Music Notes:

The Sung Blessing today is three stanzas from a thoughtful hymn that embodies the spirit of the "I have a dream" speech of Dr. Martin Luther King. The hymnwriter and British minister was Pamela Pettitt (1954-2005) writing a beautiful homage to Dr. King that urges us to continue the dream he carried with so many others in the pursuit of justice and peace. This hymn has been included in *Baptist Praise and Worship, Church Hymnary* (the hymnal of the Church of Scotland) and later *Worship & Song* (hymnal supplement of the United Methodist Church). It was first sung in 1986 at a dedication of an ecumenical ministerial training center called the Luther King House in Manchester, UK.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, March 4: Marilyn Lindblad, Roger Winder, Drew Hatch

Monday, March 5: Chuck Crim,

Tuesday March 6: Ethyl Cline, Virginia Cromwell **Thursday, March 8:** Connie Evans, Charles Rowe,

Sharon Card, Travis Inghram, Isaac Anger

Friday, March 9: Liana Stephen,

Dallas Voytko, Lillian Zeman

Saturday, March 10: Gale Dufresne, Alexander Scales,

Declan McManus

If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in

church recently, give them a call!

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



John & Vickie Mills

In Memory of our son, Kevin Mills



Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2018 Flower Reservation Chart" on the bulletin board across from the kitchen. Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers needed to serve coffee and cookies after the 11:00 service. Please contact Michael Cromwell (mcromwell@tampabay.rr.com) or 727-580-7227 if interested.

FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

GREETERS:

(8:15) Herman Gailland & Jackie Rice (11:00) Bucky Helms & Barbara Forsyth

USHERS:

(8:15) Don & Polly Hamilton

Howard Green & Bob MacFall Rich & Candy Spoenlein

(9:30) R (11:00)



VAN DRIVER: Tom Zareczny

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (17/18 School Year)

Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds- Kindergarten, Room 3

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Kelly Tighe & Kim Blackmore

1st-2nd Grade, Room 2

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Dan & Bree Greff

3rd-5th Grade, Room 8

Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8 with Todd & Kathleen Pope

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Childcare for children 3yrs-5th grade who attended Sunday school at 9:30 will be in room 2.

Parents, if you wish for your children to receive communion please have them remain with you in the worship service on Communion Sundays. If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Elder Jackie Koski, Chair of Worship Team.

9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Middle & High Schoolers are <u>NOT</u> meeting this week for Sunday School. All youth are welcome to worship together in the back row of the Sanctuary at the 9:30 Ignite service.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 A.M. TCI (Today's Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11

What is Florida's Guardian ad Litem Program? Does it matter? Barbara Englehart will share her perspective as a volunteer child advocate. We'll use Scripture and our experiences to discuss ways we can share Christ's love with children. Join the conversation while enjoying coffee and cookies.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class will meet today in room 15, led by Vicki Krueger.

Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church Organized February 19, 1978

March 4, 2018

CALL TO WORSHIP- PSALM 100

Leader: Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth.

People: Serve the LORD with gladness;

come before Him with joyful singing.

Leader: Know that the LORD Himself is God;

it is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

People: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise.
Give thanks to Him, bless His name.

Leader: For the LORD is good;

His loving kindness is everlasting

and His faithfulness to all generations. Amen.

Ministers: All Members of the Church

E. Chris Curvin, Pastor Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

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Order for the Public Worship of God March 4, 2018 3rd Sunday in Lent 8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services THE GATHERING

(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins. Please silence electronic devices.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Chris Curvin, Pastor

(See Bulletin Cover)

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"My Jesus, I Love Thee" arr. Anna Laura Page **Jubilation Ringers**

(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Curvin, Pastor

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(Please complete the bulletin insert, "FRIENDSHIP SHEET," and pass it toward the center aisle.)

*HYMN #804

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"

MARION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God: you make all things new, and forgive old wrongs we can't forget. We confess we have spent time without loving, and years without purpose. Daily we have done wrong, and failed to do what you demand. Forgive the past; do not let evil cripple or shame us. Lead us into the future, free from sin, free to love, and ready to work for your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*APOSTLES' CREED (together, hymnbook page 35)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" arr. Alfred Fedak **ANTHEM** Heather Wood, Clarinet

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the cross of Christ my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and blood flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine demands my soul, my life, my all.

OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children ages $3yrs - 2^{nd}$ Grade, are welcome to remain in service with their parents or join us in room 3 for Children's Church.)

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Thanks Be to God"

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

*DOXOLOGY—#606

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Proverbs 23:7 (page 528) Philippians 4:8-9 (page 955)

SERMON

"The Greatest Secret"

Chris Curvin, Pastor

*HYMN #316

"Where Charity and Love Prevail"

TWENTY-FOURTH

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(together, hymnbook page 35)

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE CUP; THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(To symbolize our unity in Christ, we hold the bread until the Elders and Deacons are served and then all partake as one body. To symbolize our personal relation*ship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit leads.)*

MUSIC DURING THE SERVING

"Forlana"

Gerald Finzi

from Five Bagatelles for Clarinet and Piano Heather Wood, Clarinet

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #707 "Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"

HALL

*BENEDICTION

SUNG BLESSING

"I Have a Dream"

C.H.H. Parry

Barbara Washburn, Soloist (please be seated)

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"From God I Ne'er Will Turn Me" Dietrich Buxtehude

(You are invited to remain for the final act of worship, the closing voluntary. A closer look is welcomed if you wish to come stand next to the organ console.)

> Stephanie Carson, Music Director Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

*Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.



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COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

"My Jesus, I Love Thee" Jubilation Ringers arr. Anna Laura Page

MEET AND GREET

PRAISE SONG

"Only King Forever"

VIDEO

"Important Announcement"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Minute for Mission: Joel Raney

"Chain Breaker"

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER **CALL TO OFFERING OFFERTORY**

"It Is Well"

SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 23:7, Philippians 4:8-9

MESSAGE

"The Greatest Secret" Chris Curvin, Pastor

COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Forlana" Gerald Finzi from Five Bagatelles for Clarinet and Piano Heather Wood, Clarinet

SONG OF DEDICATION

"One Thing Remains"

GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU