

HYMN NOTES: "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" (110)

The hymn's author, Frederick W. Faber (1814-1863), was of Huguenot ancestry and strict training in Calvinism. He moved from the priesthood in the Anglican Church to the Roman Catholic Church in 1846. He wrote 150 hymns, corresponding to the number of psalms. Originally in 13 stanzas, this hymn was called "Come to Jesus" and began, "Souls of men, why will ye scatter like a crowd of frightened sheep?"

Faber demonstrated a great affinity with 18th century evangelical writers such as Charles Wesley. The simplistic final line in our *The Hymnal*, 1955 which reads "and our lives would be all sunshine in the sweetness of our Lord" was completely changed for *The Presbyterian Hymnal*, 1990 to "and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord." In other hymnals a better change that retains the original meaning is "and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord."

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO....

Sunday, April 28th: Michael Sacco
Monday, April 29th: Wayne Rodewald
Tuesday, April 30th: Jane Archerd, Sarah Flaherty, Katelin Sacco
Wednesday, May 1st: Altha Long, Jenny Sanders, Richard Smith
Thursday, May 2nd: Steve Lawrence, Amy Locicero
Friday, May 3rd: Melissa Schultz
Saturday, May 4th: Fred Inkles, Barbara Jeffery



WELCOME TO OUR GUEST SPEAKERS!

8:15 & 11:00 Service:

The Rev. Dr. Nancy Kahaian arrived in Tampa Bay Presbytery as the Transitional Presbyter via Kansas City, Missouri from serving as the Interim Synod Executive in the Synod of Mid-America. She also served as Acting General Presbyter in John Calvin Presbytery.

Nancy is a daughter of the Midwest, raised on a small farm in Michigan, schooled in the Midwest and east, and served local congregations in Great Lakes states for almost 20 years. She has served in a variety of contexts in the presbytery, synod and General Assembly, including Chair of the General Assembly Council and as Commissioner to the 218th General Assembly.

9:30 Service:

Joy Laughridge is the Associate Pastor for Ministry and Outreach at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Dunedin. Joy has been in this ministry since February, 2012 after serving at Forest Hills Presbyterian Church in Tampa. A native of Waynesville, NC, she completed her preparation for ministry at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, CA in 2003. Joy is married to Cory and mother of Virginia Catherine and Vanessa.



ANNOUNCEMENTS—April 28, 2013

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship and service here. Our Discovering Northwood class is for newcomers as well as those of us who have been around awhile to simply learn more about us or to become a member of our church family.

The next Discovering Northwood class will be **May 19th in room 4** of the Christian Education Building **from 11:00 am-12:00 pm**. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the pastor, Rev. E. Chris Curvin, at ChrisCurvin@Northwoodpc.org or Membership Coordinator, Katie Pacana, at Katie@Northwoodpc.org. Both Katie and Chris can be reached at 796-8090.

"ABOUT BEING PRESBYTERIAN"

A second gathering will be held to discuss and share information about what it means to be Presbyterian in 2013 and proposed changes for the Presbytery of Tampa Bay.

Gathering #2—Tuesday, April 30th, 11:00am

NORTHWOOD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION TIME

NPC members who are high school seniors, college/vocational students or grad students are encouraged to pick up guidelines/applications from Katie Pacana in the church office now. Applications are due May 1, 2013. See form for requirements.

NIGHT OUT AT BRIGHT HOUSE FIELD, FRIDAY, MAY 3RD

Sign up to take your family to see the Clearwater Threshers take on the Tampa Yankees. First pitch is at 6:30 and there will be fireworks after the game. The cost is only \$5.00 per person. SO sign up today on the bulletin board outside the Kitchen and enjoy an evening with your fellow congregants! Contact Chris Hurst with questions, 796-8090.

Mother's Day Bake Sale It's our 3rd Annual Mother's Day bake sale to benefit Conyers! Be sure to stop by the church on Mother's Day, May 12th and give that Sweet Mom of yours a Sweet Treat!

Per Capita Apportionment Envelopes are in the Pews!

Every church shares in the administrative costs of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) through the annual per capita assessment. Northwood's per capita assessment for 2013 will be approximately \$24.00 per every active member and confirmed youth (communicant member). Please consider paying this administrative cost above and beyond your annual pledge/offering. Thank you for your gift.

Presbyterian Women

Everyone is invited to the PW Installation Service, Covered Dish Luncheon, and Annual Birthday Party on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, starting at 11:30 am in the Sanctuary. Luncheon follows the ceremony. Bring a dish to share. Beverages and Birthday cake are provided! Questions? Contact Marian Hill, 723-3433.

Deacon's Hurricane Ministry Hurricane Season begins June 1. The predictions this year say we could see 18 named tropical storms, with 9 forming into hurricanes and 4 increasing to major hurricanes. Go to www.baynews9.com & click on "Weather", then under "Hurricane Center" you will find all the information you need to prepare. If evacuation is necessary, the NPC Hurricane Ministry is asking for volunteers who would like to share their homes. If you are willing to make this kind gesture, please contact Ed Puschmann at (727)773-0764 or email him at edjudi@tampabay.rr.com, and type in the subject "Hurricane Request." Please include your name, address, phone number and how many people you can accommodate.

Save the Date: Sam and Barb Musgrave, along with the NPC Kitchen Krew, invite the congregation to a reception on Saturday, June 15th from 2 to 4 PM to celebrate the marriage of our daughter Debra to Christopher Cox. They will be married on Saturday, June 8th at Eastminster Presbyterian in Melbourne, Fl. We would like to celebrate this wonderful occasion with our Northwood Family. Cards and good wishes welcome, please no gifts.

SUMMER MUSIC CAMP!!

Who: Kids rising into 3rd grade thru kids rising into 6th grade
What: We learn and perform a Christian musical, play music games, & have snack!
When: 8/12 – 8/16
Time: M-F 9-12:00 + Friday evening dinner/performance, 8/16 (extra nominal cost for dinner)
Cost: \$25 for the week
How many: Limited to 25
Why: Because it's fun to perform and give our gifts back to God!!
How: Email or call me to reserve your spot!
stephanie@northwoodpc.org; 796-8090

Northwood Meals on Wheels Needs Drivers! Have you been looking for a way to share God's love with your fellow neighbor? Currently, we have an opening for a driver on the first Tuesday of each month. For more information call Blanche Parsons, 813-814-0818.

News About Our Children's Ministries

Acolyte Training: Will you be in the 3rd – 5th grades next year, and want to be on the Acolyte Team? Contact Marcy Kemerer or Joan Tobiassen (tobyx4@verizon.net) to reserve your spot for training!

Duties:

- Light the candles on the Lord's Table during the opening hymn & extinguish during the last hymn.
- Choose 8:15 or 11:00 am service preference.
- Acolyte once every 2-3 months, depending on number of teammates.
- **Attend training with a Parent on Sunday, May 5, 12-1:30pm**

King's Kids:

A super huge THANK YOU to all our volunteers who helped to create a wonderful program this year! Check back at the end of summer for start back dates to King's Kids!

Vacation Bible School: Save the Date – June 24-28, 2013

Registration opened April 1, 2013 for all!

The Director Team: Marilyn Cromwell, Marcy Kemerer, Susan Curry & Pam Wood

Donation Needs List coming in May!

Important Dates:

Sunday, 6/2, 12:30-2pm **All Staff & Youth Guide Meeting (BYOL)**

Set Up Crew:

Friday, 6/19, 12-2 p.m., Set-up Classrooms

Sunday, 6/21, 12-2 p.m., Set-Up Sanctuary

Friday, 6/24, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Set-Up Sanctuary

**If you have any questions or would like to help with Sunday School, King's Kids, or VBS, please contact Marcy Kemerer at Childrensministry@northwoodpc.org, or call/text 727-455-2583.*

Youth Events

- Sunday, April 29th:** 5-7pm Youth Group-Water Wars Night!
- Friday, May 3rd:** Phillies Game with the Church & Family
- Sunday, May 5th:** 5-7pm Youth Group

Middle & High School Christian Education: Sundays 9:30 & 11:00

Water Wars Night Tonight! Bring your favorite water wars supplies and prepare to get wet! We'll start promptly at 5pm. Be sure to bring a friend!

*Troy Harris, Interim Director of Youth & Young Adults
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Library News!!! We're missing several books and DVD's that have been checked out or borrowed without checking. Please check your home library.