

# Welcome To Church

APRIL 12, 2026

**Speaking Today:** Pastor Dennis Owens

## IF YOU ARE A GUEST, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

1. Grab a **Connect Card** from the seat backs in front of you.
2. Tell us your name, contact information, or share a prayer or praise.
3. Bring your card to the Welcome Center in the Main Foyer. We have a gift for you!

Email prayer requests directly to Pastor Denny: [prayer@sterlingnaz.com](mailto:prayer@sterlingnaz.com)  
or send a prayer request through the Church Center app!

## WHERE DO MY KIDS GO?

The Children's Department is located downstairs in the main building.  
If you need help finding it, a greeter will be glad to show you.  
*Measures are in place to keep your child safe.*



- CHILDREN'S CHURCH (AGES 4-6TH GRADE)** is located downstairs. The kids enjoy fun filled and interactive Bible stories, music, and activities.
- NURSERY (BIRTH-3 YEARS OLD)** is staffed and available downstairs. If your child is having a hard time adjusting, there is a system in place to notify you so you can come down.
- FAMILY ROOM** is available for caregivers just outside of the Main Worship area. Feel free to use it at any time.

## THIS WEEK @ STERLING NAZARENE

**SUNDAY** - Helping Hands Fundraiser, 11am, HC Door #6  
- Refuge4Allies (Teens), 5:30-7pm, HC

**TUESDAY** - Helping Hands Pantry, 5-7pm, HC Door #6

**WEDNESDAY** - Board Game Club for Kids, 5:15pm, Main

- Wacky Wednesday (Kids), 6:30pm, Main
- Discipleship Foundations, 6:30pm, HC (Catalyst)
- When God Doesn't Fix It Ladies Study, 6:30pm, HC (Parlor)
- Practicing the Way (Post HS-35), 6:30pm, HC (Upstairs)

**THURSDAY** - Helping Hands Pantry, 9:30am-11:30am, HC Door #6

**SATURDAY** - Promise Keeper's Men's Group, 7:30am, Hatton Center  
- Men's Breakfast, 8am, A's Kitchen in Rock Falls

## Teens Y2K Game Night

April 25 6-10pm. All teens grades 7-12 are invited. Y2k Karaoke, pizza, games, and more!

## BAPTISM SUNDAY April 26

*interested? curious? let Pastor Denny know!*

## Groups - Wednesdays @6:30pm

Discipleship Foundations

*When God Doesn't Fix It* by Laura Story - Ladies Bible Study  
The Practicing the Way Course - Young Adults (post HS - 35)

Please keep us informed of any graduates connected to Sterling Naz. We need their information to honor them on graduate Sunday, May 17!

Northwestern Illinois District Assembly 2026: April 24-25



Youth Fundraiser - Monday April 20 5-8pm

Dine in only!



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Interested in serving on the worship team with music or tech? Scan the QR code or email: [worship@sterlingnaz.com](mailto:worship@sterlingnaz.com)



Ladies - save the date: May 9 IF Gathering Replay

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2026

Sterling Naz Kids is packing shoebox gifts and we need your help!

**APRIL EMPHASIS:** Brushes, hair ties/clips/barrettes

**To participate:** Pick up a tag from the board in the Main Foyer, buy the item on the tag, and return it to the church by April 26.





# STERLING FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

OFFICE HOURS: Mon - Thurs: 9AM-Noon & 1-3PM

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### Sunday Gathering Times

9:00AM Adult Sunday School

10:00AM Worship Service

5:30-7PM Youth

### Wednesday Nights at 6:30pm

Adult Bible Studies in HC

WACKY WEDNESDAY FOR KIDS

Main Building Lower level

### Woods Memorial Library

Our church library has books for all ages. Check out our awesome

Children's area.

Open before and after service.

### Helping Hands Food Pantry

1208 E 4th St, Sterling, IL 61081

Tuesdays: 5-7pm

Thursdays: 9:30-11:30am

## APR 5, 2026 ATTENDANCE 290

	Contributions	2025-2026 Ministry Plan	Difference
Weekly	\$10,483.92	\$6,767.30	\$3,716.62
Y-T-D	\$39,560.24	\$40,603.80	\$(1,043.56)



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