HYMN NOTES:
“I, the Lord of Sea and Sky” (Here I Am, Lord) #69

This song of commitment and sending forth comes from the Roman Catholic tradition—recently since it was written in 1981 by Daniel L. Schutte. It contrasts the characterizations of God as Lord of sea, sky, snow, rain, wind, and flame with themes of the caring God who is intimately involved in the struggles of the poor and oppressed and is concerned for the well-being of each member of the human family. Based on Isaiah 6:8, “then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I; send me!’”

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

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the “2017 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!

Birthday Blessings to….

Sunday, March 12:  Carol Rathmell, Jim Carlstedt, Ty Wade
Tuesday, March 14:  Andrew Michalk
Wednesday, March 15:  Doug Peterson
Friday, March 17:  Robin MacLennan, Ethel Holden, Stephanie Streleck, Nyden Rodewald
Saturday, March 18:  E.C. Ecker, Margaret Lewis, Lyn Booth

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

Children’s Ministry News

8:15 AM Children’s Christian Education
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (16/17 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 Melissa Long & Joyce Curvin.

1st-2nd Grade, Room 2
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Justine Ruiz & Nancy Stevens.

3rd-5th Grades, Room 8
Students gather to worship at the beginning of the service with their teachers, in the front Sanctuary rows, closest to the band. After the Prayers of Joys & Concerns, they will move to room 8.

11:00 AM Children’s Christian Education
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (16/17 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.

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 Dawn Winder, Chair of Worship Team.

9:30 AM Middle & High School Christian Education

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 Dawn Winder, Chair of Worship Team.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Class– Rooms 9 & 11
For more than 20 years AIR-Guatemala has shared faith by training local farmers in sustainable techniques, building stoves to reduce lung disease and save trees, and planting trees to reduce soil erosion and mud slides. Anne Hallum, Director, will give us an update. Learn about the miracles God is working through AIR-Guatemala while enjoying coffee and cookies.

9:30 A.M. Serendipity Class

Children 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 Dawn Winder, Chair of Worship Team.

Welcome to
Northwood Presbyterian Church
A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978

March 12, 2017

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

Like us on Facebook!
facebook.com/npc.clearwater

Northwood Presbyterian Church
2875 State Road 580, Clearwater, FL 33761
(727) 796-8090  Fax (727) 797-8276
www.northwoodpc.org
Order for the Public Worship of God  
March 12, 2017  
2nd Sunday in Lent  
8:15 & 11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service  
 WE GATHER  
(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins.  
Please silence electronic devices.)  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
Leader: By God’s Spirit we were baptized into one body,  
People: And chosen by God for loving service to the world.  
Leader: Let us sing praises to God for making us partners in mission.  
People: Let us worship God in wonder and joy!  
OPENING VOLUNTARY  
“In the Love of Christ Jesus”  
Donn Paul Benoit  
(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)  
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS  
*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST  
(Together)  
*HYMN  #826  “Lift High the Cross”  
CRUCIFER  
WE CONFESSION  
CALL TO CONFESSION  
PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)  
Gracious God, whose mercy is higher than the heavens and wider than our wanderings and deeper than all sin; hear our confession to you. Forgive us when we choose the easy wrong rather than the hard right. We confess that we would sometimes rather enjoy our sins than bare them before you. Forgive our folly and excess, our coldness to human sorrows, our indifference to those treasures of the spirit which are life and peace. Lord create in us a clean heart, a heart to love and serve you, to the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.  
ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE  
LANCASHIRE  
Let love of neighbor send us to go the extra mile,  
for prayer to those who hate us, who slander and revile.  
May your justice render in true equality,  
while turning from all vengeance to generosity.  
(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.)  
ANTHEM  
“I Believe”  
Kathryn Birch, Monologue  
Heather Wood, Soprano  
In 1944 the Nazis engaged in the mass deportation of families in the city of Cologne, Germany. Children were hidden (some in cells) before ultimately being found and were shipped to camps: holding places that were used as propaganda to conceal their final purpose. Visitors to these camps saw children’s art work, poems they wrote and music being played. In one of the Cologne cellars, the positive text of today’s anthem was found on a wall, possibly written by a child who was hiding.  
—I believe in the sun, even when it’s not shining.  
—I believe in love, even when I don’t feel it.  
—I believe in God, even when God is silent.  
—by Patricia Callan  
WE UNITE IN PRAYER  
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER  
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.  
WE SHARE  
CALL TO OFFERING  
MUSICAL OFFERING  
“An Offering”  
Dan Forrest  
Liana Stephen, Soprano  
*DOXOLOGY — #606  OLD HUNDREDTH  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.  
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
THE INSTALLATION/ORDINATION OF DEACONS & ELDERS  
8:15, 9:30 & 11:00  
(Those to be ordained)  
DEACONS: (Class of 2019)  
Melanie Brown (8:15)  
Mary Duffey (8:15)  
Cassondra Fredriksen (9:30)  
Troy Harris (9:30)  
Polly Brown (11:00)  
Mary Duffey (8:15)  
Patty Martin (11:00)  
Nancy Johnson (11:00)  
Pete Towns (11:00)  
*HYMN  #69  “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”  
HERE 1 AM  
WE HEAR THE WORD  
SCRIPTURE READING  
Matthew 5:38-48  
SERMON  
“Going the Second Mile”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor  
WE GO OUT TO SERVE  
*HYMN  #316  “Where Charity and Love Prevail”  
TWENTY-FOURTH  
* Benediction  
CLOSING VOLUNTARY  
“My Father Created Us”  
Donn Paul Benoit  
This hymn (#278) dates to the 9th century and is used at Pentecost as well as for ordinations. “Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, and lighten with celestial fire…. ”  
(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.  
 COUNTDOWN  
WELCOME  
* PRAISE SONG  
“God is On the Move”  
MEET & GREET  
“Jesus”  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
“Tune My Heart” James Brighton  
Angel Choir (3rd - 5th grade)  
SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER  
(For Grade Children move to Sunday School)  
CALL TO OFFERING  
OFFERTORY  
“It is Well”  
OFFICER INSTALLATION  
SCRIPTURE  
Matthew 5:38-48  
MESSAGE  
“Going the Second Mile”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor  
SONG OF DEDICATION  
“Live Like That”  
GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU  
++