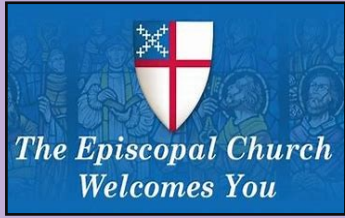




# Iona-Hope Episcopal Church

## Twenty-Third Weekend After Pentecost: October 26th & 27th, 2024



### CALENDAR

Week of 10/28 through 11/3

#### Monday, October 28th, 2024

12:00 P.M. Tai Chi Class (Sanctuary)  
4:30 P.M. Lectio Divina (Office Library)

#### Tuesday, October 29th, 2024

12:00 P.M. Tai Chi Class (Sanctuary)  
3:30 P.M.-Vestry Meeting  
(Adler Gathering Place)  
6:30 P.M. AA Meeting (Adler Gathering Place)



#### Wednesday, October 30th, 2024

10:00 A.M.-Holy Eucharist with healing

#### Thursday, October 31st, 2024

8:30 A.M.- Iona-Hope Breakfast Group (Sunflower Cafe)  
9:00-10:30 A.M.-Beginning Spanish (Office Library)  
1:00-2:30 P.M.-Conversational Spanish (Office Library)

#### Friday, November 1st, 2024

6:00 P.M. Eye On Hope (AA-Open) (Adler Gathering Place)

#### Saturday, November 2nd, 2024

8:00 A.M. -Steps to Awakening (Closed Group)  
5:00 P.M. -Holy Eucharist with Healing

#### Sunday, November 3rd, 2024

8:00 A.M. - Holy Eucharist Rite I (*with the Book of Common Prayer*)

Many thanks to our group  
of dedicated office  
volunteers:

Wanda Adler  
Susan Crawford  
Lorraine Holley  
Andi Jerger  
Sue Ryan  
Vicky Dawson



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Episcopal Congregation

**The Rev. Jenny Scott-Jones**  
Rector

Office 239-454-4778

**9650 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33908**

Located next door to the Lee County Library at the corner of Gladiolus and Bass Rd  
Join us for our weekly services!

Wednesday	10:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist & Healing
Saturday	5:00 P.M.	Holy Eucharist & Healing
Sunday	8:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist-Rite I
Sunday	9:30 A.M.	Holy Eucharist & Healing-Rite II

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### Iona-Hope One More Time Thrift Store

8750 Gladiolus Dr #9C Fort Myers, FL 33908  
(239) 437-5333

Celebrating  
**25 YEARS**

Iona-Hope Episcopal Church  
1999-2024

## STAFF

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

The Rev. Jenny Scott-Jones, **Rector**  
Mr. Loren J. Strickland, **Music Director**  
Ms. Christine Shirley, **Musician**  
Mrs. Marnie Ike, **Parish Administrator**  
Mrs. Eileen Carrara, **Thrift Store Manager**  
Ms. Julie Vergin, **Parish Nurse**  
Ms. Margaret Carr, **Media Director**

Ms. Paula Paquette - **Senior Warden**  
Ms. Alison Kinch - **Junior Warden**

### Vestry Members

Mr. Rob Ricca, Mr. Steve Walsh  
Mr. John Mitchell, Ms. Debbie Prather  
Mrs. Marcia Leidig and Ms. Linda Griffin

Mr. Joe Mulino -**Treasurer**  
Mr. Thom Price - **Assistant to the Treasurer**  
Ms. Victoria Lines - **Clerk of the Vestry**



DON'T FORGET TO TURN  
YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE  
HOUR NEXT SATURDAY NIGHT  
BEFORE BEDTIME!



If you wish to donate flowers in memory or in thanks of someone special, there is a sign up sheet located on the rear table in the back of the sanctuary. The cost is \$50.00, which is donated directly to the hunger ministry because we utilize 100% silk flower arrangements.

### Birthdays This Week

**October 28th** Christine Shirley  
**October 29th** Andrew Craft  
**October 29th** Skip Loughrey  
**October 30th** Peggy Hannon



### Welcome Back to the Sunshine State!!!



Our winter friends are starting to return to us from their northern homes. Please remember to fill out one of the sojourner cards to let us know that you have returned. Cards are located in the back of the church and in The Adler Gathering Place. You may also call the office at 239-454-4778 or email [office@ionahope.org](mailto:office@ionahope.org) with your return date.



Prayer Shawl Ministry will resume meeting on Fridays @ 10:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M. in the Adler Gathering Place beginning Friday, November 1st. If you have a loved one, a friend, or know of someone in the congregation who is sick or in the hospital who you think would find comfort in one of these beautiful prayer shawls, please contact the office at 239-454-4778.

### Lectio Divina

The Lectio Divina Group meets every **Monday at 4:30 P.M.** in the office Library of the church office building. This is a small group committed to the practice of sacred reading and contemplation of Scripture as well as other inspirational texts, music and art. It's a quiet, meditative practice that invites participants into stillness and personal reflection. No previous experience is needed, and no preparation is required. All are invited and welcome to join in this weekly time of slowing down and savoring the joy and wonder all around us. To learn more, contact Sandy Blaine - [sdblaine1014@gmail.com](mailto:sdblaine1014@gmail.com) or Kathie Hart - [kphart85@hotmail.com](mailto:kphart85@hotmail.com).



### ALL SOULS & ALL SAINTS WEEKEND



At all three services on November 2nd & 3rd, we are celebrating All Saints and All Souls. This is a time to remember all our loved ones who have died. A digital slideshow presentation will be created with photos. If you would like us to scan a picture to include, please bring it by the office Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. or email them to [MediaDirector@IonaHope.org](mailto:MediaDirector@IonaHope.org). All emails and scans must be received in the church office by noon on Tuesday, October 29th.

We will be setting up a table in the back of the church and we invite all of you to bring a photo of someone you wish to remember. All photographs will be placed on this table. If possible, please limit the size to no larger than 5" x 7".

Please submit the first names of all the people who have died (Friends, family, neighbors, etc.) if you would like them remembered at the All Saints services. We ask that you submit them to the church office by noon on Tuesday, October 26th.

Please do not forget to pick your picture up after the weekend services.

There is a healing station by the Baptismal Font during Communion at the 9:30 Sunday service. During the 5 o'clock service on Saturday evening, simply come forward when invited up in front of the altar by clergy and laity.



You may seek physical, emotional, or spiritual healing for yourself or for another. You may request specific prayer or receive a general

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## An Update On The Lighting Issues In The Sanctuary

We have had such a tremendous response in our request for donations towards the replacement of the lighting in our sanctuary. We are so blessed to have so many generous parishioners in our congregation.

As of this past week, we have reached our goal after a very large anonymous donation was received. We have raised \$15,905.00. The total needed was \$15,996.00.

Thank you all for your continued support of Iona-Hope, not just for this request, but for all of your donations, time, and talent that you give to our congregation year round. We are forever grateful to all of you.



If you have a situation that needs prayer, the Prayer Team will be glad to help. Prayer is powerful; we know it can make a difference. Send your request to us at [mooremarilyn@gmail.com](mailto:mooremarilyn@gmail.com).



For the monthly "Prayers Of the People" list, please email Margaret with your request to [MediaDirector@IonaHope.org](mailto:MediaDirector@IonaHope.org) or call us in the office at 239-454-4778.

## WEEKLY EMAIL

Every Friday we send out a weekly email with upcoming events and information about Iona-Hope.

If you would like to receive our weekly email, please contact the church office. (239) 454-4778 or email Margaret at [MediaDirector@IonaHope.org](mailto:MediaDirector@IonaHope.org)

The November **Iona -Hope Book Club** selection is "**Yellowface**" By R. F. Kuang

The Book Club will meet Friday November 8th from 12:30 P.M.- 2:00 P.M. in the office library. Additional details are in the weekly email.



Any questions, please call Trish Kyser at 230-220-1510.



Join us every Thursday morning at 8:30AM for breakfast & fellowship at **The Sunflower Cafe** 11410 Summerlin Square Dr Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931



Iona-Hope's One More Time Thrift Store continues to ask for donations of gently used furniture items including dining sets, bedroom sets, tables, dressers, bookshelves etc.

If you're moving, remodeling your house or heading back up North and need to donate some of your furniture, feel free to call our thrift store at 239-437-5333 and [we can pick it up for you for free!](#) Quick note: We do not accept mattresses.

The next **Taizé service** will be held this **Tuesday November 12th at 4:15 P.M.** in

the sanctuary. Taizé Prayer is evening prayer for all Christian faiths. It is a simple, meditative form of worship, calling us to dwell deeply on Christ's presence around and within us. Mantra songs, prayerful silence, and short readings guide the focus of the prayer in a candle-lit environment. All are welcome!



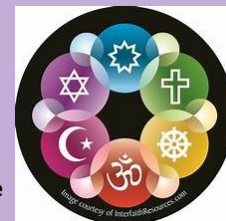
## Interfaith Meeting

The Interfaith Group will meet next on Thursday November 14th at 7:00 P.M. at Cypress Lake United Methodist 8570 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers.

Sr. Pastor Marcus Zillman will discuss his church, the sanctuary, and Methodist Religion.

All are Welcome!

Learning about one another's religious traditions and practices, and discussing how we have more in common with one another than we think, is an important part of this group. For more information contact Margaret at [MediaDirector@IonaHope.org](mailto:MediaDirector@IonaHope.org).



If you, a loved one, or a church friend are physically unable to attend worship, someone from the "Pastoral Ministry" would be happy to pay you a visit and bring you Holy Communion. Please contact Julie Vergin at [ridgeroll@hotmail.com](mailto:ridgeroll@hotmail.com).

*Pastoral Care*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE October 26th & 27th

We pray for all the ministries and small groups at Iona-Hope, especially our Parish Nurse Julie Vergin.

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

We pray for unity in our country and the world.

We pray for all victims of war and violence. We pray for peace. We pray for all those affected by natural disasters, especially Hurricanes Helene & Milton. We pray for the LGBTQ Community, and all those marginalized in our country and the world.

We pray for those in the armed services.

We pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died, especially The Reverend Everett Keith Jr. and Michael Weaver.

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

Mariann, Dr. Brian, Michael Maruzzi, Bill Kyser, Nanci Moore, Ray Z., Susan, Bill S, Sue R. Jimmy, Farah, Susan C., Christopher, Colin, Theresa H, Anita, Jim, Arnie, Pirkko, Patrick Hunt., Pauline, Nick Drakos, Richard, Jackie Renner, Anthony Bamonte, Lorilyn, Robert, Becky, Steve M. and Sue Jeffery.

We pray for our pets: Anna, Sophie L., Penny, Bella L. and Beckett P., Milo, Monkey, Trixie, Tiger, Sammy and Rookwood.

We pray for our pets who have died.

In our congregation we pray for:

The Lyon family, The Mackie family, The Marcet family, The Marshall family, The Marsteller family, The Maruzzi family and The Mascotte family.

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

### IONA-HOPE ATTENDANCE

October 14th - October 20th

		In Person	Online
Wednesday	10:00 A.M.	6	N/A
Saturday	5:00 P.M	25	21
Sunday	8:00 A.M	8	N/A
Sunday	9:30 A.M.	72	3

### This Weeks Hymns

Hymnal #680 O God Our Help in Ages Past

NP A 21 Emmanuel

Hymn 645 The King of love

Hymn 556 Rejoice ye pure of heart



A big thank you to all of our Lay Readers this week:

5:00 P.M. Vicky Dawson and Julie Vergin

9:30 A.M. Debbie Prather and Ruth Ann North

If you would like to become part of our Lay Readers Ministry, please email Sandy Blaine at



## GIFTS TO HONOR—PRICE REDUCTION

Reduced prices are now extended through the remainder of 2024!

A very meaningful way to thank or recognize a colleague or loved one is by permanently naming a chair in the sanctuary for them.

These plaques will be available for a reduced price of \$100.00. (Reg. \$125.00) The proceeds of these plaques benefit Iona-Hope's ongoing facilities and other needs, you can give the gift of a chair, in memory, in celebration, in thanksgiving or to the Glory of God.

In addition, Iona-Hope has reduced pricing on our Columbarium niches. Niches will be \$1300 for a single, and \$1500 for a double. (Reg. \$1700). In addition, Iona-Hope has reduced pricing on our Columbarium niches. For these months only, niches will be \$1300 for a single, and \$1500 for a double. (Reg. \$1700).

For additional information please contact the church office at 239-454-4778, or email For additional information, or if you have any questions, please contact the church office at 239 454 4778 or email [office@ionahope.org](mailto:office@ionahope.org).



### Pet Memorial Wall

"At play in the fields with God"



We now have plaques available for the Pet memorial wall. If you are interested in adding your pet's name to the wall, please contact the office at [office@ionahope.org](mailto:office@ionahope.org) with the name of the pet and the name(s) of the pet owner. The cost is \$25.00 per plaque.

### A Prayer For Unity And Discernment This Election Season



Please pray with me our prayer for unity and discernment during this election season. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer. The elections are soon and many of us are anxious. We need your wisdom. Inspire, please, the better angels of our natures so that we may rise above temptations to slander. This month and always, may we seek to understand viewpoints different from our own. May we give thought to the complexity of the problems facing our nation. Guide us as we meditate and pray on these issues and then vote. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

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