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>.

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.

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.)





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Announcements-August 27, 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!

Beth-El Shoe Sunday- TODAY

TODAY, 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. There are 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. . Thank you in advance for participating in Beth-El Shoe Sunday.

Handbell Ringers Needed

As we are looking to start back up with rehearsals, we have a number of ringer spots to fill. If you read music, we can plug you into either our intermediate or advanced bell groups. It is rewarding and a lot of fun! We rehearse on Sundays at 10:00 AM (between services) or 12:15 PM (after the 11:00 service). Please call Stephanie Carson 727-458-9749.

Chancel Choir Starts Back!

WHO: All who have gifts of singing. With many new congregation attendees, we welcome you!
WHAT: Northwood's traditional choir. We sing all styles, both easy and challenging, all to the glory of God!
WHEN: Wednesday, August 30. We will have our Strawberries and Cream Reception at 6:15pm followed by choir rehearsal at 7:00pm.
WHERE: Grab your music from the choir room. We rehearse in the sanctuary choir loft.
WHY: It's good for your soul, belong to a community within our small group, make friends with the same purpose and goals while singing praises to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Attendance for 8/20/23 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary— 54 In-Person Traditional— 107 Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary— 41 Traditional— 51

Facebook Live: 122 views for Traditional Service **Total: 375** 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!



Fun! Friends! Friday! The Ren Crew

The Ren Crew Friday Fellowship will meet on Friday, September 8th 10:30 in rooms 11 &13. We are a group of adventuresome, young at

heart adults who enjoy sharing fun with friends, old and new. In keeping with the theme "Windows to the World," Kay Scheuerman will provide the program, sharing sights and experiences from her once-in-a-lifetime trip to Antarctica. Following the program, we will enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. All are welcome! Transportation is gladly provided for those needing a ride. Join us and treat yourself to a Friday filled with fun and friends! For more information, you may contact Pastor Paul Means at paul@northwoodpc.org.

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

Northwood Presbyterian Church Fellowship Groups for small group dinners are being reorganized. For information or to sign up, contact Claudia Alwood, 727-992-7769 (best is text) or cjalwood@msn.com

<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.

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!

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.

Kings' Kids—Every Wednesday

Kings' Kids is our Wednesday program for children ages 3 through 5th grade. We began our

season last week and will continue every Wednesday from 4:00-5:30pm. All children are invited! For more information, contact Karlee Wright childrensminisry@northwoodpc.org.

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