



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

Mary Magdalene, Apostle. Tuesday, July 22, 2025 - Sometimes called "the apostle to the apostles" because she told them of her encounter with the risen Lord, Mary was a woman of Galilee who followed Jesus throughout his ministry. She was present at Jesus' crucifixion and his burial.

Birgitta of Sweden, renewer of the church, died 1373. Wednesday, July 23, 2025 - Birgitta married at age thirteen and had four daughters. Widowed at age thirty-eight, she gave all that she owned to the poor, and founded a community of monks and nuns led by a woman. Her work is continued today by the Society of St. Birgitta.

James, Apostle. Friday, July 25, 2025 - James and his brother John were the sons of Zebedee, fishermen by trade before their call from Jesus. He was the first of the twelve apostles to be martyred, and his death is the only one recorded in scripture (Acts 12:1-2).

COMMUNITY LIFE

40TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MEETING - We will have a planning meeting on **Monday, July 21 at 10am** for this committee. There are many components to the 40th Anniversary celebration and if you are interested in helping with this event, we hope you can join us at this meeting.

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.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE—JULY 26. Friendship Circle will visit the Hernando Historic Museum Association's Countryman Family One Room Schoolhouse Museum in Brooksville. 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.

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.

W.O.N. SUMMER BIBLE STUDY— AUGUST 23, 9:00AM. All women are invited to Summer Bible Study! It will be held the morning of Saturday, August 23, starting with registration and pastries at 9 AM. The theme of 'Trusting God.... Even If' will be presented by Marylou Bonesteel. Lunch will be served after the study :-)

We will have a signup sheet on the kiosk in August so we have some idea how much food we will need. Please come! Bring family and friends!

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!

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 16 & 17 - Total Served 148

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 low-income 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 office the mornings of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. He will attend meetings in the afternoons. Thursday and Friday are dedicated to personal care and family commitments. He'll be working on the sermon on Saturday. To reach him, please call 978-956-4304.

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 21

40th Anniversary Committee Mtg (Al Lien) 10:00AM
Harmonizers (Winemiller) 6:00PM

Tuesday, July 22

Food Pantry Volunteer Meeting (Library) 10:30AM
Dwelling in the Word (zoom) 12:55PM

Wednesday, July 23

Food Pantry (Al Lien) 9:30AM
Dwelling in the Word (zoom) 12:00PM

Thursday, July 24

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

Friday, July 25

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

Saturday, July 26

Friendship Circle Outing (School House Museum B'ville) 12:00PM

Sunday, July 27

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**.

