#### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

LENTEN CANTATA, TODAY, 4 PM
"He Shall Arise"
By Tom Fettke

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 7 PM
Joint service at Northwood PC with Heritage UMC

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 12:00 NOON

Joint service at Heritage UMC with Northwood PC

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 5 (Nursery available)
8:15 & 11:00 AM Traditional Services—Sanctuary
9:30 AM Contemporary Service
(Outside, weather permitting; bring lawn chairs or a blanket)

The "One Great Hour of Sharing" offering will be received.

Remember to bring your flowers for the cross. Photos Available at Floral Cross after services.

# One Great Hour of Sharing, Easter Sunday

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. The hundreds of millions given over the last half century have enabled a powerful witness to the love of the One who came that all might have life more abundantly.

# **NPC Libraries**

Did you know that NPC has two libraries? The children's library is located near the choir room and is divided into pre-school (up to 5 years old) and children's sections. We have put many Easter books for children of all ages on display for the remainder of the Lenten season. Take a few minutes and browse through our Children's library with your family. We welcome you to check it out!



# ANNOUNCEMENTS—March 29, 2015 WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship and service here. We invite you to our Discovering Northwood class **May 17, 2015 in room 4** of the Christian Education Building **from 10:45AM**-

**12:00PM** to learn more about our church. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the pastor, Rev. E. Chris Curvin, at ChrisCurvin@Northwoodpc.org or Membership Coordinator, Katie Pacana, at Katie@Northwoodpc.org. Both Katie and Chris can be reached at 796-8090.

## **This Month**

# Palm Sunday Cantata, Sunday, Today at 4:00 P.M.

"He Shall Arise" by Tom Fettke is a stunning cantata with some old favorites like "Hosanna! from the Holy City," "Ride On King Jesus," "Surely He Has Borne Our Griefs" from Messiah, and the FINLANDIA tune. There will also be beautiful new melodies and a closing with Beethoven's "Hallelujah" from Mount of Olives.

In addition to our Chancel Choir and Tom Huffman on the organ, there will be woodwinds, brass and percussion. Dee and Chris Bryant will be narrating. The Jubilation Ringers, along with Dick Casper on violin, will play a haunting version of "It Is Well With my Soul" arranged by Cathy Moklebust.

Please plan to join us as we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem!

#### **Office Closed**

The church office will close at noon on Friday, April 3rd in observance of Good Friday. The office will remain closed Monday, April 6th in observance of Easter. We will re-open Tuesday, April 7th at 9 A.M.

#### **ORDER EASTER LILIES NOW—\$9.00 EACH**

Purchase an Easter lily to decorate for the Easter worship services on Easter Sunday in honor or memory of a loved one. Then take your lily home after the 11:00 service. The cost is \$9. Please place your check (designated "Easter Lily") in the offering plate or drop off in the church office by TODAY, with the following form completed:

Name	_Ph. #
In Memory of	
In Honor of	

# **Upcoming Events**

## **Beth-El Open House**

Join us April 19 for a trip to Beth El for a tour and bilingual church service. The church bus will be providing transportation. We will leave the church at 2 PM and return approximately 6:30 PM. Please bring rice and pinto beans for the food pantry. For reservations on the bus call Evelyn Towns 727-785-3743.

#### **MUSIC WORKSHOP**

The 59th Annual Church Music Workshop (Music Camp) will be Monday through Friday, June 15-19 at Life Enrichment Center in Leesburg (same place as last year). Northwood adults and youth that are involved in music and worship have been attending this for several years. This year costs are reduced and through some of the money earned at the annual garage sale the fees for Northwood folks to attend are even more affordable. The adult cost of \$434 is reduced to \$184; the youth cost of \$325 is reduced to \$165. Rising 6th graders may attend (we provide chaperones for middle schoolers). You are invited to join in singing, ringing handbells, playing organ and other instruments, worshipping, reading new music, laughing, praying, attending seminars, and making friends in a peaceful, picturesque atmosphere on the banks of Lake Griffin. Adult registration increases by \$50 after April 15, so if you are interested in going, speak with Tom Huffman or Stephanie Carson. There are also scholarships available for first time attendees that we could apply for.

## **Boy & Girl Scout Religious Badge Opportunity**

Northwood will be sponsoring classes for Boy and Girl Scouts for religious badges (God and Me/God and Family) for scouts in grades 1-4. Classes will begin on Sunday, April 19th and run Sunday afternoons until May 24th. Please contact Cub Master, Matthew Ruley at 727-709-6139 for more information.

#### NORTHWOOD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION TIME

NPC members who are high school seniors, college/vocational students or grad students are encouraged to pick up guidelines/applications from Katie Pacana in the church office now. Applications must be received by June 1, 2015. 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. Scholarship funds come from interest earned from the following: (1) The Fred and Kay Baker Scholarship Fund, (2) The Walter and Catherine Gordon Educational Endowment, (3) Clarence and Florence Wright Scholarship Fund, (4) Monies received from other sources.

## **Youth Events**

Sunday, March 29: No Youth Group Air-Heads 6-9:30 P.M.

Wednesday, April 1: Monster Mini Golf/McDonalds 6-9 P.M.

Friday, April 3: Lock-In 7 P.M.-7 A.M.

Sunday, April 5: No Youth Group, Happy Easter!

## **Sunday School**

Join us for combined middle/high school Sunday school at both 9:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

#### **Spring Break Youth Week!**

Parent volunteers are needed for each event!

- Monday (3/30) Airheads, 6-9pm. Bring \$15 plus money for snacks.
- Wednesday (4/1) McDonald's & Monster Mini-Golf, 6-9:30pm.
   Bring \$8 plus money for dinner.
- Friday (4/3) Lock-In, 7pm-7am.

Sign up on the Youth bulletin board or email Troy Harris.

#### Save the Date

Youth Mission Week: Monday, June 8 - Friday, June 12. Daily local mission work and fun with your friends from church.

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

# **Children's Ministries**

# Easter Egg Hunt:

Join us on Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M. for an Easter Puppet show followed by an Egg Hunt. Children 5<sup>th</sup> Grade and younger are invited!

## Plastic Eggs Needed:

Eggs needed for an Easter Egg Hunt, by March 30<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate plastic eggs, they would be greatly appreciated. Either empty or filled eggs are great (no chocolate please). You can drop them off in the bin in the hallway by room 4.

### VBS Sports Camp:

Registration is open!!! Please go to northwoodpc.org and sign up for Sports Camp. June 15-19 from 9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministry <a href="mailto:Childrensministry@northwoodpc.org">Childrensministry@northwoodpc.org</a> 796-8090/ Cell- 727-641-8140