

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

Michael and All Angels

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Michael the archangel, captain of the heavenly hosts, is remembered on this day along with the other angels and archangels. The word "angel" means messenger, and in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, these beings have a fully spiritual nature and no physical body.

Jerome, translator, teacher, died 420

Friday, September 30, 2022

Jerome was a biblical scholar and translator, but rather than translating the original Hebrew and Greek scriptures into classical Latin, he worked in the commonly-spoken Latin of the day, creating a version called the Vulgate.

ON OCTOBER 2ND we will observe **WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY** with more than 100 international flags on display in our sanctuary. The service will begin with a procession of flags, but we need your help. Please plan to arrive in the church by 9:15 a.m. that day to carry a flag.

PASTOR MATTEI'S VACATION - Pastor will be on vacation with family from September 26 to October 6. For any emergencies, please call the office at 352-597-1456 during office hours. You can also call Deacon Clyde Rosten at 352-442-4814, or Deacon Charlotte Downing at 352-422-7044.

DEVOTIONALS AVAILABLE: The October, November, December, *Christ in Our Home*, devotionals are available in the narthex and admin building. A donation is greatly appreciated to help offset the cost.

COMMUNITY LIFE

TRINKETS AND TREASURES PART 5 - Sale dates: Friday, October 14 from 9AM-2PM and Saturday, October 15 from 9AM-1PM. To make this sale a huge success, a lot of work is done the weeks leading up to this fundraising event and volunteers are desperately needed even if only for an hour or two. Here's how you can help:

Every Monday and Tuesday from Sept. 12-Oct. 3 from 9am-12pm we need people to help with the following:

1. Sort the donated items, price and pack up.
2. Sort the books that we will be selling.
3. Prepare bags with yarn/ribbon.
4. Lay out newspapers for wrapping the items we sell on the sale dates.

From Monday, October 10-Thursday, October 13 from 9am-1pm we will need to set up the various rooms with all the items we collected.

Friday, October 14 and Saturday, October 15 people are needed to help with the sale. We have lots of positions available (both standing and sitting) so please consider helping those days even if it can only be an hour or two. It's a great time to not only have fellowship with other members of Nativity, but also with the community. Also, on Monday, October 17, we will need people to help pack up the items that are not sold.

BAKE SALE - We will be having a bake sale on both days so donations of cakes, cookies, cupcakes will be needed. We have some cake/cookie mixes that we can give to you or you can bake what you'd like. Janet Jones is heading this so please call her at 352-232-1074 and let her know how you can help or what you will donate.

HOT DOGS/HAMBURGERS - This fall we will be selling hot dogs/hamburgers, chips, soda and water and Tim Cotter has volunteered to head this up. This has been successful in past years and Tim will need help grilling, serving and collecting money. If you can help in this area, please let us know.

There are sign-up sheets in the narthex or you can call Evelyn Galli at 352-556-2820 or 516-909-3119 and let her know how and when you can help. Please help us make this event a huge success for Nativity.



THE CARDS R US CIRCLE will be making cards on the first and fourth Wednesdays in **October, the 5th and 26th**. All are welcome to join us from 12:30-3:00pm in Winemiller Hall. It's an enjoyable, creative time together. Your donations of used greeting cards and your shopping our cards are very much appreciated. Remember to shop for your Halloween cards with us. For further information, call Susan Nordstrom at 352-428-1918.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE - OCTOBER 6 - Libby and John Capell are hosting a potluck pool party for Friendship Circle and Nativity friends in their Talavera community on Thursday, October 6, 11:00am-1:00pm. There address is 18775 Henequen Lane, Spring Hill, 34610. The Capell's will provide cold cuts, cheese and bread. We can bring salads, chips, and desserts. Please RSVP to Libby at 817-266-4372 by Sunday, October 2. For further information, call Susan Nordstrom at 352-428-1918.

Our church nursery has been thoroughly cleaned and is ready for use. Currently it is unstaffed, but children may use the room when accompanied and supervised by an adult. Our thanks to Linda Russo, Linda Hengesh, Susan Lee, Jill and Carlan Helgeson, and Ed Lewis for helping to get the nursery ready. Keep watch for ways in the future in which you can help this vital ministry.

THRIVENT MEMBERS - Here are some action team projects you can apply for: 1) Food Pantry, 2) Lighthouse for the Blind, 3) Girl Scout Troop, 4) People Helping People, 5) N.A.M.I., 6) Golden Rainbow Ranch. Call Ernie Horeis (352-346-2333) or Tim Cotter (352-797-9682) for any questions or help submitted a project.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS - SEPTEMBER. Men's deodorant (speed stick 1.8oz), VO5 shampoo (15oz), toilet paper (1000 sheet rolls); women's deodorant (secret 1.5oz), toothpaste (ultrabright 6oz), soap, hand sanitizer (8oz). See the "green" handout in the narthex for more details.

OUTREACH

**Food Pantry Stats for September 21 and 22
Total Served 140**

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 Lutherieenne 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.

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

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**.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Monday, September 26

Altar Guild (Winemiller)	10:00AM
Mystery Dinner (Winemiller)	4:00PM
Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	5:00PM
Harmonizers (Winemiller)	6:00PM
St. Francis Class (Zoom)	7:00PM

Tuesday, September 27

Girl Scout Troop #24401 (Winemiller)	6:00PM
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Wednesday, September 28

Food Pantry	9:30AM
Centering Prayer (Zoom)	12:30PM
Lay Leadership Mtg (Al Lien + Zoom)	1:00PM
Membership Team Meeting (Library)	3:00PM
Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	6:00PM

Thursday, September 29

TOPS (Winemiller)	9:00AM
Food Pantry	9:30AM
Weeki Wachee Band Rehearsal (Winemiller)	7:00PM

Friday, September 30

Crafty Ladies (Al Lien)	9:00AM
Tops (Winemiller)	9:00AM

Saturday, October 1

Sunday, October 2

Worship Service (Sanctuary)	9:30AM
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UPCOMING HAPPENINGS:

October 11 - Blessing of Animals
October 14 & 15 - Trinkets & Treasures

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

FOOD PANTRY: Wednesdays & Thursdays, 9:30A - 12:30P