Hurricane Ministry

The Hurricane Ministry of our church's Board of Deacons assists members in need of temporary housing during or after hurricanes or severe tropical storms. If you are able to share your home with members-in-need, please contact Mickey Stewart at walkey1a@outlook.com or the church office at 727-796-8090. If emailing, please use the subject "Hurricane Volunteer." Please include your name, address, phone number, email address, number of people you can accommodate, and whether you have pets.

With hurricane season approaching, we are all encouraged to prepare for a possible storm. A source for weather advisories is:

https://www.baynews9.com/fl/tampa/weather.

This guide has valuable information for Pinellas County http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/.

Memorial Gifts

If you wish to make a gift to the church in honor or in memory of someone, please be sure to attach the blue Memorial Gifts form to your contribution. Completing the form ensures that we have all the information necessary to properly direct the gift and acknowledge it to both you and the recipient. Forms are located near the memorial book in the Narthex or in the Church Office. Thank you for your assistance.

Large Print Hymnals & Bulletins

Large print hymnals, bulletins and announcements are available. If you need assistance locating one of these, please ask an Usher.

<u>Please send articles for all publications to Emily Cantin at Communications@northwoodpc.org.</u>

- Any submissions for the bulletin and announcements must be emailed by the Sunday before it is to appear.
- Publications for the *Window* newsletter must be received by the 3rd Monday of the month. (Please limit all announcements to 4 lines.)







Announcements—July 16, 2023 WELCOME GUESTS!

Welcome to Northwood and welcome to those watching

online! Let us know of prayer requests by filling out the friend-ship sheet or through the church website, and seek to give online, by text, by mail or through offering boxes located in the narthex. Contact our church office at communications@northwoodpc.org if you are interested in how to do all the above or wish to become a member or learn more about us. Mark your calendar for our next Discovering Northwood Presentation September 24th at 10:00am. WELCOME!

Welcome Guest Organist Linda Pointer

Our guest organist today is Linda Pointer. Dr. Pointer teaches Humanities at St. Petersburg College and is retired from regular church work so she can enjoy making music at a variety of churches. She is happy to return to Northwood.

VBS Donation List- Items Still Needed-STARTING TOMORROW

During VBS, we love to spoil our volunteers! We have a break room filled with goodies throughout the day. These goodies are brought by you! We are in need of fresh fruits and vegetables! (Carrots, Strawberries, Grapes, Apples, Watermelon, Banana, Cherry Tomatoes, Celery)

We can also use snacks, appetizers, lunch items and beverages donated throughout the week. We love things like wrap/sandwich trays, dips, brownies, Soda, Juices, Bagels, cookies, hot dogs, meatballs, casseroles, etc. If you are able to help in this way, contact Rosalie at 727-400-9078 or bradfordrosa-lie@gmail.com to sign up for a day (or 2!)

Coming Soon Coffee & Cookie Service Every Sunday

The Membership & Evangelism Team is pleased to announce that beginning August 6, 2023, Coffee & Cookie Service will be provided every week for both the Contemporary and Traditional Services, from 10:00 am to 10:55 am and 12:00 pm to 12:15 pm. Please note that coffee and cookies for the Coffee & Cookie Service are provided by the Church. Anyone who is interested in joining this group of volunteers, either as a *once-per-month* server or a *substitute* server, is asked to contact one of the persons listed; Marie Ziegler 484-433-3124, Dee Rivers 682-240-0165 or Polly Brown – 727-648-4203.

Attendance for 7/9/23 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary—51 In-Person Traditional—96 Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary—95 Traditional—51

Facebook Live: 86 views for Traditional Service Total: 379
If you have technical difficulties viewing the online services please view in the church livestreaming archives the next day as that is working well. You can call the church office and ask for help you if you are having trouble viewing. We encourage you to ask for help!

Email Scam Alert

You may be aware that some of our members, and even our church staff, have received scam emails, that appear to be from Pastor Chris and others by email. The emails scams of financial help often come in the request for you to purchase gift cards. Our pastors do NOT send these emails. This email scam is also happening to pastors in other churches across the nation at this point. Please know that your pastors and the church staff will never solicit any funds in this manner. Simply forward the message of such a request to the church office so that we can collect them for the police. It saddens us when anyone seeks to do harm but especially when they prey on the kindness and Christ-like hearts of our members. Be aware of scams by email and phone calls!

Christmas in July - July 30th

On Sunday, July 30th, we will experience Christmas in July in worship. The hymns and the sermon will be based on a Christmas theme as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ in July. There will be coffee and refreshments offered featuring homemade Christmas cookies! We are also accepting clothing gifts for children which will benefit Clearwater Clothes for Kids. You may drop off your donations to the church office or outside the kitchen at the Noah's Ark table. (Clothes To Kids, Inc. provides new and quality used clothing to low-income or in crisis school-age children, free of charge). Invite a friend to join us in worship on July 30th!

Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat—SIGN UP NOW!



The annual Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat will be October 20-22. Poster and brochures can be found on the bulletin board directly across from the kitchen. Deposits with room requests are being accepted starting today. Sign up early for best choice of rooms! Also, save the date for the Women's Retreat – Jan. 26-

Nursery & Sunday School for Children

Infants and toddlers ages 3 and under are provided care in our nursery during the entire Worship Service, and/or if you have children ages 4 years old—5th grade that would like to attend Sunday School, please email Karlee Wright at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org if you are interested or have any questions.

Volunteers Needed!

The nursery is in need of volunteers during the 9am & 11am services. If you are interested, please contact Karlee Wright at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org or karleeRwright@gmail.com

The Project Group—July 25

We are seeking new members! Come and join us! We're women of all ages who sew, knit, and crochet items with a mission purpose. We sew little dresses for Haiti or walker bags, make lap robes, or knit caps for newborns. Our work is done at home. We meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 10:00am in Room 13. There we bring our projects, share ideas, get encouragement to finish projects, sort through donated material and enjoy Christian fellowship. PLEASE join us on July 25th at 10:00 am in Room 13. Questions? Call Evelyn Towns 727-785-3743.

Children's Church Packets

Children's Bulletins are located in the narthex! This bulletin offers age appropriate interactive worksheets and coloring pages that relate to the scripture used during worship. Any child may use the bulletins during our worship service. Please return the clipboard and crayons to the basket in the narthex after the service!

Your Giving Matters

For in-person worship, the offering plates will not be passed, however, offering boxes are located in the narthex. For those worshiping online, your giving matters too. Please commit to maintain your regular schedule of giving throughout this time by mailing your gift or using one of the online platforms below for giving electronically:

- 1. Text NPCHURCH to 73256 and follow the prompts.
- 2. Visit <u>www.northwoodpc.org</u> and click on the giving tab.
- 3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife app* menu options