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NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH OF WEEKI WACHEE

"With the birth of Jesus in our hearts, we carry light and love to the world." Worship Service: 9:30AM

Reverend Giuseppe Mattei

Please silence your cell phone during the service.

Welcome! We pray this time will be a blessing and a source of spiritual strength for you. Reverend Giuseppe Mattei

SPIRITUAL LIFE

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, martyr, died around 115. Sunday, October 17, 2021 - Ignatius was the second bishop of Antioch in Syria, the city where the name "Christians" originated. Ignatius is known to us from his letters, which encouraged Christians to live in love, yet stand firm in true doctrine.

Luke, Evangelist. Monday, October 18, 2021 - Identified as the author of both Luke and Acts, Luke was careful to place the events of Jesus' life in their social and religious contexts. His gospel gives us some of the most beloved parables, as well as the songs of Zechariah, Mary, the angels, and Simeon.

James of Jerusalem, martyr, died around 62. Saturday, October 23, 2021 - One of three early-church leaders named James, this man is identified in the New Testament and by a historian of the time as a brother of Jesus. Scholars are uncertain whether this means a blood brother. He was a leader of the church in Jerusalem.

SOUL SEEKERS - MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 7:00PM (via Zoom). Come and engage in prayer and discussion about where God is in your life. We continue to use When the Heart Speaks, Listen Discovering Inner Wisdom by Lerita Coleman Brown. Zoom Info:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5189508096? pwd=WWM2MkgzQ0ZVN0g5ZXl3LzFncGVYQT09

Meeting ID: 518 950 8096 / Passcode: 255413

This information is also on our church calendar, which you can access on our website (nlcww.org). For questions please contact Michelle Mehan 727-267-1047 or shelltbfb@hotmail.com.

NEEDED: ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS. We invite anyone (male or female) to attend one of our meetings on the 4th Monday of each month at 10:00AM (to find out what we do and how we do it). If you have any questions you would like answered before that please, call **Suzanne Chelf at 352-684-7329.**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CONFIRMATION CLASS - Confirmation students are still meeting on zoom every Sunday through mid-November, then meeting in-person every other week. They are finishing up the Hebrew Scriptures.

SUNDAY SCHOOL will be held every Sunday at 10:45AM following the 9:30AM worship service. Class will be in Al Lien Hall. Masks required.

FROM EDEN TO EGYPT: 6 STUDIES IN GENESIS. After such a long pandemic, are you ready to get back to learning and growing? The next Bible study led by Rev. Dr. Carlan Helgeson is on **Wednesday, October 20th at 7:00 p.m.** The studies will be held in Winemiller Hall and social distancing will be observed. No prior knowledge of the Bible is needed. If you need a ride, please talk to Carlan or call him at 352-686-3367.

<u>COMMUNITY LIFE</u>

THE WEEKI WACHEE WINDS COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND will present their first ever concert on Thursday evening, October 28, at 7:30p.m. in the NLC Sanctuary. Mark Hengesh will be passing out tickets October 17 & 24, before and after the service. The concert is free, but donations will be gladly and gratefully accepted. Attendees are requested to wear a mask.

TRINKETS AND TREASURES PART 3 - We will start setting up for our sale on Monday, October 18 at 9am and then again Tuesday through Thursday. We need to have everything ready by Thursday afternoon. The sale is Friday, Oct. 22 from 9am-2pm and Saturday, Oct. 23 from 9am-1pm. Volunteers are needed for those days. In addition we will need people to help break down. Any day(s)/time you can help would be appreciated. You can call Evelyn Galli at 352-556-2820 or 516-909-3119 with questions. No donations accepted at this time. We will have a short meeting today, Sunday, October 17, after the 9:30 service. This is a great fundraising event for our church and appreciate your help in making it a huge success.



TROMPETER FUND GRANT FORMS AVAILABLE Applications for 2022 grants from the David Trompeter and Dorothy Marie Trompeter Endowment Fund are now available in the church office. The applications must be returned to the church by December 31, 2021. Trompeter Fund grants are made to supplement "worthwhile ministries of Nativity Lutheran Church" and may not be used for ongoing budgeted programs or building programs of the church. The guideline rankings used for determining a grant include meeting human needs for food, water, and shelter; alleviating human trauma; religious education; and enriching the quality of life. Applications may be picked up in the church office or requested to be sent by mail by calling the office at 352-597-1456. For questions about the grant process, please contact Carlan Helgeson of the Mission Endowment Committee at cdhelgeson@gmail.com.

DEAR NATIVITY FAMILY, THANK YOU for the sympathy cards you sent expressing your thoughts, support & prayers during this difficult time in my life. Lilo was a very special woman. Her christian love and service to others will be her legacy. After 61 years of marriage, I have many memories that will bring me comfort to continue on in servicing others also.

Sincerely, Ernie Horeis

ENDOWMENT DINNER TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 6. Our church's Mission Endowment Committee invites you to a chicken marsala dinner with all the trimmings on Saturday, November 6th, at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the event is to help the congregation understand our Nativity Mission Endowment Fund. Tickets are available in the narthex on Sunday mornings until October 31st for a donation of \$10.00 per person. All profits will go into Nativity's Endowment Fund. Those who are unable to attend, but who would like to support the endowment, may donate by designating their gifts to the "Nativity Mission Endowment Fund."

OUTREACH

Food Pantry Stats for October 13 & 14 Total Shoppers 42; Total Served 94

HOME COMMUNION - If you or anyone you know have just gone through surgery and are rehabilitating at home, or for any other health reason, please let us know and we will make sure you get on our list of home visitation. Call the office at 352-597-1456.

HELP US KEEP IN TOUCH – If you know anyone in our congregation that is hospitalized, in need of home communion or a pastoral call, please call the office at **352-597-1456**.

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER MISSION OF THE MONTH -

GLOBAL MISSIONS. The Global Mission Committee of the Florida-Bahamas Synod is involved with three Lutheran Churches abroad for mutual spiritual support and Christian fellowship. Our Companion Synods are the Eglise Lutherienne d'Haiti (ELH), the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Guyana (ELCG), and the Iglesia Evangelic Unita-Sinodo Luterano (IEU-SL) in Cuba. The funds collected during this period will go toward the support of our Lutheran congregations in Haiti. Please use a green envelope, mark it for Global Missions, and make the check out to Nativity Lutheran Church.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Monday, October 18

Council Meeting (Al Lien)	4:00PM
Bell Choir Practice (Narthex)	5:00PM
Harmonizers (Sanctuary)	6:00PM
Soul Seekers (Zoom)	7:00PM

Tuesday, October 19

Wednesday, October 20

Food Pantry	9:30AM
Membership Meeting (Library)	1:00PM
Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	6:00PM
Bible Study (Sanctuary)	7:00PM

Thursday, October 21

TOPS 461 (Narthex)	9:00AM
Food Pantry	9:30AM
Sarah Circle (Youth Room)	10:00AM
Mission Endowment	2:00PM
Weekend Blessings (Winemiller)	2:00PM
Weeki Wachee Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)	7:00PM

Friday, October 22

Trinkets & Treasures	9:00AM - 2:00PM
Book Club (Zoom)	2:00PM

Saturday, October 23

Trinkets & Treasures 9:00AM - 1:00PM

Sunday, October 24

Worship Service (Sanctuary)	9:30AM
Sunday School (Al Lien)	10:45AM
Confirmation Class (Zoom)	11:00AM

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS:

October 28: Weeki Wachee Winds Concert, 7:30PM October 30: Memorial Service for Lilo Horeis, 11AM

INTERNET. When on campus look for **Nativity 2**, the password is **guest1234**.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday, 9A - 12N

FOOD PANTRY: Wednesdays & Thursdays, 9:30A - 1P