One Great Hour of Sharing

For more than 50 years through the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, the refugee and the stranger have found food and safe shelter, those stunned by the aftermath of disasters have found relief and help rebuilding, and communities seeking to take control of their future have found partners in development. This year 80% of the money received will be divided equally between local ministries, RCS and Isaiah's Inn and 20% will go to the Presbytery of Tampa Bay.

Mark your calendar and plan to join us during this special time!

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 20

8:15 & 11:00 A.M. Traditional Services 9:30 A.M. Contemporary Service

MAUNDY THURSDAY MARCH 24, 7 P.M.

Joint service at Heritage United Methodist Church

GOOD FRIDAY MARCH 25, 12:00 NOON

Joint service with Heritage United Methodist Church At Northwood Presbyterian Church

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 27

The "One Great Hour of Sharing" offering will be received (See purpose of offering above.)

8:15 & 11:00 A.M. Traditional Services- Sanctuary

9:30 A.M. Contemporary Service (Outside, weather permitting; bring lawn chairs or a blanket)

(Childcare is available at all services.)

Please send articles for all publications to Tracy Donovan at Communications@northwoodpc.org.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS – March 13, 2016

WELCOME GUESTS

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

An Afternoon with Henry Purcell

Today at 3:00 p.m. at Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church: *An Afternoon with Henry Purcell*.

In this intriguing program, the performers will take you on a journey back to a time in the life of English Baroque Master, Henry Purcell. The professional early music group *Echoing Air* will join with the Clearwater Bach Choir in music by Purcell composed for the church, the theater and the royal court. There will be a freewill offering. The church is located at 110 S. Ft. Harrison Ave., Clearwater (corner of Pierce St. and Ft. Harrison). The choir is directed by Carol Alexander with Tom Huffman, accompanist.

Northwood Scholarship Application

NPC members who are high school seniors, college/vocational students or grad students are encouraged to pick up guidelines/applications from Tracy Donovan, on www.northwoodpc.org, or in the church office now. Applications must be received by June 1, 2016. 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.

Memorial Service

A memorial service for church member, Bob Grubbs, will be held on Tuesday, March 15 at 2:00 p.m. at The Hamptons in Clearwater. We give thanks to God for Bob's life of faith.

—Get Involved—

Order Easter Lilies

Order Easter Lilies now, only \$9 each. Use the order form on the friendship sheet. Purchase a lily to help decorate for the Easter worship services on Easter Sunday in memory or in honor of a loved one. Be sure to attach completed form to payment so we can be sure to include you in our program. Order forms with payment are due by Sunday, March 20th.

Women's Ministry Bible Study

Enrich your experience of Lent by spending time in God's Word! Come to the Waters

2015-2016 Presbyterian Women's Bible Study:

Monday, March 14, 1:00pm, member home

Monday, March 21, 7:00pm, rooms 5-7

Tuesday, April 5, 9am, rooms 5-7

Monday, April 11, 1:00pm, member home

Tuesday, April 12, 9:30am, rooms 5-7

Monday, April 18, 7:00pm, rooms 5-7

One Simple Act, Discovering the Power of Generosity,

by Debbie Macomber

Friday, April 1, 10:30am, rooms 4-6

Questions? Contact Patty Martin 813-855-0851 or bill.martin2@verizon.net)

Celebrate the Gifts of Women

Join us in worship on Sunday, April 10, as we celebrate the gifts of women. Rev. Kathleen Dain, Executive Director of Beth-El Farmworkers Ministry, will lead our traditional services at 8:15am and 11:00am. Our own Cindy Huffman of the Chancel Choir and Voices in Praise will lead the Ignite service at 9:30am. This promises to be a special and exciting day! Questions? Contact Sue Miskiewicz (799-6767 or susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com).

Baby Shower

The women of Esther-Elizabeth Circle are having a Baby Shower to support the Bay Area Pregnancy Center. Please see the Presbyterian Women's bulletin board in the Narthex for suggested items. Questions? Contact Heather Villafrance (474-7463 or granana4@gmail.com).

Youth Upcoming Events

<u>Friday, March 11- Sunday, March 13</u>- Confirmation Retreat at Cedarkirk (NO GAME NIGHT OR YOUTH GROUP)

Friday, March 18- Game Night 7-10pm- youth room & gym

Saturday, March 19-Confirmation Breakfast

9:00-10:30 in fellowship hall (RSVP)

Youth Week- March 21-25 (events to be announced)

<u>Middle School Mission Trip - local daily trips with one overnight (June 27 - July 1, 2016)</u>

- * Monday-Friday, 9am to 5pm, with one overnight adventure
- * Possible places for mission work: Beth-El, Cedarkirk, Humane Society, Weeki Wachee State Park.
- * \$150 for the week due on April 24.
- * Registration will begin in April; information will be emailed.

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

Children's Upcoming Events

Room Change K-2nd Grade

K-2nd grade Sunday school will be meeting in room 2 now. This will be their regular classroom on Sunday mornings!

Teacher and assistant needed:

We are looking for a teacher and assistant for the 1st Sunday of the month during the 9:30 hour, with the Kindergarten – 2nd grade Sunday school class. Curriculum is provided and training is available if needed. Please contact Justine Ruisz if you can help.

Thank you to the CE Committee, Puppet Ministry and volunteers for helping with the Easter Egg hunt!

Easter Sunday school

Grades $3^{\rm rd}$ – $5^{\rm th}$ will spend their Sunday school hour in service with their family. This is a great service for them to enjoy and for them to experience the introduction of the 2016 confirmation class as well as experience the sacrament of baptisms.

VBS is going to be a Rock Solid Adventure with Cave Quest

Children, VPK - 5^{th} grade (15/16) are invited on this awesome adventure June 20-24 from 9:00-12:00. If you would like to help with VBS please let Justine Ruisz know.

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