

Upcoming Events

Office Closed

The church office will close at noon on Friday, April 3rd in observance of Good Friday. The office will remain closed Monday, April 6th in observance of Easter. We will re-open Tuesday, April 7th at 9 A.M.

MUSIC WORKSHOP

The 59th Annual Church Music Workshop (Music Camp) will be Monday through Friday, June 15-19 at Life Enrichment Center in Leesburg (same place as last year). Northwood adults and youth that are involved in music and worship have been attending this for several years. This year costs are reduced and through some of the money earned at the annual garage sale the fees for Northwood folks to attend are even more affordable. The adult cost of \$434 is reduced to \$184; the youth cost of \$325 is reduced to \$165. Rising 6th graders may attend (we provide chaperones for middle schoolers). You are invited to join in singing, ringing handbells, playing organ and other instruments, worshipping, reading new music, laughing, praying, attending seminars, and making friends in a peaceful, picturesque atmosphere on the banks of Lake Griffin. Adult registration increases by \$50 after April 15, so if you are interested in going, speak with Tom Huffman or Stephanie Carson. There are also scholarships available for first time attendees that we could apply for.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

LENTEN CANTATA, MARCH 29, 4 PM
"He Shall Arise"
By Tom Fettke

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 7 PM
Joint service at Northwood PC with Heritage UMC

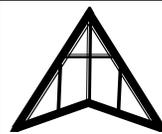
GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 12:00 NOON
Joint service at Heritage UMC with Northwood PC

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 5 (Nursery available)
8:15 & 11:00 AM Traditional Services—Sanctuary
9:30 AM Contemporary Service
(Outside, weather permitting; bring lawn chairs or a blanket)

The "One Great Hour of Sharing" offering
will be received.



**Remember to bring your flowers for the cross.
Photos Available at Floral Cross after services.**



Loyal to His Church
"Count on Me!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS—March 22, 2015

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship and service here. We invite you to our Discovering Northwood class **TODAY in room 4** of the Christian Education Building **from 10:45AM-12:00PM** to learn more about our church. 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.

This Month

Bake Sale, TODAY

The Youth are hosting a bake sale Today! The money raised will be used in Youth Mission Outreach programs. Thank you for supporting us!

Palm Sunday Cantata, Sunday, March 29 at 4:00 P.M.

"He Shall Arise" by Tom Fettke is a stunning cantata with some old favorites, "Hosanna! from the Holy City" "Ride On King Jesus" "Surely He Has Borne Our Grievs" from Messiah, Finlandia tune, beautiful new melodies and closing with Beethoven's 'Hallelujah' from Mount of Olives. In addition to our Chancel Choir and Tom Huffman on the organ, there will be woodwinds, brass and percussion, and Dee and Chris Bryant as our narrators telling the story. To get us back into Holy Week, the Jubilation Ringers, along with Dick Casper on violin will play a haunting version of 'It Is Well With my Soul' arranged by Cathy Moglebust. Please plan to join us to celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, and our message in song – our gift to you this Holy Season!

ORDER EASTER LILIES NOW—\$9.00 EACH

Purchase an Easter lily to decorate for the Easter worship services on Easter Sunday in honor or memory of a loved one. Then take your lily home after the 11:00 service. The cost is \$9. Please place your check (designated "Easter Lily") in the offering plate or drop off in the church office by Palm Sunday, March 29, with the following form completed:

Name _____ Ph. # _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Youth Events

Sunday, March 15: Youth group 5:00-6:30 P.M.
Friday, March 20: Game Night 7-10 P.M.
Sunday, March 22: Youth group 5:00-6:30 P.M.

Sunday School

Join us for combined middle/high school Sunday school at both 9:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

Troy Harris, Director of Youth & Young Adults
troyharris1962@yahoo.com, 727-366-7762

Children's Ministries

Easter Egg Hunt:

Join us on Saturday, April 4th at 10:00 A.M. for an Easter Puppet show followed by an Egg Hunt. Children 5th Grade and younger are invited!

Plastic Eggs Needed:

Eggs needed for an Easter Egg Hunt, by March 30th. If you would like to donate plastic eggs, they would be greatly appreciated. Either empty or filled eggs are great (no chocolate please). You can drop them off in the bin in the hallway by room 4.

VBS Sports Camp:

Registration is open!!! Please go to northwoodpc.org and sign up for Sports Camp. June 15-19 from 9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministry
Childrensministry@northwoodpc.org 796-8090/ Cell- 727-641-8140

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 must be received by June 1, 2015. 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.

Around Northwood

NPC Libraries

Did you know that NPC has two libraries? The children's library is located near the choir room and is divided into pre-school (up to 5 years old) and children's sections. We have put many Easter books for children of all ages on display for the remainder of the Lenten season. Take a few minutes and browse through our Children's library with your family. We welcome you to check it out!

Beth-El Open House

Join us April 19, 2-5 p.m. with a bilingual church service at 4:15 p.m. The church bus will be providing transportation. We will leave Northwood at 1 p.m. and return approximately 6 p.m. To reserve your seat on the bus, call Evelyn Towns at 727-785-3743.

Building Renovation Pledge Update

Campaign Goal: \$80,000.00

Pledged to Date: \$63,393.00. Pledges Received \$40,262.00

Non-Pledged Gifts Received to Date: \$12,984.53

Per Capita Apportionment

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 2015 will be \$25.00 per every active member and confirmed youth (communicant member). Please consider paying this administrative cost above and beyond your annual pledge/offering. You can contribute to the per capita apportionment at any time during the year. To do so just write "per capita" on the memo line of your check or mark an envelope accordingly. Thank you for your gift.

Online Giving

If you are interested in setting up online giving, visit the "Giving" link to the secure portal at www.northwoodpc.org or call the Church Office. For your convenience, gifts can be processed as credit card or e-check transactions. Additionally, you may make a one-time gift or set your contributions up for automated processing on a schedule that you select. Participation in the offering on Sunday morning is an act of worship and we wish to include those who choose to give online. If you so choose, you will find laminated cards in the Narthex that can be placed in the offering plate to say "My gift this week was made online." Thank you for your continued and faithful support of the ministry and mission of Northwood Presbyterian Church.