

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

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Bartolomé de Las Casas, missionary to the Indies, died 1566

Thursday, July 17, 2025

A native of Spain, Las Casas first came to the Western hemisphere while serving in the military. Upon arriving in the West, Las Casas was granted a large estate with Indigenous enslaved people whom he freed after he was ordained a priest. He worked in the Caribbean and Central America to improve the lives of the native peoples.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE—JULY 26. Friendship Circle will visit Hernando Historic Museum Association's the Countryman Family One Room Schoolhouse Museum in Brooksville. This will be a fun, factual and interactive 1hour talk, beginning at noon, plus a display of artifacts and photos from the 19th century. The emphasis of the talk--as it was in these schools--will be God, country, family, morals and manners. Charge is \$15. Unlike in the 19th century, this schoolhouse has A/C and lights! Address: 66 Russell St., Brooksville 34601. From there, we will enjoy lunch at the Lazy Maid Creperie, 419 Howell Ave., Brooksville 34601. To carpool, meet at Nativity at 11:15a. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Susan Nordstrom (352-428-1918) if you plan to attend.

COMMUNITY LIFE

NATIVITY'S CARDS R US CIRCLE will be making greeting cards from your used, donated cards on July 14th, from 9:30am to 12:30pm. We've had a couple of new faces show up (yay!), but we are looking for more of you to join us in this mission. We'll show how and provide all the supplies. Donations for the cards we make are given to Pastor's Discretionary Fund to help those in financial crisis. For further information, call Susan Nordstrom at 352-428-1918.

CLUB 75 LUNCHEON—TUESDAY, JULY 29, 12PM. Location: Longhorn Steakhouse, 12350 Cortez Blvd, Brooksville 34613. The only criteria to be part of this fellowship group is that you must be 75 years old or older! Join in for a fun time! Call Vicki Page at 352-210-8407 with any questions. A sign-up sheet will be in the narthex.

ATTENTION MEMBERS. Please take time and check your mailbox in Winemiller Hall. The office has noticed many mailboxes have cards and letters in them. Thank you!

The July/August/September 2025 issue of *Christ in Our Home* devotional, and summer issue of *Living Lutheran*, are available in the narthex and admin building, and you are welcome to pick one up. A small donation would be appreciated to offset the cost of the devotionals. Small manila envelopes are available for your donation and can be put in the offering basket or brought to the office.

WAYS TO DONATE TO NATIVITY. Nativity has a Venmo account. You can send a donation to: @Nativity-



LutheranChurch. Also, if you prefer, Nativity has a Zelle account. Send to: nativitylutheran63@gmail.com. Also available is the 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

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Sunday School is off for the summer. We will start up again in September. For more information call Noel Prettyman at 352-515-3345.

OUTREACH

FOOD PANTRY: July 9 & 10 - Total Served 111

July's donation of the month: men's deodorant (not trial size) best price and selection is at Dollar Tree.

MIGRANT WORKER'S CHILDREN SHOE SHOPPING PROJECT - AUGUST 8 @ 5:00PM. Our annual shoe shopping day will take place at the Zephyrhills WalMart, 7631 Gall Blvd, Zephyrhills, FL 33541. Please contact Linda Russo at 352-596-0673 for more information. This project is in collaboration with Resurrection Lutheran Church (Rez House) in Dade City.

JULY MISSION OF THE MONTH - LUTHERAN SERVICES **OF FLORIDA.** Our July Mission of the Month is Lutheran Services Florida (LSF). On their website you will read: Through our work, we empower our local community to build healthier, happier, and more hopeful futures. LSF is deeply committed to supporting our neighbors in need, ensuring that families right here in our Florida communities have access to the resources they need to thrive. We work to prevent suicide and substance abuse, provide vital support for families facing crisis, and help children from lowincome households receive the education they deserve to succeed. Our three core programs—Head Start, Family Focus, and Health Systems—are dedicated to strengthening families, fostering resilience, and creating lasting change right where we live.

LSF touches the lives of 1 out of 50 Floridians a year. Let us offer our support for this worthy cause. To donate, please use a green envelope and mark it "July Mission of the Month LSF".

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE - Pr. Giuseppe will be at the church office on Monday and Tuesday morning and then on Wednesday evening for meetings. Thursday and Friday are dedicated to personal care and family time. You may contact him on his cell phone (978-956-4304) any other time.

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, July 14

Cards R Us (Winemiller) 9:30AM Harmonizers (Winemiller) 6:00PM

Tuesday, July 15

Dwelling in the Word (zoom) 12:55PM

Wednesday, July 16

Food Pantry (Al Lien) 9:30AM
Dwelling in the Word (zoom) 12:00PM
Homeless Initiative Mtg (Detention Center) 4:00PM
Innovation Church (zoom) 5:30PM

Thursday, July 17

TOPS (Winemiller) 9:00AM Food Pantry (Al Lien) 9:30AM

Friday, July 18

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

Saturday, July 19

Sunday, July 20

Worship Service (Sanctuary) 9:30AM

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS—2025:

August 8 - Shoe Shopping with Rez House August 23 - W.O.N. Bible Study

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

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

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

