



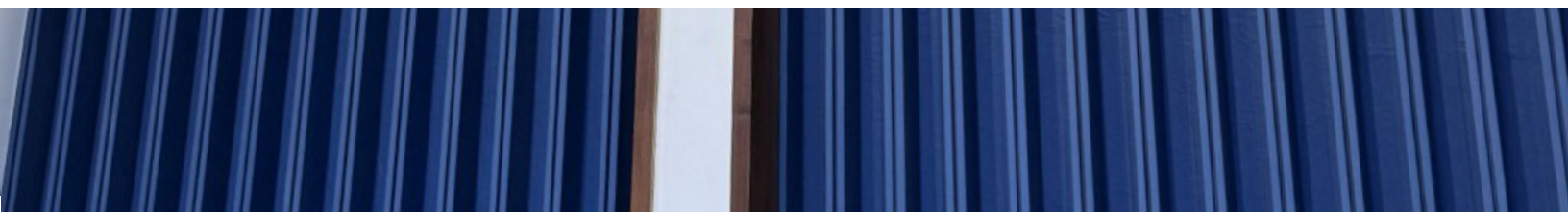
NAPLES UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

May 4, 2025 | 9 & 11AM

An Open and Affirming Congregation

A WISE for Mental Health Congregation

Mission: To love God and all our neighbors as God loves us.





THE WORSHIP OF GOD

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP, PLEASE SILENCE YOUR ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Mark Williams, Senior Minister

PRELUDE

Violin Sonata No. 3, Movement II
Joy Yanai, cello • Dr. Alexandra Carlson, piano

Schumann

CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN #706

I Come with Joy

DOVE OF PEACE

INVOCATION

Ronnie Bellone, Liturgist

Gracious God, we sit in the discouraged boat of our lives, at times feeling as though our baskets are empty. Yet your mystery shimmers below the surface. Trusting in your grace, we lower the nets of prayer, open to what you provide. Bring forth gifts from the depths. Grant us the faith to continue to trust in your timely provision. Amen.

TIME FOR CHILDREN (9 AM)

Rev. Dr. Mark Williams

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

O Love
Sanctuary Choir • Joy Yanai, cello

Elaine Hagenberg

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

MUSICAL RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE

John 21: 1-14

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

SERMON

Complete Provision

Rev. Dr. Mark Williams

OFFERTORY

More Love to Thee
Sanctuary Choir • Joy Yanai, cello

Craig Courtney



LORD'S SUPPER

At this table all are welcome guests of Jesus, our host. It is our tradition to hold the bread and cup until all are served and then we commune together here. Our offering includes individual cups of grape juice and gluten-free bread. Please place your cup in the pew back, as it will be collected after the service. **The choir received Communion before worship.** If you would like to receive home Communion, please contact Molly Baker at mbakerlex@gmail.com.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD

Amazing Grace
Sanctuary Choir • Joy Yanai, cello

Arr. Bruce Stevenson

THE SHARING OF THE CUP

Sicilienne
Joy Yanai, cello • Dr. Alexandra Carlson, piano

Fauré

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

All: We thank you God, for inviting us to this table where we have known the presence of Christ and have received all Christ's gifts. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and let us show forth your praise in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

Come, Know My Joy, the Maker Says

FOREST GREEN

**"Come, know my joy," the Maker says, and pours out works of pow'r
That sear the sense, defy the mind, and fill the soul with awe.
And we, with open mouths, receive God's gifts with infant need,
And, sight unfocused, scarce perceive Love's presence as we feed.**

**The feast we join is long begun; God bids us welcome here,
To name and use the sovereign gifts within our human care.
With God's own joy some seem to soar, a fierce and holy flame;
Some gifts are thorns we scarce endure to touch, or face, or name.**

**"Come, seek my face," the Giver says, with heart and soul and strength;
Let fear give way to love—come, step upon the waves of faith.
Dear Giver, Gift, we seek your face: you share our thorn, our scar.
We learn your joy when by your grace we share the gift we are.**

**"Come, learn of me," the Servant says, and multiplies a feast
Of loaves and fish, of bread and wine, transforming every guest.
"Come," says the Host, "from west and east; bring gifts to share.
Come, eat! None lost or wasted when God's feast of joy will be complete."**

*BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE

Salut d'amour
Joy Yanai, cello; Dr. Alexandra Carlson, piano

Elgar



If you would like a word of prayer or quiet conversation, stop by the parlor for a visit with today's Stephen Minister. The parlor is to the right as you are leaving the sanctuary.

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

Rev. Dr. Mark Williams, Senior Minister
Ronnie Bellone, Liturgist
Dr. Becky Weese-Rumpf, Director of Music
Sanctuary Choir
Dr. Alexandra Carlson, pianist

Joy Yanai, cello
Taylor Matthews, Production Specialist — Producer
Colton Townsend, Production Specialist — Audio
Landon Townsend, Production Specialist — Video

Today's guest musician is graciously underwritten by the Music Gift Fund.

NURSERY CARE: Elena Fernandez

SERVING AT ARBOR TRACE: Sara Nonken and Bobbie Ray

SERVING AT BENTLEY VILLAGE: Donna Nolan

STEPHEN MINISTER: (9 AM) Jim Sprow | (11 AM) Karyn Murphy

PORTICO GREETER: (9 AM) Geoff Murphy, Karyn Murphy, and Roger Nolan | (11 AM) Bob Marini and Deb Marini

USHERS (9 AM): Roger Terry (Head Usher), Carol Berglund, Jim Borden, Kathleen Devitt, Ed Kaulbars, Jane Lane, Sandy Pfeffenberger, Bill Rumpf and Cheryl Turner

USHERS (11 AM): Judy Siderio (Head Usher), Hugh Clark, Jill Golle, Merrilee Hornbuckle, Tom Hornbuckle, Sally Pendleton, Terry Pendleton and Joe Siderio

THE GATHERING PLACE: Chelsea Godwin, Receptionist & Membership Coordinator | Ray Gangl, Custodian

Throughout 2025, the ministry of our pianist Dr. Alexandra Carlson has been graciously underwritten by Ronnie Bellone and Jennifer Rainey.

This Sunday's Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God.

Chancel Flower Dedications



We have available dates for our Chancel Flower Dedications! A wonderful opportunity to celebrate, honor, or remember a loved one. We will feature your message in the Sunday Bulletin and on our livestream. Currently, available dates are: **June 1, 15, 22, 29 and July 1, 13, 20, 27.** Contact Chelsea Godwin, at Chelsea@naplesucc.org, or call (239)261-5469 with any questions. We hope you will participate this thoughtful tradition!

Cans For Communion Collection

Our Cans for Communion food donations support Grace Place's Food Pantry. Nonperishable food items are collected from our congregation once a month on Communion Sunday. These donations are picked up by Grace Place and distributed to hundreds of eligible individuals and families experiencing food insecurity. **Today is our final Cans for Communion collection before we pause for the summer. Please drop off your items before either service under the Portico.**

Mission Opportunity in Guatemala

NUCC is organizing a mission trip to Guatemala from October 12-19 with spots for eight people. Priority goes to first-time travelers, with past participants welcome to participate if space allows. The NUCC team will install stoves and support Guatemalan children and families through educational and intercultural activities. Interested? Email Susan Pezzullo at suspezzullo@gmail.com. Don't miss out on this meaningful opportunity to serve and learn.



WE ARE CALLED TO BE AN INTERGENERATIONAL CHURCH

Children & Youth Ministry

SUNDAYS —We are so happy to have families with young children in our midst! Regular Sunday morning activities for children 4 years and older take place during the school year. Children are encouraged to come forward for the *Time with Children*, then go to Sunday school with Ms. Jeannie. Coloring activities and worship resources are available on the family table in the Narthex. Please reach out to the church office if you have any questions or would like more information about upcoming events.



NURSERY CARE IN NELSON HALL — Nursery care for infants through 4 years old is available each Sunday morning beginning at 8:30 a.m. in Nelson Hall, room 203 (the building across the Gathering Place). Please sign in with our nursery staff. Our former space located next to the sanctuary is still available to you as a Wiggle Room. Feel free to utilize that space if you wish to stay with your child.

SPLASH! Children & Youth: Final Gathering

WEDNESDAY, 3:30 PM - 5 PM, N-203

SPLASH! and Children & Youth Choir will meet one final Wednesday before the summer. Join us for faith-filled activities, music, games, and snacks with Ms. Jeannie. Rehearsal for the children/youth choir with Dr. Becky begins at 4:15 p.m. in Beverly Hall.



Social Soirée

MONDAY, MAY 5, 4 PM, BELLA ATALIA

Join us on Monday, May 5 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. for our next Social Soirée! Come share an evening of fun, food, and fellowship at Bella Atalia, located at 8960 Fontana Del Sol Way, Naples (off of Vanderbilt Beach Rd). Membership is not necessary to attend this event, please feel free to bring all your friends and family. We hope to see you there! Sign up after worship in the Gathering Place this Sunday, or by contacting the church office.

W.I.S.E. for Mental Health Team Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 10 AM, N-104 & ZOOM

If you would like to be part of the WISE ministry at NUCC, please join us on Tuesday for our 10 a.m. meeting. The Zoom credentials can be found below or in this week's Eblast This is our last meeting before a Summer break! (Zoom ID: 843 4648 4094 | Password: WISE).

Mother's Day "Dream Team" Concert & Festivities

SATURDAY, MAY 10, 3 PM, BEVERLY HALL & MCSPADDEN HALL

Join us this Saturday for a special Mother's Day Student-Teacher Concert, presented by Arts Planet. This gift to the community is free of charge, but **registration is required** — scan the QR code to reserve your spot! Enjoy a wonderful afternoon filled with live music, followed by a festive reception featuring arts & crafts, and raffles. Everyone is welcome, so bring your friends and family to share in the fun! Learn more about Arts Planet at www.ArtsPlanetNaples.org.

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Register to reserve
your spot! It's FREE.



NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Upcoming Events

Prospective Member Luncheon

Curious? Join us today!

A time to learn, ask questions and meet with the senior minister. Occurs immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service only, in Nelson Hall, room 104.

Joining Sunday Opportunity

May 11

You may join either publicly or privately. Public joining at the 11:00 a.m. service.

For additional information, contact Membership Coordinator, Chelsea, at chelsea@naplesucc.org

Harry Chapin Food Bank

MAY 7, 8:30 AM, HARRY CHAPIN



Join NUCC volunteers for a fun day and help a worthy cause at the same time. Come participate in this Food Bank

Packing Day on Wednesday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. or 12 to 3 p.m. Please register at <https://www.volgistics.com/appform/754780826> or sign up in the Gathering Place on Sundays. For more information contact Mike Conrad, at mikeconrad21@gmail.com. (Harry Chapin, 3940 Prospect Ave, Naples, FL)

Next Sunday

Mother's Day Sunday, May 11

Worship Services | 9 & 11 AM

Rev. Dr. Mark Williams

Helping the Helper

Acts 9: 36-43

Billy Carlson, trumpet
Children and Youth Choir
Pamela Jimenez, soloist

UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS

Visit www.NaplesUCC.org to view our full calendar.

TODAY



Cans for Communion Collection

9:00 AM to Noon • May 4 📍 Portico



Confirmation Class

11:00 AM • May 4 📍 N-201



Prospective Member Luncheon

12:15 AM • May 4 📍 N-104

MONDAY



Mahjong

1:00 PM • May 5 📍 N-101



Social Soirée

4:00 PM • May 5 📍 Bella Atalia

TUESDAY



W.I.S.E. for Mental Health Meeting

10:00 AM • May 6 📍 N-104/Zoom



Prayer Shawl Ministry

1:00 PM • May 6 📍 Parlor

WEDNESDAY



Volunteer: Harry Chapin Food Packing

8:30 AM • May 7 📍 Harry Chapin



Men's New Chapters

10:30 AM • May 7 📍 N-101



Children's Wednesday Program: SPLASH

3:30 PM • May 7 📍 N-203

4:15 PM • Children & Youth Choir



Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM • May 7 📍 BH & Sanctuary

THURSDAY



Environment Subcommittee Meeting

10:00 AM • May 8 📍 N-104/Zoom

SATURDAY



Mother's Day Concert & Festivities

3:00 PM • May 10 📍 Beverly Hall

To view all our upcoming events and ways to connect, visit our Online Church Calendar at www.NaplesUCC.org

Mother's Day Offering

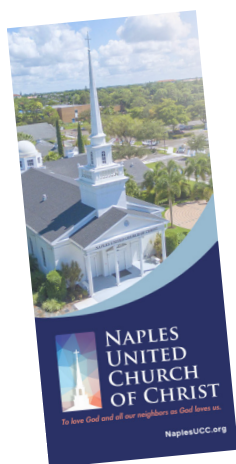
SUNDAY, MAY 11, 9 & 11 AM

On Mother's Day, May 11, we will be collecting a special offering for Baby Basics, a long-term mission partner that provides diapers to families in Collier County. To make your contribution, please use one of the giving envelopes in the pew backs and write **Mother's Day Offering** on the memo line of your check. Jean Ann Lynch, founder of Baby Basics and NUCC member, will offer a Mission Moment during worship on Mother's Day. Thank you for your generosity.

NUCC Golf For Fun

FRIDAY, MAY 16, FROM 9 AM

Tee Off the Season with Us! Get ready for our first golf outing of the season, generously hosted by Bob Morse! Join us at Spanish Wells on Thursday, May 16 — the first tee time is at 9:00 AM, with five total tee times available. The cost is just \$55, which includes golf and a cart. Stick around afterward for lunch and great company! Spots are limited, so be sure to RSVP to Ron Sanson at 239-860-8034 or ronsansoncam@gmail.com. We hope to see you on the course!



Introduce a Friend to NUCC!

Naples UCC is a welcoming and vibrant spiritual home for those new to Naples or searching for a church community. Research shows that personal invitations make the biggest impact when someone is looking for a new church, and we each have the opportunity to extend that welcome! Inspiring sermons, genuine connections, and a warm sense of belonging are what draw people in—let's continue to share that spirit. Invite a friend to a worship service or an event hosted at NUCC. Pick up a copy of our Naples UCC trifold and share what makes our church so special. A simple invitation could make all the difference!

PRAYER LIST

Burke Anderson

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Larry Bennett

Barbara and Milton Bergwall

Thom Carley

Jim Carney

Thomas Coates

David Collard

Jack Downs

N.R. Friend of Ginny Rich & Family

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Irma Johnson

Stew Lambert

Mike and Beth Lebo

Lily Lesley

Gay Lindquist

Garry Lormestoire

Dudley Lyons

Cathy and Dan McGuire

Gordon Mounts

Gerry Nonken

Dominique O'Connell

Doris Raymond

Lorraine Sinnott

Chase Smith

Jan Stowell

Barbara Swidler

Ri and Mike Tarnpoll

Delores Tiede

Joanie Toren

Alice Victoria Verela

JoAnn Wandrey

Marcia Waugh

Mickey and Mo Winograd

Atila Zolcsak

To add or remove a name, contact Darren Paquette by email at darrenp@naplesucc.org.

Names stay on the list for four weeks. To keep your loved one's name on the list longer, please contact Darren Paquette.



NAPLES UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

A Traditional Church
for Progressive People

Naples United Church of Christ strives to show that actions speak louder than words. Our Core Values are: Open and Affirming, Mission-Driven, Powerful Worship, Continuing Generosity, Caring Ministry, Hospitable Fellowship.

We are an **Open and Affirming Congregation**, embracing diversity and affirming the dignity and worth of every person, including persons of every race, ethnic background, age, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical or mental ability, socio-economic background, marital status, and faith background. Wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. We are proud to be one of more than 4,500+ congregations in the United Church of Christ community.

We are glad you are here! You can dress comfortably and in a manner that makes you feel at ease. Whether it's casual attire or dressed-up, we're happy to welcome you just as you are. Please know that we livestream our Sunday morning worship services and subsequently post video recordings on our website and on the internet, including social media, for later viewing. By attending a service, you acknowledge and consent to appearing in these broadcastings, recordings and postings.

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