

## Life at PazNaz

### PAZNAZ'S AMAZON SMILE

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### GRIEF SUPPORT

If you are struggling with grief, along with the disappointments and chaos of life, you are invited to this Grief Support class. The study will be from the book *Emotionally Healthy Spirituality* by Pete Scazzero. The group meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in Room 247, Reed Hall. Contact Ginny Pedrotti for more information at 760.985.5171.

### MEN'S MINISTRIES

**The Habit on Wednesdays**—You are invited to join this group of guys for fellowship and/or dinner at *The Habit* (3733 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena 91107) at 5:00 pm on Wednesdays ... and don't forget, you get free ice cream at the end. Contact Tom Calnon at 626.622.3872 for more information.

**All In** - You are one decision away from a totally different life. Join this group of men on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in Room 246, Reed Hall as they study Mark Batterson's book, *All In*. Contact David Mimms for more information at [dmimms@paznaz.org](mailto:dmimms@paznaz.org).

### WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

**Girlfriend to Girlfriend** - Women of all ages are invited to gather on Wednesdays in Gilmore Hall from 6:30-8:00 pm and explore Mark Batterson's book, *Whisper*, where you will learn how to hear the voice of God. Contact Debra Wilkens at [dwilkens@ix.netcom.com](mailto:dwilkens@ix.netcom.com) for more information.

**MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) and Mom's Next** - This group of mothers meets on alternating Fridays from 9:15 -11:45 am in Gilmore Hall and provides moms with a hot meal, relevant teaching, support from Mentor Moms, companionship, and childcare. Pregnant women and mothers with children of all ages are invited to attend. This year's theme is "Find Your Fire." The cost for the semester is \$110 for moms with children in MOPS Kids, or \$60 for moms only. Contact Jana Best at [paznazmops@gmail.com](mailto:paznazmops@gmail.com) for more information.

### PAZNAZ GIVING UPDATE

#### Tithes & Offerings

Received February 17—\$24,162  
Received Year-to-Date—\$1,958,141  
Budget Year-to-Date—\$2,073,654  
Difference—(\$115,513)

#### Faith Promise/Missions

Received February 17—\$757  
Received Year-to-Date—\$102,363  
Budget Year-to-Date—\$114,444  
Difference—(\$12,080)

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

Pasadena PrimeTime PRESENTS  
PazNaz Senior Adult Ministries  
**DINNER AND CONCERT**  
Friday, March 15 | 6:00 - 10:00 pm

## 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](http://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  
**Margo Pehlivanos**, Sunrise Preschool Director  
**Emily Shnorhokian**, Family Life Associate  
**Min Xiao**, Mandarin Ministries

## This Week at PazNaz

### Sunday, February 24

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 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 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  
10:30 am Special Needs Youth Moderate to Severe — 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, February 25

6:30 pm Men's ACOP Basketball—Gym

### Tuesday, February 26

9:00 am Women in the Word—Gilmore Hall  
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, February 27

10:00 am Helping Hands—Lower Sanctuary, West Area  
2:00 pm Simply Prayer—Lee Chapel  
5:00 pm Men's Ministries Dinner—The Habit, Hastings Ranch  
6:30 pm Girlfriend to Girlfriend—Gilmore Hall  
6:30 pm Men's Ministries—246, Reed Hall  
6:30 pm Financial Peace University—249, Reed Hall  
6:30 pm Grief Support—247, Reed Hall  
6:30 pm Worship Choir—101, Lower Sanctuary  
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 Student Ministries—112, Lower Sanctuary  
7:00 pm 粵語禱告會 Cantonese Prayer—243, Lee Chapel  
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, February 28

7:00 pm AA Meeting—Meguiar Youth Center

### Friday, March 1

6:00 am Early Christians—247, Reed Hall  
6:00 am Korean Ministries' Prayer Meeting—249, Reed Hall  
6:30 am Men's Open Basketball—Gym  
9:15 am MOPS & MomsNext—Gilmore Hall  
7:00 pm ACOP Youth Night—134, Meguiar Youth Center

### Saturday, March 2

9:00 am PazNaz Sports: Basketball Games—Gym  
10:30 am Healing Rooms—112, Lower Sanctuary

### First Church of the Nazarene of Pasadena

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February 24, 2019



with Pastor Tara Beth Leach—Uncomfortable People

**Sermon Texts:**

1 Peter 2:4-10 NIV

As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him— you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For in Scripture it says:

“See, I lay a stone in Zion,  
a chosen and precious cornerstone,  
and the one who trusts in him  
will never be put to shame.”

Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe,

“The stone the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone,”

and,

“A stone that causes people to stumble  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for.

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

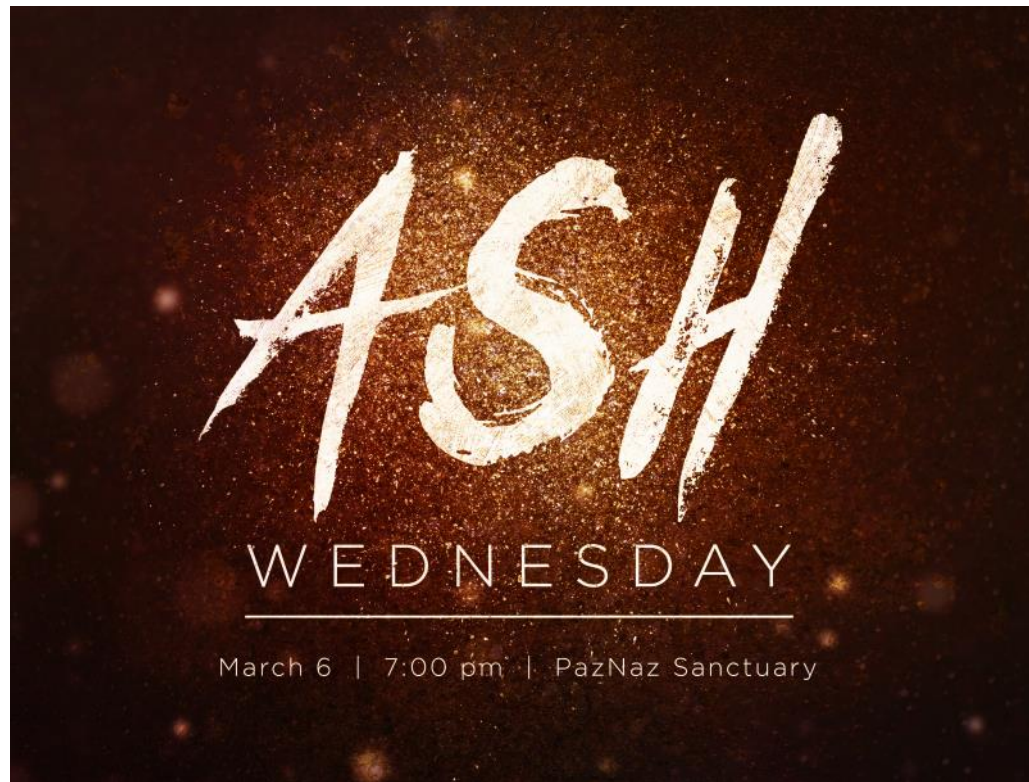
Ephesians 2:19-22 NIV

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.



**ABOUT THE SERMON SERIES**

In a comfort seeking culture, most go out of their way to avoid being uncomfortable. In scripture, however, we see the people of God being pushed and pulled out of their comfort zones to follow God.



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**ALABASTER SUNDAY**

Just as Mary gave her treasured alabaster jar of oil in love to Christ, the purpose of the Alabaster Offering is to sacrifice something we value to actively support missions. Join PazNaz this Alabaster season in giving up something and then donating that money to the Alabaster Offering. The entire Alabaster Offering goes towards the purchase of land and construction of churches, schools, medical facilities, and homes for missionaries and national workers throughout the world. In the 70 years of the Alabaster Offering, over \$117 million dollars have been raised and 9,000 projects have been completed.

**SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRIES**

**Parents Night Out** - All special needs parents are invited to a free night out! Come for a time of food, fun, and laughter on Saturday, March 30, from 6:00-8:00 pm in Gilmore Hall. Special needs childcare for kids of all ages is available with reservation. Contact Pastor Julie Keith for more information at [jkeith@paznaz.org](mailto:jkeith@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2485. Sign up at [paz.nz/ParentsNightOut](http://paz.nz/ParentsNightOut).

**GRIEF SUPPORT: WIDOWS’ BREAKFAST**

You are invited to a breakfast for widows, giving women who have lost their spouses a chance to connect with other women for social and spiritual enrichment. Join us on Wednesday, February 27, at 9:00 am at Nano Cafe (322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd, Sierra Madre). If you can’t come this month, this group meets every fourth Wednesday. For more information and to RSVP, contact Ginny Pedrotti at [gabbygrace4466@gmail.com](mailto:gabbygrace4466@gmail.com) or 760.985.5171.

**HEALING ROOMS**

The Healing Rooms will next meet on Saturday, March 2, 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](mailto:mbundy@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2425.

**STUDENT MINISTRIES - PARENT MEETING**

All parents and guardians of middle & high school students are invited to a brief meeting (30 minutes or less) on Sunday, March 3, at 12:15 pm in Room 112, Lower Sanctuary. Light refreshments will be provided and students and younger siblings are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Dave Myers at [dmyers@paznaz.org](mailto:dmyers@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2441.

**PAZNAZ SPORTS: CELEBRATION SUNDAY**

You are invited next Sunday, March 3, to a free hot dog lunch in Gilmore Hall after the 10:30 am service to celebrate the end of the season for the PazNaz basketball players and coaches.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**

Join your PazNaz family for a special Wednesday night service celebrating Ash Wednesday and the start of the Lenten season on March 6 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Children from birth to Kindergarten will have their own special Ash Wednesday service in Arms Hall.

**PASADENA PRIMETIME**

**Dinner and Concert** - If you are age 55 or better, you are invited to a nice catered dinner from StoneFire Grill followed by a classical concert by the Pasadena Community Orchestra at PazNaz on Friday, March 15, from 6:00-10:00 pm in Rooms 248 & 249, Reed Hall. The concert will feature Boulanger, Neruda, Beethoven, and other special music. The cost for the night is only \$15. Purchase your tickets at the Welcome Center on Sundays, or contact Pastor Darwin Ng for more information at [dng@paznaz.org](mailto:dng@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2461.

**BABY DEDICATIONS**

If you would like to dedicate your child to the Lord on Sunday, March 31, please contact Pastor Ali Ravasdy at [aravasdy@paznaz.org](mailto:aravasdy@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2418.

**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 or Pastor Alan De Vries by using the Congregational Care Hotline: 626.351.2444. They will alert the pastoral staff and prayer teams that meet throughout the week.