



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE

Christmas Hallelujah

Rebecca Richardson, soprano ♦ Javier Abreu, tenor ♦ Glenn Basham, violin

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL CAROL #185

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

MENDELSSOHN

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH: CANDLE OF LOVE

One: Today is the fourth Sunday in Advent. We light the fourth candle to celebrate and embrace God's love, which was revealed to the world in the gift of Jesus.

All: (sung) "How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given! So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven. No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin, where meek souls will receive him still the dear Christ enters in."

One: The Gospel of Matthew tells us that when Jesus was born, a star shone over the place where Mary and Joseph and the baby were. It was so bright it gave light and direction to the sages who had come from the East to worship him. And just as the night didn't seem to be so dark anymore, so Jesus' birth itself brought light of new meaning into the world. That new beginning is the love that we celebrate this Advent season.

MUSICAL RESPONSE

December Rose

Arr. Tom Fettke and Thomas Grassi

Heather Vicevic, soprano

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 36:5-10

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MEDITATION

Great Expectations of Love

Rev. Dr. David Kaiser-Cross

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Sweet Little Jesus Boy

Javier Abreu, tenor

TIME FOR COMMUNITY

Please sign and pass the register book to your neighbor.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

I Saw Three Ships

Arr. Lloyd Larson

Sanctuary Choir ♦ Leelo Basham, penny whistle ♦ Glenn Basham, violin

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PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

Albert Malotte

Javier Abreu, tenor

*Please rise in body or spirit.

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Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor

OFFERTORY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

A Celtic French Carol Arr. Lynn Shaw Baily and Christ Pillsbury
Sanctuary Choir ♦ Glenn Basham, violin

*RECESSIONAL CAROL #180

O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST. LOUIS

*WORDS OF BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Grand Fantasia on I Saw Three Ships David Overton
Leelo Basham, flute ♦ Glenn Basham, violin ♦ Jeremy Reger, piano



Today we welcome guest soloists Rebecca Richardson and Javier Abreu. We also welcome Leelo Basham, flute; Glenn Basham, violin; and Jeremy Reger, accompanist. Their presence is generously underwritten by The Music Gift Fund.

If you have a concern and would like a word of prayer or quiet conversation, stop by the parlor after the service for a visit with today's Stephen Minister. The parlor is to the right as you are leaving the sanctuary.

The church office will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 25 and 26, in observance of Christmas. There is always a pastor available at (239) 595-2141 for emergencies.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICES:

Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor, Senior Minister

Rev. Dr. David Kaiser-Cross, Executive Minister

Rev. Dr. Deborah Kaiser-Cross, Minister for Congregational Care

Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, Director of Music

Sanctuary Choir

Megan Black, Audiovisual

Advent Candle Lighters: 9 a.m.: Claude and Yvette Weir 11 a.m.: Mar and Andrew Dominguez

USHERS:

9 a.m.: June Hart, head usher; Christine Buol, Carolyn Keller, Susan Melick, Joseph Rickard,
Mary Robinson, Cheryl Turner

11 a.m.: Bob Miller, head usher; John Ballew, Christine Buol, Bill Rumpf, Judy and Joe Siderio,
Cynthia Taft, Pat Wiedner



STEPHEN MINISTERS: 9 a.m.: Carole Russell

11 a.m.: Joan Byerhof

Today in the Gathering Place

- Social Activities Sign up
- Green Justice Equal Exchange Table
- Celebrating Rev. Beverly Duncan

THIS WEEK AT NUCC (DECEMBER 23-30)

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 12/23** 9 a.m.Worship Service (S)
10 a.m. . . . Stephen Ministry Pastoral Care (P)
11 a.m. . . .Worship Service (S)
12 p.m. . . . Stephen Ministry Pastoral Care (P)

Monday

- 12/24** 9:30 a.m. . . Gentle Yoga with Shannon (MH)
3 p.m.Christmas Eve Extravaganza (GP)
4 p.m.Family Christmas Service (S)
6 p.m.Candlelight Christmas Service (S)
7 p.m.Choir Dinner (MH)
8 p.m.Candlelight Christmas Service (S)
10 p.m. . . .Candlelight Christmas Service with
Communion (S)

Tuesday Christmas Day - Office Closed

- 12/25** There is always a pastor available at (239) 595-2141
for emergencies.

Wednesday Office Closed

- 12/26** There is always a pastor available at (239) 595-2141
for emergencies.

Thursday

- 12/27** 9:30 a.m. . . Gentle Yoga with Shannon (BH)
12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg (N207)

Friday

- 12/28** 12 p.m. . . .Al Anon Meeting (N207)
2 p.m.Caregiver's Support Group (N104)

Sunday First Sunday after Christmas

- 12/30** 9 a.m.Worship Service (S)
10 a.m. . . . Stephen Ministry Pastoral Care (P)
11 a.m. . . .Worship Service (S)
12 p.m. . . . Stephen Ministry Pastoral Care (P)

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S = Sanctuary | P = Parlor | N = Nelson Hall
MH = McSpadden Hall | GC = Gates Chapel
GP = The Gathering Place
MG = Memorial Garden
ACR = Administrative Conference Room

YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHURCH SCHOOL (Ages 4 to 5th Grade) meets during 9 a.m. service in Nelson Hall Room 207.

JUNIOR DISCIPLES resumes Wednesday, January 9, from 3 - 5:15 p.m. in Nelson Hall Room 207.

YOUTH CHOIR resumes Monday, January 7, at 5 p.m. in Beverly Hall.

PRAYER LIST

Condolences: To Louise and Bob Brown, on the passing of Louise's brother, Bob Hautala.

Nicholas Vincent Adamo

Alan and Susan

Aunt Marilyn

Joel Basham

Joe Bejcek

Roberta and Ben

Jared Billips

Carolyn Briggs

Al Cahen

Jay Cahill

Dr. Richard and Barbara Carter

Steve Chalfant

Carol Chidister

Christopher and Family

Robert Clement

Ann Culshaw

Cynthia and Family

Ken Davis

Diego

Jamie DePalo

Daniel and Marta DeVito

Eric Downs

Gill Doyle

Ben Dyals

Beth Endres

Erin and Leslie

Angela Fout

Betty Freimann

Gayle

Calvin Grayson

Henry

Shelly and Katie Hull

Eddie Horney

Karen Howick

Alley Hoza

Jill

Mario Jimenez

Sheila Jung

Tom Jung

Cecil Jones

Jennifer Jolls

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Lynn and Marilyn

Susi Martinsen

Mervyn Maxwell

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John McGowan

Helene Melnick

Michael and Kristi

Dinny Nemachek

Sara Nonken

Jean Partridge

Tracie Pustizzi

Linda and John R.

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Ray

Dave Remley

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Rose and Jim

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Mary Simeone

Dean Smith

Derek Smith

Sue Smith

Donna Stevens

Damon Surgener

Dawn Teston

Brenda Taylor

Tor and Sunny

Bill Uhlemann

Joan Valentine

Vera L

Monika Vincent

Debbie White

Joshua Wills

Nancy Wyckoff

Darlene Zoretich

Our Children

Maggie Bella

Maxwell Bost

Clayton

Ella

Emmanuel

Gracie Faith

Michael Jerrold

Garrett Kaulbars

John Kennedy

Laila Grace

Baby Miles

Olin

Phoebe

Rosie

Finn Sears

Vanessa
Jackson Varty

Violet

In Service to our Nation: CPT Keagan Callanan, SSG Corey Cunningham, CPT Robert Cook, TSgt Donovan Fredericksen, MSgt Matthew Fredericksen, LCDR Timothy Minor, SPC Austin Payne, LCDR Erik Sand and MG Matthew Wright.



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Director, Ministerial Assistance

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WE HAVE "GREAT EXPECTATIONS" FOR OUR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES!

PLEASE JOIN US!

3 p.m. Christmas Eve Extravaganza
Crafts, Hot Chocolate, and "Snow!"

4 p.m. Family Service
Interactive Children's Nativity
Javier Abreu, *guest soloist*
Andrew Snedeker, oboe
Alleluia Singers and Joyful Noise
Youth Choir

6 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols
Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor, preaching
Javier Abreu, *guest soloist*
Sanctuary Choir
Chamber Orchestra

10 p.m.
Candlelight Service of Lessons, Carols, and Communion
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Sanctuary Choir
Chamber Orchestra



SUNDAY STEEPLELIGHTS

GREAT EXPECTATIONS!

How do you re-tell a 2,000-year-old story? Sometimes the Christmas story can be magical and sometimes it can be mundane. Just like our expectations of Christmas. Each year we hope that this Christmas will be different; that our families will act differently or that the story will somehow jump off the pages of the Bible differently. No matter your expectations – great or not – we hope you'll make plans to join us at Naples UCC for the Advent and Christmas season as we make room in our hearts for the Christ Child and the difference that Jesus can make.

GREEN JUSTICE TEAM EQUAL EXCHANGE TABLE

The Green Justice team will be selling the Fair Trade Equal Exchange products in the Gathering Place after both services. Several new items have been added. This is the last sale this year and will resume on January 13. We accept cash or check only. This is a great opportunity to buy stocking stuffers and Christmas goodies for under the tree.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2019 are available in the narthex after Sunday services today. They will remain in the narthex until December 21. We will remove them for the holiday season and put them back out for the month of January. If you do not see your name on a box of envelopes and would like to receive them, please contact Sharon in the office.

PICTURE DIRECTORY MEMBER PHOTO DAY

Calling all new NUCC members: it's time to get your photo taken for the NUCC Member Photo Directory! Date: January 7, 2019 in McSpadden Hall, and appointments are required. It's easy to sign up: you can call Wendy at the church office during the week, or sign up online. Online signups begin Wednesday (naplesucc.org - "Photo Day Appointments"). There's no cost to be in the directory, but you can purchase prints from Lifetouch if you like them. You must have your photo in the directory in order to receive a copy. Appointments are open to all members, no matter when you joined!

STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING

Stephen Ministry is having their bi-annual training starting January 8 for 12 weeks and three Saturdays (Jan, Feb and March). If you are interested in applying to our Stephen Ministry training program, please contact Ronnie Bellone (238-216-2300) or Louise Brown (617-640-3003).

BARGAIN BOX VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Bargain Box is in need of volunteers. Call Sandy Goldstein at 239-262-3802 for more information on how you can help!

NEW CHAPTERS MEN'S STUDY GROUP is a weekly men's spirituality forum with David Kaiser-Cross every Wednesday, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., N104. We are taking a break for the holidays and will resume the study group on January 9.

MIDDLERS PLUS SUNDAY BRUNCH

Country Club of Naples. January 13. 1 p.m. \$30 per person. Hosted by Chuck and Jan Feeny. Registration forms are available in the Middlers Plus mailbox or on Sunday mornings in the Gathering Place. Deadline for sign-up and payment is January 6, 2019. For questions: call Bobbi Richardson at 239-207-6615 or Hilde Higuchi at 239-331-8358.

BABY BOOMER POTLUCK

Monday, January 14, 6 p.m., location to be determined. Join us for another evening of fun conversation, good food (potluck), and Dennis's trivia game. Information: Carolyn and Dennis Kois, johnsonkois@icloud.com

GRIEF GROUP: BEYOND THE BROKEN HEART

Thursdays, January 17 – March 7, 1 – 2:30 p.m. Beginning on Thursday, January 17 and continuing for eight weeks, we will be providing a Beyond the Broken Heart Grief Group at NUCC. Led by Rev. Deb Kaiser-Cross and Leigh Hindman (Stephen Minister), this group will provide information and support for those who have experienced the death of a loved one. We hope you can join us as we heal through the grieving process together. Books are available in the Gathering Place.

THE ROAD BACK TO YOU

by Ian Cron and Suzanne Stabile. Wednesdays, January 16 – February 20, 5:30 – 7 p.m. The Enneagram is a powerful tool for self-discovery, which explains its spike in popularity in recent years. Cron and Stabile have written an introduction to the Enneagram that provides a practical and approachable way of accessing its wisdom. As we discover ourselves in a new way, we can deepen our connection with God and find that we are paving the way to the wiser, more compassionate persons we want to become. Books and sign-up are available in the Gathering Place.

DINNER AND A MOVIE

Thursday, January 17, 5:30 p.m. in McSpadden Hall. In continuation of our summer dinner and a movie series, we will be screening the film *All Saints*, starring John Corbett. This will be followed by a catered dinner. Cost is \$20. The deadline to sign up is January 13.

SAVE THE DATE

Rev. Martie McMane will be here Saturday, January 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in McSpadden Hall to lead us in a women's winter retreat with the theme "Fully Alive! Deepening Spirituality for Life's Changes and Challenges." Sign up in early January.

BOCA GRANDE AND THE GASPARILLA INN AND CLUB TOUR

Wednesday, February 6, 2019. Bus leaves Crossroads Shopping Center at Vineyards at 7:30 a.m. and returns at 6 p.m. Cost: \$119. Information: Susan Melick at 239-293-8446 or susanmelick@gmail.com.

PALETTE PALS

Please join the Palette Pals group in preparation for the big art extravaganza in early March. The next meeting date will be Monday, January 7, at 11 a.m. Exhibition submissions forms will be available in January Steeplelights.

BOOK CLUB

The next book club meeting will be Monday, January 28, at 2 p.m. in N104: *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi.



Care for God's Creation: Plug your decorative indoor and outdoor lights into a timer to save electricity.

POINSETTIA D

Anya Archer
Marsha and Charles Arthur
June and John Ballew

Tom Barrett
Betsy and Jim Barton
Kevin and Jane Barry

George and Kathy Bell
Ronnie Bellone and Jennifer Rainey
Dan and Karen Bennewitz
Carol Berglund
Meb and Barbara Bergwall
Sarah Best
Nancy and Dick Blackburn
Leslie Branda
Ellen Brown
Nancy VanDeusen Bruce
Joyce Cameron

Marcia Carthaus
Linda Chatterton

Pam Clayson
Marilyn and Buck Cody
Barbara Converse
Marilyn Deeg
Jack Dennis
Frank and Audrey DeRango
William Donnell
Stephanie Downs
Rose Marie Draheim
Faith Eielson
Heather English and Bill Bolinder
Peder and Linda Engebretson
Peg Fahey and family
Mary Ann Fasulo
John and Carole Fay
Lisa Flesher
Ann Crail Fraer
Jacqueline M. Freese

George and Lynne Fries

Jane Gaillard
Bob and Donna Gates
Ethel Gillis and family
Karen Gillum
Ginny and Jim Gilmore
Fred and Doty Gridley
Larry Gutowsky, Lori, Cheryl, Greg, and Larry Jr.
Judy Hale
Michael and Patsy Hanson
Suzanne Harwick
Leigh and David Hindman

Nicki and Paul Huber

Ralph and Peggy Jackson

Irma Johnson
Tom Jones and Susan Sorlien

Bobbie and Bob Juster
Rich and Nancy Kirschner
Dennis and Carolyn Johnson Kois

In honor of Sally and Harold Treash
In memory of Charles and Virginia Arthur, Eva Brown, and Ray Brown
In honor of our children and grandchildren, and in celebration of our
parents

In honor of Marilyn Dunn Barrett
In memory of Gretchen and Bill Hanna, Snid and Horace Barton
In honor of Bob and Mary Barry, Douglass and Jane Terrell, and
Douglass Terrell, Jr.

In memory of Virginia Bell and Kaylene Tripp

In memory of our parents

In memory of Beatrice Bennewitz

In honor of loved ones

In honor of our families

In honor of Debbie Best

In memory of David Page and Dede Blackburn

In memory of Chris Branda

In celebration of Edie Horney

In memory of E. Allan VanDeusen and S. Kenneth Bruce, Jr.

In memory of my husband, Donald Cameron, and my daughter,
Rebecca Wagoner

In memory of Jim Carthaus, Phil James, and Marie Moilanen

In memory of her daughter, Jane Elizabeth Jones, and in celebration
of the marriage of Brooke and Scott Purucker

In memory of Davis Barr Clayson

In memory of Helene Marilyn Cody

In memory of Allan Converse, my parents, and sister

In memory of Mary Long

In memory of Elaine S. Dennis

In celebration of our children, friends, and 65 years together

In memory of Patricia Donnell

In memory of my mom, Dana Downs

In memory of Judge Newt Draheim

In memory of Frances and Howard Bolinder, and Bruce English

In memory of Andrew Engebretson

In memory of Fred Fahey

In honor of Jerry Fasulo

In memory of John and Jeanne Fay, Rolland and Helen Fisher

In memory of Patricia Egan

In memory of Dr. and Mrs. John C. Ewing, and Jay D. Crail

In memory of Dr. D. Jackson Freese, Judith Freese Hall, and
Donald J. Freese, Jr.

In memory of our son, Douglas E. Fries

In memory of our parents, Gilbert and Trude Smith, and Charles and
Betty Fries

In celebration of my grandsons

In honor of Lee Gates

In memory of Harry Gillis

In memory of Ann Gillum

In memory of Ann McGee-Cooper, Virginia Engler, and Millie Gilmore

In memory of loved ones

In memory of Collene Gutowsky

In memory of Bob Hale

In celebration of our grandchildren

In memory of Dick Harwick, and in celebration of my family

In celebration of our grandchildren: Jacque, Otto, Teagan, Finn, Jensey,
Garity, Avery, and Davis

In memory of Noreen and Bill Nicol, Virginia and Joseph Huber,
Jean and Howard Barrar, and Hazel and Roland Lewis

In memory of George and Edith Bennett, Ralph and Ena Jackson,
and Phillip G. Bennett

In memory of John W. Johnson

In memory of Arne and Audrey Sorlien, Glen and Alice Jones, and
Robert and Christine Jones

In memory of our loved ones

In honor of the pastors and staff of NUCC

In memory of Charles H. Johnson, and Jack and Lucile Kois

ONATION LIST

John and Penny Kramer

Dr. and Mrs. George Kuzmishin
Stewart and Becky Lambert

Tom and Mary Lear
Loralee LeBoeuf
Sue and Phil Lefebvre
Jean Lemmon
Margrit Leutert
Gay J. Lindquist
Betty Lord

Jim and Gail Lozelle
Sue and Fred Luconi
Mark A. MacLean

Johnathan, Aaron, and Nick Makara
Peg McCausland
Kay and Sam McCullough
Susan Melick and family
Mary A. Miller
Marianne and Bob Moore
Josephine and Stephanie Morse
Diane Myers
Katie and John Ogden
Alan D. and Ann B. Olson
Ron and Sherry Palmer
Sally and Terry Pendleton

Cheryl H. Peters
Judy Peterson
Martie Ports-Tyrrell and family
Jan Post
Jean Pugh
Susan Pyke
John and Bobbi Richardson
Bob and Gail Rider
Mary A. Robinson
Ed and Carol Rubeo
Bill Rumpf
Esther Salisbury, her children, and grandchildren
Ann P. Schein
Carol Sellman
Doug and Barb Seymour
Lynne and Chip Shotwell
Judy and Joe Siderio
Kate Sloan
Bobbie Smith
Katherine H. Smith
Mr. and Mrs. W. James Sprow

Carol and John Talanian
Delores Tiede
Joan and Jack Toren
Dana Vannoy and Rev. Kathleen Kircher
Tim and Sharon Ubben
Betty Vining
Melita and Bill Vonier
Luise V. Wagner
Tami and David Wallace, and family
Catherine Waterman
Flossie Watt
Donald and Nancy Williams
Alice Wofford

In celebration of Doug, Emily, Kaitlin, Austin and William Kramer
In celebration of Matt and Raquel, Alex, and Peter Kramer
In celebration of Mark and Tori, Owen, and Sydney Kramer
In memory of Samuel and Olive Gable, John and Helen Kuzmishin
In memory of our parents: Ted and Elizabeth Parnham, Curtis and
Rubye Lambert

In memory of Heather Roman and Lynne Boorn
In memory of Ruth and Hector Lefebvre, Hugh W. Miller
In memory of Bill, Connie, Liz, and Sam
In memory of Werner Leutert, Sr.
In memory of Dr. Wayne P. Lindquist
In memory of Ralph M. Lord, Jack and Alice Lord, William and
Mary Roane, Thomas W. Roane
In celebration of our children and grandchildren
In memory of Earle and Vi Liberty, Alfred and Theresa Luconi
In memory of Ralph and Natalie MacLean, and my brothers, Scott
and David MacLean
In memory of Dana Downs, our Nana
In memory of Tom McCausland and Sarah McCausland
In memory of Anne McCullough
In memory of Dick Melick
In honor of David Bruce Miller and the Trouart Family
In memory of Jennifer Moore
In celebration of Bradford Morse and loved ones
In memory of Bob Myers and Jean Messick
In memory of Matthew Peltz
In memory of Hermon and Pauline Barker, Arthur and Caroline Olson
In memory of Robert McCane, Carl and Kathryn Palmer
In memory of Corrine and Robert Pendleton, Isabel and Bill Perdriau,
Bill and Marcia Perdriau
In memory of William D. Peters and Pamela Peters Fiorito
In memory of Ralph Peterson
In memory of John and Lucile Graham, Preston W. Ports, Jr.
In memory of loved ones
In memory of Larry Pugh
In memory of Tom Pyke
In memory of those who have touched our lives
In memory of loved family members
In memory of Richard W. Robinson
In memory of Robert J. Armstrong
In memory of Christine Farrell Rumpf
In memory of Richard Salisbury
In memory of parents, Ford and Ruth Shroder
In memory of her parents, Margaret and Frederick Dornemann
In memory of Jasmine Dunham
In celebration of our family
In memory of our parents
In memory of Richard T. Sloan
In memory of Kim, Todd, Mom, and Pop
In celebration of my grandchildren: Margaret, Meredith, Max, and Sydney
In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Van Lennep,
Mrs. Theresa Prendergast, and Mrs. Jean Fuller
In memory of our loved ones
In memory of Milt Tiede
In memory of Mrs. Tillie Alexander, Mr. Clifford Toren, and Ragna Toren
In celebration of Pauline Truesdell
In honor of our parents
In memory of Rod Vining, and in honor of my loving family
In memory of Earl Forstoff and Richard Newman
In memory of Charles Wagner and Carolina Stoerchle
In memory of Dr. Charles and Marilyn Zinn
In memory of Bob and Kitty Waterman (IA)
In memory of Harry M. and Lillian R. Graber
In memory of Nancy's sister, Barbara Borders
In memory of Elise Knapp

WELCOME, FIRST-TIME WORSHIPERS

First-time guest information cards are located in the pew racks, and can be brought to the first-time-guest welcome kiosk in the narthex, or placed in the offering plate. We invite you to journey with us as a visitor or unite with us as a Full or Associate Member.

Our sanctuary is equipped with the T-Loop (Telecoil Loop) Hearing System. Additional hearing devices are available in the narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Though children of all ages are welcome in our worship services, there is nursery care for infants and toddlers available. There is also a "cry room" near the nursery if you wish to stay with your child and observe the service. Please ask an usher for assistance.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 13: Visitor Information Brunch | After 9 and 11 a.m. worship in Nelson Hall room 104.

Thursday, January 17: An Evening With Your Pastors at the Kaiser-Cross home.

Sunday, January 20: New Member Sunday

Christmas Eve Schedule

3 p.m. Christmas Extravaganza

4 p.m. - Family Christmas Service

6 & 8 p.m. - Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols

10 p.m. - Candlelight Service of Lessons, Carols, and Communion

Next Sunday

December 30 at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Great Expectations

2 Corinthians 4:7-12

Rev. Dr. Deborah Kaiser-Cross, preaching

The 2019 flower calendar is available on the reception desk. Please enter the date (or call the office) to reserve your Sunday for donating chancel flowers.

Our Services are livestreamed and recorded. DVDs from today's service are available for a suggested donation of \$5. Please fill out the order envelope located in the church office on the reception desk and place it either in the offering plate or leave it on the reception desk. A recording of today's service may be found at www.naplesucc.org.

Cans for Communion - We welcome your donations of nonperishable food items on the first Sunday of each month as we celebrate Communion together. These donations will be delivered to the Grace Place food pantry.

Weekly Steepleights arrives via email each Friday. If you are not receiving it, please contact Wendy in the church office, or at wendy@naplesucc.org to sign up.

Come visit our Bargain Box Thrift Store at 3906 Tamiami Trail E, Naples, FL 34112 to find great items for any occasion or to volunteer! We also accept lightly-used donations. We can also assist in the pickup of larger donated items. If you have questions, please contact the store at (239)262-3802.

4 WAYS TO GIVE

Envelopes are available in worship



Online via our website



Text to Give
Text NAPLESUCC to 73256 and click on the link in the reply text to complete your gift.



Stocks & IRA's

Please call Sharon in the church office.



As a **mission-driven congregation**, Naples United Church of Christ strives to show that actions speak louder than words. We are not only active in community outreach, but passionate about social causes. As an **intergenerational congregation**, we engage with people of all ages and stages of life to be a place where people not only believe, but also belong. As a **growing church**, we do not ask people to "check their brains at the door," rather to ask deep questions of faith of each other and of God.

We are an Open and Affirming congregation that not only welcomes, but celebrates all people. We are proud to be one of more than 5,000+ congregations in the United Church of Christ and of our identity as a "Traditional Church for Progressive People."

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