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/.

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 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—September 3, 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—Thank you!

Many thanks to the Northwood church family from the Beth-El farm worker's ministry and Northwood's Mission Team. Through your generous participation in Beth-El Shoe Sunday, 355 pairs of shoes were donated, along with a number of pairs of socks, backpacks and clothing! Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus with others in this way!

Fun! Friends! Friday! The Ren Crew—Sept. 8

The Ren Crew Friday Fellowship will meet on Friday, September 8th at 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.

Office Closed for Labor Day

In observance of Labor Day, the church office will be closed Monday, September 4th. Calls to the office will be handled by the voicemail system and returned on Tuesday, September 5th.

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

Attendance for 8/27/23 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary—38 In-Person Traditional—105 Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary—45 Traditional—21

Facebook Live: 85 views for Traditional Service Total: 294
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!

Chancel Choir Starts Back! — Sept. 6th

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, September 6th. 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!

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.

Northwood 3rd Friday Movie Night-Sept. 15

Movie Night and Potluck will take place on third Fridays from now on. All are invited on Friday night, **September 15th from 7:00 pm to 9:30** pm. Feel free to bring a dish or snack to share. All ages are welcome as this is an intergenerational event! Bring lawn chairs, family, friends and we will



show the film in our Family Life Center (Gym). Popcorn and drinks will be available as well. Do you have any movie suggestions? Have questions? Let us know! Contact Rosalie, our director of youth and families at bradfordrosalie@gmail.com.

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.

Preschool Registration for 2023-2024 School Year

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