym, Men ages 16 and up

### Wednesday, December 14

12:30 pm Centurion Class Prayer—246, Reed Hall  
2:00 pm Helping Hands—Lower Sanctuary, West Area  
6:00 pm Simply Prayer—Lee Chapel  
6:30 pm Advent Series—Lee Chapel  
6:30 pm Nursery, Birth to 2—228, Arms Hall  
6:30 pm Early Childhood, Age 3-K—227, Arms Hall  
6:30 pm PazNaz Kids, grades 1-5—102, Lower Sanctuary  
6:30 pm OASIS—Special Needs Adults Bible Study  
6:30 pm Fellowship—115, Lower Sanctuary  
6:30 pm Middle & High School Activities—Meguiar Youth Center  
6:30 pm Armenian Christian Outreach Prayer Meeting—148, Reed Hall  
6:45 pm Celebration Choir—101, Lower Sanctuary  
7:00 pm Mandarin Bible Study—149A, Reed Hall  
7:30 pm Armenian Christian Outreach Bible Study—146, Reed Hall

### Thursday, December 15

9:30 am Simply Prayer—Lee Chapel  
7:30 pm Sunrise Orchestra—101, Lower Sanctuary

### Friday, December 16

6:00 am Korean Ministries' Prayer Meeting—249, Reed Hall  
6:00 am Early Christians—247, Reed Hall  
9:15 am MOPS—Gilmore Hall

### Saturday, December 17

11:00 am Helping Hands Christmas—Gilmore Hall

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with Pastor Tara Beth Leach

**Sermon Text - Luke 1: 26-38; 46-56**

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."

Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"

The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. For no word from God will ever fail."

"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her.

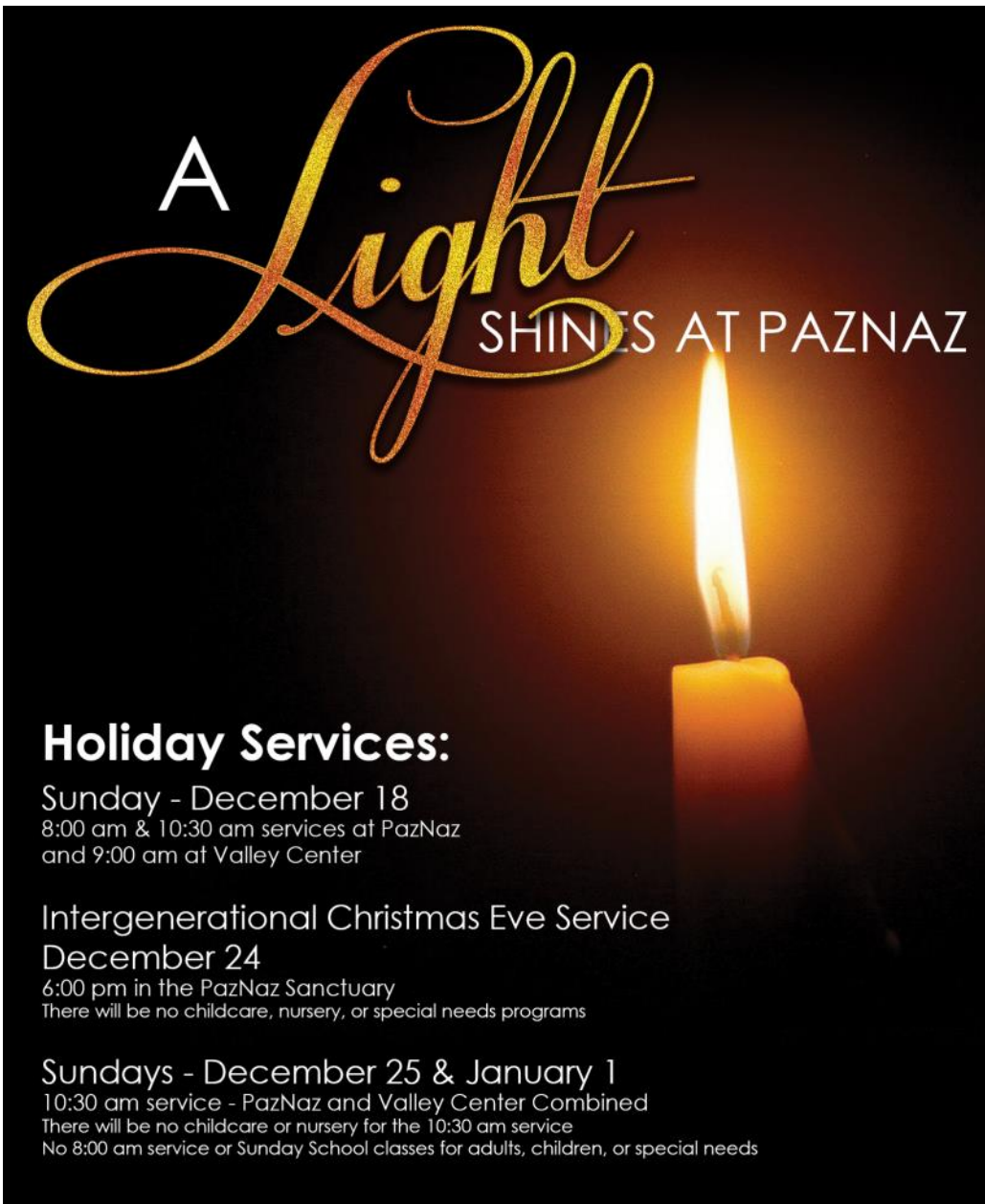
And Mary said:

"My soul glorifies the Lord  
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,  
for he has been mindful  
of the humble state of his servant.  
From now on all generations will call me blessed,  
for the Mighty One has done great things for me—  
holy is his name.  
His mercy extends to those who fear him,  
from generation to generation.  
He has performed mighty deeds with his arm;  
he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts.  
He has brought down rulers from their thrones  
but has lifted up the humble.  
He has filled the hungry with good things  
but has sent the rich away empty.  
He has helped his servant Israel,  
remembering to be merciful  
to Abraham and his descendants forever,  
just as he promised our ancestors."

Mary stayed with Elizabeth for about three months and then returned home.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

<b>Pasadena Campus</b> 8:00 am Worship Lee Chapel	<b>Valley Center Campus</b> 9:00 am Worship Valley Center Sanctuary	<b>Pasadena Campus</b> 10:30 am Worship PazNaz Sanctuary
<b>Songs of Worship</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Angels from the Realms of Glory</li><li>Emmanuel</li><li>O Come, All Ye Faithful</li><li>Angels We Have Heard on High</li></ul>	<b>Songs of Worship</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>First Noel</li><li>Our God</li><li>Joy to the World</li><li>Great Are You Lord</li><li>Hark the Herald Angels Sing</li></ul>	<b>Songs of Worship</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Angels from the Realms of Glory</li><li>Emmanuel</li><li>It Came Upon/Glorious</li><li>King of Heaven</li><li>Your Name</li><li>O Come All Ye Faithful</li></ul>
<b>Offertory</b> <i>Jesus, Messiah</i> Kyle Hahn	<b>Today's Message</b> <i>Pastor Tara Beth Leach</i>	<b>Offertory</b> <i>What a Glorious Night</i>
<b>Advent Candle</b> <i>James &amp; Lori Lamb</i>		<b>Advent Candle</b> <i>James &amp; Lori Lamb</i>
<b>Today's Message</b> <i>Pastor Tara Beth Leach</i>		<b>Today's Message</b> <i>Pastor Tara Beth Leach</i>



## Holiday Services:

**Sunday - December 18**  
8:00 am & 10:30 am services at PazNaz  
and 9:00 am at Valley Center

**Intergenerational Christmas Eve Service**  
**December 24**  
6:00 pm in the PazNaz Sanctuary  
There will be no childcare, nursery, or special needs programs

**Sundays - December 25 & January 1**  
10:30 am service - PazNaz and Valley Center Combined  
There will be no childcare or nursery for the 10:30 am service  
No 8:00 am service or Sunday School classes for adults, children, or special needs

## Life at PazNaz

### BAREFOOT SUNDAY

On Sunday, December 11, accept the invitation to step out of your shoes and into the hearts and lives of those in need. Bring or wear a pair of new or gently used shoes to donate and plan to go home barefoot. Shoes will be distributed to the attendees of Church in the Park and the families of Helping Hands. For information, contact Pastor Joe Halbert at [jhalbert@paznaz.org](mailto:jhalbert@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2421.

### WEDNESDAY ADVENT SERIES

You are invited to celebrate the season at PazNaz through a special Advent series on Wednesday at 6:30 pm in Lee Chapel. This week, Pastor Joe Halbert will be the special speaker. Contact Melody Bundy for more information at 626.351.2425.

### COOKIE DONATIONS NEEDED

Worship & Celebration Arts is requesting cookie donations for the receptions following the performance of *A Christmas Carol...Revisited* tonight, December 11. Cookies can be homemade or store bought and should be dropped off in the kitchen or church office in disposable containers labeled "WCA" before the show at 6:00 pm.

### A CHRISTMAS CAROL ... REVISITED

Don't miss the final night at PazNaz of *A Christmas Carol ... Revisited*. The curtain goes up in the Sanctuary tonight, Sunday, December 11, at 6:00 pm. This is a free event. No tickets are required, but donations are welcome. Contact Candace Nicholson for more information at [cnicholson@paznaz.org](mailto:cnicholson@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2433.

### CHRISTMAS FOR THE COMMUNITY TOY DRIVE

Through December 18, PazNaz is facilitating a toy drive for girls and boys ages 2-12. Large donation boxes can be found in the foyer of the Sanctuary. Each unwrapped toy donation will be a blessing to the children of PazNaz's community partners. For more information, contact Pastor Joe Halbert at [jhalbert@paznaz.org](mailto:jhalbert@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2421.

### HEALING ROOMS

The Healing Rooms will be taking a break for the holiday season, but will return on Saturday, January 21, from 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Teams of 2 or 3 volunteers will pray with people for healing or any other personal needs. The Healing Rooms will be located in Room 112, Lower Sanctuary and will be available every first and third Saturday of the month. For more information, please contact Glendae Hauser at 626.388.0376 or Melody Bundy at [mbundy@paznaz.org](mailto:mbundy@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2425.

### GET WEEKLY CHURCH UPDATES

If you would like to get weekly email updates about the church, sign up at:  
[www.paznaz.org/welcome/email-updates](http://www.paznaz.org/welcome/email-updates)

### LIVE VIDEO STREAMING

Out of town or not able to make it to PazNaz on Sunday, but still want to participate in the service? PazNaz is now streaming the 10:30 am service live each week online. Go to: [www.paznaz.org/sermons-and-media](http://www.paznaz.org/sermons-and-media).

### WEEKLY PAZNAZ PRAYER GROUP

The Early Christians group meets every Friday morning from 6:00-7:00 am in Room 247, Reed Hall. Don't miss an opportunity to connect more deeply with God.

### GOLF CART SHUTTLE ON SUNDAYS

On campus shuttle service is available for those needing assistance to get around PazNaz. To request a ride, call 626.351.9631 on Sunday mornings. Volunteers at HeBrews will page a cart driver to pick you up.

## Life at PazNaz

### PAZNAZ STAFF OFFERING

During the Sunday services on December 11, 18, & 25, a special love offering will be received for the support, custodial, and director level church staff. Mark your contribution on an offering envelope as "Staff Christmas." Thank you for your generosity.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

**ValueCards** - Do you have some holiday shopping on your to-do list? Please consider supporting Women's Ministries in the process. Many ValueCards are in stock today! Just stop by the Women's Ministries' cart and purchase a ValueCard. There are over 100 vendors to choose from. This extra step can help Women's Ministries help others.

### PASADENA PRIMETIME

**Kick Off 2017** - It's time again for the Annual Snack and Dessert Potluck on Thursday, January 12, at 7:00 pm in Gilmore Hall. If you're age 55 or better, come hear about all the upcoming PrimeTime activities and trips for 2017. Invite a friend! Please sign up at HeBrews or call Sylva Hekimian at 626.351.2426 to RSVP.

### STUDENT MINISTRIES

**Student Ministries Christmas Party** - Calling all middle and high school students! On Wednesday, December 14, you are invited to come eat snacks, play games, and celebrate Christmas together from 6:30-8:00 pm in Meguiar Youth Center. For more information, contact Pastor Mackenzie Smith at [msmith@paznaz.org](mailto:msmith@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2441.

### CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Your pastoral staff and the *Early Christians* prayer team want to know when you or members of your family are in the hospital, facing surgery, or any other crisis. They want to join you in prayer and support during those difficult times. So please notify Pastor Darwin Ng at [dng@paznaz.org](mailto:dng@paznaz.org) or by calling him directly at 626.351.2461. Pastor Darwin will alert the pastoral staff and prayer teams that meet throughout the week.

### GIVE BY KIOSK

The power of giving is now at your fingertips! PazNaz is excited to introduce this modern, convenient way to make offerings and donate to the church. It's faster and more secure than having your checks manually processed and it's easy to use. Look for the kiosk this Sunday in the church foyer and try it out.

### GIVE BY TEXT

Your donations to PazNaz are now just a text away. This is a simple and efficient way to make one-time or recurring gifts to the church. In less time than it takes to write a check, you are now able to offer up your tithe with just your thumbs. Start by texting your dollar amount to 626.986.3397. You will receive a registration link where you will enter your payment and contact information. When registration is complete, you will receive a verification text and a receipt via email. For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give and it will process automatically.

### PAZNAZ GIVING UPDATE Tithes and Offerings Year to Date

Received December 4—\$60,864  
Needed per Sunday—\$68,474  
Received Year-to-Date—\$1,580,498  
Budget Year-to-Date—\$1,685,468

**Faith Promise/World Evangelism—Missions**  
Received December 4—\$10,281  
Needed per Sunday—\$9,546  
Received Year-to-Date—\$149,114  
Budget Year-to-Date—\$245,751

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