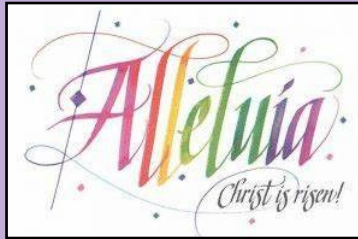
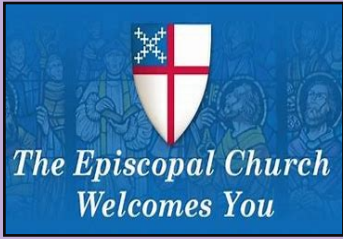




# Iona-Hope Episcopal Church Third Weekend Of Easter



May 3rd & 4th, 2025



## Week of 5/5 through 5/11

### Monday, May 5th, 2025

4:30 P.M.-Lectio Divina (Office/ Library)



### Tuesday, May 6th, 2025

10:00 A.M.-Tai Chi (Sanctuary)  
6:30 P.M.-AA Meeting-Open (Adler Gathering Place)

### Wednesday, May 7th, 2025

10:00 A.M.-Holy Eucharist with Healing (Office/ Library)

### Thursday, May 8th, 2025

8:30 A.M.-Breakfast Group-(Sunflower Café)  
10:00 A.M.-Tai Chi (Sanctuary)  
7:00 P.M.-Interfaith Meeting- (Temple Judea-  
14486 A & W Bulb Rd Fort Myers)

### Friday, May 9th, 2025

6:00 P.M.-Eye On Hope (AA-Open)  
(Adler Gathering Place)  
6:00 P.M.-AI-Anon (Office/Library)

### Saturday May 10th, 2025

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

### Sunday, May 11th, 2025 (Mother's Day)

8:00 A.M.-Holy Eucharist Rite I (With the Book Of  
Common Prayer)  
9:30 A.M.-Holy Eucharist Service with Healing  
Rite II

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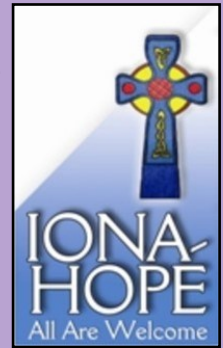
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### Iona-Hope One More Time Thrift Store

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Fort Myers, FL 33908 (239) 437-5333



## 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 Hufnagel, Ms. Debbie Prather

Mrs. Marcia Leidig and Mr. Neil Tousley

Mr. Joe Mulino -**Treasurer**

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

Mrs. Teresa Hufnagel-Clerk Of The Vestry

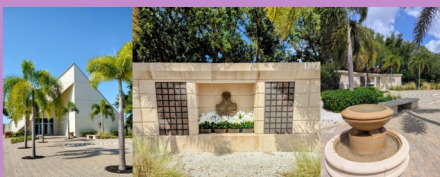


Many thanks to our group of dedicated office volunteers:

Wanda Adler Susan Crawford

Lorraine Holley Andi Jerger

Sue Ryan Vicky Dawson



God Loves You! No exceptions.  
The Episcopal Church  
Welcomes You!

**Reminder!** Applications are now available for the **2025 Iona-Hope One More Time Thrift Store Grants.**



If you know of a local organization that could benefit from one of these grant awards, please have them submit the application **no later than May 15th, 2025.**

The form can be picked up directly from the Iona-Hope Thrift Store, the church office, or you can access it directly on our Iona-Hope website.

<https://www.ionahope.org/one-more-time-thrift-store>

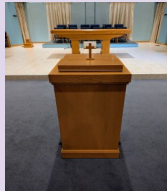
If you, a loved one, or a church friend are physically unable to attend worship services, or are having a health emergency, please reach out to our Parish Nurse Julie Vergin and Rev. Jenny by phone, email or text.



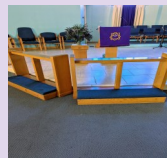
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Throughout Eastertide, our baptismal font will continue to be placed toward the front of the church. You may dip your fingers into the blessed water and make the sign of the cross on your way to receive communion as a reminder of your baptism.



You also will have the option to continue to kneel while receiving communion by lining up on the left side.

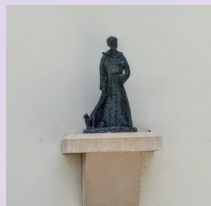


If you have a situation that needs prayer, the Prayer Team will be glad to help. Prayer is powerful; we know it can make a difference. Send your request to us at [mooremarilynw@gmail.com](mailto:mooremarilynw@gmail.com).



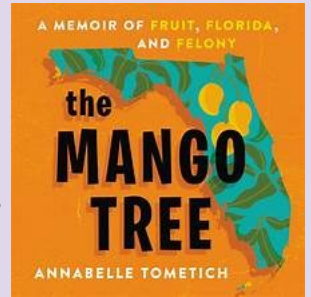
### **Pet Memorial Wall—"At play in the fields with God"**

We have plaques available for the Pet memorial wall. If you are interested in adding your pet's name to the wall, the forms are located on the table at the rear of the sanctuary, as well as being available for download on our website.



You can also contact the office at 239-454-4778, or email us at [office@IonaHope.org](mailto:office@IonaHope.org), and we will email you the form. The cost is \$35.00 per plaque.

The **May Book Club** selection is **The Mango Tree**; A Memoir of Fruit, Florida and Felony.



When Fort Myers News Press journalist Annabelle Tometich answers her phone one morning, she isn't expecting a collect call from an inmate at the Lee County Jail. As a news hound, she accepts and certainly isn't expecting to hear her mother's voice on the other end of the line. However, she's not surprised to learn that Mom's crime is shooting at someone who is stealing mangoes from the beloved tree in the front yard of her McGregor Boulevard home. This is more than a tree; it is the heart of her family. So begins this poignant and entertaining memoir of growing up as a mixed-race Filipina self-described "nobody" in Fort Myers. Annabelle traces the roots of her upbringing; reckoning with her erratic father's untimely death in a local motel, her ambitious mother's bitter yearning for the country she left behind, and her own journey in the pursuit of belonging. An added bonus of this fascinating and enlightening book is to discover the history of Jean Le Boeuf, the mysterious author of a long running and popular News Press restaurant critic. Annabelle says, "As JLB I'm anybody and everybody." The Washington Post and NPR listed this as a "best book" of the year.

**The Book Club** will meet to discuss **The Mango Tree** by **Annabelle Tometich** from 12:30 until 2:00 on **May 9th** in the meeting room in the Adler Gathering Space. Please call **Trish Kyser 239 220-1510** if you have any questions.

## **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)



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

## Sojourner Forms

For all of those that are traveling back up north for the summer, please don't forget to let us know by filling out one of our Sojourner Forms that are located on the table in the rear of the sanctuary as well as on the information table in the Adler Gathering Place.



Safe Travels to all of our parishioners at Iona-Hope! See you when you return!

## Prayer List

Please remember that we have updated the names listed on the "Prayers Of The People" and read out loud weekly at services for the month of May. If you wish to add someone's name or the name of a pet, to the that we read at the services, please email Margaret with your request at [MediaDirector@IonaHope.org](mailto:MediaDirector@IonaHope.org).



The Lectio Divina Group meets every Monday at 4:30 P.M. in the Conference/Library room of the 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 or Vicky Dawson .



## Family Directory



If you'd like to update your picture for our family directory before we print additional copies, please see Margaret Carr after the weekend services or email one of your own photos to [MediaDirector@IonaHope.org](mailto:MediaDirector@IonaHope.org).

## Altar Flowers

If you wish to donate flowers in memory or in thanksgiving 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 flowers arrangements.

This weekend, all open plate offerings will be donated to the Rector's Discretionary Fund. This fund is used on a confidential basis to those in need and is at the Rector's discretion.



- May 4th Diane Shorey
- May 4th The Rev. John Gamble
- May 6th Lois Walsh
- May 9th Steve Studybaker
- May 10th Tom Portagallo
- May 10th Sue Lemons
- May 11th Margaret Carr Cerniglia



Please join us every Sunday morning for coffee and fellowship after both the 8:00 A.M. & 9:30 A.M. services in the Adler Gathering Place. All are welcome!



## JUNE BROADWAY PALM



Please join us on Thursday June 12th at Broadway Palm for "Legally Blonde The Musical!".

Tickets are \$65.00 and include dinner & the show!

Dinner starts at 5:30 P.M. and the performance starts at 7:30 P.M.

All reservations and money are due by Tuesday June 3rd.

Please see Wanda Adler for additional information.

Sign up sheets are located on the table of the rear of the sanctuary as well as in the Adler Gathering Place.



## IONA-HOPE WEEKLY PRAYERS & PETITIONS

We pray for all of the ministries & groups at Iona Hope, especially for our **Office Angels**.

We pray for all members of our congregation, especially **the Fielder Family, the Flesh Family, the Foster Family, the Galyean Family, the Gamble Family and the George Family**.

We pray especially for **Gladiolus Food Pantry**.

We pray for the world, where there is trouble and suffering, far away or nearby.

We pray for those in the armed services and pray for unity in our country and the world, and all victims of war and violence. We pray for peace.

We pray for our President, Governor, and all who serve our government that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world

We pray for those who are committed to our daily prayers, especially **Mariann, Dr. Brian, Sue, Cindy, Teresa, Sheryl, Maggie, Michelle, Joshua, Harry, Will, Luke, Henry, Greg, Rick and Diane**.

We pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died.

We pray for our pets: especially **Gracey**.

We pray for our pets who have recently died **especially Sophie Lowder**.

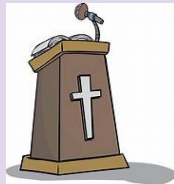
### IONA-HOPE ATTENDANCE

April 21st– April 27th

			In Person	Online
Saturday	5:00	P.M	27	41
Sunday	8:00	A.M	5	N/A
Sunday	9:30	A.M.	70	36

*A big thank you to all of our Lay Readers this weekend: Susan Crawford, Andi Jerger, Ruth Ann North, Patrick Hunt and Margaret Carr.*

*If you would like to become part of our Lay Readers Ministry, please email Sandy Blaine at [sdblaine1014@gmail.com](mailto:sdblaine1014@gmail.com)*



### This Weeks Hymns

#182 Christ Is Alive-Let Christians Sing

Other-You Have Come Down To The Lakeshore

#146 Break Though The Bread Of Life

#207 Jesus Christ Has Risen Today



Interfaith Group

May Meeting



May 8th, 2025, 7:00 P.M.

Temple Judea  
14486 A and W Bulb Rd  
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Our discussion will be freedom, plus we'll discuss new group leadership.

All are welcome!

Any questions, please email Paul Cornez at [pcornez@fastmail.com](mailto:pcornez@fastmail.com)



The next gathering of the Moving Forward Support Group will be held on **Thursday, May 15th at 10:00 A.M. in the Adler Gathering Place**. If you are in need of support due to caregiving or grieving, please feel free to attend and invite anyone you know who you feel would benefit from our meetings. Attendees do not need to be members of Iona-Hope.



### Volunteers Needed For The Gladiolus Food Pantry!



Opportunities for food packing, stocking and shopping with clients. You can email **Miriam Ortiz** at [info@gladiolusfoodpantry.org](mailto:info@gladiolusfoodpantry.org), or visit the Food Pantry at 10511 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers. Phone: (239) 437-8122. **The pantry is open each Wednesday: 11:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.**