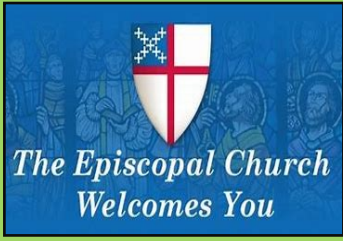




# Iona-Hope Episcopal Church

## Palm Sunday

April 12th & 13th, 2025



### Week of 4/14 through 4/20

#### Monday, April 14th, 2025

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

#### Tuesday, April 15th, 2025

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

#### Wednesday, April 16th, 2025

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

#### Thursday, April 17th, 2025

8:30 A.M.-Breakfast Group-(Sunflower Café)  
10:00 A.M.-Tai Chi (Adler Gathering Place)

#### Friday, April 18th, 2025

10:00 A.M.-Prayer Shawl Ministry-(Office/Library)  
6:00 P.M.-Eye On Hope (AA-Open) (Adler Gathering Place)  
6:00 P.M.-AI-Anon (Office/Library)

#### Saturday April 19th, 2025 (Easter Vigil)

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

#### Sunday, April 20th, 2025 (Easter Sunday)

7:00 A.M.-Easter Sunrise Service on the Labyrinth (Please bring a chair)  
9:30 A.M.- Easter Eucharist Service Rite II



Join us after the 9:30 A.M. service on **Palm Sunday** during coffee hour in the **Adler Gathering Place** to make **palm crosses** out of the palms that you received during the service.



#### Iona-Hope Episcopal Church

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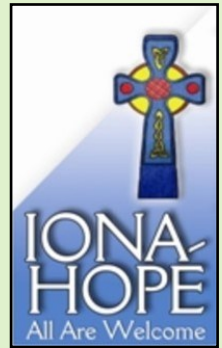
Web: www.ionahope.org

Office email: finance@ionahope.org

#### Iona-Hope One More Time Thrift Store

8750 Gladiolus Dr. #9C

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. 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**



#### **Many thanks to our group of dedicated office volunteers:**

**Wanda Adler Susan Crawford**

**Lorraine Holley Andi Jerger**

**Sue Ryan Vicky Dawson**



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)



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.

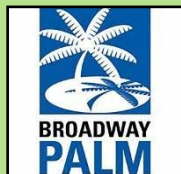
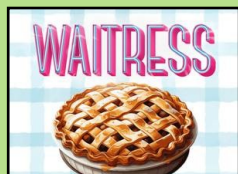
<https://www.ionahope.org/one-more-time-thrift-store>

## New Paraments

We are so incredibly grateful for the donation of the new paraments in our worship space. These beautiful tapestries were donated in loving memory of Tom Prather by his wife Debbie on the 2nd anniversary of his passing.



## APRIL BROADWAY PALM!



Join us on **Thursday April 24th** at Broadway Palm for "Waitress".

**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 April 15th.***

*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.*

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.



Julie Vergin (612) 296-8202 [Ridgeroll@hotmail.com](mailto:Ridgeroll@hotmail.com)

Rev. Jenny Scott-Jones (239) 980-3994 [Clergy@IonaHope.org](mailto:Clergy@IonaHope.org)

The next meeting of the **Mahjong Club** will be on **Monday April 21st from 1:00 P.M.- 3:00 P.M.** in the Adler Gathering Place.

We welcome players of all levels! If you're interested in learning to play, we could teach you! RSVP to **Teresa Hufnagel**, text or call **847-840-5515!**



## Office Closure

Please be aware that the church office will close the week following Easter so our staff and volunteers get a much needed break after this busy Holy Season! Remember if you have a pastoral request or emergency, please reach out to the Reverend Jenny Scott-Jones at 239-980-3994



## 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)



**This Weekend**

- Saturday April 12th      5:00 P.M. Palm Sunday Service
- Sunday April 13th      8:00 A.M. Palm Sunday Service
- 9:30 A.M. Palm Sunday Service
- Special Preacher for all three services: Andrew Shepherd, Ph.D,  
from New Zealand
- Tuesday April 15th      6:00 P.M. Vigil of the Gospel of Luke
- Wednesday April 16th    6:00 P.M. Tenebrae service with Taizé music
- Thursday April 17th      6:00 P.M. Maundy Thursday Agape Meal
- Friday April 18th        12:00-3:00 P.M. Self Guided Stations of the  
Cross.
- Friday April 18th        6:00 P.M. Good Friday Service with Stations of  
the Cross and Veneration of the Cross.
- Saturday April 19th      5:00 P.M. Easter Vigil
- Sunday April 20th        7:00 A.M. Sunrise service
- Sunday April 20th        9:30 A.M. Easter Sunday Celebration



**This Weekend's Hymns**

All Glory Laud & Honor

We Will Glorify

Shine, Jesus Shine



The next gathering of the Moving Forward Support Group will be held on **Thursday, April 17th 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.



**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.

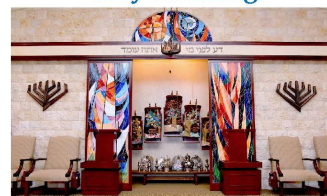
**April 17th Thom Price**

**April 17th John Hufnagel**

**April 20th Arlene Maruzzi**



**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)



**God loves you.  
No exceptions.**



**The Episcopal Church welcomes you.**



**IONA-HOPE WEEKLY PRAYERS & PETITIONS**

We pray for all of the ministries & groups at Iona Hope, especially for **Ministers Of Ceremonies**.

We pray for all members of our congregation, especially **The Dawson Family, The Day Family, The DeArmond Family, The DeMartini Family, The Diettrich Family, and The Diorio Family**.

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

We pray for the world, where there is trouble and suffering, far away or nearby, especially for all of the recent **earthquake victims**.

We pray for those who are committed to our daily prayers, especially **Mariann, Michael, Ray, Sue, Teresa, Cindy, Sheryl, Linda, Barbara, Patrick, Evelyn, John, Bee, Marian, Robyn, Maggie, Joy, Mike, Gerry, Ben, Jason, Gail, Angela, The Chance Family, Margie, Don, Ellen, Ann, Michelle, Roland, and Sophie**.

We pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died, especially **Nancy Compton and Clayton Peterson**.

**There is a healing station by the Baptismal Font during Communion.**

**During the 9:30 A.M. service you can receive healing prior to heading up the aisle to receive communion.**

**You may seek physical, emotional, spiritual healing or any kind of prayers or blessings for yourself or for another.**



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

**5:00 P.M. Nick Drakos, Vicky Dawson & Julie Vergin**

**8:00 A.M. Bruce George & Frank Brown**

**9:30 A.M. Margaret Carr, Nancy Harpfer, Neil Tousley & Sandy Blaine**



**FREE Tai Chi Workshops for Seniors**



Instructors: Phillip Keith

**Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention**

**April 1 - May 29, 2025**

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
(No Class Week of May 19)

**Iona Hope Episcopal Church**  
9650 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33908

This is a FREE program designed to relieve pain, improve balance, and significantly reduce falls available to adults age 60+. Designed by a team of medical professionals and tai chi experts, the Tai Chi for Arthritis for Fall Prevention program.

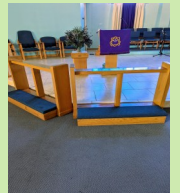
To register, call Lois Kohler at (239) 652-6954 or email [lois.kohler@aaaswfl.org](mailto:lois.kohler@aaaswfl.org).



**Elder Affairs**  
FLORIDA

**Area Agency on Aging**  
FOR SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

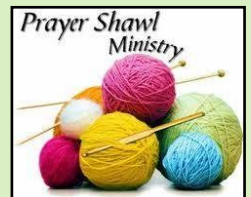
During this Holy season you have the option to kneel while receiving communion. Please line up on the left side if you prefer to kneel.



You may also kneel in the rear of the sanctuary while receiving healing prayers on Sunday morning during the eucharist.



**Prayer Shawl Ministry** meets every Friday at **10:00 A.M.** in the **Church Office/Library**.



*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, they are available for taking in the rear of the sanctuary next to the welcome desk or you may contact the office at 239-454-4778 to make your request.*

**IONA-HOPE ATTENDANCE**

March 31st- April 6th

			In Person	Online
Wednesday	10:00	A.M.	3	N/A
Saturday	5:00	P.M	40	13
Sunday	8:00	A.M	9	N/A
Sunday	9:30	A.M.	70	2