

"Founded in 1924 in the belief that there is more that binds us together than separates us in the worship of God."

#### 2.23.2020

CHAPEL SERVICE 8:30 A.M.
C<sup>2</sup> SERVICE (COMMUNITY HALL) 10:00 A.M.
SANCTUARY SERVICE 10:00 A.M.

### **WELCOME**

Recognizing the wide welcome offered to all through Jesus Christ, Community Church opens its arms to all. We strive to offer Christ's wide welcome to all people, regardless of creed, age, race, or sexual identity.

We invite you to join our congregation in worship and in membership,

as we allow our lives to be shaped by the loving outreach of Christ.

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

\*Please rise in body or spirit. **Bold** text indicates congregational participation.

Please refrain from applause during worship until invited.

Families are asked to check-in children Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade in Commotion prior to the start of worship to participate in Sunday school. Sunday school will take place at 10:00 a.m.. All children participating must be checked in and out of Commotion. Families are always welcome to worship together in the service.

Nursery care available during our 10:00 a.m. worship services.

Our service is live-streamed via internet, capturing the chancel & the congregation and may appear on social media.

### THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE Improvisation on Hyfrydol

Andrew R. Galuska, organ

COMMUNITY WORDS

(Chapel) Rev. David W. Johnson (Sanctuary) Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland

## CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

(Chapel) Elaine A. Matthes (Sanctuary) Rev. Holly H. Adams

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN AND ENTRANCE OF THE CHRIST LIGHT

"We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"

Hyfrydol



\*LITANY John Langfitt

One: When we are joyful, we shine.

All: When we are weary, we flicker.

One: When we are rested, we glow.

All: When we are worried, we flash our hazards.

One: In all times we turn to God who illuminates our world. Let us pray ...

#### \*Unison Prayer

Shine, O Light of our hearts, in the midst of shadows. Where there is fear or doubt, shine. Where there is anger or jealousy, shine. Where there is grief or pain, shine. Where there is confusion, shine so we can see our way. Shine upon your children gathered for worship in this place and around the world. Amen

\*GLORIA PATRI

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE Elaine A. Matthes

### ATTENDING TO GOD'S WORD

ANTIPHONAL READING FROM THE PSALTER

Clergy, Cantor, and Congregation

Antiphon: Congregation may join the cantor in singing the antiphon.

Psalm 104:1-2a, 31-34



Cantor and Congregation

One: Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great. You are clothed with honour and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment.

Cantor and Congregation

One: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works - who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

Cantor and Congregation

One: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

Cantor and Congregation

#### RESPONSE

One: May God who commanded light to shine out of darkness enlighten our way today.

All: Amen

(Chapel) Elaine A. Matthes (Sanctuary) Rev. Elizabeth B. Johnson

One: God whispers through sacred texts a message to us all. All: **We listen with our hearts open and our spirits awake.** 

Exodus 24:12-18

The LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

#### RESPONSE

One: These words do not remain in a book or on a pulpit.
All: May God's Sunday words change our weekday lives.

Anthem

"Gloria" from the 12th Mass Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Chancel Choir

Glorious is thy Name, Almighty Lord,
Glorious is thy Name, O Lord,
O Lord, glorious is thy Name,
Almighty Lord, all the angels stand round about thy throne,
Let all nations bow before thee,
And declare thy wondrous works.
We praise thee, we give thanks to thee,
We adore thee, we glorify thee.
Lord, we adore thee, we bless thee; Lord,
We thank thee for they great glory, Lord, we thank thee.
Heav'n is thy throne, and earth is thy footstool.
Thou art King over all the world.
Glorious is thy Name, O Lord, Glorious is thy Name.
Blessing and honor be to God, forever and ever, evermore;
Blessing forever and evermore.

One: Hear the good news of God with us in Christ.

All: Speak Lord, for your people are listening.

Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

#### RESPONSE

One: We hear the Gospel as good news for our lives.

All: We claim the Gospel as good news for the world.



And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Matthew 17:2

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

UNISON CALL TO OFFERING

John Langfitt

O Holy God, we bring our offerings before you. Shine your grace on the places they go from here. Keep us aware, grateful and willing to accept and use the gifts of those around us. Bless our giving and bless our receiving. Amen

**OFFERTORY** 

"Offertory"

John Ness Beck

Chancel Choir

With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on High?

Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, Shall I come before Him with yearling calves?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oils?

Shall I give Him my firstborn for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

He has shown you what is good.

And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness,

And to walk humbly, walk humbly with your God?

\*DOXOLOGY

CALL TO PRAYER Rev. David W. Johnson

One: God be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.** 

One: Let us pray. O God, open our hearts,

All: And receive our hopes and intercessions.

One: Let us not only offer our prayers, All: **But listen for your Spirit within.** 

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

"Hear Us" Andrew R. Galuska Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

#### THE SENDING FORTH



\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God" Sigfrid Karg-Elert Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland

Andrew R. Galuska, organ

If you desire anointing and prayer for yourself or a loved one, please meet Betsy Smith, Called to Care Minister, at the Chancel Steps following the service today.

Anointing and prayer follow an ancient practice of anointing those who are sick and praying for their healing. In the words of James 5:14, 'Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord." All are welcome.

## IN WORSHIP TODAY

**DEACON:** John Langfitt

**ACOLYTE:** Eli Weatherly

THE FLOWERS TODAY ARE DEDICATED TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND GIVEN...

by Donna Andres in loving memory of Dale Andres. by Judy Caldwell-LaFage in loving memory of Richard (Dick) Caldwell.

Please join us outside Community Hall for refreshments and conversation.

### **CONGREGATIONAL LIFE**

**NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 1**<sup>ST</sup>: The sermon "Success" will be given by Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland at the 8:30 a.m. Chapel service, the 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary service, and livestreamed at the 10:00 a.m. C<sup>2</sup> service in Community Hall. All are welcome.

<u>THANK YOU TO OUR GREETERS</u>: A Big Thank You to Gerry Duhaime, Judy Gordon, Glade Gracey, Joan Ohl, and the Thompson family for warmly welcoming everyone on Sunday!

<u>WOMEN'S RETREAT</u>: Registration is now open and available for the 2020 retreat, "Befriending the Soul" at Our Lady of Florida Retreat Center in North Palm Beach on March 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. There will be a table in the courtyard after the 10:00 a.m. service each Sunday until March 1<sup>st</sup> or register in the Church Office. What a great time to get more connected with our interim senior minister, Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland, who will be leading us and helping our Church move forward into this new decade. For more information or scholarship assistance, contact Elaine Matthes at 772,469,2309.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS:** If you are interested in learning more about our Church and want to consider becoming a member, please join us TODAY, Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> following worship at 11:15 a.m. in the Garden Room for conversation, coffee, and cookies. For more information you may call Elaine Matthes at 772.469.2309.

**DOCENT TOUR OF CHURCH CAMPUS**: Have you ever toured the whole campus of Community Church and heard all the amazing stories about its history? Join the Fellowship Board docents on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> for a complete tour, including a light lunch where you share in fellowship with other interested folks. The tour will leave shortly after the end of the 10:00 a.m. worship services. Registration is required so we know how much food to provide and how many docents we need. Please sign-up in the Church Office. For more information contact

Elaine Matthes at 772.469.2309.

BAPTISM: Throughout the history of the Christian Church people have been invited into new life through baptism on Easter morning. The United Church of Christ practices both infant and adult baptism with adult baptism being through confirmation of faith. Please call the Church Office at 772.562.3633 if you would like to speak with one of our ministers about being baptized on Easter morning.

Community Church

Luncheon & Stylish show
Thursday, February 27th at 12:00 noon
in the Commotion Youth Building
\$20.00 per person
Includes pre-sale pass to early shopping
Purchase tickets through the Church Office or on Sunday mornings in the Courtyard

COMMUNITY CHURCH'S "ANGELS' ATTIC" RUMMAGE SALE: Please join us this week to donate, shop, and volunteer! Thursday, February 27th is our "Mardi Gras" luncheon, fashion show, and preview shopping. Tickets are still available for \$20 in the courtyard after services and in the Church Office until Tuesday, February 25th. Donations are welcome Monday, February 24th through Wednesday, February 26th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and

RUMMAGE

February 27th - 5:00 till 8:00 p.m. February 28th - 8:30 a.m. till 12:30 p.m. February 29th - 8:00 till 11:00 a.m.

(Starting Monday, February 24th items may be dropped off between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.)

Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Jewelry may be dropped off any time at the Church Office. The sale will open to the public Thursday evening, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and Saturday morning, February 29<sup>th</sup>, for our "half price and bag" sale from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Volunteers are gratefully appreciated!! Men are encouraged to volunteer especially during the donation hours. Contact Susan Kramer at 772.480.4567 for information.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS...

<u>MEMBERSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION</u>: We ask that you please contact the Church Office if any of your contact information (mailing address, telephone number(s), email address) has changed during the recent past. Please telephone us at 772.562.3633 or email Suzanne Rice at suzanne.rice@ccovb.org. Your help in updating our records will be greatly appreciated.

ASH WEDNESDAY OBSERVANCE: The evening service will be this Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The use of ashes as a sign of mortality and repentance has a long history in Christian worship, and the imposition of ashes can be a powerful nonverbal and experiential way of participating in the call to repentance and reconciliation. Join our clergy for a traditional service and sharing of the ashes followed by an optional labyrinth walk in the Courtyard. Childcare will be available. For those unable to attend the evening service, the imposition of ashes will be available from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in front of the Sanctuary Courtyard doors.



February 26th
6:30 p.m. in the
Sanctuary
Optional Labyrinth
walk in the Courtyard
to follow

<u>SACRED PAUSE</u>: Have you wanted to spend more quality time with God? Are you looking for an opportunity to improve your prayer life? Join us Monday mornings in Grace Chapel at 7:45 a.m. for "Sacred Pause" for guided prayer and meditation. Start your day and week with the right focus.

**LABYRINTH WALK:** Join us on the first Sunday of each month following the 10:00 a.m. worship services. Guided walks will be available for our labyrinth in the Tabernacle of the Education building. Our next guided walk will be March 1st following the 10:00 a.m. services.

<u>COMMUNITY CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT</u>: The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament to benefit our High School Youth mission trip to Orlando, Florida, will be on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, at Sandridge Golf Club. Registration, continental breakfast, and range practice start at 7:00 a.m., with tee off at 8:00 a.m. Cost is \$125 per person. Sign - up as an individual player or with a foursome. For registration or sponsorship information, visit the Community Cup signup table in the Courtyard TODAY, February 23<sup>rd</sup> or feel free to contact Charlene Applegate at 772.469.2322. Registration forms are available in the kiosks throughout our campus, on the website at www.ccovb.org or through the Church Office.

<u>CARING AND SHARING</u>: The Caring and Sharing group, meeting every Tuesday, has evolved into a lively discussion about the joys and challenges of aging. Refreshments begin at 10:30 a.m. and discussion at 11:00 a.m. in Room 113. Please consider joining us. Any questions, please contact Holly Adams at holly.adams@ccovb.org.

<u>LIFELONG FITNESS CLASSES</u>: Lifelong Fitness classes are held each Monday and Wednesday. Classes are from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Led by Elaine Matthes, we work on balance, flexibility, strength training, and endurance. All are welcome.

#### MISSION MINISTRY

MISSION WATCH: DODGERTOWN TUTORING. Tutoring and special events volunteers from Community Church meet with children from Dodgertown Elementary each week to assist them as they learn important skills in math and reading. More than that, tutors communicate to these children that they are important and that they can succeed. Volunteers are urgently needed at Dodgertown Elementary School to assist primary grade students in the development of their reading and math skills. It only takes an hour or two a week to support a student's efforts in learning to read. Please consider joining our team of dedicated volunteers from CCOVB. For more information stop by the mission table in the courtyard after worship, or contact Dick Lanam via email at dicklanam@comcast.net or call 772.234.0412.

GLOBAL PRAYER PARTNERS: ECUADOR. Dustin Riebel serves with the Ecumenical Foundation for Integral Development Training and Education (FEDICE) in Ecuador. FEDICE hosts groups from the US and provides great opportunities for volunteers to learn from the people and the Ecuadoran culture. One group collected general health data of children including height, weight, and previous illnesses. This may seem like an inconsequential task, but many communities do not have access to scales or measuring devices that help screen children for malnutrition

Register Today!

12th Annual Community Cup
Golf Tournament

Sat., March 7th at Sandridge Golf Course \$125 / player



or other illnesses. FEDICE does an amazing job of bringing people together as locals from the community worked alongside volunteers. It is such a great opportunity to serve and learn with our brothers and sisters in Ecuador who are grateful for the opportunity to share closeness and service with people from all over the world. **Prayer**: God, thank you for all the blessings you give to us all. Even in times of difficulties, we can feel that you are with us. Thank you for being present in our lives and helping us embrace the silence in order to feel your presence. Please let your presence be known in Ecuadorian families that are affected by ongoing wars on the border with Colombia. Please continue to provide for the families that are in impoverished areas who struggle to provide basic necessities that we sometimes take for granted. Also, please be with all of us and help us to serve in a way that brings all your people together. Amen

#### **ADULT EDUCATION**

<u>COMMUNITY@COMMUNITY</u>: Community@Community will not meet this week in order to participate in our Ash Wednesday service at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We will resume on Wednesday, March 4th.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Come to learn about sacred texts of our faith, and to let them speak to us in ways that



Showcasing the talents of all who attend The Community Church of Vero Beach

#### Gallery Hours

Saturday, February 22 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Sunday, February 23 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Monday, February 24-Friday, February 28

Saturday, February 29 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Sunday, March 1 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Glenda Taylor glendataylorvero@gmail.com

772.473.0624

Teryl Viner teryl@earthlink.net 772.643.6872 challenge, affirm, comfort, and support us. Participants enjoy learning with and from one another as they gather to discuss this week's lectionary scripture. All are welcome.

- Women's Bible Study: Tuesday classes are from 5:30 6:30 p.m. The 11:00 a.m. group is held on Wednesday. Both classes are led by Rev. Elizabeth B. Johnson and meet in Community Hall East. There will be no Women's Bible Study during the week of February 24th. Classes will resume on Tuesday, March 3rd and Wednesday, March 4th.
- Men's Bible Study: Classes are held on Tuesday mornings at 7:00 a.m. (donuts and coffee provided) in Community Hall East and will be led by Rev. David W. Johnson. There will be no Men's Bible Study on Febuary 25<sup>th</sup>. We will resume on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Monday evening Bible Study: Men and women are welcome to join Rev. David W. Johnson at 6:30 p.m. in the Garden Room for an in-depth study of the text used in worship on the previous Sunday. Monday evening Bible Study will meet on Monday, February 24th.

### CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY

MS AND HS YOUTH: Join us TODAY for lunch at Wendy's at 12:30 p.m. (890 US 1) followed by fun at the Vero Beach Escape Room (836 South US1) at 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$25 each.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS...

**NURSERY CARE:** We offer nursery care (infants - 3 year olds) during the 10:00 a.m. worship services. Parents are asked to please bring their children to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our Education Building prior to service. Infants 23 - months meet in Rm. 221, and toddlers (2-3 year olds) meet in Rm. 222.

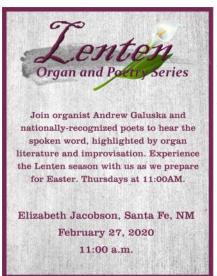
**CONFIRMATION CLASSES**: Please meet at 11:15 a.m. in the Loft (2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Education Building). Today, Doug Johnson will be leading a discussion about baptism.

<u>MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP</u>: Youth Group is *at a new time*! Come and join us on Wednesdays from **6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** for all the same fun, food, and fellowship at a new time!

POST SCHOLARSHIP: Each year, the John J. and Robert D. Post Scholarship Fund awards members of Community Church's youth program who excel in scholastic achievement as well as Christian and community leadership. Throughout the years, several dozen CCOVB alumni have had the opportunity to receive recognition for their hard work with financial assistance towards their college education. Any high school senior who is interested in applying is encouraged to download the application from our website at www.ccovb.org, or they can contact Rev. Elizabeth Johnson at 772.469.2305 or Charlene Applegate at 772.469.2322. The deadline for submissions is Sunday, April 12th. Interviews will be Sunday, April 26th. Attendance is required at Graduation Sunday, May 17th to accept the award.

**HS YOUTH**: Our Ash Wednesday service will be on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Let's sit together in the Sanctuary and receive ashes as we begin Lent.

### MUSIC AND FINE ARTS



LENTEN ORGAN AND POETRY SERIES: In preparation for the Easter Season, join Andrew Galuska and poets to hear the spoken word in poetry and organ repertoire. Our Lenten organ and poetry series will be on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. on February 27<sup>th</sup>, March 5<sup>th</sup>, March 12<sup>th</sup>, March 19<sup>th</sup>, March 26<sup>th</sup>, and April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Elizabeth Jacobson from Santa Fe, New Mexico will be the presenting poet on February 27<sup>th</sup>.

**ORGAN CONCERT**: International concert organist Stephen Hamilton will perform the composition "The Stations of the Cross, Op. 29" by Marcel Dupré on Sunday, March 8th at 4:00 p.m. "The Stations of the Cross" is a musical depiction of events that led up to Christ's death on the Cross and his

eventual entombment. It is an impressionest piece of music - music that seeks to illustrate or convey a story. Dupré originally improvised this work as a series of meditations on

the fourteen stations of the cross interspersed with poetry of Paul Claudel. The result was such a success that he wrote it down, resulting in one of the most profound large scale pieces of the organ repertoire.

CHOIR REHEARSALS: Calling all singers and ringers! No audition is required. All voice types and levels of musical experience are welcomed and encouraged! Chancel Choir rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Community Singers rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. Handbell rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings at 5:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Andrew Galuska at andrew.galuska@ccovb.org or by telephone at 772.469.2306.





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