

## Life at Valley Center

### 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.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRIES BIBLE STUDY

Join this group of women on Thursdays this spring at 7:00 pm. The group meets at Ann Ketterling's home in Glendora. For more information, contact Ann Ketterling at 626.335.0938.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Parents please plan to have your children join Children's Ministries this morning. Each Sunday's lesson includes video segments, crafts, and a creative teaching message.

June 4: Peter Raises Tabitha  
June 11: Lydia

### 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.

## This Week at VC

### Sunday, June 4

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, June 5

6:30 pm Young Adult Fellowship—Halbert Home

### Tuesday, June 6

*No activities this day*

### Wednesday, June 7

6:30 pm Find the classes that are right for you and your whole family on the PazNaz campus.

### Thursday, June 8

7:00 pm Women's Bible Study—Ann Ketterling's Home  
7:30 pm Worship Team Rehearsal—Sanctuary

### Friday, June 9

*No activities this day*

### Saturday, June 10

*No activities this day*

### VALLEY CENTER GIVING UPDATE

#### Tithes and Offerings Year to Date

Received May 28—\$2,093  
Needed per Sunday—\$1,924  
Received Year-to-Date—\$16,101  
Budget Year-to-Date—\$17,316

*The church fiscal year is from April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018*

### Valley Center: A Campus of PazNaz

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### Leadership Team

**Joe Halbert**, Campus Pastor  
**Hadley Halbert & Nathan Rodriguez**, Worship Leaders  
**Terry Irish**, Associate Pastor  
**Scott Farris**, Youth Ministry Director  
**Liane D'Arezzo**, Valley Center Preschool Director

## 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.

### Welcome Center

It's the central kiosk on the patio. Guests can stop by for a friendly hello 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

**Mano Agulian**, Armenian Ministries  
**Marcos Canales**, La Fuente Ministries  
**Sam Chung**, Cantonese Ministries

**Alan De Vries**, Worship & Celebration Arts  
**Joe Halbert**, Service & Outreach  
**Heather Handley**, Youth Pastor

**Julie Keith**, Special Needs / *In His Image*  
**Timothy Lee**, Korean Ministries  
**Megan Marsh**, Women's Ministries

**Darwin Ng**, Congregational Care / Senior Adults  
**Ali Ravasdy**, Early Childhood Ministries  
**Doug Ravasdy**, Elementary Ministries

**Faith Romasco**, Formation  
**Janine Sagherian**, Sunrise Preschool Director  
**Brad Strawn**, Teaching Pastor

**Mackenzie Smith**, Youth Pastor  
**Min Xiao**, Mandarin Ministries



## This Week at PazNaz

### Sunday, June 4

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 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—122 & 123, Arms Hall  
10:30 am Special Needs Youth Moderate to Severe—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

### Monday, June 5

6:30 pm Men's ACOP Basketball—Gym

### Tuesday, June 6

9:30 am Women in the Word—Gilmore Hall  
4:00 pm Men's Basketball—Gym, Open to everyone

### Wednesday, June 7

12:30 pm Centurion Class Prayer—246, Reed Hall  
2:00 pm Helping Hands—Lower Sanctuary, West Area  
6:30 pm Girlfriend to Girlfriend—Gilmore Hall  
6:30 pm Men's Ministries: *Exodus*—246, Reed Hall  
6:30 pm God's Healing for Life's Losses—247, Reed Hall  
6:30 pm Forming: *From His Heart to Mine*—248, Reed Hall  
6:30 pm The Gathering—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 Special Needs Adults—115, Lower Sanctuary  
6:30 pm Middle & High School—Meguiar Youth Center  
6:30 pm Armenian Christian Outreach Prayer Meeting—148, Reed Hall  
6:45 pm Celebration Choir—101, Lower Sanctuary  
7:30 pm Mandarin Bible Study—149A, Reed Hall  
7:30 pm Armenian Christian Outreach Bible Study—146, Reed Hall

### Thursday, June 8

9:30 am Simply Prayer—Lee Chapel

### Friday, June 9

6:00 am Korean Ministries' Prayer Meeting—249, Reed Hall  
6:00 am Early Christians—247, Reed Hall  
7:00 pm Women's Ministries: *Testimony & Praise*—Lee Chapel

### Saturday, June 10

8:00 am In His Image's *Save Our Sanity*

### First Church of the Nazarene of Pasadena

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June 4, 2017

# ROMANS PART I

## THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD

#PazNaz #Romans

#TheFaithfulnessOfGod



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with Pastor Tara Beth Leach—Faithful Presence

**Sermon Text:**

*Romans 4:1-25*  
 What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh, discovered in this matter? If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about—but not before God. What does Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.”

Now to the one who works, wages are not credited as a gift but as an obligation. However, to the one who does not work but trusts God who justifies the ungodly, their faith is credited as righteousness. David says the same thing when he speaks of the blessedness of the one to whom God credits righteousness apart from works:

“Blessed are those  
 whose transgressions are forgiven,  
 whose sins are covered.  
 Blessed is the one  
 whose sin the Lord will never count against them.”

Is this blessedness only for the circumcised, or also for the uncircumcised? We have been saying that Abraham’s faith was credited to him as righteousness. Under what circumstances was it credited? Was it after he was circumcised, or before? It was not after, but before! And he received circumcision as a sign, a seal of the righteousness that he had by faith while he was still uncircumcised. So then, he is the father of all who believe but have not been circumcised, in order that righteousness might be credited to them. And he is then also the father of the circumcised who not only are circumcised but who also follow in the footsteps of the faith that our father Abraham had before he was circumcised.

It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith. For if those who depend on the law are heirs, faith means nothing and the promise is worthless, because the law brings wrath. And where there is no law there is no transgression.

Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham’s offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all. As it is written: “I have made you a father of many nations.” He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.

Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah’s womb was also dead. Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. This is why “it was credited to him as righteousness.” The words “it was credited to him” were written not for him alone, but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Pasadena Campus**  
 8:00 am Worship  
 Lee Chapel

**Songs of Worship**

- The Comforter Has Come
- Sweet, Sweet Spirit
- Come, Holy Spirit
- Spirit Song

**Offertory**

**Today’s Message**  
*Pastor Tara Beth Leach*

**Valley Center Campus**  
 9:00 am Worship  
 Valley Center Sanctuary

**Songs of Worship**

- Indescribable
- Blessed Be Your Name
- Ever Be
- Love Ran Red
- What a Beautiful Name It Is

**Today’s Message**  
*Pastor Joseph Halbert*

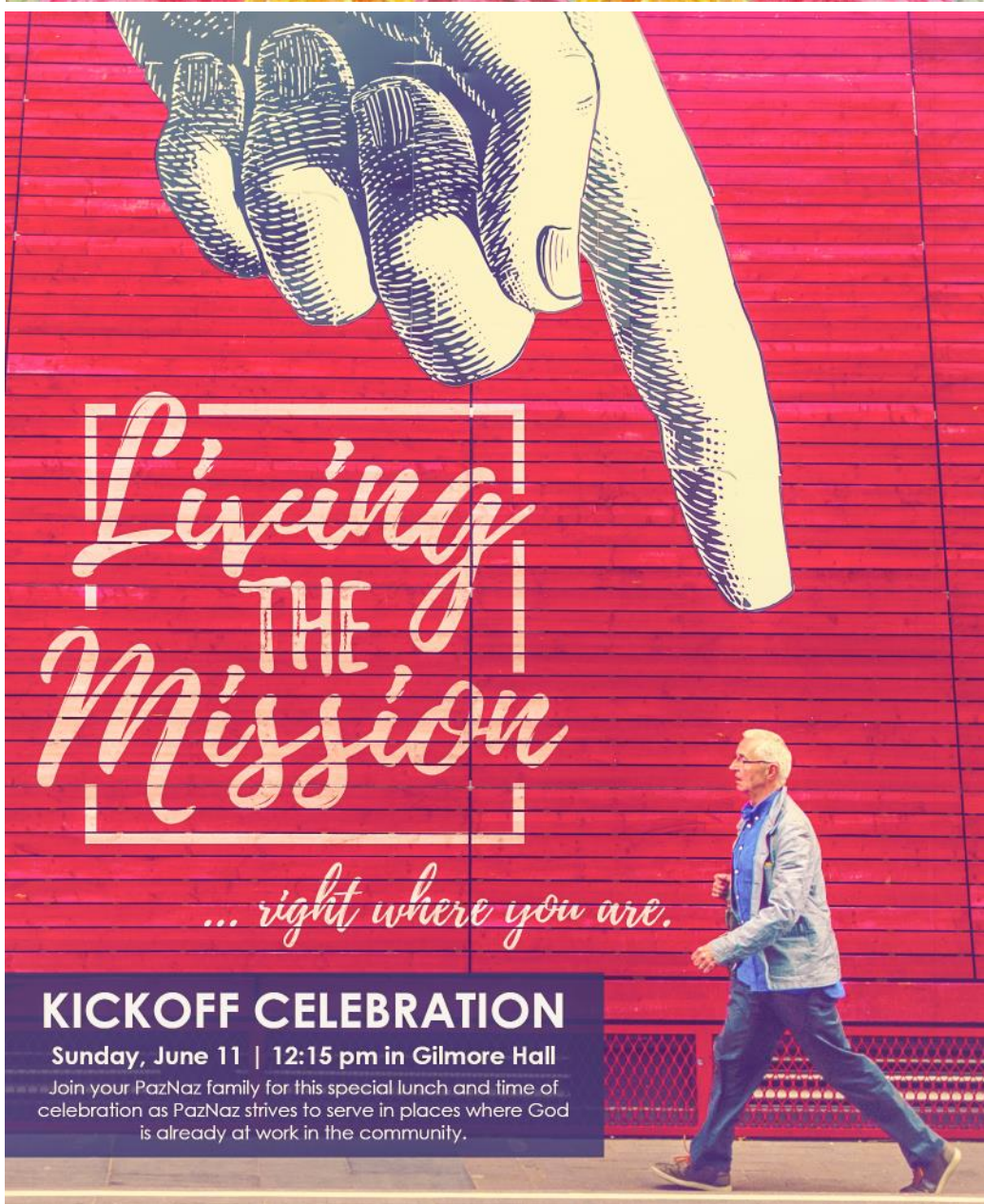
**Pasadena Campus**  
 10:30 am Worship  
 PazNaz Sanctuary

**Songs of Worship**

- We Welcome You Holy Spirit
- Our God Saves
- Spirit of the Living God
- Fill Me Now
- Behold the Lamb of God

**Offertory**  
*These Are the Names of God*

**Today’s Message**  
*Pastor Tara Beth Leach*



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**COMMUNION**

During communion this morning, if you prefer not to leave your seat, ushers will be available to come serve you. Also, gluten-free communion is available by request at each station. An ingredient list is available at the ushers’ closet in the east foyer.

**LIVING THE MISSION ... RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE**

This summer, join your PazNaz family each Wednesday night as they explore the power of story and seek ways to live missionally in the local and global neighborhood. There will be a special kickoff celebration and lunch on Sunday, June 11, at 12:15 pm in Gilmore Hall. Pick up your free ticket for this exciting event at the Welcome Center today.

**PROMOTION SUNDAY**

All children and youth will be promoted to their new 2017-2018 grades on Sunday, June 11. The PazNaz Age Group Pastors are excited to usher incoming 1<sup>st</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students to their new classroom locations during both the 9:15 am Sunday School hour and the 10:30 am worship service. For more information, please contact Pastor Heather Handley at [hhandley@paznaz.org](mailto:hhandley@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2477.

**PAZNAZ PRAISE: A NIGHT OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

Come enjoy an evening of praise and worship with the Celebration Choir and Sunrise Orchestra on Sunday, June 25, at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary. This event will have open seating, no tickets are required, and a freewill offering will be received. Childcare will be available for birth to 4-years-old. Make sure to stay after the concert for a reception on the patio. Please contact Pastor Alan De Vries at [adevries@paznaz.org](mailto:adevries@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2419 for more information.

**HEALING ROOMS**

The Healing Rooms will next meet on Saturday, July 1, 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 Saturday of the month through the summer. 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.

**SUMMER BEACH DAYS**

PazNaz is heading to the beach on Mondays this summer! Join the rest of your PazNaz family on June 12, 26; July 10, 31; and August 7 from 10:00 am-3:00 pm for some fun in the sun. The group will meet up at Lifeguard Station 13 at Huntington Beach. For more information, please contact Pastor Doug Ravasdy at [dravasdy@paznaz.org](mailto:dravasdy@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2456.

**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.

**SUNRISE BOOK + COFFEE**

After several months of dreaming, planning, and implementation, a newly re-imagined bookstore has reopened as Sunrise Book + Coffee. This is a place where you can get a great cup of coffee, select the perfect gift for yourself or a friend, and purchase books that will help you in your spiritual development. Visit Sunrise Book + Coffee on Sundays, 7:30 am-2:00 pm; Mondays-Thursdays, 8:00 am-2:00 pm, and Wednesday nights, 5:30-6:30 pm & 8:00-8:30 pm.

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**SUMMER SEATING**

For the summer months, please consider gathering for worship in the lower-level, center sections.

**WOMEN’S MINISTRIES**

**Testimony & Praise**—Women’s Ministries ends each quarter with an intimate worship event. All women are invited to share in a time of worship and hear personal stories from PazNaz women on Friday, June 9, at 7:00 pm in Lee Chapel. After the service, enjoy refreshments and fellowship in Gilmore Hall, North. For more information, contact Megan Marsh at [mmmarsh@paznaz.org](mailto:mmmarsh@paznaz.org). Free childcare is available with RSVP to Erin Miller at [emiller@paznaz.org](mailto:emiller@paznaz.org).

**STUDENT MINISTRIES**

**Graduating Seniors** - Graduation Sunday is today and there will be a special time of prayer and recognition during the 10:30 am service. A cake reception on the patio will follow the service. Graduates are also invited out to lunch today by Student Ministries.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Lock-in** - Student Ministries wants to celebrate your transition into high school with a night of food, friendship, and fun! All graduating 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to an overnight event on Saturday, June 10, at 8:00 pm in Meguiar Youth Center. Please contact Pastor Heather Handley at [hhandley@paznaz.org](mailto:hhandley@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2477 for more information or to register your student.

**Middle School Pool Party** - Kick off summer right! All new Middle Schoolers are invited to a pool party on Sunday, June 11, from 12:30-3:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Pastor Heather Handley at [hhandley@paznaz.org](mailto:hhandley@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2477 for the address or more information.

**PASADENA PRIMETIME**

**Summer BBQ** - Join fellow PrimeTimers for the exciting evening featuring speakers/musicians, Tony and Lucy Stallworth of Central City Community Outreach, one of PazNaz’s community partners. The BBQ will be on Thursday, June 15, at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$17 per person. Sign up at the Welcome Center on Sundays or contact Sylva Hekimian at 626.351.2426.

**PAZNAZ’S AMAZON SMILE**

Did you know that you can support PazNaz just by shopping on Amazon? You pay the same price, but Amazon will donate a portion of their profits to PazNaz. Just go to [link.paznaz.org/amazonsmile](http://link.paznaz.org/amazonsmile) and then make sure to always shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com). It’s that easy!

**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 May 28—\$24,177  
 Needed per Sunday—\$58,399  
 Received Year-to-Date—\$329,014  
 Budget Year-to-Date—\$464,746

**Faith Promise/World Evangelism—Missions**

Received May 28—\$1,143  
 Needed per Sunday—\$3,318  
 Received Year-to-Date—\$36,122  
 Budget Year-to-Date—\$29,862

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