"Lenting" Go...

Certainty
WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

- No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome in this United Church of Christ congregation.
- Large-print bulletins, hearing devices, and cough drops are available from the ushers.
- Nursery and pre-school care is available during worship if you wish.
- God is calling you today, but probably not on your cell phone! Please remember to put it on vibrate if you are expecting an emergency call.
- ALL are welcome to this time and place of worship.

Know that in this space you are welcome as you are, for who you are.
Together we celebrate all of God’s children – young, old and in-between; male, female and in-between; gay, lesbian, straight and in-between; the assured, the doubting, and the in-between; the optimistic, the cynics, and the in-between; the foolish, the wise, and the in-between.

The Reverend Dr. Laurinda Hafner, Senior Pastor
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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Sometimes letting things go is an act of far greater power than defending or hanging on.

~ Eckerd Tolle

*Please stand as you are able.

Please note: This morning our Lenten journey continues, a season once described as a time to “wipe our feet” before entering the glory of Easter by taking time for introspection, self-examination, and repentance. To mark this holy season, you will note that we are "unplugging" for a few weeks from our usual exuberant worship and making our time together more reflective and meditative. **We therefore encourage you, unless you are asked, to not applaud after our musical offerings.** May this Lenten season bring us to a renewal of that joy and a deeper understanding of our church year.

GATHERING MUSIC

Dr. Greg Taylor, Parish Musician

PRELUDE

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

The Youth Bell Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for signing and passing the red hospitality pad found in the pews.

Please use your smartphone to check in on Facebook; let your family and friends know that you are at Coral Gables Congregational UCC.

Invite your family and friends around the world to worship with us online each Sunday at gablesucc.org/live.

Be sure to “like” us at facebook.com/gablesucc.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*My Good Lord’s Done Been Here*  
arr. Andre Thomas

The Chancel Choir
CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Holy One, Spirit of God, accompany our Lenten journeys.
All: Give us courage to spend time in the wilderness; the place where you bring us face to face with ourselves.
One: Help us to pray with honesty. Help us to reflect deeply. Help us to live with simplicity. Make us hungry and thirsty for your life-giving presence.
All: May the sharp truths learned in the desert prepare us for this season of "Lenting" go of all that holds us back and separates us from you.

OPENING HYMN  Holy God of Power and Might

1. Holy God of power and might, God of peace and God of light!
   Angel choirs their anthems raise; we on earth resound with free.

2. Holy Christ of Calvary, by his cross has set us free. 
   Christ, through whom God gave us breath, now has conquered sin and parts.

3. Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with the fire your love imparts. 
   May your word within us burn; may our hearts for service love.

4. Praise to God, who reigns above, source of glory, hope and praise. 
   Blessings to your name we bring; loud hosannas to our King.

   He who triumphed o'er the grave will return this world to save.
   Bid us boldly rise from prayer, faith to live, and hope to dare.

   Praise the Spirit, fire of faith, come to heal and help and save.
OUR SAVIOR’S PRAYER (spoken) From the New Zealand Prayer Book

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all,
    Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
    Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
    Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
        sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.
    From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
    now and forever. Amen

*You may be seated following the prayer.*

At this time, all children through 5th grade wishing to attend
    Sunday School are invited to exit into the Fellowship Hall.

Childcare is available for children Pre-K and under in the Arts and Education wing.

SUNG INTERLUDE Ubi Caritas

| Live in charity and steadfast love. |
| Live in charity; God will dwell with you. |
THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Timothy 1:3-14

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Friends, listen. God is still speaking.

Thanks be to God!

THE MORNING MESSAGE “Lenting” Go of Certainty
The Rev. Dr. Karen Georgia A. Thompson

THE RITUAL OF “LENTING GO...”
You are invited at this time to write on the paper found in your bulletin what you would like to “lent” go of in order to become free of that which holds you back from being all you are truly meant to be. During the communion service, you will be invited to bring your paper forward and place it in the water. It will disappear, symbolizing your “Lenting” go of it. Pencils are available in the pews.

INSTRUMENTAL REFLECTION
Dr. Ron Morgan, organ
THE RECEIVING OF OUR GIFTS, TITHES, AND PLEDGES

Testimony: Marcus Frye, Young Adult Service Community Intern

Each Sunday we invite members and friends to testify or witness to what this church, their faith, or an organization that is supported through this congregation means to them. Please know that your financial support of the church does great things not only within these walls but far beyond. If you wish to give on your mobile device today, please text “GABLESUCC” to 77977.

Offertory Music

*Can We Sing the Darkness to Light?*
Kyle Pederson

The Chancel Choir

The text of this piece invites us to imagine a world without weapons or war and where love and sacrifice transcend certainty and pride. It could be beautiful!

What if instead of more violence, we let our weapons fall silent?
No more revenge or retribution; No more war or persecution. It could be beautiful.

What if instead of our judgement, we soften our hearts that have hardened?
Instead of certainty and pride, we love and sacrifice. It could be beautiful.

Can we see the other as our sister or a brother?
Can we sing the darkness to light sounding chords of compassion and grace?
Set the swords of judgement aside, let mercy’s eyes see the other human face.
Can we sing the darkness to light?

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Our table is wide-open to all who desire a closer relationship with God no matter your age, gender, station in life, sexual orientation, or faith tradition. We use grape juice so that all may come freely. Gluten-free bread is available. on each of the trays

INVITATION

One: This is the table, not of the righteous, but of the poor in spirit.
It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more.
God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Continued...
COMMUNION PRAYER

One: Let us pray that we may learn what it means to be God’s hospitality in the world and that the barriers that divide us may be broken down,

All: God, hear our prayer.

One: That we may come to mutual understanding and care,

All: God, hear our prayer.

One: Upon all who are torn apart by war and by violence,

All: God, hear our prayer.

One: Upon all who are divided in their loyalty and love,

All: God, hear our prayer.

One: That all who work for unity and in the spirit of hospitality may be blessed,

All: God, hear our prayer.

One: That all who seek to heal divisions between peoples may have hope,

All: God, hear our prayer.

One: That all who lead nations, may seek peace,

All: God, hear our prayer.

One: And so with all that we are and all that we can give, we join with all of creation and sing to God our thanksgiving and praise:

All: Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of our God
Hosanna in the highest.


Assisting with communion: Rev. Robert Cemillan and Rev. Dr. Karen Georgia Thompson

RECEIVING THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND CUP

As you come forward down the center aisle you are invited to place your paper for “Lenting” go in the water. Then as you go either to the right or left, please receive a piece of bread and eat it, take a glass of juice and drink it, then place your empty glass in the tray provided. You may then return to your pew.

Gluten-free bread is available. Please just ask your server for it.

If you wish to be served in your pew, please remain in your seat and a communion server will bring the bread and cup to you.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Take, O Take Me As I Am and Come to the Water
The Vocal Ensemble
**SONG OF THANKSGIVING**

One:  Let us stand in body or spirit and offer our thanks to God.

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice!

B♭ A Dm C F B♭

Look to God; do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;

C Dm C F

**THE SENDING FORTH**

One:  Go in peace to love and serve God.

All:   Thanks be to God.

**THE POSTLUDE**

Dr. Greg Taylor, piano

During the postlude, you are invited to come forward to the piano and enjoy the music.

Following the service, please join us in the Fellowship Hall for our Connection Café.

Come, enjoy some refreshments as well as the chance to connect with others.

Visitors, we would LOVE to have you join us!

At 12:15 p.m. join us in Havighorst Lounge for a talk back session with Rev. Karen.

A light lunch will be served and a free will offering will be gratefully received.
A WARM AND CORDIAL WELCOME TO ALL GUESTS!
If you are visiting us today, we welcome you. We are grateful we have found each other. And, if somehow, there is something in you, some still small voice seeking a place to live out your faith, to ask important questions, and to serve beyond yourself, we invite you into our community. For more information about the church, please contact Pastor Laurie at 305.448.7421, ext. 116 or LaurieH@gablesucc.org.

*Invite your family and friends around the world to worship with us online today and each Sunday at gablesucc.org/live.*

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A WARM WELCOME TO THE REV. DR. GEORGIA A. THOMPSON
The Rev. Dr. Karen Georgia A. Thompson is the United Church of Christ’s Associate General Minister for Wider Church Ministries and Co-Executive for Global Ministries with the United Church of Christ and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). She is an inspiring preacher and theologian, who shares her skills and gifts in a variety of settings nationally and internationally, often using her poetry as a part of her ministry.

Rev. Thompson served in the national setting of the UCC for 10 years – two years as Minister for Racial Justice and 8 years as Minister for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations. She led the UCC’s Sacred Conversations on Race, facilitating trainings and workshops across the life of the denomination for congregations and conferences. Her passion moved her work on behalf of the UCC into a global context, affording the opportunity to participate globally in efforts to reduce the marginalization experienced by African descendant communities globally.

As the Ecumenical Officer for the UCC, she was responsible for nurturing and coordinating the ecumenical work of the UCC through involvement in the UCC’s relationships, partnerships, councils of churches, theological dialogues and ecumenical initiatives. She is a strong proponent of human rights and was instrumental in creating and honing the United Church of Christ/United Church of Canada full communion relationship, guiding the six-year process in the UCC.

She provides leadership for the joint United Church of Canada and United Church of Christ committee working on the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent (2015-2024), and was invited to address the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent speaking on the challenges of racial injustice in North America.

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She is also a member of the National Council of Churches Committee that planned and implemented their A.C.T. Now to End Racism initiative and continues to lead the on-going efforts to dismantle racism.

Her ecumenical efforts have seen her in leadership roles in the World Council of Churches (WCC) where she was appointed to serve on the WCC Central Committee and the Joint Working Group of the WCC with the Roman Catholic Church (JWG). She is also a member of the WCC Commission for Education and Ecumenical Formation and serves as the Rapporteur for the work of the commission. Other elected leadership involvements include: Secretary of the National Council of Churches, Secretary/Treasurer for the Caribbean and North American Area Council of the World Communion of Reformed Churches and Treasurer for Churches Uniting in Christ.

Her ecumenical and interreligious commitments have overlapped in her interest and implementation of global consultations on multiple religious belonging. Her leadership in this area has facilitated dialogue in the church and created safe space for engaging the variety of expressions of religious multiplicity. Her doctoral dissertation was focused on research in this area, looking specifically at the ways in which African Caribbean people continue to practice African derived religious and spiritual expressions along with other religions, and often times with Christianity.

Before joining the national staff, Karen Georgia served in the Florida Conference UCC as a Pastor and on the Conference staff as the Minister for Disaster Response and Recovery.

She is a gifted writer and poet whose writings have been published in books, journals and on-line publications. Her book of poetry *Drums in Our Veins* was published in 2019 and is a compilation of poems that focus on the injustices facing people of African Descent and the fight and desire for global racial justice. Born in Kingston, Jamaica, her poetry and writings reflect her Jamaican heritage and culture as well as the traditions and lore of her Ancestors.

Karen Georgia earned a BA from Brooklyn College in New York, a Master’s in Public Administration from North Carolina Central University in Durham, NC, and a Masters of Divinity from Union Theological Seminary in New York. She also studied Public Policy at Duke University and earned her Doctorate in Ministry at Seattle University.

She is the mother of two sons – Everette and Patrick and has three grandchildren – Giovan, Elijah and Sara who are preciously named by her as Peanut, Pumpkin and Pepper.
IN OUR PRAYERS
We remember all those places of war, violence and unrest, as we continue to pray for peace for all people around the world. A lighted candle on the altar symbolizes our prayers for peace, compassion, and unity.

STAY IN TOUCH
Once a week or so, Pastor Laurie e-mails a pastoral letter, Laurie’s Lines, to all members and friends, filling them in on the week’s events, any special concerns that have arisen, and general church business. If you would like to be included, contact Drew at DrewS@gablesucc.org.

FAIR TRADE MARKETPLACE
Find the perfect, unique and special item or gift for you or your family and friends while helping others make a just and fair living.
Hours Today: Noon - 2:00 p.m.
Tuesday - Saturday: 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
We support artisans in over 30 developing countries by purchasing their indigenous products made under safe working conditions.
Located outside the Fellowship Hall.

GET OUR CHURCH APP
For all Apple and Android users, get your official Gables UCC App by going to the App Store or Google Play and downloading it. It’s free! And it will keep you up-to-date and connected with church information, special announcements, calendar, and the staff. Need help? Contact Elena Korallis, our Director of Communications, at ElenaK@gablesucc.org.

LOTUS HOUSE DONATIONS
Our Sunday School children and youth are supporting Lotus House Homeless Shelter. In March, we are collecting sanitary pads, regular or super sizes in original sealed packaging. Please place your items on the Lotus House Table in Fellowship Hall, or send your items to Pastor Megan at Gables UCC via Amazon. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
We are forming a committee to help plan a golf outing fundraiser on September 27, 2020. Can you help? There are many elements to a successful golf outing so we need lots of folks with lots of ideas. If you would be willing to be a part of this exciting endeavor, please contact Larry Silvester at 305.323.4370 or at Larrysilvester@me.com.
PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
Monday, March 9 from 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. in the Library
We gather to create beautiful prayer shawls for those in need. You do not have to know how to knit or crochet - someone will teach you. If you are looking for a ministry of prayer and care for others, this may be it.

NEAT: NETWORK, EMPOWER, AND TRANSITION
Tuesday, March 10 from 6:45 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. in the Havighorst Lounge
Sponsored by Crown Energy Coaching
Life, Work Balance: Challenges and Opportunities in the Current Job Market
This meeting targets those who are self-employed, running a small business, working remotely, "Solopreneur," or in career transition. No matter where you are in your professional journey, career, or work, you are the CEO of your life. We are professionals sharing and assisting professionals in a safe environment. RSVP is required for this meeting. Connect with us by joining MeetUp or e mail to suely@crownecoaching.com.

LENTEN VESPERS
Wednesdays, March 4 – April 1, from 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Vespers or Evening Prayer will be held through the season of Lent as a way to encounter this holy time in preparation for the joy of Easter. These services, made up of candlelight, music, and prayer, offer the perfect quiet break we need from the stress and noise of life around us. A light soup dinner with homemade bread will be served each Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

GABLES UCC WALKING GROUP
Every Wednesday Evening from 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
Join Pastor Megan for a weekly walk around the Granada Golf Course and back. We meet outside our church’s Fair Trade shop and leave the church together. You may choose to walk slowly or quickly, with a friend, or alone.

VOTER REGISTRATION TRAINING
Thursday, March 12 from 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. in Havighorst Lounge
Join us for a voter registration and vote by mail training and information session. Learn how to register voters, why enrolling in vote-by-mail can change election outcomes, and how the combination makes for a more engaged, committed voter. Hear the latest on Amendment 4 and about volunteer opportunities for trained voter registration volunteers. The training is open to the community, so bring your friends. Just be sure that each attendee signs up online at least one day in advance of the training online at: https://www.mobilize.us/miamidadedems/event/250353/.
THE MIAMI GAY MEN’S CHORUS PRESENTS…

_Speakeasy: The Music of the - Very Gay - 20s_

_Saturday, March 14 at 8:00 p.m. in the Gables UCC Sanctuary_

It was the era of both prohibition and the loss of inhibitions, the Charleston, Flappers and Dandies, the Pansy Craze and the Harlem Renaissance. The 1920's gave us the dawn of film and some of the greatest songs in the American Songbook. In song - Berlin, Porter, Fats Waller; In poetry - Hughes, Lorca...enjoy the music and language of a golden (and lavender) era in an evening that's sure to be the bee's knees! Tickets available at the door or online at mgmchorus.org.

SUNDAYS IN LENT: “LENTING” GO…

Join us throughout Lent as we discover the power of “Lenting” go of those things which prevent us from being all that God has created us to be and to enjoy and embrace life to its fullest for ourselves and others.

_Sunday, March 15 – “Lenting” Go of Privilege_
_Sunday, March 22 – “Lenting” Go of the Past_
_Sunday, March 29 – “Lenting” Go of the Need to Be Enough_
_Sunday, April 5 (Palm Sunday) – “Lenting” Go of the Path of Least Resistance_
_Sunday, April 12 (Easter) – “Lenting” Go of Fear_

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT STUDY

_The Challenge of Paul_

_A Video and Bible study, based on the work of John Dominic Crossan_

_Sundays, through March 29 from 9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m._

In _The Challenge of Paul_, John Dominic Crossan gives us the benefit of his lifelong search for the Paul of history to create a new understanding that sheds new light on Paul and why he is more relevant than ever today. Refreshments and childcare are provided.

LET’S GO TO THE THEATRE

_Camelot at the Actor's Playhouse_

_Sunday, March 22 at 3:00 p.m._

_Shuttle leaves the church at 2:30 p.m._

$40/ ticket and must be paid for at time of registration

The legendary love triangle of King Arthur, Guenevere, and Sir Lancelot leaps from the pages of T.H. White's novel in Lerner and Loewe's award-winning musical. To register and pay for your ticket, please visit the ticket table in Fellowship Hall after worship, or contact Drew Sandbulte at 305-448-7421 ext. 112 or drews@gablesucc.org.
GRACE, GRAVITY, AND GROWING OLD
The WISE (Welcoming, Inclusive, Supportive and Engaged for Mental Health) Team is presenting a yearlong series titled Grace, Gravity and Getting Old. This series will be presented by a variety of trained professionals in fields of medicine, psychology, sociology, and law, as we explore aspects of graceful aging.

The series is based on Parker Palmer’s book On the Brink of Everything. The book is for sale in the Fellowship Hall today or by contacting Lisa LeSueur at LisaL@gablesucc.org. Upcoming programs in the series include:

Sunday, March 15 at 12:30 p.m. in Havighorst Lounge – The Aging Body: What to Expect. Led by church member and physician Dr. Steve Weirich, we will look at the physical changes that naturally take place during the aging process. Dr. Weirich is a board certified family physician who is affiliated with North Shore Medical Center as well as Jackson Health System and Mt. Sinai Medical Center.

Sunday, March 29 at 12:30 p.m. in Havighorst Lounge - Grace, Gravity and Getting Old. Our conversation around Parker Palmer’s book On the Brink of Everything continues as we discuss the examined life. Led by Pastor Laurie.

Sunday, April 26 at 12:30 p.m. in Havighorst Lounge - Aging and the Brain. Led by Dr. Anthony Oliva, Ph.D. Earning his undergraduate degree in Biological Sciences from the University of Chicago and his Ph.D. in Neuroscience from Baylor College of Medicine, Dr. Oliva, a church member, brings with him extensive experience in the fields of health science and education. He will discuss the latest research and clinical trials for treating aging, dementia, and frailty.

LOVE THE CHURCH? BECOME A MEMBER
If you are interested in “inquiring” about what it means to be a member of Gables UCC, we invite you to attend one of our Sunday morning inquirer’s breakfasts where you will hear an informative presentation about the church. If you are then interested in membership, an evening dinner at Pastor Laurie’s is our follow-up session that week, followed by the receiving of new members the next Sunday. Our next information session is Sunday, March 29 at 9:45 a.m. in the church library. For more information, contact Pastor Laurie at LaurieH@gablesucc.org.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL “GOSPEL ACCORDING TO…”
Sunday, April 19 at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Each year we choose the music of a contemporary musician or group to help us celebrate the intersection of pop culture and faith. Who will it be this year? Announcement coming!
A NOTE FROM PASTOR LAURIE ABOUT THE CORONAVIRUS

Dear Church Family and Friends:

By now, all of you have been made aware of the Coronavirus which has been prominent in the news this week. As a community of faith that cares for one another, we are making some changes and taking precautions to help prevent the spread of illness.

You will note that there are dispensers of sanitizers around the church, please use them. During our Connection Café we will now be serving individually wrapped food and pouring individual drinks as wanted. All servers will wash their hands and we encourage you to continually do so as well.

We have turned off the drinking fountains but will have containers of water available with paper cups. The water dispenser in the alcove is still turned on but we are asking that you NOT fill up your water bottles there, but use the paper cups provided.

During worship, we will not share the passing of the peace. We encourage you to acknowledge one another with a warm hello or gracious smile, and/or to share a sign of affection and hospitality by putting your hand on your heart or a simple bow. This will probably be the hardest thing for us to do, for as one member has said, “it is in our DNA to warmly hug and greet one another each week.”

Another notable change will be with how we celebrate communion. We still encourage you to come forward to receive the gifts of bread and cup. The bread will be given to you by a pastor using clean gloves. Gluten-free bread will continue to be available. Juice will be in individual glasses that will be properly cleaned and sterilized. Both the bread and cups will be covered until the time of disbursement.

If you are feeling ill, please do not come to church. It is better that you stay at home and take care of yourself so you can return to church soon. Be sure to watch us online.

If you find yourself ill or know of others who need help such as with a meal, transportation, a trip to the drugstore, etc., our Called to Care Team stands ready to help. Please contact Carol Fifield at miamifife@gmail.com or me at Laurieh@gablesucc.org.

I also assure you that Pastor Megan has gone to extraordinary measures to make sure our Sunday School is safe and that our children and youth will be well-tended to, using the guidelines of Miami-Dade Public Schools and medical professionals. Our Early Childhood Center and the Community Arts Program have also gone to significant lengths to make sure that all our students are as safe as possible.

Finally, let’s keep one another in prayer and those who are dealing with illness of any kind. Wishing all of you, peace of heart and health of body.

~ Pastor Laurie
Ministers
All Members of the Church

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WE ARE OUT OF THE BOX PEOPLE
“A Chord-ial Evening”
of Chamber Music from Baroque to Modern

Sunday evening, March 8, 2020 -- 7:30 pm
Coral Gables Congregational Church
3010 DeSoto Blvd, Coral Gables 33134
FREE admission. No tickets needed

A program of music for strings, woodwinds and brass
Gabrielli
Vivaldi
Beethoven
Tchaikovsky
Glinka
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A RALLY FOR JUSTICE IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

MONDAY, MARCH 16

Affordable Housing | Immigration Reform | Ending Gun Violence | Reducing Unnecessary Arrests

5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Dinner in Fellowship Hall Bus Leaves Gables UCC Call to Order

Our goal is to have 200 people from Gables UCC, so sign up now in Fellowship Hall!

RSVP with Pastor Aaron for dinner at AaronL@gablesucc.org.

St. James Catholic Church 13155 NW 7th Ave. North Miami, FL 33168
Easter Sunday
A Celebration of Resurrection Joy!
Sunday, April 12

On this most joyful of days, we offer six opportunities to joyfully sing God’s praise, to experience renewal and resurrection hope, to have a party, pray, hear words of faith, and to experience it all in a warm, welcoming diverse community of caring people. Preschool childcare is available at the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services.

7:00 a.m. – Easter Sunrise Service
In our beautiful outdoor Courtyard, we will worship the risen Christ to the music of the morning birds and the glow of the rising sun. A reception will be held in the Courtyard.

9:00 a.m. – An Easter Service with Holy Communion
We gather in the simplicity of our lovely Chapel to celebrate the wonder of infinite possibility, of unquenched hope, and of eternal resurrection as we remember the newness of life that Christ offers us through the gifts of bread and cup. We will gather as beautiful harp music is played and as our talented Vocal Ensemble leads us in glorious music. A reception will follow for both the 9:00 a.m. worshippers and the Spanish language worshippers to share together in the courtyard.

10:00 a.m. – Spanish Language Worship
¡Cristo ha resucitado! Join us in the Chapel as we celebrate through Spanish language, music, and scripture, the good news that Christ has risen!

11:00 a.m. – Easter Festival of Worship
The “Alleluia” reappears in joyous and festive form as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ with all our senses. Bring your neighbors, friends, and family for a stunning service filled with resurrection joy.

Following the 11:00 a.m. service, join us for a “Celebration on the Green.” Mimosas and punch will be served on the green space across from the church.

1:00 p.m. – Children’s Easter Service
All children and “children at heart” are invited to celebrate the joy of Easter at a special afternoon Children’s Easter Service. This 45-minute service is specially designed for young families. Come hear our children’s choir and youth bell choir as they celebrate the love of Easter.

3:00 p.m. – Ostergottesdienst in der Kapelle – German Language Worship
Die Deutsche Christliche Gemeinde in Miami lädt alle herzlich ein, in diesem Familienostergottesdienst mit Abendmahl unter der Leitung von Pfarrer Frank Kopania das älteste und wichtigste Fest im Kirchenjahr gemeinsam zu feiern: Ostern, das Fest der Auferstehung Christi! Im Anschluss laden wir zu einem gemeinsamen Oster-Potluck in der Fellowship Hall ein. Auf die Kinder wartet eine kleine Osterüberraschung!