## **Cornerstone Information**

Worship Sundays at 8 am & 10 am / 239-354-9160 office@cornerstonenaples.org /

www.cornerstonenaples.org

Live Stream of service available Sundays at 10 am on our Cornerstone Facebook page or our website.

Watch any sermon at:

www.youtube.com/ cornerstoneumcnaples

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**11/30** Sunday Contributions \$3,293 Monthly Total November \$33,878 Monthly Budget Needs \$36,684

### **Order of Worship**

Welcome and Greeting

The Treble Makers (Choir) "Where the Promise Shines"

Advent Reading

Candle Lighting
The candle of PEACE

First Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10

Second Reading: Romans 15:4-13

Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:1-12

Children's Moment: Dominique Nash

Sermon: "Chopped"
Aaron Thayer

Response to the Word

Prayers of the People

The Great Thanksgiving

Closing Hymn:
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
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Sending Forth

## **Our Staff**

### **Senior Pastor**

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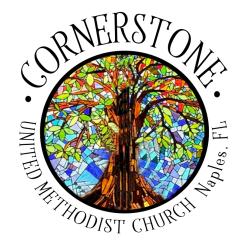
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PEACE

Second Sunday of Advent December 7, 2025



During worship, you may observe various forms of interactive participation, such as hand motions or spoken responses. These practices are intended to foster a sense of connection, engagement, and joy in our shared worship experience. However, participation is entirely optional. There is no right or wrong way to worship, and we recognize and respect that each individual expresses their faith in their own unique way.

At Cornerstone UMC we are a people bound together through the love of God. Those who gather represent the vast diversity of God's people for we believe that in diversity we experience unity. God has invited us to be full participants in God's story. We share this story together through our lives, our worship, our prayers, our generosity our relationships and in our service to others. God's story is a journey and not a destination. God's story invites us to be one outpost among many that bears witness to the love of God in the world. We share the story in authentic and

practical ways and do not set limits on the expression and diversity of God's gifts and people. "Come as you are!" We really mean it! God is breaking down the walls and barriers of separation between people, communities, and creation. **This Week** 

#### **TODAY**

- During the 10 am service... All children are invited to participate in the entire worship service. There is a PRAYground at the front of the church with quiet activities as they listen. In addition, there is a nursery for infants-2 year olds and a class for 3-6 year olds provided for the entire service, if preferred. 1st-5th graders will be dismissed for class after Children's Moment.
- 4 pm Engage Youth Ministry (6th 12th grade

### Mon., December 8, 2025

• 7 pm Yoga with Jodi- all abilities welcome- \$10 per person

## Tues., December 9, 2025

• 3:30 pm Cornerstone Kids (ages 3 to 5th grade)

## Wed., December 10, 2025

- 6 pm Choir Practice
- 7:15 pm Advent Study

## **Sat., December 13, 2025**

• 9 am Holiday Bazaar

## Sun., December 14, 2025

• 9 am Immigration Team Meeting

# What's Happening at Cornerstone

- Cornerstone Holiday Bazaar Saturday, December 13th, 9 am to 3 pm.
- Care and Nurture Team is requesting donations of baked goods to be sold at the Holiday Bazaar. Please contact the office at office@cornerstonenaples.org for more details.
- **Blue Christmas Service** Sunday, December 21st at 5 pm. Offering comfort and hope to those who are grieving, lonely, or struggling during the holiday season.
- Christmas Eve Services Join us for one of our three services- 4 pm Family Service (more geared toward children), 7 pm (Choir singing), and 11 pm (quiet, more intimate service).
- Advent Study "A Child is Born A Beginner's Guide to Nativity Stories" by Amy-Jill Levine, with Rev. Arthur Smith, Wednesdays at 7:15 pm. This study will be available in person and on Zoom. Please purchase the book at www.amazon.com or at www.cokesbury.com.
- **Toys for Tots** Please bring a new, unwrapped toy and put it in one of the two boxes located in the Narthex by Wednesday, December 10th.
- 2026 Stewardship Campaign We are grateful for your faithful response in sharing your 2026 commitments. If you have not yet returned your 2026 Commitment Card, we would appreciate receiving it soon. Please contact Lesley Butler with any questions or for assistance at: financecornerstoneum@gmail.com. Thank you!

• Cornerstone's Immigration Mission Something to Think About The number of people in immigration detention has reached an all-time high with nearly 66,000 detainees in November 2025 according to CBS News and other sources. "And the king will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40.

The Immigration Mission Team will not meet December 21st and December 28th in order to allow the team to enjoy Christmas with their families.

- Reconciling Ministries Network

  To unfold your precious self to the world is a great risk. What pain might you find? And what unspeakable joy? We touch the surface of this earth for such a brief time. What risks of love and mercy do you want to have taken?
- Are you interested in becoming a member of Cornerstone? Contact Rev. Roy at 239-370-1096, or email the office at office@cornerstonenaples.org.