



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE

Down to the River to Pray

Arr. Sheldon Curry

Elizabeth Feins, Pamela Jimenez, Bonnie Thayer, Clayton Morell, and Robin Willis

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #247

Sing of God Made Manifest

SALZBURG

INVOCATION

All: God of overwhelming love, be mindful of us as we worship today, for we can receive your goodness only in small portions. May the Holy Spirit gently guide us through one chapter of life at a time. And when the fires of grace leave ashes behind and new life ahead, may the baptism of Christ cleanse and renew us for the challenges of this new year. With open hearts we listen as Jesus taught us:

MUSICAL RESPONSE

The Lord's Prayer

Michael Head

Ford Ferrara, soloist

TIME FOR COMMUNITY

Please sign and pass the register book to your neighbor.

BAPTISM (9 A.M.)

Harper Grace Reizen Born: July 21, 2014 ♦ Mackenzie Sylvia Reizen Born: January 18, 2012

Parents: Raynie and Nicolas Reizen Naples, FL

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

With This Water

Fred Gramann

Pamela Jimenez, Heather Vicevic, Bonnie Thayer, Clayton Morell, and Robin Willis

PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 3:15-22

NT pgs. 61-62(NRSV)

*Please rise in body or spirit.

SERMON

Winnowing

Rev. Dr. David Kaiser-Cross

OFFERTORY

The Waters of Life

James Biery

Sanctuary Choir

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OLD 100TH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below,

Praise God above, ye heavenly host,

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*RECESSIONAL HYMN #680

Borning Cry

WATERLIFE

*WORDS OF BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune in G Major

Jeremy J. Bankson

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.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICES:

Rev. Dr. David Kaiser-Cross, Executive Minister
Rev. Dr. Deborah Kaiser-Cross, Minister for Congregational Care
Rev. Dr. Sharon Harris-Ewing, Assistant Minister
Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, Director of Music
Rebecca Best, Accompanist
Megan Black, Audiovisual
Sanctuary Choir

GREETERS: 9 a.m.: Judy and Bernie Baer 11 a.m.: Provided by the ushers.

USHERS:

9 a.m.: David Bogin, head usher; John Ballew, Dick and Jean Ann Lynch, Joseph Rickard, Richard Ryder, Cheryl Turner

11 a.m.: Bill Rumpf, head usher; John Ballew, Christine Buol, Bob Miller, Dan Morris, Bob Nordland, Richard Ryder, Ren Smith



STEPHEN MINISTERS: 9 a.m.: Gay Lindquist 11 a.m.: Linda Chatterton

Chancel flowers are given by Claude Weir, in memory of his childhood best friend, Kenny Phillips.

THIS WEEK AT NUCC (JANUARY 13-20)

Sunday 1/13	The Baptism of Christ 9 a.m. Worship Service (S) 10 a.m. . . . Stephen Ministry Pastoral Care (P) 10 a.m. . . . Visitor Information Brunch (N104) 11 a.m. . . . Worship Service (S) 12 p.m. . . . Stephen Ministry Pastoral Care (P) 12 p.m. . . . Visitor Information Brunch (N104) 12 p.m. . . . Middlers Plus Brunch (Off-site) 2 p.m. Robert "Bob" Hill Memorial Service (S)
Monday 1/14	9:30 a.m. . . Monday Morning Ladies (N104) 9:30 a.m. . . Gentle Yoga with Shannon (MH) 1 p.m. Bell Choir (Bell Room) 1 p.m. Board of Mission and Outreach Meeting (Off-site) 3 p.m. PCA Committee Meeting (N104) 4 p.m. Baby Basics Diaper Pickup (MH) 4:30 p.m. . . Centering Prayer (P) 5 p.m. Youth Choir (BH) 5 p.m. GLSEN Meeting (N104) 6 p.m. Baby Boomer Potluck (Off-site)
Tuesday 1/15	9 a.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting (N101) 12:30 p.m. . Stephen Ministry Training (N207) 4 p.m. Music Committee Meeting (ACR)
Wednesday 1/16	9 a.m. Palette Pals Open Painting Studio (N201) 9 a.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting (N104) 10 a.m. . . . Chair Yoga (BH) 11 a.m. . . . New Chapters Men's Study Group (N101) 3 p.m. Junior Disciples (N207) 4 p.m. Alleluia Singers (BH) 4:45 p.m. . . Joyful Noise (BH) 5:30 p.m. . . <i>The Road Back To You</i> (N104) 7 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (BH/S)
Thursday 1/17	9 a.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting (ACR) 9:30 a.m. . . Gentle Yoga with Shannon (MH) 10 a.m. . . . Angel Tree Planning Meeting (N101) 10 a.m. . . . Women Engage! (N104) 12 p.m. . . . Lunch and Learn: Planned Parenthood (MH) 12:30 p.m. . Mah Jongg (N207) 1 p.m. <i>Beyond the Broken Heart: Grief Group</i> (N101) 2 p.m. Bargain Box Committee Meeting (ACR) 5:30 p.m. . . Dinner and a Movie: <i>All Saints</i> (MH) 6 p.m. An Evening With Your Pastors (Off-site) 7 p.m. PFLAG Meeting (N104)
Friday 1/18	11 a.m. . . . Wayzata Community Church Luncheon (MH) 12 p.m. . . . Al Anon Meeting (N207)
Saturday 1/19	9:30 a.m. . . Stephen Ministry Training (N207)
Sunday 1/20	Second Sunday after Epiphany 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 | BH = Beverly Hall
MG = Memorial Garden
ACR = Administrative Conference Room

YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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

JUNIOR DISCIPLES meets this Wednesday, January 16, from 3 - 5:15 p.m. in Nelson Hall Room 207.

YOUTH CHOIR meets Mondays at 5 p.m. in Beverly Hall.

PRAYER LIST

Condolences: To Sherry Latimer and family, on the passing of her husband, Lane.

To the friends and family of Nancy Thurston, on her passing.

To Rob and Pam Ford, on the passing of Rob's mother, Nancy Ford.

Barbara Auxier
Maria Badham
Ben Buckley
Al Cahen
Pete Casper
Bob Clement
J. Cuhna
Peter Fahey
Jacob Francis
Barbara Galuzzo
Mary Heller
Henry
Ruth Himburg
Karen Howick
Jamie

Justine
Irv Koehler
Kristi and Mike
Dinny Nemecheck
Jen and Jeremy Pendragon
Frank Pliml
Timothy Pratt
John and Linda R.
Sharon Rainey
Dave Remley
Roger Rhodes
Claire Schelske
Carol Sellman
Deb Scott
Ronald Smith

Brenda Taylor
Barbara Toms
Duncan Varty
The Whitt Family
Don Williams
Nancy Wyckoff

Our Children

Gracie Faith
Laila Grace
Sebastian and Floretta
Baby Jackson Ryder
Jackson Varty



TUESDAY AT TWILIGHT: JANUARY 22, 7 P.M., BEVERLY HALL

Our first Tuesday at Twilight Concert will feature flutist, Leelo Basham. She will be joined by: Heather Vicevic, soprano; Kevin Mauldin, upright bass; Brian Jordan, drums; and Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, piano.



SANCTUARY SERIES CONCERT: BEYOND THE SEA, JANUARY 27

4 p.m.

Heather Vicevic, soprano ♦ Robin S. Frank, piano

Others to be announced

\$20 per ticket

Beyond the Sea is a musical story of local soprano, Heather V. During the show, Heather will float effortlessly between Broadway favorites, Opera classics and pop standards.



DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER: REV. DR. ROBIN MEYERS

February 9 and 10, 2019. *Building Irresistable Community!* Minister, professor, and author of seven books on Progressive Christianity, we invite you to be with us for a weekend of inspiration and illumination as Dr. Meyers shares what it means to be a traditional and progressive church. Here is our schedule:

Saturday

9 a.m. *Building Irresistable Community*

10:30 a.m. *The Underground Church*

Sunday

9 & 11 a.m. Pulpit Message: *Original Blessing*

12:30 a.m. Brunch provided in McSpadden Hall (\$10)

2 p.m. *Quantum Physics and the Future of God*



SUNDAY ST

VISITOR INFORMATION BRUNCH

If you are in service today and considering full or associate membership, please join us for our visitor information brunch today after both services in Nelson Hall 104.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2019 are available in the narthex after Sunday services today until the end 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.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting will be held on January 27 at 12 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

The Caregiver's Support Group will meet on Friday, January 25, from 2 - 3:30 p.m. in Nelson Hall Room 104. If you have any questions about the upcoming meetings, please stop by our table in the Gathering Place today.

BABY BOOMER POTLUCK

Tomorrow, January 14, 6 p.m., Park Shore Landings Clubhouse. Join us for another evening of fun conversation, good food (potluck), and Dennis's trivia game. Information: Carolyn and Dennis Kois, johnsonkois@icloud.com

DINNER AND A MOVIE

Thursday, January 17, 5:30 p.m. in McSpadden Hall. The dinner is before the movie: chicken, fish, potato salad, cole slaw, rolls, and dessert. We will be screening the film *All Saints*, starring John Corbett. Cost is \$20. The deadline to sign up is today.

LUNCH AND LEARN

Our next Lunch and Learn will be this Thursday, January 17, from 12 to 1 p.m. in McSpadden Hall. The Topic: *What Does Access to Reproductive Health Look Like in 2019?* Led by Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida CEO Stephanie Fraim. Bring lunch.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

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 the Gathering Place today. The cost is \$35.

BOOK CLUB

The next book club meeting will be Monday, January 28, at 2 p.m. in N207: *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi.

GRIEF GROUP: *BEYOND THE BROKEN HEART*

Thursdays, January 17 – March 7. 1 – 2:30 p.m. Beginning this Thursday, January 17th 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. Books and sign ups 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. Books and signups are available in the Gathering Place.

KORESHAN STATE PARK HISTORIC GUIDED TOUR

Wednesday, January 23, 11 a.m. Cost: Auto Entry fee, \$5, Tour and box lunch fee, \$15 Koreshan State Park on the Estero River, is the home of the Koreshan Unity Settlement, the pioneer colony that led the development of Estero in 1894. Today, the settlement is comprised of the 11 remaining historical buildings where you can return to an earlier era to see how the Koreshan community lived and experienced life in those earlier days. Optional car pool from NUCC leaving at 10 a.m. A box lunch will be provided.

ON THE BRINK OF EVERYTHING: GRACE, GRAVITY, AND GETTING OLD

by Parker J. Palmer. Thursdays, January 24 - February 14, 1 - 2:30 p.m., in Nelson Hall Room 104. Led by Ginny Gilmore and Rev. Dr. Sharon Harris-Ewing. In this new book, distinguished author, speaker, and activist Parker Palmer uses his own experience to help others "re-frame aging as a passage of discovery and engagement, not decline and inaction." Sign up and books available in the Gathering Place.

CUBA TRIP MEETING

Meeting on Thursday, Jan 24, from 5-6 p.m. for those going on trip to Cuba. At trendy Tours office in the Village Walk Town Hall, 3200 Village Walk Circle off of Vanderbilt Beach Road, to answer any questions and pass out paperwork, please call Susan Melick at 239-293-8446 with any questions.

EEPLELIGHTS

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 studying the book *The Will of God*.

MOVIE SCREENING: *A PLASTIC OCEAN*

The Green Justice Team is sponsoring the documentary, *A Plastic Ocean*, on January 29 at 5:30 in Nelson 207. This film helps us to understand the impacts of plastics on sea life and human life. A sign up sheet is available in the Gathering Place.

BOCA GRANDE & THE GASPARILLA INN & 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.

RED SOX TICKETS ON SALE TODAY

Tickets for the Wednesday, March 13 Red Sox Training game at Jet Blue Park are on sale in the Gathering Place today. You may also email Selena Evans at Selena0429@comcast.net. The game will be at 1:05 p.m. and the Red Sox will be playing the Chicago Cubs. The tickets are \$32 each.

BARGAIN BOX VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Bargain Box is in need of volunteers. Call Sandy at 239-262-3802 for more information, or to let her know the day(s) and time(s) you are available.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: THE STORIES BEHIND THE ISSUE

As part of the Board of Mission focus for 2019, we will be discussing the topic of affordable housing on January 24, 31, and Feb 7 at 5:30-7 p.m. in Nelson Hall Room 207. The reading material is available online ("nickel and dimes pdf" and "this is why poor people's bad decisions make perfect sense"). Handouts available in the Gathering Place or in the church office. On January 24 and 31, coffee and light snacks provided. On February 7, Lisa Lefkow, CEO of Habitat for Humanity will share her insights with dinner provided. There is a sign-up sheet for the February 7 class to ensure that we have enough food and chairs. Please join Dr. Heather English to discuss this important and very relevant topic.

FINE FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP – THE 3F GROUP

Luncheon for women. Thursday, January 24, at 12 p.m. Seasons 52. This luncheon is limited to 16 participants to insure the ability to enjoy personal interaction and sociability. Sign up at the Gathering Place. For information contact Margaret Jack at 239-272-5452.

COMING UP IN JANUARY

January 14 Monday, 6 p.m.
Baby Boomer's Potluck at Park Shore Landing Clubhouse

January 15 to March 26 Tuesdays, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Stephen Ministry Training, led by Ronnie Bellone.

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The Road Back to You Book Study led by Rev. Dr. Deborah Kaiser-Cross.

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Dinner and a Movie: A catered dinner followed by a screening of *All Saints* in McSpadden Hall.

January 22 Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Tuesdays at Twilight Concert featuring Leelo Basham, flutist in Beverly Hall. More information in the Concert Series Section.

January 23 Wednesday, 11 a.m.
Koreshan State Park Historic Guided Tour.

January 24 Thursday, 5:30 - 7 p.m.
"Affordable Housing and Stories Behind the Issue" led by Heather English in Nelson Hall Room 207.

January 24 to February 14 Thursdays, 1-2:30 p.m.
On the Brink of Everything: Grace, Gravity, and Getting Old Book Study led by Ginny Gilmore and Rev. Dr. Sharon Harris-Ewing.

January 25 to February 4 Mondays and Fridays
Beginner Mah Jongg Class led by Ellie Doe-Matheson and Pat McGee.


January 26 Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Women's Retreat: Fully Alive! Deepening Spirituality for Life's Changes and Challenges with Rev. Martie McMane | \$35 (includes meals)

January 27 Sunday, 4 p.m.
Sanctuary Concert Series: *Beyond the Sea*, featuring Heather Vicevic, soprano and Robin S. Frank, piano. More information in the Concert Series Section.

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Book Club discussion of *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi, led by Margaret Ward in Nelson Hall Room 207.

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

Today: 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

Next Sunday

January 20 at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

The Miracle of Generosity

John 2:1-11

Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor, preaching

Leelo Basham, flute

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 Steeplelights 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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