HYMN NOTES:
“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” (82,83)
This Advent hymn is one of 13 written by the Rev. Charles Wesley (1707-1788) appearing in our hymnal, Glory to God. Wesley was the eighteenth child of Samuel and Susanna Wesley. In 1735 he came to colonial Georgia as secretary to General Oglethorpe. He was already an Anglican priest but rededicated his life to Christ and wrote over 6000 hymns. He, along with his brother John Wesley, dedicated his ministry to the Methodist movement but remained in the Church of England his entire life. The hymn first appeared as #10 in Wesley’s Hymns for the Nativity of our Lord, 1744. The collection was reprinted 20 times in Wesley’s lifetime, yet the hymn does not appear in any British Methodist hymnal until 1876. According the eminent African-American music scholar, William Farley Smith, this hymn has particular meaning for many African Americans who affirm the essential mission of Jesus Christ and his Church as setting free the prisoner and the slave.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Wednesday Bible Study, led by Cindy Huffman

A study of the Book of Matthew meets every Wednesday at 7:00pm through Zoom. The study guide being used is The Immersion Bible Study: Matthew by J. Ellsworth Kalas. If you’d like to join the Wednesday Bible Study or need a study book, please email Cindy Huffman at lucindy1@aol.com and she will forward you the Zoom link. All are welcome!

Experiencing God Class, led by Vicki Krueger

If you’d like to join the Experiencing God class virtually via Zoom at 10:30am on Sunday mornings, please contact Vicki Krueger via email at vickilee33@aol.com and she will send you the meeting details each week.

Fresh Brewed

Fresh Brewed will meet on the first Friday of every month at 10:30am via Zoom. The next meeting is December 4th. The book we are studying is “Deeply Rooted; Knowing Self, Growing in God” by Christopher Marcie. Please contact Louise Mylin for a Zoom code and if you have any questions (727) 787-9968

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Citylight Schedule 11/29 - 12/6

SUNDAY 11/29
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH
10:15 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS

TUESDAY 12/1
8:00 PM - YOUNG WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM

WEDNESDAY 12/2
8:00 PM - 7:30 PM - OUTDOOR CITYNIGHT

SUNDAY 12/6
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH
10:15 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS
7:30 PM - YOUNG MEN’S BIBLE STUDY VIA TEAMS
8:30 PM - COLLEGE GROUP VIA ZOOM

Follow the link to view our weekly email: https://mailchi.mp/348a79beae7-citylightupdate11-22-2020

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

Jackie & Jerry Koski
In Memory of Clifford Reimer

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the “2020 Flower Reservation Chart” on the bulletin board across from the kitchen. During this time when we are not meeting for in person worship, please send your information directly to communications@northwoodpc.org. Please remember to mark “flowers” and the date on your $30 donation. Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!

“I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Jesus Christ, for in every way you have been enriched in Him, in speech and knowledge of every kind…”

1 Corinthians 1:4-5

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO…

Sunday, November 29:
Will Curvin, Max Gipson

Monday, November 30:
Carol Anderson, Kelly Tighe

Tuesday, December 1:
Martha Carland, Nancy Suzor

Thursday, December 3:
Betty Beattie, Bob Redpath, Sue Miskiewicz, Kerry McDermott

Saturday, December 5:
Robert Fehringer, Jackie Rice, Mickey Stewart

If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven’t seen them in church recently, give them a call!
OPENING VOLUNTARY
"Festive Improvisation on VENI EMMANUEL”  Aaron David Miller

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER
GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

OURS TO SHARE
Wildly
Yours
Idol
To
Three
Shines
Blessing
Of
Bliss
Heart
Light
To
Veni, veni, veni Emmanuel! Behold the coming of the Lord!

For in our weakness we are strong through thine incomprehensible grace,
and so we offer this mysterious prayer:

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; behold the King of glory waits;
by thine all sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

Watchman tell us of the night.
Hark, the voice of one who crieth.
In the desert far and near.
Calling to a world in darkness.
See the kingdom now is here.

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