## **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 <u>http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/</u>.

### **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.

#### <u>Please send articles for all publications to Emily Cantin at</u> <u>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.)

### **Restrooms**

Restrooms are located in the hallway past the Library and in the hallway across from the kitchen. Hand Sanitizers are conveniently located at each exit.





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#### Announcements-August 13, 2023 WELCOME GUESTS!

Welcome to Northwood and welcome to those watching online! Let us know of prayer requests by filling out the friendship 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!

## **Fellowship Groups (formerly Dinner for 6,7,8)**

Northwood Presbyterian Church Fellowship Groups for small group dinners will be reorganized in September for an October 1st start date. Some groups are meeting through the summer and some are on hiatus until September due to travels. For information or to sign up, contact Claudia Alwood, 727-992-7769 (best is text) or cjalwood@msn.com

### **Beth-El Shoe Sunday-August 27**

On Sunday, August 27th, Northwood is inviting everyone to participate in Beth-El Shoe Sunday by bringing new or gently used shoes for the children, youth and adults of the Beth-El Farm Workers Mission in Wimauma, FL. Beginning August 6th, there will be tubs in the church hallway to drop off your shoes. Beth-El needs tennis shoes, sandals, flip-flops, and men's work boots, sizes 6 to 11 for men, 5-7 1/2 for women, and all sizes for children. Along with the shoes, we are also collecting socks, backpacks, and lightweight jackets. You can also go online to Northwood's website to donate to Beth-El. Last year we collected 310 pairs of shoes, 75 pairs of socks and 15 backpacks! Our goal this year is to be able to distribute at least 350 pairs of shoes to the families in the Beth-El community. Thank you in advance for participating in Beth-El Shoe Sunday.

## Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat—SIGN UP NOW!



The annual Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat will be October 20-22. Brochures can be found on the table in the narthex or in the church office. Deposits with room requests are being accepted starting today. Also, save the date for the Women's Retreat – Jan. 26-28, 2024!

#### Attendance for 8/6/23 Livestream & In-Person

### **In-Person Contemporary**— 53

### **In-Person Traditional**—96

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!

## The Project Group-August 22

We have new members and new projects that we are working on during our meetings and at home. If you sew, knit, crochet or craft with a mission purpose (e.g. make greeting cards), you are invited! The project group meets the 4th Tuesday of the month (**August 22nd**) at 10:00am in room 13. We make little dresses for Haiti, lap robes, walker bags, and stuffed teddy bears. New members are always welcome. Contact Marti Huff 727-503-3783 or Evelyn Towns 727-785-3743 with any questions.

### Northwood 4th Friday Movie Night-August 25

All are invited on Friday night, **August 25th from 7:00 pm to 9:30** pm for our 4th Friday "Northwood Movie Night". All ages are welcome as this is an intergenerational event! Bring lawn chairs, family, friends, and a picnic and we will show the film in our Family Life Center (Gym). Popcorn and drinks will be available as well. We encourage you to invite friends and help them get to know us here at Northwood.

# Email Scam Alert

Some members have received scam emails that appear to be from our pastor, in the past year. The emails, disguised as his, request you purchase gift cards and email the card's numbers to him. Other churches have had the same problem. As a rule, our church staff will never solicit funds by email. If you receive such an email, please forward the message to the church office but do not respond to it.

## **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!

## 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 <u>childrensministry@northwoodpc.org</u> if you are interested or have any questions.

# **<u>Preschool Registration</u>** <u>for 2023-2024 School Year</u>

Registration is underway for the 2023-2024 school year. If you are planning to register your child and need an enrollment packet, please stop by the school office. If you have any questions, contact our Schools Director, Roxane Fineo, schooldirector@northwoodpc.org or 727-723-7679.

## **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