

Below is the list of all district meetings as of this printing. For the most current listing check the website:

www.nfldistrict13al-anon.org

Across the top of the homepage, find the AL-ANON MEETING LIST. Click on that and review the meetings.

MONDAY

10 AM ~ Monday Morning Sunshine AFG
St. David's Episcopal Church
So. Broadway, Englewood, FL

11 AM ~ Monday Morning Miracles AFG
Epiphany - Magi Hall
200 Harbor Dr N, Venice, FL
(Corner of Tampa Ave. & Harbor Dr.)

6 PM ~ Venice Beginners Meeting AFG
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
Community Room
513 Nassau St S, Venice, FL

7 PM ~ New Life AFG
Congregational Church of Christ
1201 Aqui Esta Dr, Punta Gorda

Know that...

You are not alone

*Keep coming
back*

TUESDAY

6:30 PM ~ New Beginnings AFG
Liberty Community Church
2759 Wylam Dr.
North Port, FL

WEDNESDAY

10 AM ~ Stepping Stones AFG (Regular Meeting)
Zoom ID: 814 0471 8565
Password: hello
New Day Christian Church
20212 Peachland Blvd.
Room 8 (rear entrance)
Port Charlotte, FL

10:30 AM ~ Life on Life's Terms AFG
Alano Club, 2936 S McCall Rd,
Englewood, FL

10:30 AM ~ Wednesday Morning Freedom AFG
Church of the Nazarene
1535 E Venice Ave, Venice FL

7:00 PM ~ Wednesday Step Study AFG
Grace United Methodist Church
400 E Field St, Venice, FL
(Park by portico face building to north, walk in middle door.
Bring Al-Anon's A Little Time for Myself – A Collection of Al-Anon Personal Experiences, if you have it.)

THURSDAY

10 AM ~ Steps & Growth AFG
Venice Seventh Day Adventist
2375 Seaboard Ave, Venice FL

5:30 PM ~ The Light in Recovery AFG
South Venice Baptist Church
3167 Englewood Rd., Venice
(on the corner of E. Baffin Dr.)
Meeting in Youth Center (behind church) Room # 101

7 PM ~ Peace Pipe AFG
Grace United Methodist Church
400 E Field St, Venice, FL

7 PM ~ HOPE in Venice Alateen Meeting
Grace United Methodist Church
400 E Field St, Venice, FL
Use Punch Hall Entrance, walk straight through to Room A2.

8 PM ~ On the Island AFG
Zoom ID: 826 8508 0386
Password: serenity

*For ZOOM meetings go to **AL-ANON.ORG**. Across the top of the home page, click on **Meetings**. In the drop-down menu, click on **Global Electronic Meetings**. A list of meetings will be shown starting as of the current time in your current time zone. You can tailor it to your needs by days, platforms, etc. on the right.*

AFG stands for Al-Anon Family Group. All family and friends are welcome to attend to help you cope with your loved ones' drinking problems.

FRIDAY

12 PM ~ Let's Go 4th Stepping Together AFG
Christ Venice Church
1475 Center Rd, Venice, FL

5:30 PM ~ Help and Hope
Alano Club
2936 S McCall Rd
Englewood, FL
(Speaker meeting the last Friday of each month)

SATURDAY

9 AM ~ Surrender to Win MEN'S Group
St. David's Episcopal Church
401 S. Broadway, Englewood

9:30 AM ~ Steps & Slogans AFG
St Nathaniel Episcopal Church
4200 S Biscayne Dr,
North Port, FL

SUNDAY

6 PM ~ Sunday Serenity
Community Room
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
513 Nassau St. S, Venice FL

Twelve Steps

1. We admitted we were powerless over alcohol – that our lives had become unmanageable.
2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God *as we understood Him*.
4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed and became willing to make amends to them all.
9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God *as we understood Him*, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.
12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to others, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

An expectation is a resentment waiting to happen.

Twelve Traditions

1. Our common welfare should come first; personal progress for the greatest number depends upon unity.
2. For our group purpose there is but one authority – a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants—they do not govern.
3. The relatives of alcoholics, when gathered together for mutual aid, may call themselves an Al-Anon Family Group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation. The only requirement for membership is that there be a problem of alcoholism in a relative or friend.
4. Each group should be autonomous, except in matters affecting another group or Al-Anon or AA as a whole.
5. Each Al-Anon Family Group has but one purpose: to help families of alcoholics. We do this by practicing the Twelve Steps of AA *ourselves*, by encouraging and understanding our alcoholic relatives, and by welcoming and giving comfort to families of alcoholics.
6. Our Family Groups ought never endorse, finance or lend our name to any outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary spiritual aim. Although a separate entity, we should always co-operate with Alcoholics Anonymous.
7. Every group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
8. Al-Anon Twelfth Step work should remain forever non-professional, but our service centers may employ special workers.

9. Our groups, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
10. The Al-Anon Family Groups have no opinion on outside issues; hence our name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, films, and TV. We need guard with special care the anonymity of all AA members.
12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles above personalities.

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The Serenity Prayer

*God, grant me the
serenity to accept the things I
cannot change, courage to
change the things I can, and
wisdom to know the
difference.*

Al-Anon Declaration

LET IT BEGIN WITH ME

*When anyone, anywhere
reaches out for help, let the
hand of Al-Anon and Alateen
always be there, and LET IT
BEGIN WITH ME.*

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS

District 13 Florida North Area 9

*If someone's drinking bothers you,
Al-Anon can help.*

Al-Anon has but one purpose: to help families of alcoholics. We do this by practicing the Twelve Steps, by encouraging and understanding the alcoholics, and by welcoming and giving comfort to families of alcoholics.

Meeting Schedule for

South Sarasota County
Charlotte County
DeSoto County
Glades County

Local website:

www.nfldistrict13al-anon.org

Local number:

941-218-7948

Additional Al-Anon Info

National: 888-425-2666

North Florida website:

www.afgarea9.org

World Service Organization:

www.al-anon.org

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