



# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## WORDS OF WELCOME

### PRELUDE

*Kyrie Eleison*  
Elizabeth Feins, Pamela Jimenez, Madeline Peterson  
Clayton Morell, and Robin Willis

Rossini

### CALL TO WORSHIP

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #583

*You Call Us, Lord*

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### INVOCATION

**All: Gracious God, thank you for the gift of this day and for the gift of this church. We are especially mindful of all the ways you show us your grace and love. Send the power of your Spirit to dwell with us as we worship you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, 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.**

### MUSICAL RESPONSE

*Amen, Siakudumisa*  
(Amen, We Praise Your Name, O God)  
Joyful Noise, Alleluia Singers, Youth Choir, and Sanctuary Choir  
Gabby Lormestoire, Pamela Jimenez, Clayton Morell, and Robin Willis, soloists  
Chad Craig, percussion

Arr. Cameron F. LaBarr

### TIME FOR COMMUNITY

*Please sign and pass the register book to your neighbor.*

### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

*Keep God's Light*  
Joyful Noise, Alleluia Singer, Youth Choir and Sanctuary Choir  
Chad Craig, percussion

Mark Patterson

*Though children of all ages are welcome in our worship services, children age 4 to 5th grade are invited to meet Miss Leanne in the back of the Sanctuary for Sunday school at 9 a.m.*

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

### SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:37-42

NT pg. 66(NRSV)

### SERMON

A Haven for Hypocrites

Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor

### OFFERTORY

*O Love*  
Sanctuary Choir  
Given in honor of Helen Weese's 91<sup>st</sup> birthday by Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf and Bill Rumpf

Elaine Hagenberg

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

\*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.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11 A.M.)

**\*All: We rejoice in recognizing you as members of Naples United Church of Christ. We celebrate the diversity of needs, ideas, and visions that God has created. As our faith journeys are united, we give thanks for our past and ask God's blessing on our church and its future. We promise to support one another in the common task of building here on earth the realm of God.**

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN # 630

*Healer of Our Every Ill*

*Marty Haugen*

\*WORDS OF BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

*Rondeau*

*Mouret*

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Today we welcome Chad Craig our guest instrumentalist. Mr. Craig is the music teacher at Seagate Elementary School. His 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.

NEW MEMBERS

Faye and Pat Fisher    Naples, FL  
Rebecca Best            Naples, FL

**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 and Organist  
Rebecca Best, Accompanist  
Megan Black, Audiovisual  
Sanctuary Choir  
Joyful Noise, Alleluia Singers, and Youth Choir

**GREETERS:** 9 a.m.: Claude and Yvette Weir    11 a.m.: Sally and Terry Pendleton

**USHERS:**

9 a.m.: June Hart, head usher; Carol Berglund, Meb and Barbara Bergwall, Beth Curry, Dan Morris, Mary Robinson, Richard Ryder

11 a.m.: Bob Miller, head usher; Ronnie Bellone, Sally Pendleton, Jen Rainey, Mary Robinson, Bill Rumpf, Richard Ryder, Leslie Stevens



**STEPHEN MINISTERS:** 9 a.m.: Ronnie Bellone    11 a.m.: Joan Byerhof

Chancel flowers are given by Jackie Freese, in memory of Judith, Donald, and Jack Freese

# THIS WEEK AT NUCC (FEB. 24 - MAR. 3)

**Sunday** Seventh Sunday after Epiphany  
**2/24** 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)  
3 p.m. . . . . Voices of Naples Spring Scholarship Concert (S)

**Monday**  
**2/25** 9:30 a.m. . . Monday Morning Ladies (N104)  
9:30 a.m. . . Gentle Yoga with Shannon (MH)  
1 p.m. . . . . Bell Choir (Bell Room/BH)  
2 p.m. . . . . Book Club: *Lincoln in the Bardo* (N207)  
4:30 p.m. . . Centering Prayer (P)  
5 p.m. . . . . Youth Choir (BH)  
6 p.m. . . . . Executive Committee Meeting (ACR)

**Tuesday**  
**2/26** 8:45 a.m. . . Naples UCC Cuba Trip Departure (Parking Lot)  
12:30 p.m. . Stephen Ministry Training (N207)  
6 p.m. . . . . Early Learning Coalition Training (N207)  
7 p.m. . . . . Sanctuary Concert Series: *The Spirit of the Gulf* (S)

**Wednesday**  
**2/27** 9 a.m. . . . . Palette Pals Open Painting Studio (N201)  
10 a.m. . . . Chair Yoga (BH)  
11 a.m. . . . New Chapters Men's Study Group (N104)  
3 p.m. . . . . Junior Disciples (N207)  
4 p.m. . . . . Alleluia Singers (BH)  
4:45 p.m. . . Joyful Noise (BH)  
7 p.m. . . . . Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (BH/S)

**Thursday**  
**2/28** 9:30 a.m. . . Gentle Yoga with Shannon (MH)  
11 a.m. . . . 3F Women's Lunch Group (Off-site)  
12:30 p.m. . Mah Jongg (MH)  
1 p.m. . . . . *Beyond the Broken Heart* Grief Group (N101)

**Friday**  
**3/1** 12 p.m. . . . Al Anon Meeting (N207)  
7 p.m. . . . . Sanctuary Concert Series: Dan Heck's Blues and Truth Sextet (S)

**Saturday**  
**3/2** 9 a.m. . . . . Habitat for Humanity Bus Tour (Off-site)  
4 p.m. . . . . Edgemon/Hall Wedding (GC)

**Sunday** Transfiguration Sunday  
**3/3** 8 a.m. . . . . Cans for Communion Staging Area (N104)  
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)  
3 p.m. . . . . Artis-Naples Youth Jazz Band Concert (Freewill Offering to Habitat for Humanity)(S)

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Anthony Bandy, *Assistant Manager*

## 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, February 27, from 3 - 5:15 p.m. in Nelson Hall Room 207.

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

## PRAYER LIST

Condolences: To Susan Pratt and family, on the passing of her brother Timothy Pratt.  
To Jan Grunewald and family, on the passing of Jack Grunewald.  
To Kitty Stark and family, on the passing of her husband Kenneth.

Mark Agnew  
Barbara Auxier  
Maria Badham  
Fred Balmages  
Mary Baum  
Jeffrey Bramley  
Al Cahen  
Jay Cahill  
Pete Casper  
Bob Clement  
Karin Cusic  
Nick Disette  
Jacob Francis  
Nancy Galazzo  
Mary Heller  
Henry  
Al Hopkins  
Stu Homer  
Karen Howick  
Irma  
Jamie

Justine  
Sue Keenan  
Irv Koehler  
Kristi and Mike  
Ellen Little  
Scott Masi  
Ali McKee  
Elissa Lauber Mozena  
Dinny Nemecheck  
Elizabeth Perrin  
Jean Partridge  
Frank Pliml  
John and Linda R.  
Pauline and John R.  
Sharon Rainey  
Dave Remley  
Roger Rhodes  
Tom and Angie Reuter  
Claire Schelske  
Carol Sellman  
Deb Scott

Nancy Singleton  
Dean L. Smith  
Ronald Smith  
Brenda Taylor  
Barbara Toms  
The Whitt Family  
Don Williams  
Nancy Wyckoff

Our Children  
Luciano Derisio  
Skylin Freeman  
Gracie Faith  
Laila Grace  
Garrett Kaulbars  
Daphne Rice  
Baby Jackson Ryder  
Sebastian and Floretta  
Finn Sears  
Jackson Varty  
Michael Yarwood

In Service to our Nation: MSgt. Donovan Frederickson, MSgt Matthew Frederickson, SPC Austin Payne, LTCR Erik Sand, and Pamela Nolasco and family.



### REAL GOOD CHURCH!

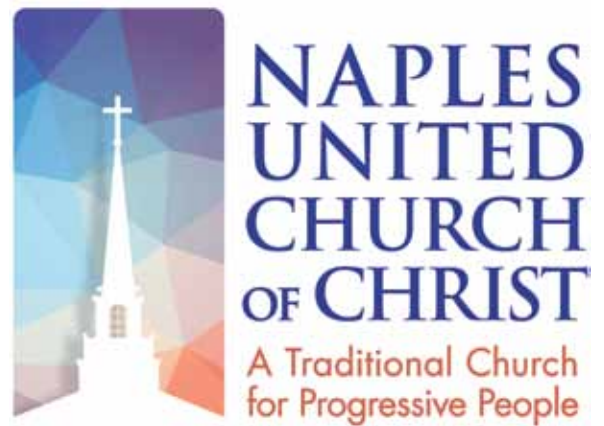
Distinguished Speaker, Rev. Molly Baskette, Sr. Pastor, First Congregational UCC, Berkeley, CA  
March 22-24, 2019

Molly Baskette is a pastor, author, mother, cancer survivor, and inspirational speaker. She will be with us to talk about the ingredients of "real good church." She will begin with a parenting session on Friday aimed at PCA parents ("Fear Not Parenting"), followed by two sessions on Saturday morning, preaching Sunday, and an afternoon follow-up session. On Saturday she will speak on "Spiritual Activism in a Climate of Chaos," and "Radical Orthodoxy." Sunday afternoon's topic: "True Elders and Millennial Unicorns." A pre-lecture brunch will be offered on Sunday after worship with a donation of \$10. Please let us know when signing up if you'd like to attend the brunch.

If you wish to be prepared for her visit, a review session will be held for her book, *Real Good Church*, on Sunday, February 24 and March 3, after church with a light lunch. The sessions are identical.

A follow-up session to Rev. Baskette's visit will be held on Monday, March 25, 4-5 p.m., N-104.

Sign up will begin next Sunday, February 24, in the Gathering Place after worship or in the church office Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



## WHY THE HABITAT DRIVE?

When NUCC member Ken Bruce passed, he left a restricted bequest to NUCC. The gift of \$25,000 was to be directed to Habitat for Humanity of Collier County with the hope that it be matched by the congregation. In the early spring of 2018, a joint meeting was held with his wife, Nancy Bruce, lay leadership, the clergy team, and the CEO of Habitat for Humanity to discuss Ken's bequest. There was a strong sense that Ken's generosity was leading us in a direction of an even greater response. During a subsequent meeting, we discovered the cost of materials to build a house from the slab up was \$50,000. We determined not to just match Ken's leadership grant once, but to do it 10 times! That would be a total of 5 houses- \$250,000! This is our giving goal.

But everyone involved wanted the drive to be about more than just money. We want it to be about education and service as well. We have provided many opportunities for service and learning about Habitat-Collier - from sessions with Lisa Lefkow, the CEO of Habitat-Collier, to Volunteer Days at Habitat build sites, to a bus tour of Immokalee where our houses will be located. We encourage you to take advantage of all of these opportunities to better understand the need to make housing affordable in our community and how Habitat helps achieve that goal.

As we start this drive, we are pleased to report Ken's bequest of \$25,000 was matched first by a \$25,000 grant from the 2017 Endowment-Unrestricted Funds income. These two gifts total \$50,000 and house #1 is now complete! And thanks to advance gifts from other caring congregants, an additional \$50,000 has been gifted. An accumulated total of \$100,000, equaling houses #1 and #2, is complete. We are 40% of the way toward our goal. We invite you to contribute in any way you can to this worthwhile program.

Donations may be made in the envelopes provided or mailed to the church. Checks should be made out to Naples United Church of Christ, with "Habitat" in the memo line. Contact the church office for credit card contributions, stock transfers, or to make a pledge (due by 12/31/19).



## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY DRIVE DID YOU KNOW?

- ❖ Naples United Church of Christ was one of the four founding faith communities of Habitat for Humanity of Collier County in 1978. Millard Fuller, the founder of Habitat for Humanity International, was a member of a UCC church where he and his wife were married.
- ❖ Charity Navigator has awarded Habitat for Humanity of Collier County its highest rating of four-stars thirteen times.
- ❖ 95% of Habitat for Humanity of Collier County revenue is spent in program services, and the balance is spent on administrative and fundraising expenses.
- ❖ Since its founding, Habitat for Humanity of Collier County has provided access to affordable housing to 2,130 families and 5,100 children.
- ❖ Habitat homeowners purchase their homes with an interest-free mortgage, and provide an average of 500 hours of “sweat equity” in the construction.
- ❖ Habitat has experienced only a 1% foreclosure rate in 40 years; while over 300 Habitat families have paid off their mortgages and own their homes, free and clear.
- ❖ A cost-burdened household is one that spends more than 30% of its gross monthly income on housing. In Collier County, over 40% of residents spend more than 30% of their income on housing, and half of those households spend over 50% of their income.
- ❖ The average income of new Habitat homeowners is \$33,210 vs. \$65,200 required to afford a three-bedroom apartment in the county.
- ❖ Construction of the homes funded by NUCC will start in 2020 in a new Habitat development in Immokalee, named Esperanza (Spanish for “hope”).
- ❖ The average cost of materials to construct a Habitat home is \$50,000.
- ❖ NUCC’s grant to Habitat will extend well beyond the initial homes that will be constructed. Homeowners’ mortgage payments are directed toward construction of more Habitat homes, thus creating a perpetual cycle that allows Habitat to partner with more families in need.



## TODAY:

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

In Sunday School with Miss Leanne, children will continue learning about Habitat for Humanity. Using crayons and magazine clippings, students will create collages that describe how a safe and healthy home can help children have a brighter future. Last Sunday the children agreed to participate in the NUCC Habitat for Humanity Drive by contributing their pennies. Look for the Sunday School Penny Collection Jar in the narthex!

### GREEN JUSTICE TEAM EQUAL EXCHANGE TABLE

The Green Justice Team will be selling Equal Exchange products such as fair trade chocolate, tea, coffee, olive oil, and more today after services. Please stop by to check out their products and support a good cause.

### VOICES OF NAPLES SINGING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS CONCERT

Voices of Naples community chorus presents their annual "Singing for Scholarships" this afternoon, February 24 at 3 p.m., in the sanctuary. Featured guest will be Jessica Jarvis, the 2018-19 scholarship winner who will perform as soloist. Musical selections of sacred, spiritual, Americana and Broadway songs will be performed by the 75 member chorus. Tickets are \$25 at the door.

### MIDDLERS PLUS THEATRE EVENT

Theatre tickets for *Guys & Dolls* at the Sugden can be picked up in the Gathering Place after church services today. There is one ticket available for that show. For questions, call Bobbi Richardson at 239-207-6615.

### STEWARDSHIP STATUS

While progress towards our goal of \$1,400,000 continues, we have not heard from many of you. As of Tuesday morning earlier this week, we had received estimates of giving of \$972,000. As friends, as neighbors and as a faith community we have, from the start, had a significant impact on each other and our community. We need to and should continue on that path.

### CANS FOR COMMUNION

We will be collecting nonperishable food and supplies next Sunday, March 3, for Grace Place. You may pick up a list of suggested items for donation in the narthex after worship. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

### NUCC CUBA TRIP REMINDER

For those members and friends going on the Naples UCC Cuba Trip this Tuesday, February 26, please remember to arrive at the NUCC parking lot before 8:45 a.m., before departure. Parking is limited at the church, so please ride-share if possible.

### BOOK CLUB

The next book club meeting is tomorrow, February 25, at 2 p.m. in N207: *Lincoln in the Bardo* by George Saunders. Discussion led by Dr. Heather English and Susan Enlow.

### NUCC HABITAT "BUILD DAYS"

March 9 and April 13. Naples United Church of Christ will be having "Build Days" for anyone interesting in volunteering at Collier County Habitat for Humanity. We have scheduled three dates. If you are interested, please visit Habitat's Volunteerhub platform to register for the work days via this link: <http://nucc.habitatcollier.volunteerhub.com/>. When you use the link you will then receive a confirmation email with the site location, what to wear/bring, and other pertinent details. If you do not sign up online, you will simply need to fill out a paper waiver when you arrive on the day of the build before we can get started. We hope you can be involved in this special opportunity.

### SAVE THE DATE: HABI-TOURS TO IMMOKALEE

Saturday, March 2, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. or  
Thursday, March 7, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Bus tours to Immokalee led by Habitat staff. These tours will provide the opportunity to see firsthand the conditions faced by prospective Habitat homeowners. It will also provide the opportunity to visit completed Habitat projects. We will also drive by other Mission Partners in Immokalee and enjoy a lunch at Lozano's, a well-known Mexican restaurant. Cost is \$30 per person. Buses will have restrooms. Sign up in the Gathering Place today. We hope you can join us for an informative day.

# PEOPLELIGHTS

**CAREGIVER'S SUPPORT GROUP** will meet on Fridays, March 8 and 22 at 2 - 3:30 p.m. in N104. All are welcome.

***SACRED RHYTHMS: SPIRITUAL PRACTICES THAT NOURISH YOUR SOUL AND TRANSFORM YOUR LIFE*** by Ruth Haley Barton. Wednesdays, March 13 – April 10, 5:30 - 7 p.m. Location: N-104. Led by Deb Kaiser-Cross. In this five-session study, the author Ruth Haley Barton provides guidance that links the spiritual practices of the Christian faith to the most compelling desires of the human soul. Each session will offer video teaching, and lively discussion, in addition to experiential practices that will encourage each participant to grow deeper during the Lenten season.

## **MONDAY MORNING LADIES**

Are you crafty and looking for a group to share fellowship, crafting tips, and more? Monday Morning Ladies meets weekly year-round, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. to produce a wide variety of projects for the annual Bazaar. The group regularly enjoys lunch out! Everyone is welcome: Come and we'll find a project for you!

## **BARGAIN BOX VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION**

The Bargain Box will be holding a Volunteer Appreciation event on Thursday, March 14, from 5 to 7 p.m. in McSpadden Hall. If you volunteer for the Bargain Box, please plan to join us as we celebrate all of the help and vibrancy that our volunteers bring to the store throughout the year.

## **3F WOMEN'S LUNCH GROUP**

Fine Food & Fellowship – The 3F Group luncheon for women. Thursday, February 28 at 12 p.m. at the Boathouse on Naples Bay. 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.

## **SENIOR SINGLES DINNER**

Sign up in The Gathering Place for the NUCC Senior Singles Dinner Group. The group will meet to enjoy dinner together on March 7th at Trattoria Abruzzo. Reservations are available for the first 12 people who sign up.

## **ORIGINAL MIAMI SOUTH BEACH TOUR**

Thursday, March 21. Bus leaves Crossroads Shopping Center at Vineyards at 7:30 a.m. Return is 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$89. This trip includes round trip bus transportation, a guided walking and riding tour of the historic Art Deco District, lunch on your own, looking around time on famous Lincoln Road, and a guided sightseeing boat cruise around Biscayne Bay. Information – Susan Melick at susanmelick@gmail.com or 293-8446. Sign up in the Gathering Place or the church office.

## **MARINA JACK'S LUNCH CRUISE ON SARASOTA BAY AND ST. ARMAND'S CIRCLE**

This trip is on April 4. The bus leaves Crossroads Shopping Center at Vineyards at 8:30 a.m. We will return at 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$89 per person. A favorite, this trip includes round trip bus transportation, a sightseeing cruise on Sarasota Bay with a delicious buffet lunch, shopping time on St. Armand's Circle, and a stop at the Der Dutchman Bakery. Information: Susan Melick at susanmelick@gmail.com or 239-293-8446.

## **PCA MARDI GRAS GALA FUNDRAISER**

We would like to invite the congregation to join us for our Mardi Gras Gala on March 30th, 2019. PCA will be hosting its first ever gala fundraiser, in which we will have delicious food, wine, and live entertainment. All the money raised will be going directly towards building a shading structure for our interior toddler playground. Tickets are available for purchase in the church office and cost \$75. We hope to see you there! Sign up in the Gathering Place or the church office.

## **COMMUNION HELPERS**

Looking for couple or individuals to come in to help set up communion, fill the cups, set up the bread, prepare the altar, collect trays from ushers, and help clean up after service. First Sunday of each month, 11 a.m. service. Requires about two hours each communion service, one half hour before and one after. Please sign up by calling the church office.

## **HELP WANTED: PEW CREW**

Looking for couple or individuals to come in once a week to check and refill folders and giving envelopes in the pews. The church is divided into three sections, so we are looking for a volunteer for one section. This job can be done any time while the church is open during the week. Requires 1 hour. Sign up by calling Wendy in the church office.



# UPCOMING CONCERTS



## SANCTUARY CONCERT SERIES: THE SPIRIT OF THE GULF (SWEET ADELINES)

February 26, 7 p.m., \$20 per ticket

We welcome *Spirit of the Gulf* to our Sanctuary Concert Series for the first time. This Ft. Myers-based, 100-voice, all-female a capella chorus is affiliated with Sweet Adelines International.



## SANCTUARY CONCERT SERIES: DAN HECK'S BLUES AND TRUTH SEXTET

March 1, 7 p.m., \$20 per ticket

Made up of the finest musicians in Southwest Florida, his sextet varies grooves from Funk to Rock, to Jazz and Blues.



## YOUTH JAZZ BAND FROM ARTIS—NAPLES

March 3, 3 p.m.

Freewill Offering for

Habitat for Humanity of Collier County.

Led by Dan Miller, trumpeter for the Naples Philharmonic Jazz Orchestra, the NPYJO members study the repertoire and arrangements of jazz greats.

## UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES:

### ASH WEDNESDAY

March 6, 12 p.m.

### ASH WEDNESDAY FAMILY SUPPER

Families are invited to join Miss Leanne, Pastor David, and Miss Merrill on Wednesday, March 6 from 5:30-6:45 PM in McSpadden Hall to explore the meaning of Lent and how to celebrate together as a family. Our fellowship will include a complimentary soup supper, singing, learning activities and short worship service. Lenten resources to help your family and children grow deeper in faith will be available. To help us plan for seating and food, please make your reservation by signing up in the Gathering Place, calling Precious Cargo Academy or the church office.

## 2019 LENTEN MEDITATIONS

Meditations will be followed by a guided labyrinth walk for those who wish to participate.

### March 13, 12 p.m.

Meditation by Rev. Dr. David Kaiser-Cross  
Emerson Millar, *violin*  
Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, *organ and piano*

### March 20, 12 p.m.

Meditation by Rev. Lisa Lefkow, CEO  
Habitat for Humanity of Collier County  
Ryan Little, *french horn*  
Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, *organ and piano*

### March 27, 12 p.m.

Meditation by Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor  
Dr. Robert Tudor, *baritone*  
Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, *organ and piano*

### April 3, 12 p.m.

Meditation by Rev. Dr. Deborah Kaiser-Cross  
Jenni Groyon, *bassoon*  
Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, *organ and piano*

### April 10, 12 p.m.

Meditation by Rev. Rich Kirschner  
Leelo Basham, *flute*  
Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, *organ and piano*

### April 17, 12 p.m.

Meditation by Rev. Dr. Sharon Harris-Ewing  
Glenn Basham, *violin*  
Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, *organ and piano*

# 2019 AGING WELL SERIES: SAVE THE DATES

The 2019 Aging Well Series is fast approaching. Please save the following dates: Wednesday March 13, 20 & 27 at 10:00 - 11:30 am in McSpadden Hall. This year's topics are hearing loss, geriatric medicine and sleep. We will discuss what is new in these areas of medicine and how it can impact quality of life. As always, this series is offered at no cost and open to the public. We encourage you to join us and bring your friends.



**Wednesday March 13, 2019 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. McSpadden Hall**

## **Modern Methods in the Evaluation and Treatment of Hearing Loss**

Dr. Jay Roberts, MD - Florida Gulf Coast Ear, Nose, and Throat

Dr. Jay Roberts is an ENT-otolaryngologist in Naples, Florida and is affiliated with Physicians Regional Pine Ridge. He received his medical degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine and has been in practice for more than 20 years.



**Wednesday March 20, 2019 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. McSpadden Hall**

## **What is Geriatric Medicine and Why Is It Important to Aging Well?**

Dr. Ronald Garry, MD – Triple Board Certified, Harvard Graduate, Geriatric Medicine

Dr. Garry was born and raised in New York. He was a scholar in Medicine at Stony Brook's school of medicine and graduated with added distinction in research. He then moved to Boston where he did his Internal Medicine training at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC) and Harvard Medical School. While at BIDMC he received the Dr. James Tullis award for intellectual growth. Dr. Garry did his Geriatric Fellowship at Harvard Medical School and upon completion joined the faculty at BIDMC and Harvard Medical School.



**Wednesday March 27, 2019 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. McSpadden Hall**


## **The Importance of Sleep in Aging Well**

Dr. Jose Valle Giler, MD-Board Certified Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine, and Sleep Medicine.

After graduating *magna cum laude* from the Universidad Catolica de Santiago de Guayaquil in Ecuador, Dr. Valle Giler completed his residency training in Internal Medicine at the University of Miami /Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Florida. After this, he pursued a fellowship in Pulmonary and Critical Care at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas. He then went on to complete a fellowship in Sleep Medicine at University of Miami / Jackson Memorial Hospital. He is member of The American College of Chest Physicians, American Thoracic Society, and American Academy of Sleep Medicine. He is Board Certified Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine and Sleep Medicine.

## 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, March 17: Visitor Information Brunch | After 9 and 11 a.m. worship in Nelson Hall room 104

Thursday, March 21: An Evening With Your Pastors at the Kaiser-Cross home

Sunday, March 24: New Member Sunday

Next Sunday  
March 3 at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
*Don't Smile for the Camera*  
Luke 9:28-36  
Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor, preaching  
Joyful Noise ❖ Alleluia Singers ❖ Youth Choir  
Rebecca Richardson, vocals/piano ❖ Dan Miller, trumpet ❖ Lew DelGatto, saxophone  
Herb Bruce, trombone ❖ Don Mopsick, bass ❖ and Tony Vigilante, drums

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](http://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](mailto: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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