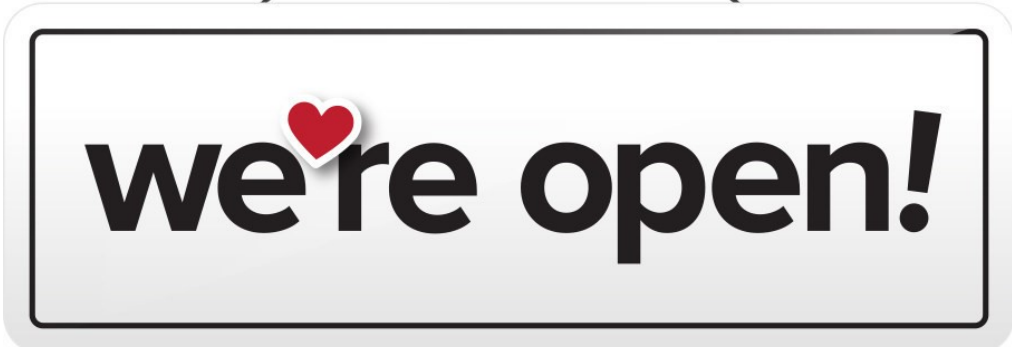




Castro Valley Church of the Nazarene



Alameda County has lowered the restrictions for indoor gathering!
Please join us this Sunday for our Celebration Sunday!!!

10:45 a.m.
Gospel Music Playing
11:00 a.m.
Worship Begins

PREPARATION FOR SUNDAY

We can't wait to see you!
 We believe it is very safe to join us in worship on Sunday. We are taking strong steps to ensure your health and well-being.

However

- If you are sick or have been exposed to

someone who is sick, it's best to stay home.

- If you have a compromised immune system take extra precautions.
- Use common sense in all areas for your protection and the protection of others.
- Wear a mask into the building.
- Find a socially distance seating place.
- If you wish, once you are a safe distance from others, remove your mask.

- Wear your mask while singing.
- For now, it is best not to shake hands, hug or carry on close conversations.
- Follow directions for restroom usage.

We will have touchless communion and offering from 10:45—11:00 a.m.

Please don't let these restrictions keep you from attending. We miss you so much.

We will livestream service on Facebook as well. YouTube will be posted later.



Encouragement from Pastor Steve

November 2020

We put a huge emphasis in a call to worship, we provide a place for it and have a process through which we are led. However, do we understand the dynamic value of Sunday mornings at 11:00 a.m.?

Coming together for worship on Sunday is an opportunity for God to release His power and authority on His people. And here are the reasons:

- First, God lives in our worship. Psalm 22:3-4 tells us that as we worship Him (honor and praise) he “inhabits” those praises; He draws near. There is a dynamic here that must be understood. When we focus on Him we focus on ourselves less and because of that humble position God has the freedom to be active in our lives.
- Second, God acts through our worship. James 4:8 tells us that when we worship we are drawing near to God. God’s response is to draw near to us and bring transformation in our lives. By the way, that’s a promise!
- Third, God acts through our connection with others. The Bible says “Where two or three are gathered together in My Name, I am in their midst.” Matthew 18:20. There is a miraculous dynamic that happens when we meet in worship. The gathering invites God’s presence. Need I say more?

It is God's presence that saves, transforms, cleanses, empowers and sends. And it is gathering for worship that becomes the gateway for His presence. Make Sunday worship a priority. And when you come, expect to experience the real, dynamic and transforming presence of God. As we regather, let's consider our purpose and God's desire. Let's be open to God's work, ready to let God change us and make us what He desires.

Remember... You are loved!!!





Church Family Updates and Prayer Concerns



Prayer Concerns

Mike Roche

Mike has received good news through a recent scan. But

the battle against Leukemia is ongoing. Pray for Mike and Beverly as they fight the good fight.

Ralph Hauser

A Praise. The growth doctors discovered behind his eyes is just an irritation, not a tumor or cancer. There is much to rejoice about.

The Election

It is the responsibility of every Christian to pray for guidance and then to help in the selection of our leaders and the laws that affect us. Please consider some powerful times of prayer for this election.

Our Country and Its Leaders

The Bible tells us that, "For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God." Romans 13:1 Please pray for our national leadership, for healing from division and that truth will be revealed.

CVNAZ CONNECTION

There will be a welcome center open from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday at the church facility for times of connection, fellowship and prayer. Come grab a donut and some coffee, join the support group and enjoy good conversation. We will observe all COVID protocols.

WE CELEBRATE....

November Birthdays

- 5 Tina Frey
- 5 Hongyan Shinnette
- 7 Paul Olsen
- 15 Sally Kosciusko
- 16 Jim Correia
- 18 Ryan Copp
- 20 Ed Cintrone
- 20 Julie Joseph
- 23 Bruce King
- 25 Brandon Cote
- 29 Diane Reed
- 30 David Stevens
- 31 Evelyn Martin

November Anniversaries

- 5 Pastor Simon & Virginia Lam
- 13 Chris & Sally Kosciusko

If we missed your special day, let us know so that we can update our records.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT HAS BEGUN

Brandon Cote has begun his Eagle Scout project with the refurbishment of the parking lot landscaping. They are hard at work!

PRAYER EVENTS

Sunday, November 1, from 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. and Monday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. the church will be open for prayer for God's hand to be on our election. Come and join us as we gather together to seek God's will.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Women's Ministry Bible Study

First and Third Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Center

Men's Ministry Bible Study

Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Center - Book of Romans

Veteran's Appreciation Sunday



November 8—10:45 a.m. We will recognize and celebrate our veterans during the service on

Sunday morning. Invite a veteran to join you.

CVNaz Hymn Sing-along

Thank you to all who participated in our monthly Hymn Sing along.

Mike Roche, Wiley Davis, Lynn Connelly, Dick Bellefeuille, Debbie Olsen, Suzanne Redmond, Pat Pekkonon, Fred Pekkonon, Becky Cook, Chris Kosciusko, Marty Murphy, Phillip Swanson and Jacque Hauser.

If you missed it you will be able to watch it again on



Parking Lot Resurfacing

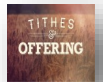


Due to God's blessing and your faithfulness we were able to do needed maintenance on the parking lot. It looks great!

Drive by and see for yourself. Praise God for His provision.

FAITHFUL IN GIVING TO THE LORD AND HIS CHURCH

If you can and will, if God has blessed you and you wish to share those blessings with others, please continue to be faithful to your local church and its mission. We want to continue to be a part of great things happening in our community and around the world through your faithful support.



Venmo: @CVNazGive

CVNaz Food Distribution Program

Join the CVNaz Food Distribution Program on Saturdays at 12:00 p.m.

We would like all of the CVNaz Family to take advantage of this opportunity. Come down and put together a box for someone in need. It is a real blessing.

MISSIONS NEWS

Want to know what's going on around the world in Nazarene Missions?

Find out at: www.nazarene.org/news

Happy almost-Thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday. It is a time for family and remembering God's blessings. Lately I have been so thankful for the gift of God's Word and the understanding made possible through the Holy Spirit.



Our prayer focus for November is the group of ten islands off the coast of Africa called Cabo Verde. The Nazarene missions work was established here in 1901 making this one of the oldest works within our denomination. The church is so well-established that the missionaries have long-since turned over the work to the nationals. The challenges of Covid-19 have been felt by the Cabo Verde church. But there have also been blessings...

- ◆ A national TV broadcast of a church service was developed for the first time in the country's history! 10:00 AM Primetime!
- ◆ The Cabo Verde church has been recognized by their government for the work they have done in the community during the pandemic

Prayer requests:

- ◆ Financial stability of the church and its members
- ◆ For young people to respond to the call of ministry (about 46% of the population is under the age of 25)
- ◆ For wisdom for the pastors and leaders as they seek to reach out to their communities with the Gospel in new ways during this pandemic



Castro Valley Church of the Nazarene has the opportunity to reach out to our community through our next blood drive!

November 24, 10 AM – 4 PM.

We are also excited to confirm a visit from one of our missionaries! Lord willing, Russell and Carla Frazier will be with us on March 28, 2021. We look forward to hearing about their story in Kenya.

I look forward to introducing you to our own missionary family, Esdras & Scarlet Jimenez. We will be supporting them in prayer and encouragement in this upcoming year.

More next month! God bless, Becky, CV Naz Mission Connections





The Legacy Project

Although the pipe organ is not “essential” for worship or to the overall value of this great church, it is important to us as a historic jewel and blessing to traditional music and worship. The Leadership Board has approved the designation of a fundraising project to raise \$80,000.00 to have the organ removed, rebuilt and replaced in working order.

This will be accomplished on multiple levels:

- 1—Contacting organ guilds and historical organizations.
- 2—Private funding and grants.
- 3— Community Involvement.
- 4— CVNaz Funding Campaign

Funding Campaign: The Legacy Project.

We are asking the members (current and former), family and friends of the (Edenvale) Castro Valley Church of the Nazarene to help us by prayerfully pledging a love gift towards the **Legacy Project**. This faith pledge, above regular tithes and offerings, will be collected and tallied throughout 2021-2022.

Each of us have an opportunity to:

- Pledge and give immediately or over time;
- Give a gift in memory of a family member or friend;
- Create a fund raising campaign on Facebook, GoFundMe or letter writing;

Our prayer is that the organ will be ready for its 100th birthday in the fall of 2024. This gives us four years to accomplish our goal. We prayerfully ask the Lord to direct us with wisdom and bless our endeavors.

