

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

HEALING SERVICE - Today will be a Healing Service led by Rev. Dr. Carlan Helgeson. Experiencing physical challenges? Emotional distress? Spiritual difficulties? Come for a moment of healing to be offered during the regular worship service.

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), died 1221. Friday, August 8, 2025—Dominic was a Spanish priest who saw the wealth of the clergy as a stumbling block for the church, so he formed a movement, the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) devoted to itinerant preaching and living in poverty.

COMMUNITY LIFE

NATIVITY 2025 PHOTO DIRECTORY - Beginning today, Sunday, August 3, copies of the new 2025 Photo Directory will be available in the narthex on Sunday mornings as well as in the office Monday-Friday from 9am-12pm. In addition, if you would like to have it sent to you electronically, please send an email to nativitylutheran63@gmail.com and we will send a PDF copy to you. This was a huge project, and we would like to extend a special thank you to Art and Diane Alt for spearheading the effort and big thank you to everyone who helped support this project. Also, we would appreciate a small donation to help offset the costs of the special paper stock that needed to be ordered as well as for the printing.

NATIVITY'S CARDS R US CIRCLE will be making greeting cards from your used, donated greeting cards on Monday, August 4 and August 11, from 9:30am-12:30pm. We're looking for more of you to join our mission by tapping into your creative side and enjoying a good time with us. We provide all supplies. No experience is necessary. Check out our kiosks; some new card-makers have brought their talents and styles to our cards, for a different product! Your 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.

W.O.N. MEETING - AUGUST 5 @ 6:00PM (Winemiller Hall). All Women of Nativity are welcome to attend. Topic: August 23 Bible Study.

TRINKETS & TREASURES - Sale Dates Friday, Oct. 3rd and Saturday, Oct. 4th. We will start accepting items for donations on August 18. Days for collections will be Mondays from 9am - 12pm (no collection on Labor Day Sept. 1) and Tuesdays 1pm-4pm. Last day for donations will be Tuesday, Sept. 23. If you can help us sort and price items during any of those days/times, please join us. If Mondays/Tuesdays do not work for you to drop off your donations, please call Janet Jones (352-515-3931) or Evelyn Galli (516-909-3119) and we can see if we can arrange a time that is convenient for all of us. Please consider helping us as it's a great time for fellowship as we work and you might even find a bargain or two prior to the sale.

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!

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 Just point your phone's camera at it and a

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 30 & 31 - Total Served 87

August's donation of the month: instant coffee (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.

AUGUST MISSION OF THE MONTH - FARM WORKERS **SELF-HELP INCORPORATED.** At Farmworkers Self-Help, Inc. (FSH), we are driven to do our part in making the world a better place. Since 1982, we have participated in a wide range of activities that empower individuals and communities. Our Mission is to facilitate the selfdevelopment of the whole person, families, and communities toward self-reliance and personal independence. We seek to support, empower, and provide high-quality resources. Our success isn't measured in terms of wealth or profit margin, but by the value we provide to those we serve. We create an opportunity for our community members to safely organize and promote/advocate for the whole community. Farmworkers Self-Help has advocated on behalf of various issues whether that be breast cancer awareness, march for our lives, and crime survivors. Yet, FSH is much more than just an advocacy group we are committed to educating our community. We provide a plethora of resources to keep information circulating through our community and step in so that those who deserve an education get one. To donate, please use a green envelope and mark it "August Mission of the month FSH".

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 - Pastor will be in the office Tuesday and Wednesday this coming week. 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.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
Monday, August 4 Food Pantry Committee (Al Lien+zoom) Cards R Us (Winemiller) Harmonizers (Winemiller)	9:00AM 9:30AM 6:00PM
Tuesday, August 5	
Dwelling in the Word (zoom) W.O.N. Meeting (Winemiller)	12:55PM 6:00PM
Wednesday, August 6 Handbook Committee Mtg (Library+zoom) Food Pantry (Al Lien) Dwelling in the Word (zoom) Innovation Church (zoom)	9:00AM 9:30AM 12:00PM 5:30PM
Thursday, August 7	
TOPS (Winemiller) Food Pantry (Al Lien)	9:00AM 9:30AM
Friday, August 8	
Crafty Ladies (Al Lien) Irene Froelich - Memorial Service (Brewer & Sons, Commercial Way)	9:00AM 12:00PM
Shoe Shopping with Rez House (Walmart Zephyrhills)	5:00PM
AA Meeting (Al Lien)	6:30PM
Saturday, August 9	
AA Meeting (Winemiller)	5:30PM
Sunday, August 10	

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS—2025:

August 23 - W.O.N. Bible Study

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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**.

9:30AM

