



NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH OF WEEKI WACHEE

"With the birth of Jesus in our hearts, we carry light and love to the world."

Sunday 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.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE - NOVEMBER 21, 11:00AM. This is a good time to come out in gratitude and give thanks to God for all the blessings received. Service will take place at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6193 Spring Hill Dr, Spring Hill, FL 34606. Please, stay for food and refreshments following the worship service.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA AND BRUNCH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17TH - Nativity Choir will be offering a beautiful Christmas Cantata at the 9:30am service. After the service the Fellowship Committee will be hosting our Christmas Brunch. It is complimentary, all you have to do is make sure you sign up in the narthex (sign up sheet will be available soon). If you have any questions, please give Patti Cotter at 352-797-9682.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT SERVICE - December 24, 2023, at 9:30AM.

CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE - December 24, 2023, at 7:00PM. Join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Savior of the World.

COMMUNITY LIFE

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES will be available for pick-up in the narthex starting this Sunday, November 19, before or after service.

CLUB 75 will meet at 12:00pm on Tuesday, November 28th at Bayport Inn, 4835 Cortez Blvd, Spring Hill, FL 34607. A sign up sheet is in the narthex.

POINSETTIAS! We will start taking orders for poinsettias on December 3. Look for the special envelopes by the poinsettia display. \$10 for a large red plant. We also have 6 x-large white plants available at a cost of \$25 each. These are first come first served. Call the office for availability 352-597-1456.

DECEMBER 3 - WEEKI WACHEE WINDS WINTER CONCERT. Concert begins at 2:00PM in our sanctuary. Concert is free, donations appreciated.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH at noon Fellowship Committee will be setting up and decorating our 12 ft Christmas tree in Winemiller. We would appreciate anyone who would give us a hand in decorating.

WON CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9. Luncheon will start at 11:30AM in Winemiller Hall. Tickets are \$10.00 and will be available in the narthex beginning today, November 19, before and after worship service.

YOU COULD TOUR IRELAND—AND THAT'S NO BLARNEY! Carlan and Jill Helgeson are hosting a tour of the Celtic Treasures of Ireland July 9-18, 2024, and you are invited to join them! The tour will leave from Tampa (or an airport of your choice). The itinerary includes Dublin's St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Patrick's grave, some of the oldest monasteries in the world, the Cliffs of Moher, the Blarney Stone, castles, pubs, and wonderful countryside views of the Emerald Isle. More information can be found in the narthex, or you can talk to Carlan or email him at cdhelgeson@gmail.com to get a brochure.

TROMPETER APPLICATIONS - Applications for 2024 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, 2023. 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. For questions about the grant process, please contact Carlan Helgeson of the Mission Endowment Committee at cdhelgeson@gmail.com.

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MORE NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. We could use a few more volunteers to spend a Sunday in the nursery every few weeks to help care for the children. If you are willing to help in this vital and rewarding ministry, please talk to Sue Larsen or email her with your contact information at ssnlrsn03@gmail.com. Thank you!

WAYS TO DONATE TO NATIVITY. Nativity has a Venmo account. You can send a donation to: [@Nativity-LutheranChurch](https://www.venmo.com/Nativity-LutheranChurch). We also have a QR code (see code on left) that is specifically for Nativity donations. Just point your phone's camera at it and a website address will pop up.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: When: November 19. Children will be excused from service after Special Music, and meet the teachers in the back of church

CONFIRMATION CLASS - When: November 19 at 11a, in the Library.

OUTREACH

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH - LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF. Your love is needed now, more than ever. Lutheran World Relief has a long history of reaching our neighbors in Israel and Gaza. We join you in praying urgently, and we thank you for standing ready to care for innocent civilians caught in the crossfire. The compassion of faithful people like you is needed in the hardest to reach places — places where innocent children, women and men are suffering. Your caring gift will deliver critically needed resources like medical care, food, water and essential supplies where they are needed most. Please, write a check to Nativity Lutheran Church with LWR in the memo line and the amount will be credited to you.

FOOD PANTRY: Nov. 15 & 16, total served: 191

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**.

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE. Pr. Giuseppe will be at the office on Monday and Wednesday morning, and at Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the 11 o'clock Thanksgiving service.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Monday, November 20

Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	5:00PM
Harmonizers (Winemiller)	6:00PM

Tuesday, November 21

Thanksgiving Service @ Holy Cross	11:00AM
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Wednesday, November 22

Food Pantry (Al Lien) CLOSED	9:30AM
Choir (Sanctuary)	5:45PM

Thursday, November 23 - OFFICE CLOSED

Friday, November 24

Crafty Ladies (Al Lien)	9:00AM
AA Meeting (Al Lien)	6:30PM

Saturday, November 25

Sunday, November 26

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

November 21 (Holy Cross) - Thanksgiving Service
November 23 - Thanksgiving: Office/Food Pantry Closed
November 28 - Club 75 (Bayport Inn)
December 3 - Weeki Wachee Winds Winter Concert

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

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday, 9AM - 12PM

FOOD PANTRY: Wedn & Thurs 9:30AM - 12:30PM