

Upcoming News and Events

Bargain Box ~ The new store is now open! We are now located at 10th Street South. We are still in need of volunteers, large shopping bags with handles, and of course your donations. Thank you again for all your support!

Children in Honduras ~ They have asked us for these items: Flintstones Vitamins, PreK storybooks, Legos and notebooks. There is a basket in the Narthex. Mil Gracias! **Final sign-up for the November trip is October 15th.**

Food Donations ~ Both St. Matthew's House and Grace Place are in need of the same pantry items to fill their shelves: mac 'n cheese, cereal, canned meats, spaghetti sauce, pasta, powdered milk, rice and beans. Please place donations in the basket located in the Narthex.

Palette Pals ~ "An Imaginary Walk through Washington D.C.'s National Art Gallery". This is a private collection of reproductions of art works, done over a span of 25 years in Washington D.C., by artist Mary Aimee Miller-Pikul, accredited copyist and Palette Pals member. Come browse her work in the library during the month of October.

Women's Fellowship ~ Join us on **Monday, October 10th at 11:30 am in Nelson Hall 207.** We will enjoy listening to Van Ellison, *Executive Director* of the St. Matthew's House, followed by catered luncheon. Please bring a canned good for a donation and sign up in the Gathering Place after service or by calling the church office.

Wednesday Nite Live ~ Mark your calendar now for an outstanding evening of music and magic on **Wednesday, October 19th.** Dinner at 5:45 pm and unforgettable entertainment at 6:45 pm. \$15.00 per person. Tickets on sale Today in the Gathering Place.

Thursday at the Movies ~ **Sign up today for Thursday, October 20th – 4:00 pm** Beverly Hall, \$5.00 donation at the door! Three vignettes highlight this 1980 comedy classic. A favorite among the three is the one about a soda bottle falling out of the heavens and becoming a one-of-a-kind object coveted by everyone in a small African village. The bottle creates such dissension that its finder decides the gods must've been crazy to give such a gift, so he sets out to drop it off at the edge of the world. Dinner will follow at Buca's restaurant (separate checks) for those interested.

Summer Golf ~ Join for our last "Just for Fun" golf outing on **October 20th** at Collier Reserve, hosted by Tom and Ginny Packard. Sign up after service or call the office. Thank you to this year's sponsors: Quail West, Mediterra, Imperial, Spanish Wells, Audubon and Cedar Hammock.

Singles Lunch ~ Singles meet for lunch **October 23rd** after church at Bravo at the Mercato.

World Hunger ~ A Book Study with Dr. Patterson. We will meet for three sessions, **Wednesday October 26th, November 2nd and November 9th in Nelson Hall 104.** Identical sessions at **2:00 pm and 6:30 pm.** The book will be "*Ending Hunger Now*" by Senator George McGovern and Senator Bob Dole. Together we will look at the causes and the solutions for the problem of hunger in our nation and in our world.

We Need Your Help! ~ **Saturday, October 29th from 11 am to 1 pm!** We are assembling 111,111 packages of protein fortified macaroni and cheese in McSpadden and Nelson Halls. Reservations are a must, limited space available. Choose one of the following seven ways to help: 1. Table leader and recruit a ten person team. 2. Support a table leader, recruit friends and package food together. 3. Team leader, supervise multiple tables. 4. Box supplier, running supplies to tables. 5. Packaging and shipping specialist. 6. Clean up crew. 7. Help invite people. Call the church office for more information.

This Week at NUCC (Oct 2 ~ Oct 9)

Sunday 10/2	Neighbors in Need/World Communion Sunday 9:00 am Worship Service (S) 11:00 am Worship Service (S) 12:30 pm. . . . Choir Brunch at Old Cypress (offsite) 5:00 pm. . . . Homework Help (Gr 6-12) (N 204) 5:00 pm. . . . Confirmation Class (Gr 8) (N 101 and 104) 6:00 pm. . . . Youth Group (N 201)
Monday 10/3	9:30 am Monday Morning Workshop (N 104) 1:00 pm Duplicate Bridge (N 207)
Tuesday 10/4	3:00 pm Music Committee (ACR) 3:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (P) 6:00 pm Evening Basic Yoga (BH) 6:30 pm Board of Christian Education Meeting (N 204) 7:00 pm Diaconate Meeting (ACR)
Wednesday 10/5	10:00 am Chair Yoga with Shannon (MH) 1:00 pm Duplicate Bridge (N 207) 1:00 pm Stephen Ministry (N 104) 3:30 pm Junior Disciples (WH) 4:00 pm. . . . Children's Choir (K - 3rd Grade) (BH) 4:30 pm Children's Choir (4th & 5th Grades) (BH) 5:00 pm. . . . Youth Choir (6th Grade - high school) (BH) 7:00 pm. . . . Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (BH/S)
Thursday 10/6	9:30 am Precious Cargo Chapel (S) 10:00 am Basic Yoga with Shannon (MH) 6:00 pm. . . . Evening Basic Yoga (BH)
Friday 10/7	10:00 am Perky Patchers (N 103)
Sunday 10/9	Sharon's 15 Year Anniversary Celebration 9:00 am Worship Service (S) 11:00 am Worship Service (S) 5:00 pm. . . . Homework Help (Gr 6-12) (N 204) 5:00 pm. . . . Confirmation Class (Gr 8) (N 101 and 104) 6:00 pm. . . . Youth Group (N 201)

Youth Christian Education

Church School ~ meets after the children's sermon in Nelson Hall 204.

Junior Disciples ~ meets Wednesday at 3:30 pm in the White House.

Youth Group ~ Homework help for grades 6-12 at 5pm in Nelson Hall. Youth Group is at 6pm in Nelson Hall.

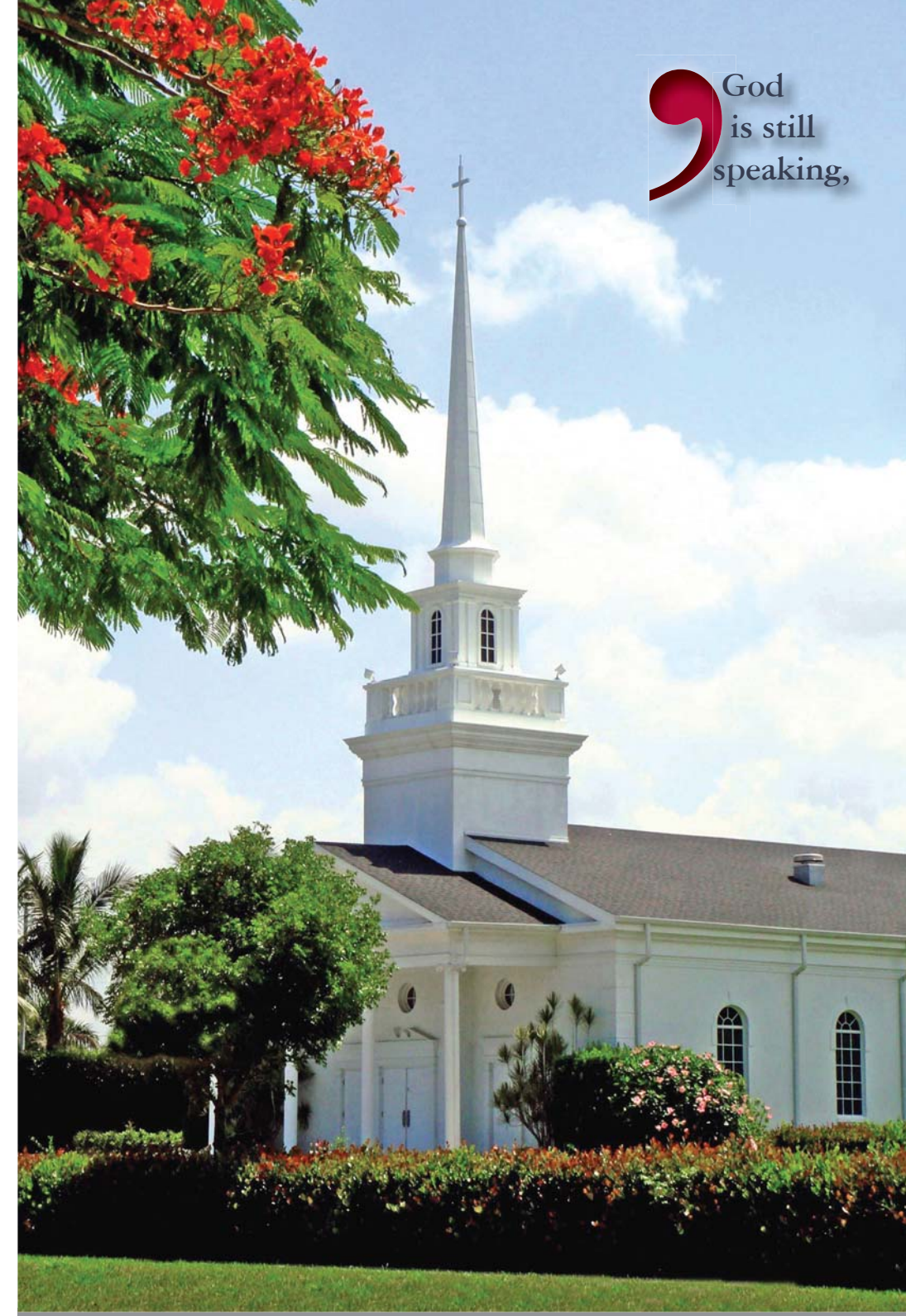
Confirmation Class ~ begins tonight at 5pm for all 8th grade students.

Nursery Care ~ for infants and toddlers is available during worship and is located just outside the south Sanctuary doors. There is also a Cry Room available to parents who wish to stay with their child and observe the service.

Our Church Staff:

Rev. Dr. Ronald Patterson, Senior Minister
Rev. Catherine O'Connell, Associate Minister
Rev. Beverly Duncan, Assistant Minister
Rev. Luvvy Kovacik, Assistant Minister
Dr. Becky Weese, Director of Music
Dr. Greg Smith, Director of Adult Education
Ron Thompson, Co-Dir. Children & Youth
Nancy Van Fleet, Co-Dir. Children & Youth
Kary Sirken, Church Administrator
Kaleigh Caldwell, Administrative Assistant

Sharon Magiera, Finance Administrator
Susan Pratt, Pastoral Assistant
and Membership
Donna Blais, Publications
Gregg Lepore, Production Manager
Dan Brower, Facilities
Mary Jo Welch, Director,
Precious Cargo Academy
Leanne Badham, Assistant Director,
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Our Mission Statement:

Where all are welcome all the time in community with God
Growing by Loving—Sharing God's Story—
Making the Journey



The Worship of God

October 2, 2011 – 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost – World Communion Sunday

As the Prelude begins, you are invited to seek God's peace for your life in silent meditation and prayer. Please be considerate of those around you.

*Those who are able please stand.



PRELUDE

"Sicilienne"
(Leelo Basham, flute)

Gabriel Fauré

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: #621

"For the Healing of the Nations"

REGENT SQUARE

INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: Touch us with your presence, O Lord that today might be a day of renewal for your people. Teach us that we might learn to love and accept ourselves and others in fuller ways. Take our sin and our failure and turn our lives in the direction of your wisdom and your truth. May our intentions match your will, may our deeds reflect your desires and may our lives proclaim the message of the one who taught us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

A SUNG RESPONSE: #606 "As Your Family, Lord, Meet Us Here" KUM BA YAH
(Please Remain Seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Nancy Van Fleet and Ron Thompson

FRIENDSHIP MOMENT, OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Please sign and pass the register book to your neighbor.

AN ANTHEM

"The Holy Eucharist"
(Sanctuary Choir)

William Harris

CALL TO PRAYER, SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE

"Into My Heart"
(Leelo Basham, flute)

Arr: Jack Schrader

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

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SERMON

"Watch Your Language"

Dr. Patterson

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Sentences and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

"In the Beauty of Holiness"
(Sanctuary Choir; Leelo Basham, flute)

Bradley Ellingboe

The Lord's Supper

At this table all are welcome guests. Jesus is our host. We hold the bread and cup until all are served and then we commune together. Our cups contain grape juice. Today's corn tortillas and rice cakes are gluten free.

The Invitation

A presentation of breads of the world.

The Prayer of Blessing

The Breaking and Sharing of the Bread

"Cantilene"
(Leelo Basham, flute)

Théodore Dubois

The Giving and Sharing of the Cup

"As the Deer"
(Leelo Basham, flute)

Setting By Joel Raney

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*RECESSIONAL HYMN #601 "Dear Christ, Uplifted from the Earth"

McKee

*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

"Arrival of the Queen of Sheba" from Solomon
(Leelo Basham, flute)

G. F. Handel



Greeting: 9:00 am: Heather, Dominique and Danielle O'Connell

11:00 am: Marty and Dick Weinthal

Ushers: 9:00 am: Barbara Converse, *Head Usher*; George Kessel; Laura Wright; Sharon and Bill Robinson; Joyce Cameron; Bob Miller

11:00 am: Jen Rainey, *Head Usher*; John Richardson; Jan Hakes; Bob Miller; Shirley Blanton; Dave Patton; Roberta Patton

Staffing the Kiosk: 9:00 am: Ruth Pollock; 11:00 am: Anne Kruse

The Stephen Minister: 9:00 am: Gerry Gertner; 11:00 am: Bette Young

Chancel Flowers are to honor the beginning of our new season. Please call the office if you would like to donate flowers.

Our flutist for today's worship service was underwritten by the Music Gift Fund.

DVDs from today's service are available for \$5. Please fill out the order envelope located in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate or in the basket outside the Sanctuary doors. They are available the next day in the church office and are filed alphabetically. If you would like it sent to you, please call Ralph at 239-595-7590.



The T-Loop (Telecoil Loop) Hearing System is now installed in the Sanctuary. If your hearing aid is equipped for the T-Loop, please let us know how it is working for you. Hearing Assistance Devices are available in the Narthex.

Thank you for supporting Neighbors In Need (NIN)!

– Imagining a World without Discrimination and Oppression –

– Imagining a World without Poverty – Imagining a World without Violence –

– Imagining a World without Hunger –

Neighbors in Need is the UCC's annual offering to support ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States, including the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM), justice and advocacy efforts, and direct service projects funded by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM).

Celebration of Sharon and Dr. Becky!

This year marked Sharon's 15th anniversary at NUCC, 10 years of which have been as our Financial Administrator. Sharon will be recognized at both services on October 9th, and the Sunday fellowship will be held in her honor. This year also marked Dr. Becky's 10th anniversary as the Director of Music at NUCC. On Sunday, October 23rd, after the second service, a luncheon will be held in her honor and everyone is invited.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion, The Eucharist, The Lord's Supper

The United Church of Christ (UCC) uses these terms interchangeably to stress various traditions about our sharing of the Bread and the Cup. NUCC also makes room for a range of beliefs about the sacrament of communion. This can include the sharing of a memorial meal in remembrance of Jesus or the sharing of the bread and the cup as a tangible way to express our oneness as a faith community. Individual beliefs may stress that Christ is symbolically present in the bread and cup or that the real presence of Christ is present in the elements. As a tradition which stresses the "freedom of the individual conscience", NUCC welcomes such diversity. The Communion Table welcomes all who accept one another as sisters and brothers in Christ. Our theological differences strengthen rather than divide our community when together we recognize that God's love transcends our human ideas and preferences. As you receive Communion today, reflect on its meaning for you.

Welcome Visitors

Naples United Church of Christ is united by our love of Christ and one another and a desire to care as Jesus cared. We stress freedom of conscience and local autonomy, celebrating a tradition which arrived on this continent on the Mayflower and with other early settlers. We honor the beautiful diversity of our world. We cherish our mission partnerships in Naples and around the globe. From the Ebenezer School in Honduras to local efforts, our gifts and hours multiply the love of Jesus. With 5,700 other UCC congregations and partner denominations we embrace the idea that "God Is Still Speaking."

Journey with us as a visitor or unite with us as a Full or Associate Member. Full and Associate Members share the same rights and responsibilities, but Associate Members choose to maintain a home church membership. **Our next new "Information Sundays" will be on October 16th and 23rd following both services. Our UCC classes will begin on Mondays, October 17th and 24th at 2:00 and 7:00 pm.** Additional dates are listed on the inside cover of the pew pads or stop by the kiosk in our Gathering Place following our services. Visitor information cards are in the pew racks, and can be put in the offering plate or handed to our deacons or ministers. For more information please call Susan Pratt at the church office. We look forward to having you worship with us again.