

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

Jan Hus, martyr, died 1415. Sunday, July 6, 2025 - Hus was a Bohemian (present-day Czech Republic) priest who spoke against abuses in the church, and was seen by Martin Luther as his predecessor in the reforming movement. He was found guilty of heresy by a council of the church, and burned at the stake.

Benedict of Nursia, Abbot of Monte Cassino, died around 540. Friday, July 11, 2025 - Benedict is known as the father of the Western monastic movement. Educated in Rome, he went to live as a hermit, and eventually gathered a community of monks around him. He wrote a rule for living in monasteries that is used by Benedictines and adapted by others.

Nathan Söderblom, Bishop of Uppsala, died 1931. Saturday, July 12, 2025 - A winner of the Nobel Prize for peace for his efforts to unite peoples after the First World War, Söderblom also called attention to the revival of early church worship principles, and helped to lay the groundwork for the World Council of Churches.

COMMUNITY LIFE

NATIVITY'S CARDS R US CIRCLE will be making greeting cards from your used, donated cards on the first two Mondays of July, on the 7th and the 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.

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!

CLUB 75 LUNCHEON—TUESDAY, JULY 29, 12PM. Location: TBD. 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.

Good News! Club 75 will meet throughout the summer!

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE - Friendship Circle will visit the Hernando Historic Museum Association's Countryman Family One Room Schoolhouse Museum 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.

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 2 & 3 - CLOSED

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

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 strengthening families, fostering dedicated to 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 in the office on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings. He'll be off on Thursday and Friday for personal care and family commitments. Saturday is dedicated to finalizing the sermon. You may contact him on his cell 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 | |
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| Monday, July 7 Cards R Us (Winemiller) Harmonizers (Winemiller) | 9:30AM 6:00PM |
| Tuesday, July 8 Property Meeting (Library + Zoom) Dwelling in the Word (zoom) | 9:00AM 12:55PM |
| Wednesday, July 9 Food Pantry (Al Lien) Dwelling in the Word (zoom) | 9:30AM 12:00PM |
| Thursday, July 10 TOPS (Winemiller) Food Pantry (Al Lien) Crafty Christmas (Al Lien) Girl Scout Leaders Meeting (Al Lien) | 9:00AM 9:30AM 2:00PM 6:00PM |
| Friday, July 11 Crafty Ladies (Al Lien) AA Meeting (Al Lien) | 9:00AM 6:30PM |
| Saturday, July 12 AA Meeting (Winemiller) | 5:30PM |
| Sunday, July 13 | |
| Worship Service (Sanctuary) | 9:30AM |

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS—2025:

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**.

