#### **HYMN NOTES:**

#### "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (286)

First published in a leaflet called "Between Doubt and Prayer," this hymn was written by Englishman Edwin Hatch (1835-1889). Since in both Hebrew and Greek the word for "spirit" is "wind" or "air," the author calls the Spirit of God the Breath of God. Therefore the heart of the hymn is in the life of the Spirit, ending with "the perfect life of eternity," untouched by death. Hatch was a great scholar, yet a humble man whose hymn reflects a personal relationship with the Holy Spirit rather than an historical or theological one. The composer of the tune, Robert Jackson, was organist/choirmaster at an English church where he succeeded his father in the position. Together they served nearly 90 years in the same church.

#### **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

Sunday, May 21: Nancy Johnson, Bill Martin, Michele Nigels Monday, May 22: Mimi Judd, Jim Roberts, Sandy Estavil,

Chris Youngblood

*Tuesday, May 23:* Harriet Jackson, Bryan Bullis

*Thursday, May 25:* Jane Frame, Hallie Pelham, Kylie Crossley

*Friday, May 26:* Jay Basinger, Steven Murray

Saturday, May 27: David Atkinson

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



#### Friends of Northwood



Ushers & Greeters

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!

# FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

**ACOLYTES:** 

(8:15) Jade Johnson (11:00) Aidan McDermott

GREETERS:

(8:15) Mary Duffey, Barbara Moler

(11:00) Elaine Cornillaud & Eleanor Cicerchi

**USHERS:** 

(8:15) Dennis & Betty O'Shea

Barbara Moler, Bob MacFall

(9:30) Kim Peterson & Lindsey Peterson

(11:00) Jon Mills, Roger Snay

Elaine Cornillaud, Sue Miskiewicz

VAN DRIVER: Cynthia Lawrence

# **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS**

#### 8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Amy Kemerer & Justine Ruisz.

#### 1st-2nd Grade, Room 2

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

#### 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 with Todd & Kathleen Pope.

# 11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2<sup>nd</sup> 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

Middle & High School Sunday School during the 9:30am service will meet in the sanctuary to worship together for the first 30 minutes, then move to the youth room for the lesson.

# ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 TCI (Today's Christian Issues) Class - Rooms 9 & 11

What do you think about women in leadership roles? in politics? the workplace? the pulpit? How does your view of scripture form your attitude? Come and join us for a lively discussion on this topic. We sometimes disgree, but try not to be disagreeable. Coffee and cookies are available.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class-Rooms 9 & 11

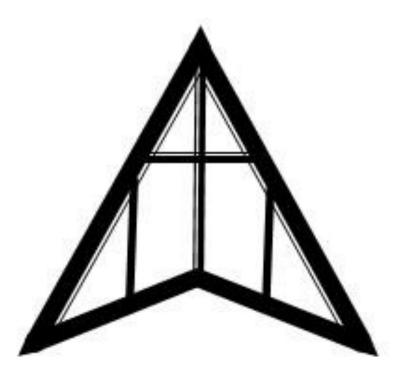
### 6:30-7:30 P.M. Bible Study in rooms 4 & 6

Will not be meeting until June 4th. Any questions? Please call Cindy Huffman at 727-733-8726.

# Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church Organized February 19, 1978

May 21, 2017



Come, Grow, Go!

#### 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 May 21, 2017 6th Sunday of Easter 8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

#### **WE GATHER**

(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins.

Please silence electronic devices.)

CALL TO WORSHIP Paul Means, Associate Pastor

Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!
Leader: Blessed is God, who hears our prayers,
People: Whose steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Let us worship God.

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** 

"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" arr. Diane Bish

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor (8:15)

**RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES** 

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

\*HYMN #366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" HYFRYDOL

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

Almighty God, you have shown us such love, and stretched out your arms to draw us into your embrace. Yet we so often fail to show that love within our lives. Forgive our short-sightedness and misplaced loyalties when we honor you with our lips but our hearts are far from you. Be merciful, dear Lord, when we have a little regard and little love for our neighbors. By your grace, quicken our hearts with your love and give us eyes to see and hands to reach out to those you bring into our lives and your love. We ask all of this in the name of Jesus Christ, the One who knows us the best and loves us the most. Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

GLORIA PATRI host; As it was in

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.

**ANTHEM** "If You Love Me" John Ness Beck If you love me, keep my commandments. If you love me heed my law.

If you love me, keep my commanaments. If you love me need my law. If you seek me, you shall surely find me; if you search for me with all your heart.

#### **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.)

#### 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**

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" arr. Harold Lenfestey

#### \*A 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

\*HYMN #286

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

**TRENTHAM** 

#### WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:15-26 (page 877)

**SERMON** "Life Prompted by Love" Paul Means, Associate Pastor

#### WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN #697

"Take My Life" (stanzas 1,2,3, and 6)

HENDON

Johann Pachelbel

(Stanzas 1,2,5, a

\*BENEDICTION

#### CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Chromatic Fugue in D Minor"

(The closing voluntary is the final act of worship. If you must leave before the end of

the service, please respect those who are listening and leave quietly.)

Stephanie Carson, Music Director

Mark Johnston, Director of *Pierced*Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

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



"Pierced" Youth Praise Band is leading worship today.

#### COUNTDOWN

**WELCOME** 

#### PRAISE SONG

"Wake"

"Lay Me Down"

#### **MEET & GREET**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

VIDEO- "Graduation: Faith, Hope & Love"

## RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

"Gold"

#### SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

For more information and classroom assignments for Children's Sunday School, please see Children's Ministry News on the back panel of this bulletin.

#### **CALL TO OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY**

"Believer"

#### SCRIPTURE

John 14:15-26

#### **MESSAGE**

"Life Prompted By Love" Paul Means, Associate Pastor

#### **SONG OF DEDICATION**

"No One Like You"

#### **GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU**

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