East Naples United Methodist Church

Mark Your Calendar

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February 4

Fellowship Breakfast

February 9

Concert - Totally Broadway

February 9 Scout Sunday

February 26

Ash Wednesday

March 8

Concert - Bluegrass Gospel

March 15 Festival of Hope

NEWS, VIEWS, & GOSPEL TRUTHS FEBRUARY 2020

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).

This is one of the most popular verses in the Bible. It reminds us of God's unmeasurable love for his creation. No matter who we are or what we've done, He loves us. His love is also sacrificial. He loves us so much that He gave his only Son for us. True love always gives. God demonstrated His love for us by giving His Son. We recipients of his love reciprocate by surrendering our will to Him and living life according to his word.



On February 23, 2020, "Commitment Sunday," we are going to have the opportunity to re-consecrate our hearts and lives to the Giver of all things. Please, prayerfully fill out the commitment card you will receive on February the 16th and bring it to church the following Sunday.

Remember, the true and lasting investments are the ones made in the Kingdom of God.

Peace to you and yours, Pastor Jacquie

Notes from the Music Department

Our ENUMC Concert Series presented another wonderful concert last month. Jodie DeSalvo & Friends with Glenn Basham and Adam Satinsky were incredible! The Beethoven pieces were awesome! Jodie and Glenn are always entertaining. If you were unable to attend, please check our website <u>www.enaples.org</u> – for links to videos of the concert on YouTube.

Our next concert on the series is February 9, 2020 – "TOTALLY BROADWAY" – a concert filled with songs from some of Broadway's greatest shows. Performers include Debi Guthrey, James Little, John McKerrow, Mary Anne McKerrow, and Carolann Sanita. They will be accompanied by Jodie DeSalvo, Brian Jones, and Brent Nicholas. Don't miss this fun afternoon of Broadway Show tunes!

Please remember why we have this series – as an outreach into our community to try and bring people into our church. All our concerts are scheduled for the 2^{nd} Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm through March. We hope you will put the dates on your calendar and make every possible effort to bring someone with you to the remaining concerts.

It is great to have all of our snowbird choir members back with us! We would also like to welcome Susan Miller to the choir! Say hi to our new and returning folks.

The cover image of the newsletter features our Jubilate handbells showing off their new scarves. Aren't they pretty?

Brent Nicholas, Director of Music Ministries

CONCERT SERIES: UPCOMING EVENTS



Totally Broadway

Sunday, February 9 @ 3:00 P.M.

A concert filled with songs from some of Broadway's greatest shows. Singers including Debi Guthrey, James Little, John and Maryanne McKerrow, and Carol Ann Sanita will be accompanied by Jodie DeSalvo, Brian Jones, and Brent Nicholas.

Bluegrass Gospel

Sunday, March 8 @ 3:00 P.M.

"Bear Hill Bluegrass Band" is from the mountains of West Virginia specializing in bluegrass and bluegrass gospel. They play hard driving, traditional, recognizable bluegrass. Their show is filled with comedy and has a friendly down-home manner on stage. The audience is involved with the band and the songs throughout their show.



Bargain Nook

Happy February! I am pleased to say we finished up with another great year at the Bargain Nook. Many of our items sell for \$1, \$3, \$5, etc., so considering we have very few large ticket items, it is wonderful how well we do in the store because of your donations. The money raised at the store goes toward the church operating fund each year.

As always, we are very grateful for all the donations and we are always in need of kitchen items and linens. If you don't have those things, we always need shop supplies such as paper towels, kitchen trash bags, ziplock baggies, hand sanitizer, Windex, masking tape, and black sharpie markers.

Stop by soon and always, a big "thank you" to our volunteers.

Carol



As A Family of Believers...



February's National Holidays and Observances

1-29 Feb		Black History Month
2-Feb	Sunday	Groundhog Day
2-Feb	Sunday	Super Bowl
4-Feb	Tuesday	Rosa Parks Day
7-Feb	Friday	National Wear Red Day
12-Feb	Wednesday	Lincoln's Birthday
14-Feb	Friday	Valentine's Day
14-Feb	Friday	Statehood Day
15-Feb	Saturday	Susan B. Anthony's Birthday
17-Feb	Monday	Presidents' Day
25-Feb	Tuesday	Shrove Tuesday/Mardi Gras
26-Feb	Wednesday	Ash Wednesday

We Should Always Find Something To Celebrate Together!

Scholarship News

"Our hope is that we can continue to support these students financially and spiritually by awarding annual scholarships."

The Scholarship Team meets throughout the year to update the application, review submitted applications, and award funds to the amazing, young adults of our church. This process provides our youth with a step up to help them with the financial needs of continuing their education. Each year the costs involved in furthering their education rise exponentially.

Our hope is that we can continue to support these students financially and spiritually by awarding annual scholarships.

We need to recognize the importance of sustaining a link between our church and our young adults. We are reaching out and asking you to help us maintain this link with the youth of our church. We can't depend wholly on the church for funds needed to provide scholarships. Please consider making a donation to the Fund as it will help us continue this ministry.

Please be sure to designate your donation to the Scholarship Fund. Thank you so much for supporting our young adults.

Lisa Connors, Chair, Scholarship Committee

Scout Sunday & Pancake Breakfast

February 9, 2020

Scouts will assist during worship service, and host breakfast in the Fellowship Hall immediately after worship service.

Please come out to support our own Scout Pack 2002!

Romans 8:28

And we know that for those who love God, all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.







"Development of outlook naturally begins with a respect for God...Reverence to God and reverence for one's neighbor and reverence for oneself as a servant of God."

~Robert Baden-Powell, founder of Scouting

Encounter Youth Ministry

We thank God for what He is doing among our youth. For the last several weeks, during youth night, we have been discussing five essential values the early church had and their importance for our group today. Found in Acts 2:42-47 these values are: learning about our faith, prayer, worship, sharing our faith (evangelism), and growing in community (fellowship). Having biblically-based values that orient what we do as a ministry is crucial, and I look forward to what the Lord will continue to do in our midst.

On February 15, Encounter Youth group will be going to serve at Grace Place's Saturday Food Pantry. This is a great opportunity for our youth to serve our community in the Name of Jesus. We will help with the first shift which is from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; Adults are also welcome to come and serve. Please contact me if you are interested in coming with us.

Our Wednesday night Bible study has several new welcomed participants and continues to be a valuable source of spiritual nourishment to those who attend. A quote from lesson we recently discussed: а "Nondiscipleship costs abiding peace, a life penetrated throughout by love, faith that sees everything in the light of God's overriding governance for good, hopefulness that stands firm in the most discouraging of circumstances, power to do what is right, and withstand the forces of evil. In short, it costs exactly that abundance of life Jesus said he came to bring (John 10:10)." - Dallas Willard quoted in Conformed to His Image by Kenneth Boa, page 368. Please join us this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in Elsey Hall!

Thank you for your prayers and support of our ministries!

Pastor Edwin, Director of Family Ministries



Young Adult Spotlight

Hey, my name is Jacob Clark. I am from Tallahassee, Florida, and was a youth at Tallahassee United Methodist when I met members of this church at Warren Willis United Methodist Camp. Throughout the years, I became very close to the youth at East Naples UMC because we always went camping the same week. I moved to Fort Myers about a year and a half ago because I have been dating Marylyn for two years, who I met at camp four years ago.

When I first started coming to ENUMC, I immediately was brought into a family like none other. I moved down here knowing very few people (just the ENUMC youth) and was welcomed to the church with open arms. I have been going to college in Fort Myers at FSW seeking a degree in Fire Science and am currently enrolled at Station #45 in Naples. Through my journey, the church has helped in numerous ways by packing boxes of my favorite snacks and foods to help me save food money. I have been in Christmas parades and a member of the youth here as well as helping the children upstairs on Sundays.

Being a part of this church has been a huge part of my journey and all the members within it have become close friends and family to me. I could not have asked God for a better body of Christ than this one.

Jacob Clark

Missions

GIVE YOULIVE COLLIER

Give Where You Live Collier is a Collierwide movement to celebrate and increase philanthropy. The initiative starts on Wednesday, February 19, 2020, at 12:00 p.m. (noon) and ends on Thursday, February 20, 2020, at 12:00 p.m. (noon), for 40 selected nonprofit agencies in our community through online giving. These 40 nonprofit agencies focus on the areas of basic needs and education.

For the sixth consecutive year, the Community Foundation and the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation have partnered to present "Give Where You Live Collier." The Community Foundation of Collier County and the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation have partnered to create a \$500,000 Matching Fund. The match begins with a guaranteed match up to \$2,500 for all participating NPOs that raise at least \$2,500. After that, a proportionate share of the remaining match money is used towards any amount raised over \$2,500.

To donate, you can go to <u>www.GiveWhereYouLiveCollier.org</u> and search for one or more of the nonprofits that you would like to support. After selecting a nonprofit, click on the "Donate" button. It is that simple! Your receipt will say Community Foundation because they are collecting and distributing all the collected and matching funds.

Kris Clemmensen, Mission Coordinator



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE MISSION AND OUTREACH PROGRAM OF ENUMC!

In 2019, we collected over \$30,000 in cash, donated items, and volunteered countless hours to spread God's Love to our community and the world.



The Gideons will be speaking at worship service on Sunday, February 16.

They will collect a free-will offering for their work which includes placing Bibles in key locations, including hotels, motels, hospitals, convalescent homes, medical offices, domestic violence shelters, prisons, and jails.

FEBRUARY'S BIRTHDAYS



Beatriz Legra	2-Feb	Edwin Richiez	21-Feb
Trisha. C. Denson	3-Feb	Orquidea Gonzalez	21-Feb
Maggie Moxam	4-Feb	Jo Yates	22-Feb
Richard. A. Jordan	7-Feb	Kathy Baginski	22-Feb
Carolyn Searfoss	8-Feb	Cindy Lacoe	22-Feb
LaVon Mattson	9-Feb	James "Jim" Bitting	23-Feb
Harriet Bender	12-Feb	Edwin "Ed" William	ns 24-Feb
Michele Micieli	12-Feb	Mary Lou Grimes	24-Feb
Shirley Joyce	13-Feb	Carol Anderson	24-Feb
Betty Reagan	16-Feb	Nita Leftwich	27-Feb
Shirley Ludwig	19-Feb	Olga Blanco	27-Feb
Patricia Price	21-Feb	Harold Kreager	28-Feb

A very Happy Birthday to you all. May you bask in God's Amazing grace and His unconditional love.

Happy Valentine's Day ENUMC!

"I Want to Know What Love (Agape) Is. I Want You To Show Me."





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Weekly Worship Service and Bible Study Schedule Come Join Us, We Look Forward to Welcoming You!

Day & Time	Event	Location
Sunday		
9:30 a.m.	Worship Services	Sanctuary
10:35 a.m.	Children/Youth Sunday School	Youth Building
10:35 a.m.	Adult Seekers Bible Study	Elsey Hall
3:00 p.m.	Servicio en Español	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Servicio en Español	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Youth Group	Christian Rock Café
Monday		
10:00 a.m.	Joy Bible Study	Elsey Hall
Tuesday		
10:00 a.m.	Growing Christians Bible Study	Elsey Hall
Wednesday		
6:00 p.m.	Wednesday Night Bible Study	Elsey Hall
6:00 p.m.	Kingdom Quest Kids	Youth Building
7:30 p.m.	Estudio Biblico	Elsey Hall
Thursday		
7:30 p.m.	Grupos Pequeños	Elsey Hall