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## EASTER SUNDAY

April 17, 2022 ~ 9:00 A.M.

### WELCOME

### EASTER GREETING

Leader: The Lord is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed!**

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: **HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

### PRAISE SONGS

"Stand Up"

Larry Stephen

**Refrain:** Stand up and sing for the Lord. Sing for his mercy, sing for His love.  
Stand up and reach to the sky. Catch His Spirit and you'll never, never die.  
Stand up and don't be afraid. It's time we understand the promise He made.  
Stand up and shout out loud "We've got a Savior, so be proud."

You keep your head up, keep your dream alive.

Face your fears and stare 'em in the eye.

He made a promise to lead us to salvation.

If you believe it then feel it in your soul and stand up. **Refrain**

There's something happ'nin' can you feel it can you see it?

His Spirit's all around us and it's losing control.

The temperature is rising it's about to explode,

So get up on your feet and raise your hands

to the Lord and stand up. **Refrain**

Let's keep this place a rockin', keep it alive,

And celebrate the faith not even money can buy.

So reach out to your brothers, reach out to your friends

And reach out to the love

so He can feel you again and stand up. **Refrain**

If you feel it in your heart, feel it in your soul,

Feel it for each other and praise the risen Lord. Stand up!

## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### Experiencing God Class, led by Vicki Krueger

The Experiencing God class offers you a place to connect with other believers in the study of God's word and how it applies to our daily lives. Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. We will be meeting online using Zoom. Email Vicki Krueger at [vickilee33@aol.com](mailto:vickilee33@aol.com) for the link and for any technical help or questions.

### Presbyterian Women, led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz

The Presbyterian Women unified circle meets the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00am in rooms 4-8. We are studying a 9 month bible study entitled *What my Grandmothers Taught Me* by Meryll Blair. Chris Curvin will be teaching each lesson via Livestream, and our circle will have a follow-up discussion of the lesson. The eighth lesson will be Thursday, May 5th at 11:00am. If you'd like a book, or more information regarding the multiple activities that Presbyterian Women engage in, please contact Patty at [bill.martin2@verizon.net](mailto:bill.martin2@verizon.net) or Sue at [susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com](mailto:susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com).

### Fresh Brewed,

Fresh Brewed will meet Friday, May 6th at 10:30am. We will meet in rooms 5 & 7 of the Christian Education building. The book we are studying is *From Daughters to Disciples* by Lynn Japinga. If you need a book, please contact Marti Huff at [marti.huff.np@gmail.com](mailto:marti.huff.np@gmail.com). If you have any questions, please contact Louise Mylin at (727) 787-9868 or [LVNM1@hotmail.com](mailto:LVNM1@hotmail.com).

### Biblical TakeAways, led by Claudia Alwood & Garry Justice

#### **There will be NO Biblical TakeAways class on Easter Sunday.**

"Biblical TakeAways" is a 10-10:45am adult Sunday School study class which is nestled between the two Northwood Sunday morning services in rooms 9 & 11 of the Christian Education building. This allows worshipers from both services to attend. The study and discussion will offer key "takeaways" based upon central Biblical truths and principles which are relevant for class participants to apply in their daily lives. The class draws on commentaries from noted scholars, and it will use Prof. N. T. Wright's commentary, *Early Christian Letters for Everyone* as the class begins a study of New Testament letters of James, Peter, John, and Jude. Join us as we study God's word!

### Brown Bag Bible Study, led by Pastor Paul

The Brown Bag Bible Study will meet IN-PERSON and livestream on Thursday, April 21st at noon. Pastor Paul continues the study of The Book of Acts. Acts provides us with an invaluable bridge between the four gospels and the 22 New Testament letters and offers inspiration, guidance and examples for us today. Join as we seek to grow in faith, hope and love!

### **Kids' Corner Preschool—Registration is OPEN**

Registration is currently open for the 2022-2023 school year! We have openings in our 2's, 3's, and VPK. Please share the news! You may stop in the preschool office and pick up your registration forms or download off of the church website. If you are interested in a tour of the school, please contact Roxane Fineo at 727-723-7679 or [schooldirector@northwoodpc.org](mailto:schooldirector@northwoodpc.org).

### **Boy Scout Carwash—April 23**

Northwood's Boy Scout Troop 413 is holding a car wash in the church parking lot on Saturday, April 22nd from 9 am to 3 pm. For \$5 the scouts will enthusiastically scrub your vehicle, with the proceeds helping them attend summer camp and other events. Let the scouts brighten your car and help them make a big splash this summer.

### **Immediate Need – Help in the Sound Booth**

We need volunteers to help in the sound booth for both the 9:00 and 11:00am services. Training is as easy as pushing the spacebar for the words and more opportunities to give. We need your assistance. Please email David Seay at [dseay@alumni.fullsail.edu](mailto:dseay@alumni.fullsail.edu) and we will train you. Thank you!

### **Northwood Photo Group—May 10**

The Photo Group has been meeting remotely on the second Tuesday of every month via Zoom since the pandemic and will have its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, May 10th at 7:00pm. If you are interested in "attending" our monthly discussion on photography, please contact [david@primeimagesinc.com](mailto:david@primeimagesinc.com) or [curtis.krueger@gmail.com](mailto:curtis.krueger@gmail.com) and we'll send you the Zoom link for the meeting.

### **Sunday School for Children**

Children's Sunday School for age 3 to 5th grade will be held today during the 11:00am church service in classroom 16. We look forward to working with your children. Please contact the church office or send an email to [childrensministry@northwoodpc.org](mailto:childrensministry@northwoodpc.org) if you have any questions. We hope you will join us!

Children's Sunday School is breaking for summer starting April 23rd. The last children's Sunday School class will be Easter Sunday, April 17th. Please contact the church office or send an email to [childrensministry@northwoodpc.org](mailto:childrensministry@northwoodpc.org) if you have any questions.

### *“Rise and Sing”*

Whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa.  
If you're alive and you've been redeemed, rise and sing – rise and sing.  
If you've been touched by the mercy King, rise and sing – rise and sing.  
Whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa.  
If you were bound but now you're free, rise and sing – rise and sing.  
Lift up a shout of victory, rise and sing – rise and sing.  
Whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa.

**Refrain:** Our God is risen and reigning and we're  
elevating the glory of our God and King.  
Everybody rise and sing! Whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa.

If in your heart sings a melody, rise and sing – rise and sing.  
If you have tasted and you have seen, rise and sing – rise and sing.  
Whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa. **Refrain**

Let the redeemed of the Lord sing hallelujah – hallelujah.  
Let the redeemed of the Lord sing our God reigns – our God reigns (repeat)  
**Refrain**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **PRAISE SONGS**

### *“Graves Into Gardens”*

I searched the world, but it couldn't fill me.  
Man's empty praise, and treasures that fade are never enough.  
Then you came along and put me back together,  
and every desire is now satisfied, here in your love.

**Refrain:** Oh there's nothing better than You. There's nothing better than You.  
Lord there's nothing, nothing is better than You.

No, I'm not afraid to show you my weakness.  
My failures and flaws, Lord, You've seen them all, and You still call me friend.  
'Cause the God of the mountain is the God of the valley.  
There's not a place Your mercy and grace won't find me again. **Refrain**

You turn morning to dancing, you give beauty for ashes.  
You turn shame into glory, You're the only one who can.  
You turn graves into gardens, You turn bones into armies.  
You turn seas into highways, You're the only one who can. **Refrain**

You turn graves into gardens, You turn bones into armies.  
You turn seas into highways, You're the only one who can.  
You're the only one who can. You're the only one who can.

## **EASTER MEET & GREET**

### “My Jesus”

Are you past the point of weary, is your burden weighing heavy,  
Is it all too much to carry? Let me tell you ‘bout my Jesus.  
If you feel that empty feeling, ‘cause shame’s done all its stealing,  
And you’re desperate for some healing? Let me tell you ‘bout my Jesus.

**Refrain:** He makes a way where there ain’t no way,  
rises up from an empty grave, Ain’t no sinner that He can’t save.  
Let me tell you ‘bout my Jesus.  
His love is strong and His grace is free, and the good news is I know that He,  
Can do for you what He’s done for me. Let me tell you ‘bout my Jesus,  
And let my Jesus change your life.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, amen, amen!

Who can wipe away the tears, from broken dreams and wasted years,  
And tell the past to disappear? Oh, let me tell you ‘bout my Jesus.  
And all the wrong turns that you would, go and undo if you could.  
Who can work it all for your good? Let me tell you ‘bout my Jesus. **Refrain**

Who can take my cross to Calvary, pay the price for all my guilty,  
Who would care that much about me? Let me tell you ‘bout my Jesus.  
**Refrain**

### SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

#### CALL TO OFFERING

*(The One Great Hour of Sharing offering is also received today.)*

#### OFFERTORY

### “King of Kings”

In the darkness we were waiting without hope, without light.  
‘Til from heaven you came running, there was mercy in your eyes.  
To fulfill the law and prophets to a virgin came the Word.  
From a throne of endless glory, to a cradle in the dirt.

**Refrain:** Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, three in one.  
God of Glory, Majesty. Praise forever to the King of Kings.

To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost,  
To redeem the whole creation, you did not despise the cross.  
For even in your suffering, you saw to the other side.  
Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus for our sake You died. **Refrain**

And the morning that You rose, all of heaven held it’s breath  
‘Til that stone was moved for good, for the Lamb had conquered death.  
And the dead rose from their tombs, and the angels stood in awe,  
For the souls of all who’d come to the Father are restored.

And the church of Christ was born, then the Spirit lit the flame.  
Now this gospel truth of old shall not kneel, shall not faint.  
By His blood and in His Name in His freedom I am free,  
For the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me. **Refrain**

## Citylight Schedule 4/13 - 4/24

### WEDNESDAY 4/13

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM - CITYNIGHT

### FRIDAY 4/15

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM - GAME NIGHT

### SUNDAY 4/17 EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 AM - OUTDOOR SERVICE

11:00 AM - TRADITIONAL SERVICE

### WEDNESDAY 4/20

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM - CITYNIGHT

### FRIDAY 4/22

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM - GAME NIGHT

### SUNDAY 4/24

9:00 AM - CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

10:00 AM - GIVING WALL DEMO

11:00 AM - TRADITIONAL SERVICE

11:30 AM - MONTREAT SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

AT 1ST PRES SAFETY HARBOR 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM - SIGN UP IN EMAIL

### upcoming events:

- 5/1 - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - Montreat Meeting in youth room
- 5/13 - 5:00 pm - College Hangout - Axe Throwing
- 5/15 - 9:00 am - Graduation Sunday
- 5/15 - 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Dinner & Devotion Dunedin Causeway
- 5/27 - 5:00 pm - Senior Dinner at Outback, followed by Graduation Party at Game Night
- 5/29 - Beach Day & Sunset Devotion

Follow the link to view our weekly email:

<https://mailchi.mp/d4d558cebd09/citylightupdate322022-13497571>

## Class of 2022!

- Save the date for Graduation Sunday, May 15th. You will be invited to participate in the 9:00 am Contemporary Service followed by a reception. We just need a couple of things from you: A headshot photo, and a small approximately 200 word statement providing what you have been involved with throughout highschool or college, and what your plans are after. The congregation would love to hear about you and your transition and support you through it!

- Save the Date for Friday May 27th for our Annual Highschool Senior Dinner with Rosalie at Outback Steakhouse in Palm Harbor at 5:00 pm followed by a celebration for you all at Game Night.

### **Student Ministry Giving Wall Fundraiser**

There are over 200 envelopes on our bulletin board that have been decorated by the youth! Each have a number that correlates to a dollar amount. If you are interested in donating to our Mission Work and Retreats, please take an envelope and return the envelope (unsealed with your donation inside) to the church office Monday-Friday between 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Cash or checks made out to Northwood Presbyterian Church with "Giving Wall" in the memo are gratefully accepted. Your donation will be used to help fund our 2022 trips. Thank you for your support!

### **Northwood's Got Talent!—May 1st at 4pm**

Come and join us and make your Sunday afternoon a little brighter with a fun afternoon of entertainment! Our wonderful performances of talented & untalented persons will be held on Sunday, May 1st at 4:00 PM in the sanctuary. You don't want to miss it. Right after the talent show, we will be serving pizza, salad, cookies & drinks in the fellowship hall! See you then!

### **Northwood Scholarship Application 2022**

NPC members who are high school seniors, college/vocational students or grad students are encouraged to pick up guidelines/applications from Emily Cantin, online, or in the church office now. **Applications must be returned to JoAnne Spigarelli @ [jspig1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:jspig1@tampabay.rr.com). Applications must be received by June 1, 2022.** Applications will not be accepted in the church office. Applicants need to be involved in the life of the church (either here or at college/Seminary). This scholarship can only be received twice. We give thanks to the Bakers, Gordons, Wrights and others whose generosity to Northwood was reflected in their last will and testament. Scholarship funds come from interest earned from the following: (1) The Fred and Kay Baker Scholarship Fund, (2) The Walter and Catherine Gordon Educational Endowment, (3) Clarence and Florence Wright Scholarship Fund, (4) Monies received from other sources.

**REMINDER:** The office will be closed tomorrow, **Monday, April 18 & 19, 2022.** The office will re-open at 9am on Wednesday, April 20th.

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

*John 20:1-8 (NRSV)*

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup> Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed;

### **SERMON**

*"The Message of the Empty Tomb"*

*Chris Curvin, Pastor*

### **SONG OF DEDICATION**

*"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"*

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing ye heavens and earth reply, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where O death is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Dying once, He all doth save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave?

He is risen! Christ is risen! Alleluia! He is risen! Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
We will give Him all the glory! Alleluia! He is worthy! He is holy! Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done. Alleluia!  
Fought the fight the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids Him rise. Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

He is risen! Christ is risen! Alleluia! He is risen! Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
He is risen! Christ is risen! Alleluia! He is risen! Christ is risen! Alleluia!

### **GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU**



# Welcome Friends & Guests!

April 17, 2022

***A Happy and Joyous Easter to you! Your presence adds greatly to our celebration of the victory of Christ over sin and death. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!***

If you are new to Northwood, we hope that you'll worship with us again and consider becoming a part of our friendly and caring church family. *If you are interested in exploring membership and/or have questions, please contact me 796-8090.* The next Discovering Northwood New Member Class is May 15th at 10:00AM in Room 4 of the Christian Education building.

Anyone wishing to discuss a commitment/recommitment to Christ, or anyone who has a special prayer concern may speak with one of the pastors after the worship service.

**The Easter Lilies** (in the sanctuary and around the church today) are given to the glory of God by friends and members of Northwood Presbyterian Church in honor and in memory of their loved ones. (See insert).

We hope you will take time to look through this information and take note of all the events taking place in the life of Northwood. If you are visiting, we hope to see you again soon!

He is risen!  
Pastor Chris

***Thank you for participating by bringing flowers today for Northwood's flower cross!***



## One Great Hour of Sharing, Easter Sunday

For more than 50 years through the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, the refugee and the stranger have found food and safe shelter, those stunned by the aftermath of disasters have found relief and help rebuilding, and communities seeking to take control of their future have found partners in development. This year 80% of the money received will be divided equally between local ministries, Metropolitan Ministries and Presbyterian Disaster Fund, and 20% will go to the Presbytery of Tampa Bay. The hundreds of millions given over the last half century have enabled a powerful witness to the love of the One who came that all might have life more abundantly.

### Your Giving Matters

For in-person worship, the offering plates will not be passed; however, offering boxes are located in the narthex. For those worshipping online, your giving matters too. Your continued faithfulness to the mission and ministry of Northwood through your giving is critical as the church's expenses do not stop. Please commit to maintain your regular schedule of giving throughout this time by mailing your gift or using one of the online platforms below for giving electronically:

1. Text NPCHURCH to 73256 and follow the prompts.
2. Visit [www.northwoodpc.org](http://www.northwoodpc.org) and click on the giving tab.
3. Click "Give" under the *Church-Life app* menu options.

### Easter Lilies

The flowers in the Sanctuary and around the church are given in honor of or memory of loved ones in the congregation. For a detailed list, please see the bulletin insert.

For those who purchased lilies, you may pick them up after the final Easter service has concluded.

**The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by:**



***Friends of Northwood***



### **FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD TODAY**

#### **GREETERS:**

Elaine Cornillaud & Cindy Gamble

#### **USHERS:**

Marie Ziegler & Carol Zieres

## BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

**Sunday, April 17:** Ibelise Luther  
**Monday, April 18:** David Johnson  
**Tuesday, April 19:** Joanne Bruno, Terry Curkan, Lex Long  
**Wednesday, April 20:** Anna Hyden, Ed Puschmann, Faith Garcia  
**Friday, April 22:** Edwin Smith, Garry Justice  
**Saturday, April 23:** Lindsay Frame

*If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in church recently, give them a call!*