

**New information is in a bold box. The weekly Newsletter is also on our website.**

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### Mission Statement

We exist to impact people around the corner and around the world with the love of Jesus.

### Our Core Values

#### Biblical Focus

Applying God's never-changing Word to an ever-changing world.

*All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.*  
2 Timothy 3:16-17

#### Spiritual Transformation

Changing lives through a relationship with Jesus.

*Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.*  
Romans 12:1-2

### Stay Connected!

**Check your spam/junk folders regularly for our emails** and add "office" with [office@lovelandnaz.org](mailto:office@lovelandnaz.org) to your email contacts.

The church calendar is available on our website homepage under the "Calendar" tab. It is updated weekly.

### Sunday Church Service

Join us on Sunday at 9:30am at 1020 S. Lincoln Avenue. For those of you unable to attend in person, the service will be live-streamed on our *Loveland Nazarene Church* YouTube channel at 9:30am. If you are unable to join us live, the video of the service will be available on YouTube shortly after the service is over. *If you are viewing **LIVE** on a TV, please email the church office with the number of people viewing. On other devices, check in on the YouTube Livestream Chat with the number of people viewing.*

### Children's Ministry

The children are rehearsing for their Christmas musical, *Carol of the Toys*, with Miss Nikki at 9:30am. We have toddler and preschool activities as usual.

### Student Ministry

Loveland Naz Teens meet on Sunday 6-7:30pm.

### View the Thunderbirds

Our new church property is available to use as a viewing location for the Thunderbirds Air Show on Saturday, September 20, beginning at approximately 10:00am. Park on the street and walk across the property to the north side of the building in order to sit on the pavement. Bring your own chairs, snacks, and water. There is no shade, so umbrellas and/or hats are advised. Don't forget sunscreen and binoculars. There will be access to port-a-potties but no running water. **NOTE:** It is still an active construction site, however, no work should be going on outside at that time.

### September Is Alabaster Month

There is a basket in the lobby for your Alabaster boxes. There is a handout next to the basket that details the Alabaster mission. All funds received go toward building needs; nothing is used for administration.

### Men's Retreat

November 7-9 in Lees Ferry, AZ. There is space for 15 men. The cost is \$400 per person *all-inclusive*. **We need a deposit of \$100 by September 21.** If you have any questions please contact Bruce Tallman at 970-685-1514.

## All-Church Game Night

Let's have a night of fun on Saturday, October 11 at 6:30pm! Bring your favorite board game & a snack to share.

### Prayer Requests

- Margie Mellon recovering from shoulder surgery.
- Ruth Saunders in cancer treatment.

### Stewardship in 2025/2026

*Giving through 09.14.24*

Faith Promise	\$	360
Tithes & Offerings		5,453
Needed Weekly		8,030
Needed Year to Date		160,600
Received Year to Date		173,327

### 2023/24 Capital Campaign Update

Received to date:	\$	2,657,164
Commitments		3,746,282

### Community Impact

Making our community a better place to live.

*He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation."  
Mark 16:15*

### Loving Relationships

Creating a place for genuine relationships.

*The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these.*

*Mark 12:31*

### Passionate Worship

Gathering together, praising and honoring God with all our heart.

*Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.*

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.*

*Psalms 100:1-4*

### Methods of Giving

- Offering is received on Sunday mornings.
- Mail a check to the office.
- Online bill pay through your bank.
- Online through our website-[lovelandnaz.org](http://lovelandnaz.org). Click on the "GIVE" tab.

### From the Word

*[Jesus said] "Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile; it is thrown out. Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear." --Luke 14:34-35*

Have you ever bitten into a bland meal and thought, "This needs salt"? A little salt makes all the difference. But what if the salt has lost its saltiness, its very essence? That's Jesus' point in today's Bible reading.

Earlier in Luke chapter 14, Jesus spoke about the cost of discipleship. Following him means denying ourselves, carrying our crosses, and surrendering all. And then he said, "Salt is good... but what if it loses its saltiness?" He was describing what happens when disciples lose their distinctiveness. When Christians blend into the world—chasing the same priorities, hiding the gospel, forgetting grace—we become like flavorless salt. In other words, useless.

That's a sobering warning. It's easy to go through the motions of religion while our hearts grow cold, our witness dulls, and our faith drifts from Christ to comfort. But Jesus isn't trying to shame us. He's calling us back. "Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear." He wants us to repent, to remember who we are.

Because in him, we are salty again. Jesus, the perfect disciple, never lost his saltiness. He gave his life for us. By his forgiveness, he makes us new and useful again. Through his Word and sacraments, he preserves our faith and reignites our witness.

So, stay connected to Christ. Soak in his grace. Let his love season your words, your choices, your days. You are his salt in a bland world.

*Prayer: Lord Jesus, you gave everything to save me. Forgive the times I have lost my zeal and blended into the world. Restore me with your grace and use me to reflect your love.*

### Laughter Really Is the Best Medicine!



Being in my senior years, I feel very fortunate to have someone call and check on me every day.

He's from India, and he's very concerned about my car warranty.

