

Life at PazNaz

END OF YEAR FAQS

Below you will find some frequently asked questions concerning year-end contributions. Thank you for your continued support of the ministries of PazNaz.

When is the last day to make a contribution to PazNaz to be counted for 2019 taxes?

All contributions must be received by the church by December 31, 2019, or postmarked no later than that day.

Can I give stock or other appreciated assets to the church?

Yes. Please call Pastor Joe Watkins at 626.351.2413 for assistance.

When will 2019 contribution statements be mailed?

All contribution statements will be mailed during the month of January 2020.

PAZNAZ GIVING UPDATE

Tithes & Offerings		Faith Promise/Missions	
Received December 8:	\$48,827	Received December 8:	\$6,676
Received Year-to-Date:	\$1,226,298	Received Year-to-Date:	\$89,202
Budget Year-to-Date:	\$1,267,998	Budget Year-to-Date:	\$88,415
Difference:	(\$41,700)	Difference:	\$787

The church fiscal year is from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020

INCOME & EXPENSES FOR APRIL-NOVEMBER 2019

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income:	\$1,768,319	\$1,800,079	(\$31,760)
Expenses:	(\$1,893,163)	(\$1,963,491)	\$70,328
Net:	(\$124,844)	(\$163,412)	\$38,568

- Income includes all forms of revenue in addition to tithes and offerings, but does not include designated and restricted gifts.
- The above summary represents the activity for the current budget year and does not address the operating deficit from our previous fiscal year.



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.

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.

We Miss You Cards

Notice someone has missed a Sunday or two? Pick up a card from the Welcome Center and let them know you're thinking of them. Fill out the card, leave it at the Welcome Center, and we'll get it in the mail for you.

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

Tara Beth Leach, Senior Pastor
Dr. Joe Watkins, Executive Pastor

Mano Agulian, Armenian Ministries
Marcos Canales, La Fuente Ministries
Ali Deckard, Creative Worship
Sarah Hong, Cantonese Ministries
Timothy Lee, Korean Ministries
Heidi Morgan, Sunrise Preschool Director
Dave Myers, Family Life/Student Ministries
Darwin Ng, Congregational Care/Senior Adults
Ali Ravasdy, Early Childhood/PazNaz Kids
Faith Romasco, New Ground Ministries & Creative Director
Emily Shnorhokian, Special Needs
Dr. Brad Strawn, Faith Development
Min Xiao, Mandarin Ministries

This Week at PazNaz

Sunday, December 15

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 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
 10:30 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
 1:30 pm PazNaz Caroling
 5:00 pm Sunday Night Shift—112, Lower Sanctuary
 6:00 pm Armenian Christian Outreach—Lee Chapel

Monday, December 16

6:30 pm Men's ACOP Basketball—Gym

Tuesday, December 17

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

Wednesday, December 18

10:30 am Helping Hands—Lower Sanctuary, West Area
 5:00 pm Men's Ministries Dinner—The Habit, Hastings Ranch
 6:30 pm Blue Christmas—Lee Chapel
 6:30 pm Worship Choir—101, 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, December 19

7:00 pm AA Meeting—Meguiar Youth Center

Friday, December 20

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
 7:00 pm ACOP Youth Night—134, Meguiar Youth Center



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PEACE

be with you

Today's Sermon: Desert Bloom

with Pastor Tara Beth Leach

Sermon Text:

Isaiah 35:1-10 NIV

The desert and the parched land will be glad;
the wilderness will rejoice and blossom.
Like the crocus, it will burst into bloom;
it will rejoice greatly and shout for joy.
The glory of Lebanon will be given to it,
the splendor of Carmel and Sharon;
they will see the glory of the Lord,
the splendor of our God.

Strengthen the feeble hands,
steady the knees that give way;
say to those with fearful hearts,
"Be strong, do not fear;
your God will come,
he will come with vengeance;
with divine retribution
he will come to save you."

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened
and the ears of the deaf unstopped.
Then will the lame leap like a deer,
and the mute tongue shout for joy.
Water will gush forth in the wilderness
and streams in the desert.
The burning sand will become a pool,
the thirsty ground bubbling springs.
In the haunts where jackals once lay,
grass and reeds and papyrus will grow.

And a highway will be there;
it will be called the Way of Holiness;
it will be for those who walk on that Way.

The unclean will not journey on it;
wicked fools will not go about on it.

No lion will be there,
nor any ravenous beast;
they will not be found there.

But only the redeemed will walk there,
and those the Lord has rescued will return.

They will enter Zion with singing;
everlasting joy will crown their heads.
Gladness and joy will overtake them,
and sorrow and sighing will flee away.

ABOUT THE SERMON SERIES

In this series we will explore the call on our lives to embrace the vision of peace and shalom as illustrated in scripture. As a church we are called to *live this out* during the season of Advent through embodied practices and service projects.

Welcome to PazNaz

New to PazNaz? We Want to Connect With You!

Connect Card - Please fill out the card in the pew rack in front of you and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a pastor. After the service our pastors will be on the patio in front of the Welcome Center and would love to meet you.

Five Minutes of PazNaz - Meet Pastor Tara Beth and others at the picnic table on the patio after the 10:30 am service for a five-minute overview of our church community.

Sign up for our weekly email updates at: paz.nz/EmailUpdate

A REFLECTIVE HOLIDAY SERVICE FOR THOSE WHO MOURN

Blue CHRISTMAS

Wednesday, December 18, at 6:30 pm in Lee Chapel

Christmas eve service

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24
6:30 PM IN THE SANCTUARY

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PAZNAZ STAFF OFFERING

During the Sunday services on December 15 & 22 a special love offering will be received for the support, custodial, director level, and pastoral church staff. Mark your contribution on an offering envelope as "Staff Christmas." Thank you for your generosity.

DAILY ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

Are you looking for an Advent Devotional? Sign up today for short daily devotionals delivered right to your inbox: paz.nz/AdventDevotional. Contact Pastor Faith Romasco with questions at fromasco@paznaz.org or 626.351.2469.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Value Cards - Each Sunday take a moment to stop by the Women's Ministries' cart to participate in their ongoing fundraiser by purchasing Value Cards. These gift cards to over 100 stores never expire. There is no extra cost to you, and a portion of all your purchases will be donated back to Women's Ministries. Please note that we will be moving to a preorder system so stop by the cart in advance to order your gift cards! For more information, contact Maria Galindo at tipp54@yahoo.com.

HERE WE COME A-CAROLING

Share some Christmas joy with those who cannot come to church. Join us today, Sunday, December 15, from 1:30-4:30 pm for a time of caroling. We will meet in the front East parking lot and carpool. Bring some baked goods in small packages and get ready to make a joyful Christmas noise. Please sign up at the Welcome Center on Sundays.

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 18, at 6:30 pm in Lee Chapel. Childcare will be provided for children ages 2 years and younger. Contact Pastor Darwin Ng for more information at dng@paznaz.org or 626.351.2461.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

There will be no 8:00 am service this week and Early Childhood, PazNaz Kids, Student Ministries, and Special Needs Ministries will not be meeting at 8:00 am or during the Sunday School hour. The 10:30 am service will meet in the Sanctuary and continue the Advent sermon series. Programs for children of all ages and those with special needs will be available during the service. *Free churros and hot chocolate will be available in Sunrise Book + Coffee.*

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Celebrate with us on Tuesday, December 24, at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary as we anticipate the birth of Jesus with music, scripture readings, a children's living nativity, and a message from Pastor Tara Beth Leach. Children of all ages are welcome in the service. No childcare will be provided.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS AT PAZNAZ

The church office will be closed on December 25, 26, 27, & January 1 for the holidays.

FAMILY WORSHIP SUNDAY - DECEMBER 29

Join us on Sunday, December 29, 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. There will be no 8:00 am service or Sunday School this week.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

Enjoy a delicious breakfast and time of fellowship at 9:00 am in Gilmore Hall on Sunday, December 29. Donations will be accepted to help cover breakfast costs.

BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED

PazNaz Sports' winter basketball league is in need of two head coaches for our Kindergarten teams. Please contact Pastor Dave Myers at dmyers@paznaz.org if you are interested.