Words of Welcome

Prelude
To a Wild Rose
Handbell Choir \ Wendy Willis, director

MacDowell/Arr. McChesney

Call to Worship
One: Happy are we,
All: When our treasures cannot be quantified.
One: Happy are we,
All: When our knowledge is tempered by mystery.
One: Happy are we,
All: When our pain is held in the balm of love.
One: Happy are we,
All: When our delight comes from beyond ourselves.

*Processional Hymn #231
Arise, Your Light is Come!

Festal Song

Invocation
All: Almighty God, your Spirit swept over the waters of creation and created something new. Open us to a new awakening, a new beginning. Enable us to look through the lens of the goodness of your creation, experiencing all possibilities in you. Turn us away from the darkness of anxiety, and lead us to the light of new life. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Time for Community
Please sign and pass the register book to your neighbor.
Children of all ages are welcome in our worship services. When dismissed, children 3 and 4 years-old may meet Miss Lois at the double doors to the left of the Sanctuary to go to preschool. Children from kindergarten to 5th grade may meet Miss Merrill in the back of the Sanctuary for Sunday School.

Ministry of Music
Blessed are You
Sanctuary Choir

William Beckstrand

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer
All: 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.

Choral Response

Scripture Reading
Matthew 5:1-12
NT pg. 4 (NRSV)

Sermon
How To Be Happy
Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor

Offertory
Amazing Grace
Handbell Choir \ Wendy Willis, director

Arr. Sandra Eithun

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.

Invitation

Prayer of Blessing

*Please rise in body or spirit.
**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**
Panis Angelicus
Johannes Grau, tenor
Franck

**SHARING OF THE CUP**
O Divine Redeemer
Johannes Grau, tenor
Gounod

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**
All: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your spirit, to give ourselves for others. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*RECESSITIONAL HYMN #666
Blest Are They
David Haas

*WORDS OF BLESSING

*POSTLUDE
Toccata in F Major
Buxtehude

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Today's handbell selections are dedicated to Pat McGee.

We welcome Johannes Grau, tenor, to our worship services.

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.

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**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.

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**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
Robin Shuford Frank, Accompanist
Brad Van Houten, Audiovisual
Sanctuary Choir

**GREETERS:**
9 a.m.: Provided by the ushers
11 a.m.: Nancy Bruce

**USHERS:**
9 a.m.: Carolyn Keller, head usher; Molly Baker, Becky Cutts, June Hart, Ed Kaulbars & Cheryl Turner, Bob Miller, Joe Rickard, Mary Robinson, Richard Ryder
11 a.m.: Bob Miller, head usher; Joyce Agnew, John Ballew, Sherry Latimer, Bob Nordland, Jennifer Rainey, Mary Robinson, Ron Sanson

**STEPHEN MINISTERS:**
9 a.m.: Nancy Harper
11 a.m.: Kathy Book

Chancel flowers are given by Lyle and Akiko Bultman, in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary on February 5.
Today:
In the Gathering Place:

- Social event and class sign-ups, book sales
- Ministry with Music Concert tickets on sale
- Taste of Immokalee Super Bowl Chips and Salsa Bundle ($25)

Children's Ministry

Infants and toddlers may be dropped off in the Nursery before the worship service begins. When dismissed from the sanctuary, children ages 3 and 4 will leave with Miss Lois to hear the story of Jesus Welcoming the Children. Children in kindergarten – 5th grade may join Miss Merrill in Nelson Hall to play a fun Super Bowl game which will help the children remember and review what they have learned so far this year! Parents should meet their older children in the lobby of Nelson Hall at 10:15 a.m.

Valentine's Day Giving Tree

If you would like to help spread the love at PCA, we will have a special Giving Tree located in the narthex today and on February 9. If you are able, take one of the ornaments from the tree, and then deliver the requested item to either PCA or the church office.

Red Sox Baseball Tickets

Tuesday, March 24, 1:05 p.m.
Cost: $32 (limited tickets left), Jet Blue Park, Fort Myers
Selena Evans, selena0429@comcast.net
Tickets for the Red Sox Spring Training game against the Atlanta Braves are on sale in the Gathering Place.

Last Day to Sign Up:
Theatre Event: "Gypsy"
Sunday, March 15, 7:30 p.m., Theatre Zone Naples
Cost: $45 (limited seating)
Bobbi Richardson, (239) 207-6615
Gypsy is the ultimate tale of an ambitious mother fighting for her daughter’s success…while secretly yearning for her own. There will be an optional dinner prior to the show.

Habitat for Humanity Dedication
Saturday, February 29
We will be dedicating eight homes in Immokalee. Bus transportation will be available and signups will be on February 9, 16, and 23, in the Gathering Place.

2020 Distinguished Speaker: Philip Gulley
February 9 Sunday worship: "If Grace is True"
February 9 Sunday after worship: "Living the Quaker Way"
light lunch and lecture: $15 at the door.
February 10 Monday luncheon: "Unlearning God"
luncheon and lecture: $15 at the door.

Philip Gulley is a Quaker pastor and popular author of twenty-two books, including the Porch Talk series of inspirational essays. Philip is a gifted narrator of the American religious experience and offers profound spiritual insights and theological conversations that charm, provoke, encourage and inspire.

Upcoming Classes

Getting Your (Legal, Logistical, Spiritual) Affairs in Order
Wednesdays, February 12, 19, and 26, 5:30 - 7 p.m.
McSpadden Hall
Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor
Michael Whyte of Legacy Options
Lorna Scharlaken of Legacy Law Unlimited
Join us in this three-week seminar to discuss estate planning, plans for your final wishes, and how to plan a memorial service.

W.I.S.E.: Stress
Thursday, February 13, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
N-207
Rev. Dr. Deb Kaiser-Cross
While stress has been made into a public health enemy, new research suggests that stress may only be bad for you if you believe that to be the case. Psychologist Kelly McGonigal urges us to see stress as a positive.

Lunch and Learn: Red Cross
Thursday, February 20, 12 p.m.
N-104
Rev. Dr. Dawson B. Taylor
We will gather for a presentation and moderated question-and-answer time with community partners in our area addressing important issues of our day. You are invited to bring your own lunch to the session.
SOCIAL EVENTS

WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON
Monday, February 10, 11:30 a.m.
Love & Passion: A Brief Exploration of Music as Science & Art
Led by Elena Mola
Please join us for our next Women’s Fellowship luncheon. Sign up in the Gathering Place. When you sign up, you can opt to bring salad, sandwiches, finger foods, or desserts.

SENIOR SINGLES DINNER
Monday, February 10, 5:30 p.m., Capriccio's
Seating is limited. Sign up in the Gathering Place.

6 BRIDGES INTRACOASTAL BOAT TOUR
Thursday, February 13, Cost: $119 (subject to change)
Leave Naples 7:30 a.m.
Susan Melick, (239) 293-8446
All reservations should be made through Trendy Tours
(Denise), (239) 449-9408
Enjoy a four-hour leisurely cruise with narration by the Captain along Florida’s beautiful inland waters passing under area bridges from the Pinellas County Docks to Clearwater, where the bus will meet you. Includes lunch.

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP
Friday, February 14, 2 p.m.
N-101
The Caregivers Support Group will be watching the film “Alzheimer’s - the Caregiver’s Perspective.” This film is relevant to all caregivers. And we always leave time for caregivers to share their journey and how they need support.

COCKTAIL PARTY EVENING!
Monday, February 17, 5:30 p.m.
Please join us for an evening of fun, finger foods, great drinks, and conversation. Sign up in the Gathering Place or in the church office.

WOMEN ENGAGE!
Thursday, February 20, 10 - 11:30 a.m., N-104
This month, WE! (a women's discussion group) will focus on the topic, "Understanding and Responding to Rising Anti-Semitism," a difficult, but timely discussion.

BABY BOOMERS POTLUCK! (& TRIVIA)
Thursday, February 20, 6 p.m.
Park Shore Landings Condo Clubhouse
Bring a dish to pass and your own drinks.

THIS WEEK:
INSPIRED! BY RACHEL HELD EVANS
BOOK STUDY BEGINS THIS WEEK
Thursdays, February 6 - March 26, 5:30 - 7 p.m.
N-104, Rev. Dr. Sharon Harris-Ewing
This week will be devoted the introduction and first chapter where we will be challenged to engage with the Bible in new ways by this inspiring author.

GREETING CARD CLASS
Friday, February 7, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Cost: $15, limited to 12-16 participants
Jan Madigan, jlmadig01@gmail.com
Learn how to make one-of-a-kind beautiful greeting cards. All tools and materials will be provided. Cost includes a light lunch.

NAPLES UCC HABITAT BUILD DAY
Saturday, February 8, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.
2380 Esperanza Way, Immokalee, FL 34142
Our team will be building one of the eight homes we funded. Volunteers can drive directly to the site or join a carpool leaving Lulu B’s Restaurant on Immokalee Road at 7:15 a.m. Sign up in the Gathering Place and register online at http://nucc.habitatcollier.volunteerhub.com/.

TIME TO SOAR
2020 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

$759K Commited
$1.9M Operating Budget
(as of 1/30/2020)
**This Week at NUCC:**
**February 3 - February 9**

**Monday 2/3**
- 8 a.m. .... Aging Well Planning Committee Meeting (N101)
- 9:30 a.m. . Yoga and Meditation (BH)
- 9:30 a.m. . Monday Morning Ladies (N104)
- 10 a.m. . . A Different Look at Climate Change (N207)
- 11:30 a.m. Bible Study Series: The Gospel According to Mark (N101)
- 12 p.m. ... Beginner Mah Jongg Class (N102)
- 1 p.m. .... Bell Choir (BH/Bell Room)
- 4:30 p.m. . Centering Prayer (P)

**Tuesday 2/4**
- 3 p.m. .... Prayer Shawl Ministry (P)
- 3 p.m. .... Task Force on Justice and Witness Ministry Meeting (N101)
- 5:30 p.m. . Youth Choir (BH)
- 6 p.m. .... Diaconate Meeting (ACR)

**Wednesday 2/5**
- 9 a.m. .... New Chapters Men’s Study Group (N104)
- 12 p.m. .  Stephen Ministry Leader’s Meeting (N102)
- 1 p.m. .... Stephen Ministry Meeting (N207)
- 2:30 p.m. . Getting Your Affairs In Order (MH)
- 3 p.m. .... Junior Disciples (N207)
- 4:15 p.m. . Joyful Noise (BH)
- 4:30 p.m. . Alleluia Singers (BH)
- 7 p.m. .... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (BH/S)

**Thursday 2/6**
- 9 a.m. .... Stewardship Committee Meeting (N101)
- 9:30 a.m. . Yoga and Meditation (BH)
- 10 a.m. ... Green Justice Team Meeting (N104)
- 12:30 p.m. . Mah Jongg (N207)
- 1 p.m. .... Grief Group: Beyond the Broken Heart (N101)
- 5:30 p.m. . Inspired Book Study (N104)

**Friday 2/7**
- 9 a.m. .... Stewardship Committee Meeting (N101)
- 9:30 a.m. . Endowment Committee Meeting (ACR)
- 10 a.m. .  Learn to Make Greeting Cards! (N104)
- 12 p.m. ... Al Anon Meeting (N207)

**Sunday 2/9**
- 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)
- 12:15 p.m. Living the Quaker Way: Lunch and Lecture with Philip Gulley (MH)

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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
Children’s Ministry
Junior Disciples meet on Wednesdays at 3 p.m.
Joyful Noise choir (kindergarten) meets at 4:15 p.m. in Beverly Hall.
Alleluia Singers (1st through 5th Grade) meet at 4:35 p.m. in Beverly Hall.

PRAYER LIST

Tony Aspnes, Tony Falco, Sr.
Bob Machus
Deborah Rosenburg
James Ballew, Frank
Bob Madigan
Dean L. Smith
Ronnie Bellone, Alison Crowley Gilbert
Jim Mahoney
Dawn Teston
Al Cahen, Linda Goldberg
Scott Masi
Debbie W.
Jay Cahill, Will Grotto
Marianne Moore
Helen Weese
Chris Carter, Ken and Dee Hansen
Tanisha Nicole
Bill and Diana White
Caroline, Leigh Herndon
Bob Oakley
Robert Clement
Clayton, Carrie Hodges
Jean Partridge
Our Children and Youth
Robert Clement
Jim Dame, Karen Howick
Marcia Pilato
Penelope Jay
Danielle, Kathy Kircher
Jonathan Prather
Garrett Kaulbars
David Deltano, Irv Koeler
Sharon Rainey
William M.
Gill Dolan, Lois
Pat Reynolds
Jackson Varty

In Service to our Nation: CAPT Robert Cook and 1st Lt Dylan Salyers

AGING WELL SPEAKER SERIES

Stroke: Minutes Matter
Wednesday, February 12, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., McSpadden Hall
Brenda L Hartmann MSN, RN, SCRN, System Stroke Coordinator, NCH Healthcare System
On average, someone in the US suffers a stroke every 40 seconds, someone dies of a stroke every 4 minutes, and nearly 800,000 people suffer a new or recurrent stroke each year. It is critical to know how to recognize symptoms and important to learn how to act FAST to get medical attention that can save a life and limit disabilities.

The Science and Benefits of Mindfulness
Wednesday, February 19, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., McSpadden Hall
Angela Tarquini-Sanders, founder of Mindful Mindz, LLC
Are you feeling stressed? Scattered? Overwhelmed? You’re not alone. The inherent stress of our demanding and fast-paced lives can take a toll on our health and emotional well-being. Mindfulness meditation is a proven way to help reduce stress, improve focus, restore balance and enhance well-being.

Technology: Internet Security for Everyday Safety
Wednesday February 26, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., McSpadden Hall
Joseph Rickard, Network Security Engineer
Have you ever asked yourself, “How can I protect myself on the Internet when large corporations are being breached every day?” Come to Technology: Internet Security for Everyday Safety to learn steps that you can take every day to protect yourself online.

Upcoming Concerts

Naples Harp Ensemble Concert
Sunday, February 16, 3 p.m.
Sanctuary, Freewill offering
The Naples Harp Ensemble participants include 35 professional, amateur, and student harpists.

Daniela Shtereva, Violin
BJ Miller, Piano
Tuesday, February 18, 7 p.m., Beverly Hall, Tickets: $25
Naples Philharmonic violinist Daniela Shtereva and Carnegie Mellon University collaborative pianist Billie Jo Miller will present a wide contrast of styles between the music of J.S. Bach and César Franck, and polish it off with passionate and daring Piazzolla.
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 with Miss Lois and childcare staff. 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.

Visitor Information Schedule

Sunday, February 16: Visitor Information Brunch after worship in Nelson Hall, Room N-104
Tuesday, February 18: An Evening with Your Pastors at Dr. Taylor’s Home
Sunday, February 23: New Member Sunday

Next Sunday
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
February 9, at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.
If Grace Is True
Jeremiah 31:33-34
Distinguished Speaker Philip Gulley, preaching

The 2020 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. An archive of today’s worship service may be found by going to our website (www.naplesucc.org) and clicking on the Livestream Worship box.

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.

Precious Cargo Academy is a mission of Naples United Church of Christ and is an Accredited Professional Preschool Learning Environment. The Academy is a Florida Gold Seal approved center with a daily schedule based on the Creative Curriculum, a research-based curriculum, inspiring creative learning in every aspect of play.

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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