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BASKETBALL REFEREES NEEDED

PazNaz Sports' winter basketball league is in need of referees for Saturday games starting January 11. Please contact sports@paznaz.org if you are interested.

EXHALE: A CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER PODCAST

Take a deep breath and *Exhale*. This weekly contemplative prayer podcast from Pastor Faith Romasco and Jason Marsh is an exercise in intentionality and nourishment; a moment to pray, meditate, and be reminded that in God's economy of love, there is already enough. With several episodes ready for you today, you can find a new chapter each Tuesday through iTunes, Google Play, or your favorite podcast app. Take a break from restless production and consumption and flourish in connection to your Creator: paz.nz/exhale.

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 paz.nz/amazonsmile and then make sure to always shop at smile.amazon.com. It's that easy!

GET WEEKLY CHURCH UPDATES

If you would like to get weekly email updates about the church or a weekly message from Pastor Tara Beth Leach, sign up by going to www.paznaz.org, and scrolling down to the email sign up section.

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* or by calling him directly at 626.351.2461. Pastor Darwin will alert the pastoral staff and prayer teams that meet throughout the week.

PAZNAZ GIVING UPDATE

Tithes and Offerings Year to Date

Received December 2—\$41,082 Received Year-to-Date—\$1,420,514 Budget Year-to-Date—\$1,503,050 Difference—(\$82,537)

Faith Promise/World Evangelism-Missions

Received December 2—\$2,936 Received Year-to-Date—\$81,754 Budget Year-to-Date—\$87,296 Difference—(\$5,542)

The church fiscal year is from April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019



Helpful Information

Parking Lot Shuttle

A shuttle is available at the back ramps and on the patio for those in need of assistance. Call 626.351.9631 for service.

Congregational Care Hotline

Your pastoral staff wants to join you in prayer and support when you or members of your family are in the hospital or in any other crisis. Please notify us directly at 626.351.2444.

Guest Registration

Complete the information requested on the Connect Card in the pew rack in front of you.

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.

Mother's Room for Babies

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 or look up PazNaz Weekly Sermons on iTunes.

PazNaz Leadership

Preaching Team

Tara Beth Leach, Senior Pastor
Dr. Joe Watkins, Executive Pastor
Dr. Brad Strawn, Teaching Pastor
Faith Romasco, Pastor of Formation

Pastoral Team

Mano Agulian, Armenian Ministries
Marcos Canales, La Fuente Ministries
Alan De Vries, Pastoral Care
Ali Deckard, Creative Worship
Sarah Hong, Cantonese Ministries
Julie Keith, Family Life Ministries/Special Needs
Timothy Lee, Korean Ministries
Dave Myers, Student Ministries
Darwin Ng, Congregational Care/Senior Adults
Rosa Ramirez, Compassionate Ministries
Ali Ravasdy, Early Childhood Ministries
Janine Sagherian, Sunrise Preschool Director
Emily Shnorhokian, Family Life Associate
Min Xiao, Mandarin Ministries

This Week at PazNaz

Simply Prayer—Bride's Room, Lee Chapel

Sunday, December 9

7:40 am

8:00 am Morning Worship—Lee Chapel 8:00 am Early Birds Childcare-228, Arms Hall Church in the Park—Central Park 8:30 am 9:15 am Early Childhood Classes-Arms Hall Special Needs Children's Class-123, Arms Hall 9:15 am La Fuente Ministries, Estudio Biblico-146, Reed Hall 华语主日学 Mandarin Sunday School—149B, Reed Hall 9:15 am 9:15 am Sunday School for children of all ages 9:15 am Adult Sunday School Classes—various locations 9:30 am 粵語主日學 Cantonese Sunday School—245, Lee Chapel 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 Special Needs Youth Moderate to Severe — 10:30 am 115, Lower Sanctuary 10:30 am 粵語崇拜 Cantonese Service—Lee Chapel 10:30 am La Fuente Ministries-Meguiar Youth Center 10:45 am Korean Service—249. Reed Hall 10:50 am 华语崇拜 Mandarin Service—101, Lower Sanctuary 12:15 pm 华语午餐团契 Mandarin Lunch -148, Reed Hall 1:00 pm 华语体育活动 Mandarin Sports Fellowship—Gym 5:00 pm New Ground Word & Table-Gilmore Hall, South 6:00 pm Armenian Christian Outreach—Lee Chapel

Monday, December 10

6:30 pm Men's ACOP Basketball—Gym

Tuesday, December 11

3:00 pm Men's Basketball—Gym, Open to everyone
6:30 pm Worship Team—Sanctuary
7:00 pm ACOP Men's Soccer—Gym
7:00 pm ACOP Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, December 12

12:30 pm Centurion Class Prayer—246, Reed Hall 2:00 pm Helping Hands—Lower Sanctuary, West Area 6:30 pm Nursery, Birth to 2–228, Arms Hall 6:30 pm Early Childhood, Age 3-K-227, Arms Hall PazNaz Kids, grades 1-5—102, Lower Sanctuary 6:30 pm 6:30 pm Special Needs Adults—115, Lower Sanctuary Middle School—112, Lower Sanctuary 6:30 pm 6:30 pm High School—201, Sanctuary Level 7:30 pm Armenian Christian Outreach Bible Study-146. Reed Hall 7:30 pm 华语查经 Mandarin Bible Study-149A, Reed Hall

Thursday, December 13

10:00 am Simply Prayer—Lee Chapel
7:00 pm It's A Wonderful Life—Lee Chapel

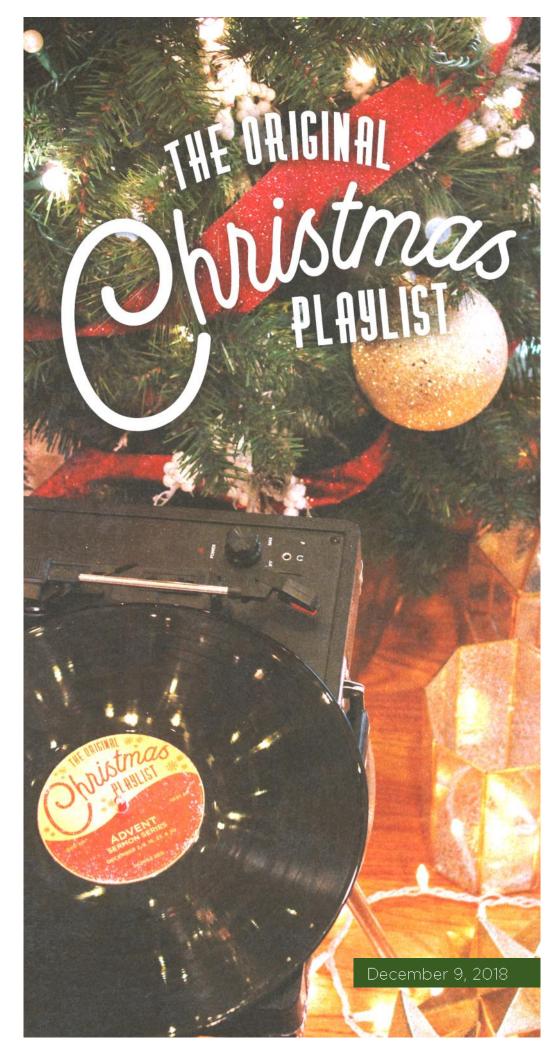
Friday, December 14

Saturday, December 15

11:00 am Helping Hands Christmas Luncheon—Gilmore Hall 7:00 pm It's A Wonderful Life—Lee Chapel

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with Pastor Tara Beth Leach—John the Baptist's Song, A Remix

Sermon Text:

Luke 3:1-6 NIV

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar-when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and Traconitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene-during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the country around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet:

"A voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him. Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth. And all people will see God's salvation."



A LIVE RADIO PLAY

DECEMBER 13-15 & 20-21 AT 7:00 PM

DECEMBER 22 AT 2:00 PM

JOE LANDRY'S



ABOUT THE SERMON SERIES

One of the things we love most about Christmas is the music. The Bible is filled with many songs, and in this sermon series we will take a deep dive into the original Christmas playlist.

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IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE: A LIVE RADIO PLAY

You won't want to miss this beloved American holiday classic that comes to life as a live 1940s radio broadcast. Performances are December 13-15 & 20-21 at 7:00 pm and December 22 at 2:00 pm in Lee Chapel. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased today on the patio, at the door, or online at: paz.nz/WonderfulLife.

PARADISE CAMP FIRE DISASTER RELIEF

The Paradise Camp Fire in northern California has ravaged much of the area and impacted 1,000s of lives. The Sacramento District of the Church of the Nazarene has established a fund to help those affected. If you would like to contribute, please mark your gift "Paradise Camp Fire Relief" on an offering envelope, or you can give online at www.sacnaz.org/online-payments.

PAZNAZ STAFF OFFERING

During the Sunday services on December 9, 16, & 23 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.

HELPING HANDS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Helping Hands needs you for the upcoming Christmas Luncheon on Saturday, December 15, at 11:00 am. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this event in one of the following ways: meal preparation, set up team, clean up team, to serve as guides, or as food servers. To sign up or learn more about the different volunteer roles, kindly go to the Welcome Center or contact Pastor Rosa Ramirez at rramirez@paznaz.org or 626.351.2421.

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Not everyone is cheery for the Christmas holidays. Dealing with the death of a loved one, facing life after divorce or separation, coping with the loss of a job, living with cancer or some other disease that puts a question mark over the future, and a number of other human situations make parties and joviality painful for many people. Join PazNaz for this reflective service, accepting where we really are, while holding out for healing and hope on Wednesday, December 19, at 6:30 pm in Lee Chapel. Childcare will be provided. Contact Pastor Darwin Ng for more information at dng@paznaz.org or 626.351.2461.

VALUECARDS

Do you have some 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.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Celebrate Christmas Eve with your PazNaz family on Monday, December 24, at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary as we anticipate the birth of Jesus.

FAMILY WORSHIP SUNDAY

Join us on Sunday, December 30, for a special service at 10:30 am for the whole family. This morning will feature age-specific activity packets available to help children participate in the service. Pick yours up at one of the tables in the Sanctuary foyer. Childcare will be provided for birth through age two.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS AT PAZNAZ

The church office will be closed on December 25 & 26 for Christmas and January 1 for New Years. On December 27, 28, & 31, the office will only be open from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon.

HEALING ROOMS

The Healing Rooms will next meet on Saturday, January 6, 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. For more information, please contact Glendae Hauser at 626.388.0376 or Melody Bundy at mbundy@paznaz.org or 626.351.2425.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Women's Retreat - Ladies, plan to join us for the LA District Women's Retreat at The Oaks Conference Center on February 22-24, 2019. The theme is Singing In The Rain with Janine Metcalfe as the main speaker. Visit the Women's Ministries' cart on the patio for more details and to register. Contact Sarah Edgbert with questions at sedgbert@paznaz.org.









