



# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## WORDS OF WELCOME

### PRELUDE

*See What Love Hath the Father* from *St. Paul*  
Chamber Choir

Mendelssohn

### CALL TO WORSHIP

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #358

*Love Divine, All Love Excelling*

BEECHER

### INVOCATION

**All: Loving God, we are grateful to be gathered to worship you. As we feast at your table, remind us of your loving presence in our lives. And just as you love us, teach us how to love in that same way. As you taught your disciples, so teach us to pray as we remember your words:**

**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 #399

*Ubi Caritas*

**Where charity and love are, there God is. The love of Christ has gathered us into one flock.  
Let us exult, and in Him be joyful. Let us fear and let us love the living God.  
And from a sincere heart let us love each other (and Him).**

### TIME FOR COMMUNITY

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

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

### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

*The Gift of Love*  
Sanctuary Choir

Hal Hopson

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

### SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

NT pg. 182(NRSV)

### SERMON

Seasons of Love

Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor

### OFFERTORY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*He Comes to Us as One Unknown*  
Sanctuary Choir

Arr. John Ferguson

### 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. There are gluten-free wafers in the center of each bread plate.

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF BLESSING

BREAKING OF THE BREAD                      *Let Us Break Bread Together*                      *Arr. Charles Callahan*  
Charles Page, organ

GIVING AND SHARING OF THE CUP                      *Pastorale*                      *Francis Poulenc*  
Charles Page, organ

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN #593                      *Lord, Speak to Me*                      CANONBURY

\*WORDS OF BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE                      *Trumpet Tune*                      *Nicholas Bowden*  
Charles Page, organ



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 SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION, THE EUCHARIST, THE LORD'S SUPPER**

In the United Church of Christ, several terms are used to refer to our sharing of the bread and the cup. Historically, views concerning Communion in our tradition have run the gamut from those who believe that Christ is symbolically present in the blessed bread and cup, to those who believe that we are sharing in a simple memorial meal as Jesus asked us to do "in remembrance of me." It is not unusual for some members of UCC congregations to hold views on Communion which stress the "real" presence of Christ in the bread and the cup (a traditional Roman Catholic view) or to believe that sharing the bread and the cup is a simple way to express our oneness as a faith community. Our theological differences enliven rather than divide.

**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  
Charles Page, Guest Organist  
Rebecca Best, Accompanist  
Megan Black, Audiovisual  
Sanctuary Choir

**USHERS:**

9 a.m.: David Bogin, head usher; Bob and Louise Brown, Carolyn Keller, Joe Rickard, Mary Robinson, Cheryl Turner

11 a.m.: John Ballew, head usher; Julie Forshay, Bob Miller, Mary Robinson, Bill Rumpf, Ron Sanson, Janet Tosca, Pat Wiedner



**STEPHEN MINISTERS:** 9 a.m.: Lloyd Bettis      11 a.m.: Marcia Williams

Chancel Flowers are given by Teresa Brown in loving memory of her sister, Joan Kasper.

# THIS WEEK AT NUCC (FEBRUARY 3-10)

<b>Sunday</b> 2/3	Fourth Sunday after Epiphany 8 a.m. . . . . Cans for Communion Staging Area (MH) 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) 12:15 p.m. . . . . Robin Meyers Book Review (N104)
<b>Monday</b> 2/4	9:30 a.m. . . . . Monday Morning Ladies (N104) 9:30 a.m. . . . . Gentle Yoga with Shannon (MH) 10 a.m. . . . . Beginner Mah Jongg Class (N205) 11 a.m. . . . . Palette Pals Meeting (N101) 1 p.m. . . . . Bell Choir (Bell Room) 1 p.m. . . . . NUCC Blood Drive (Parking Lot) 4:30 p.m. . . . . Centering Prayer (P) 5 p.m. . . . . Youth Choir (BH)
<b>Tuesday</b> 2/5	9 a.m. . . . . Stewardship Committee Meeting (N101) 12:30 p.m. . . . . Stephen Ministry Training (N207) 3 p.m. . . . . Prayer Shawl Ministry (P) 6 p.m. . . . . Senior Singles Dinner Group (Off-site) 6 p.m. . . . . Board of Christian Education Meeting (N104) 6 p.m. . . . . Diaconate Meeting (ACR)
<b>Wednesday</b> 2/6	7:30 a.m. . . . . Boca Grande & Gasparilla Inn Trip (Off-site) 9 a.m. . . . . Stewardship Committee Meeting (N101) 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) 1 p.m. . . . . Stephen Ministry (N207) 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> Book Study (N104) 7 p.m. . . . . Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (BH/S)
<b>Thursday</b> 2/7	9:30 a.m. . . . . Gentle Yoga with Shannon (MH) 12:30 p.m. . . . . Mah Jongg (MH) 1 p.m. . . . . <i>Beyond the Broken Heart</i> Grief Group (N101) 1 p.m. . . . . <i>On the Brink of Everything</i> Book Study (N104) 5 p.m. . . . . Baby Boomers (Off-site) 5:30 p.m. . . . . The Stories Behind Affordable Housing (N207)
<b>Friday</b> 2/8	10 a.m. . . . . Revs Museum Tour (Off-site) 12 p.m. . . . . Al Anon Meeting (BH) 2 p.m. . . . . Caregivers Support Group (N104)
<b>Saturday</b> 2/9	8 a.m. . . . . Habitat for Humanity Half-Day (Off-site) 9 a.m. . . . . Distinguished Speaker: Rev. Dr. Robin Meyers Lecture 1 (MH) 10:30 a.m. . . . . Distinguished Speaker: Rev. Dr. Robin Meyers Lecture 2 (MH)
<b>Sunday</b> 2/10	Fifth 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) 12:30 p.m. . . . . Brunch (\$10) with Rev. Dr. Robin Meyers (MH) 2 p.m. . . . . Rev. Dr. Robin Meyers: <i>Quantum Physics and the Future of God</i> (MH)

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## 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 6, 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 Roberta Buckley and family, on the passing of her husband, Ben.  
To Judy Varty and family, on the passing of her husband, Duncan.

Mark Agnew	Irma	Carol Sellman
Barbara Auxier	Jamie	Deb Scott
Maria Badham	Justine	Ronald Smith
Jeffrey Bramley	Sue Keenan	Brenda Taylor
Al Cahen	Irv Koehler	Barbara Toms
Jay Cahill	Kristi and Mike	The Whitt Family
Pete Casper	Ellen Little	Don Williams
Bob Clement	Scott Masi	Nancy Wyckoff
Nick Disette	Ali McKee	
Sally Vining Driscoll	Dinny Nemecheck	<u>Our Children</u>
Peter Fahey	Jean Partridge	Luciano Derisio
Jacob Francis	Frank Pliml	Skylin Freeman
Nancy Galazzo	Timothy Pratt	Gracie Faith
Mary Heller	John and Linda R.	Laila Grace
Henry	Sharon Rainey	Garrett Kaulbars
Ruth Himburg	Dave Remley	Sebastian and Floretta
Stu Homer	Roger Rhodes	Baby Jackson Ryder
Karen Howick	Tom and Angie Reuter	Jackson Varty
Dale Hull	Claire Schelske	Michael Yarwood

In Service to our Nation: SPC Austin Payne, LTRC Erik Sand, and Pamela Nolasco and Family.



### **BUILDING IRRESISTIBLE COMMUNITY**

with the Rev. Dr. Robin Meyers, Sr. Pastor, Mayflower U.C.C., Oklahoma City  
February 9-10, 2019

Robin Meyers is a minister, activist, philosophy professor, and author of seven books on progressive Christianity and western society. We have asked him to come to speak to us about what it means for us, as a traditional church, to be a progressive people in matters of faith, community, and outreach.

He will deliver two lectures on Saturday morning, preach on Sunday morning, and offer a fascinating follow-up lecture on Sunday afternoon entitled, "Quantum Physics and the Future of God." A brunch in McSpadden Hall will be offered (\$10) for those who want to stay for the afternoon lecture. Sign up for lecture and brunch in the Gathering Place or the church office during the week.

If you wish to be prepared for his visit, a review session for his book will be offered today after worship at 12:15 p.m., N-104, led by Pastor David.

A follow-up session to Dr. Meyers' visit will be held on Monday, February 11, 4-5 p.m., N-207.



## TODAY:

### WELCOMING MERRILL NOBLE

Today we officially welcome Merrill Noble as our Director of Children's Ministries (part-time) Merrill is the daughter of NUCC member Don Williams, one of our long-time choir members. Merrill served as Director of Children's Ministry for fourteen years at Acton Congregational UCC in Acton, MA. At Acton, Merrill was responsible for coordinating all aspects of the Sunday morning program, with an average of 75 families and 125 children, birth to 8th grade. She built a strong team of dedicated teachers and volunteers, and used her gifts of creativity and organization to develop and implement an intergenerational program. Please stop by the Gathering Place for some cake and to welcome Merrill and her husband Chris to Naples UCC!

### TASTE OF IMMOKALEE SUPER BOWL BASKETS

Taste of Immokalee is the story of how a small group of high school students started a movement to give back. Their vision is to create an innovative approach through business that educates youth with skills and knowledge needed to solve social, economic, and educational issues through community and educational partnerships. By purchasing a Super Bowl Salsa and Chip Basket for \$25 (cash or check only) you can help them give back to the community of Immokalee. This year a portion of the proceeds from the sale of each basket will go to help the Legal Aid Office in Immokalee. Legal Aid is a non-profit organization that provides free services of legal representation to people who are the victims of domestic violence, child abuse, housing assistance, tax assistance, and other people who are at risk. Thanks you for your support.

### REV. DR. ROBIN MEYERS BOOK REVIEW

A Review of Robin Meyers' book will be held today at 12:15 p.m. after worship in N-104 in preparation for the Distinguished Speaker weekend, Feb 9-10. Led by Pastor David.

### PCA VALENTINE GIVING TREE

If you would like to help spread the love at PCA, we will have a special Giving Tree located in the Narthex. On this "tree" there will be paper ornaments with items that PCA is always in need of. If you are able, you can take one of these ornaments and then deliver the item to either PCA directly, or the church office. We sincerely appreciate the generous support from NUCC. Happy Valentine's Day!

### AFFORDABLE HOUSING: STORIES BEHIND THE ISSUE

On Thursday February 7 at 5:30 - 7:00 pm in N-207, the NUCC Board of Missions and Christian Education are pleased to welcome Rev. Lisa Lefkow, CEO of Habitat for Humanity of Collier County for a continuation of our discussion on access to affordable housing. Rev. Lefkow will introduce us to Habitat homeowners by sharing their stories through the application and selection process. She will also explain Habitat's program factors that lead to successful long-term homeownership and the positive impact on families and our communities. Dinner will be provided and we ask you to sign-up in the Gathering Place or by calling the church office by Tuesday Feb 5th so that we can ensure that we have enough food and chairs. If you haven't heard Rev. Lefkow speak, you are in for a treat! Please join us and bring friends as we learn more about this important topic.

### BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a blood drive on February 4 in the Naples UCC parking lot. Sign up in the Gathering Place or by calling Bob Morse at 239-631-9771.

### 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 February 5. Restaurant and time are TBD. Reservations are available for the first 12 people who sign up.

### BABY BOOMERS

Baby Boomers! Join us as the fun continues! Happy Hour, 5-7 p.m., Thursday, February 7, at Naples Grande Resort's "Catch of the Pelican" restaurant. Sign up in the Gathering Place, church office, or contact Dennis and Carolyn Kois at 608-219-0812 or johnsonkois@icloud.com.

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

by Parker J. Palmer. Thursdays, February 7 - 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.

CAREGIVER'S SUPPORT GROUP will meet on Friday February 8 and 22 at 2 - 3:30 p.m. in N-104. All are welcome.

# PEOPLELIGHTS

## PALETTE PALS

Artwork donated to Habitat for Humanity homes will be in the gallery from February 3 through February 17. If members of NUCC or their friends have original paintings they would like to donate to Habitat, please contact the church office or Sue McNaghten at 566-3086.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY VOLUNTEERING

Within the mission and ministry of Habitat for Humanity there is a place for everyone to share their time, talents and treasure. Members of Naples UCC have been involved in volunteering monthly at Habitat build sites for many years. In order to participate, Habitat uses an online Volunteer Hub. If you would like to volunteer, you may use this online registration to sign up for a day or more of volunteering at a house building site. If you would like to volunteer, please visit <http://habitatcollier.volunteerhub.com>. This is one more opportunity to make a difference in our own community.

## WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

On February 11 at 11:30 a.m., we will meet in McSpadden Hall for lunch and a musical program. Lew Williams, NUCC member and his friend's band will play songs from the 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, and beyond. It will be a fun filled time you don't want to miss! Bring a salad, sandwich, or dessert to share. Friends are welcome too! Sign up in the Gathering Place on Sunday.

## 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.

## TUESDAY AT TWILIGHT CONCERT

February 19, 7 p.m., Beverly Hall. Tickets are \$30 per person. Tuesday at Twilight Concert with Adam Satinsky, cello, and Alexandra Carlson, piano. Sign up in the Gathering Place after worship or in the church office.

## SANCTUARY CONCERT

February 26, 7 p.m. \$20 per ticket. We welcome Spirit of the Gulf, a 100 voice all female a capella chorus that is affiliated with Sweet Adelines International. Sign up in the Gathering Place after worship or in the church office.

## BOOK CLUB

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

## LUNCH AND LEARN

Thursday, February 21, from 12 to 1 p.m. Habitat for Humanity of Collier County Lunch and Learn. Naples UCC was one of the four founding faith communities of Habitat for Humanity of Collier County and we have had a strong partnership in the 40 years since. Come learn from CEO, Rev. Lisa Lefkow about housing in Collier County and about this renewed partnership between Habitat and NUCC!

## PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Saturday, March 16. Cocktails at 5 p.m., dinner and dessert at 7 p.m. Cost: \$35. We are looking for cocktail and dinner party hosts. Deadline for host sign up is February 10. Sign up and more information in the Gathering Place.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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](mailto:susanmelick@gmail.com) or 293-8446. Sign up in the Gathering Place or the church office.

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

Thursday, February 21: An Evening With Your Pastors at Dr. Taylor's home.

Sunday, February 24: New Member Sunday

Next Sunday  
February 10 at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
*Original Blessing*  
Rev. Dr. Robin Meyers, preaching  
Leelo Basham, flute ❖ Glenn Basham, violin

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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