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Pray for our teens this
week as they prepare for
teen retreat
April 29th-May1st

1st Saturday Prayer Breakfast for Men and Women

May 7th in the Worship Center @ 8:30

For a time of prayer,
then we will go out to breakfast.

Led by Pastor Rob



Pentecost 2016

May 15th

Pot Luck Dinner immediately after service

No Sunday School Hour

Drop off food at the gathering place
between 9:30 and 9:45

Pulled Pork Sandwiches provided

What the bring

A side dish or a dessert to share

Lawn chairs if the weather is nice

Wear Red for group photo

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10:00AM - 11:30 AM Worship Service

11:30 AM - 12:30PM Sunday School

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New Cumberland Church of the Nazarene



Welcome

Worship Order and Community Life

New Cumberland Church of the Nazarene

Order of Worship
Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 24, 2016

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude Music
Welcome
Call to Worship
Worship Reading

We Listen to the Scriptures

Pastoral Prayer
Offering
Scripture Reading: John 13.31-35
Sermon Series: "It's Sunday but Monday's Coming"
Sermon Four: "*Love One Another*"

We Come to the Table

Prayer of Consecration
The Lord's Prayer
We Eat and Drink Together
Prayer of Thanksgiving

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life
Gossiping the Good Stuff
Doxology
Blessing and Sending

Events this Week

Sunday Worship Service	10:00AM
Sunday School for ALL ages	11:30AM

Wednesdays from 7PM-8:15PM

Caravan: 3 years to 5th Grade Meet in the Worship Center
Youth Group: 6th - 12th Grade Meet at The Gathering Place
Men's Bible Study: Dave Earp leader 615 16th St.
Ladies Healing & Recovery Group: Brenda Holston 613 16th St.

APRIL/ MAY CALENDAR

Apr 24 Baptism Orientation	11:30AM
Apr 29-May 1 Youth Retreat @ Nawakwa	6:00PM
May 1 Nate and Andrea's Wedding	
May 1 Baptism Orientation	11:30AM
May 8 Mother's Day	*****
May 8 Market Street Breakfast Mission	7:30AM
May 8 Baptism Orientation	11:30AM
May 15 PENTECOST 2016	10:00AM

Please visit us on our website, www.ncnazarene.org
for details of events.

Also you will find, photos, monthly newsletters,
bulletins, online giving and you can also
send prayer request to the prayer chain.

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Sermon Reflection Guide

For Personal Reflection and Communal Conversation

The Fifth Sunday of Easter, 24 April 2016

Sermon Series *"It's Sunday, but Monday's Coming"*

Sermon Four: *"Commanding Love"*

John 13.31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

Question for Everyone

(1) Love is something I feel. (10) Love is something I do.
Where are you on this spectrum?

Into the Darkness

"This is, sadly, the journey many Jesus people make. They grow up in the church having learned to love and trust Jesus. But then something happens, other allegiances begin to encroach, doubt begins to cloud their vision, attending the

means of grace in daily prayer and meditation and weekly worship becomes sporadic. And then they are gone." Talk about why people leave the church. Is there a common thread in their departure stories?

"Never forget, one can believe all the right things about Jesus. One may memorize the 16 Articles of faith of the Church of the Nazarene and recite the Apostles Creed with perfection while at the same time moving from Light to darkness." How does this happen?

Glory

"In John's Gospel Jesus is "lifted up." Which refers simultaneously to Jesus' crucifixion and his ascension (his being lifted up on the cross and lifted up into the glory of God's presence). This, lifting up, is Jesus' enthronement. In John's Gospel, Jesus' crucifixion is Jesus' enthronement. Jesus' crucifixion is the explicit revelation of God's glory. . . . The epicenter of this glory is that moment when Jesus was lifted up, enthroned on a cross as our Passover Lamb." What then, might it mean to live to the glory of God?

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Love One Another

“This is Jesus’ mission statement for his church: “Love one another as I have loved you.” I’ve never known a church to make that their mission statement.” Why not?

Commanding Love

“Commandment? Can love be commanded? The word does sound out of place, especially to those of us who have not only deleted ‘command’ and ‘obey’ from our vocabularies but who also use ‘love’ in terms of emotion. To command emotions would most likely be counterproductive. But what if love is not an emotion? What if love is the way God *acts* toward the world and the way Jesus *acts* toward his disciples (Fred Craddock)? Response?

Hard Truth

“Our church has endured at least 10 years of slow but steady decline.” What are your expectations for the growth of our church? Do you think about our churches’ health and vitality? What keeps us from being as healthy and vital as we can be? Jesus offers us his church growth strategy. “By loving one another as I have loved you, everyone will know that you are my disciples.” How is this a church growth strategy? Is it possible for a church to be healthy and vital and not enjoy numerical growth?