

# Family Reunion

♦ Arden Church Newsletter ♦ February, 2018

## BAPTISM SUNDAY

**Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup>**

Interested in getting baptized? Just call the church office with your contact information. This Sunday is Baptism Sunday so begin inviting your family and friends to share this special day with you. Also please note there will be no Elementary kids church that weekend during the 10:45 service so we share the baptisms together as a church family.

### Youth Group

We are excited to announce we have recently started up a Youth Group led by Nick Theriault. We meet Tuesday evenings 7-8:15 for games, music, a message and fellowship, we also meet on Sunday mornings 9:30-10:30. Come join us! We would love to have you there.

### Annual Business Meeting

Each year our congregation gathers to elect officers and receive reports from our leaders and staff. Elections are held before and after the connections classes at 9:30. Following service, we will receive reports in the Family Life Center. This special time is scheduled for Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup>. All members are encouraged to attend.

### DISTRICT ASSEMBLY APRIL 25-27

All our congregation is invited to share in the annual gathering of all the Nazarene Churches in the Sacramento area. The Missions Convention will be held on April 25-26 and the District Assembly will be held on April 26-27 at **Auburn Parkside Nazarene**  
**3885 Richardson Drive, Auburn**

### Check Our New Website...

Your church has a new look for the website. Please check it out at:

**[www.ArdenChurch.org](http://www.ArdenChurch.org)**

Invite your un-churched friends and family to check out this new site. Then invite them to come and worship with you as we start a New Year together.

We hope to attract new families as they preview your church on this updated website.

### Arden Kids:

**MINUTE-TO-WIN-IT  
Review Game  
February 18<sup>th</sup>!**

**A fun-filled day of  
games and Bible trivia  
at 10:45!**

### Men's Breakfast

Third Saturday of every month, the men's fellowship gathers for breakfast in the Family Life Center. For a suggested donation of \$5.00, a delicious breakfast is served with a program following – usually a guest speaker. Please contact David Drenth with any questions at 916-708-4928.

### **Alabaster Offering on February 18<sup>th</sup>**

The Alabaster Offering provides funds for property and buildings around the world. While we understand the church consists of the people of God and not a building, buildings enhance ministry efforts and convey an attitude that the Church of the Nazarene intends to "put down roots."

Adopted in 1949, the Alabaster Fund is still strong, having provided funds for more than 8,800 projects since its beginning. Faithful Nazarenes around the world have given nearly \$100 million dollars for this much-needed ministry.

Alabaster funds help provide land for many Work & Witness projects, and the entire Alabaster Offering goes toward the purchase of land and construction of churches, schools, medical facilities, and homes for missionaries and national workers.

### **Bread of Life Food Pantry**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month starting at 9:30, the food pantry ministry volunteers to gather and distribute free groceries and other household items to Sacramento families who are in need.

A Chapel Service is at 10:00 while people wait for their food distributions. This month the Food Pantry dates are February 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

New volunteers are always welcomed and appreciated.

### **Young Adults Ministry**

Beginning in February, a new fellowship group for young adults will be launched by Devin and Kimberly Sook. As a way to initiate this new ministry, a new Connections Class was started on February 4<sup>th</sup> to continue each Sunday at 9:30 AM in Room 40.

Plans call for monthly fellowship events to be held specifically for our young adults who are 20 and 30 Something's.

All young adults are invited to participate in this ministry.

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