

Iona-Hope Episcopal Church

The Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

Saturday & Sunday

September 23rd & 24th, 2023



CALENDAR Week of 9/25 through 10/1

Monday 9/25

3:00 p.m.

Tuesday 9/26

4:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting

6:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Wednesday 9/27

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with healing

Thursday 9/28

8:30 a.m. Men's & Women's Breakfast
(Sunflower Café)

9:00 a.m. Beginning Spanish
(in the Gathering Place)

1:00 p.m. Conversational Spanish
(in the Gathering Place)

Friday 9/29

6:00 p.m. Eye on Hope (AA-Open)

Saturday 9/30

8:00 a.m. Steps to Awakening (Closed)
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing
(in person & online)

Sunday 10/1

8:00 a.m. Rite I Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing
& Children's Church
(in person & online)



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Iona-Hope One More Time Thrift Store

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**The ministry of the people at Iona-Hope
is supported by the church staff:**

The Rev. Coleen Tully, *Interim Rector*
Mr. Loren J. Strickland, *Music Director*
Ms. Christine Shirley, *Musician*
Ms. Linda Babcock, *Parish Administrator*
Eileen Carrara, *Thrift Store Manager*

Ms. Paula Paquette – **Senior Warden**

Ms. Alison Kinch - **Junior Warden**

Vestry Members

Ms. Kathy Ulm, Ms. Paula Paquette, Mr.
Rob Ricca, Ms. Kathie Hart, Ms. Alison
Kinch, Mr. Steve Walsh, and Ms. Patty Ingram

Mr. Joe Mulino - **Treasurer**

Mr. Thom Price— **Assistant to the Treasurer**

Linda Griffin – **Clerk of the Vestry**





For The Reverend Doctor John Adler

Please join us on Sunday, October 15, 2023, at 2:00 pm in the Sanctuary at Iona-Hope Episcopal Church, 9650 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers, Florida 33908, as we celebrate the life of our founding rector, Fr. John Adler.

Following the celebration of Fr. John's life in worship, we are invited to continue our remembrances of him at St. Charles Yacht Club 15900 Harbor Blvd, Fort Myers. There we will share the stories of Fr. John and his presence in our lives.



Hurricane Ian— One year anniversary

Peace Lutheran Church, located at 15840 McGregor Blvd., Ft. Myers, FL 33908, will be hosting a community observance on the one year anniversary of Ian on September 28, 2023 @ 3:05 p.m. This will be a service to remember and share stories of healing, strength and unity. The service will be about an hour long with a cookie reception afterwards.

All are invited to share in this special time of healing



Let's speak Spanish!

We have resumed the Spanish program at Iona Hope . 14.

The **Beginners Continuation Class** will be held Thursday mornings, 9:00-10:30 AM, in the Iona Hope Gathering Place. We will review basic Spanish grammar and start practicing simple conversations in Spanish.

The **Spanish Conversation Group** will meet Thursday afternoons, 1:00-2:30 PM in the Iona Hope Gathering Place. We will choose Spanish books and articles to read and discuss.

Both groups will continue with ten Thursday meetings until November 16. There will be no classes on Oct 19, 26; Nov. 2, 23, and 30; Dec. 28)

Spanish Program Coordinator: **Stephen Baluch**

(baluchsj@juno.com, 304-433-2487 - if no answer send text message)



We welcome **children and babies and all their accompanying movement and sounds in our worship.** We have a space specially designed for them on a rug at the front right side of our worship space. It has quiet toys and activities available for them to use while they are here. If your child would like to participate in Children's Church, it meets for the first half of our worship time in the building on the other side of the Labyrinth. Children will return to worship prior to Holy Communion.

**God loves you.
No exceptions.**



The Episcopal Church welcomes you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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The All God's Creatures Animal Ministry is starting back up. We need volunteers to help with events. This takes a minimal amount of your time, only 4 meetings a year and 6 events. Anyone interested in joining this caring ministry please contact Kathy Ulm @ (203) 605-6090 or email Kathy at kathleenwhelan-ulm@comcast.net.



Sunday, October 1, 2023 1:30 P.M.
Iona-Hope Episcopal Church
9650 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers, Florida
239-454-4778 www.ionahope.org
www.facebook.com/ihanimalministry
All Animals Welcome!

Please respect others and leash or restrain your pets.

If you cannot bring your pet, bring a photo, toy, or other representation.

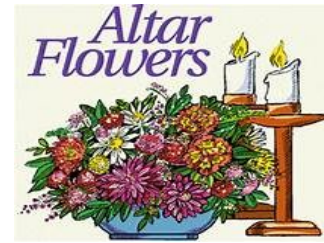
The service will be held outside, so dress accordingly.

(In case of inclement weather, the service will be held indoors).

Special prayers will also be offered for lost, sick or deceased pets.

Sponsored by All God's Creatures Animal Ministry.

All Are Welcome!



Please support our method of stewardship in our congregation through the Altar Flower Program. The suggested cost for sponsoring weekend flowers is \$50.00. We now utilize beautiful silk arrangements at the altar and your cash gift is now used 100% to help the hungry.



SUPPER CLUB

Please save Saturday, December 9th for a Supper Club Christmas celebration.

I am asking anyone that couldn't host Supper Club to join together and co-host this Christmas Supper Club. I have received the okay for use of the Adler Gathering Place at Iona Hope for this evening. We will follow the same premise as all Supper Club evenings in which participants are asked to bring a donation to the Hunger Ministry (minimum \$10 pp) and either a dish/appetizer/dessert to share and something for you to drink.

Please contact me if you wish to be a co-host via email at ardisub@gmail.com so that we can start planning: (Pls no attendance signups yet)

Food organization
Decorations
Entertainment
Setup
Cleanup

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, December 9, 2023 @ 6:30pm.

God's peace,

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE September 23 & 24

We pray for all the ministries at Iona-Hope, especially Stewardship/Giving.

We offer our thanksgivings for the many blessings of this day and all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries.

We pray for peace and unity in our country and the world.

We pray for all those affected by Hurricanes Ian. We pray for all those affected by Hurricane Idalia. We pray for the people in Maui. We pray for the men and women serving in our armed forces. We pray for the people of Ukraine. We pray for the LGBTQ Community, and all those marginalized in our country and the world.

We pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died, especially Sue Spear, and The Rev. Dr. John Adler.

We pray for those who are committed to our daily prayers, especially:

Alan, James, Lee, Tom, Maggie, Maureen, Shirley, Ethan, Bill, Ayrin, Mary Ann, Shelly, Valerie, Barry, Molly, Mariann, Ray, Christine, Kimberly, Eliza, Lisa, Andi, Nate, Charley, Corrine, Courtney, Gail, Teresa, John, Bishop Curry, David E., and Rusty.

We pray for our pets: Anna, Paisley, Harry, Abby Girl, Trixie, Stella & the Kitties, and Sammie. We pray for our pets who have died, especially Josie.

In our congregation we pray for:
The Uberti Family, The Ulm Family, The Utz Family, The Vandernack Family, The Vergin Family, and The Wagner Family.

Are there others for whom we should pray and blessings for which we give thanks?

BIRTHDAYS

9/23 Chris Hogan

9/23 Elsie Thomas

9/24 Andi Jerger

9/24 Michael Mathieu

9/27 Debbie Prather

9/28 Walt Lewis

9/29 Frank Broen



see
good in
others

How we converse with one another...

Confidentiality ▲ Discuss issues, not people
▲ Equal time (this includes listening, not debating) ▲ Freedom not to participate in conversation ▲ Speak for yourself using "I" statements ▲ One person will talk at a time/No side conversations ▲ We will begin and end on time
▲ No personal attacks/Respect for each other

▲ Amnesty/No reprisal/Forgiveness ▲ No one will dominate ▲ Okay to disagree but not be disagreeable ▲ Take care of your own creature comforts ▲ Name tags will be worn at all gatherings.



IONA-HOPE ATTENDANCE September 13 - 17

		In Person	Online
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	5	*
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	21	*
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	7	*
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	56	*

