

Worship/Communion

Due to our very limited participation with the gluten-free (GF) communion kits, along with concerns expressed re: taste and texture and lack of ease to use (sometimes even resulting in spillage), the Worship Committee will phase out the use of the kits as the current supply expires year end. Should the need for a gluten-free option grow and/or product offerings hopefully improve, we can and will certainly reconsider their use. In the meantime, please feel free to bring your bread of choice as you are welcomed to and encouraged to participate in communion during the worship service.

Nursery

The Nursery is available for childcare during both the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services. Our staff are screened and trained to provide safe, caring and entertaining supervision to your little ones while you attend Worship. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 727-796-8090 or communications@northwoodpc.org

Large Print Bibles, Hymnals & Bulletins

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

Hearing Devices

Hearing devices are available for use during the worship services. Please ask an usher if you are in need.



Rides Available

Transportation Ministry

Northwood provides transportation for those who need it to and from the 11:00 AM worship service. Call the church office, 796-8090, before noon on Thursdays to reserve a seat on the van.

Please send articles for all publications to Emily Cantin at Communications@northwoodpc.org.

- 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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NPC Guest



LIVE STREAMING

Now live streaming our 9:00



Announcements— January 12, 2025

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. **The next Discovering Northwood Presentation to learn more about who we are and consider membership will be held on January 19th at 9:45am. WELCOME!**

Music Ministry's Annual Garage Sale

Just 4 more days until the 2025 Music Ministry Garage Sale starts! Have you brought in all your donations? Can you advertise on social media for us or hang up an announcement? The sale is from Thursday, January 16th through Saturday, January 18th from 8:00am-2:00pm. Coffee, Donuts, assorted baked goods and hot dogs will be available. Can you help with clean-up (boxing & bagging leftover items, moving tables and chairs, vacuuming and re-setting classrooms)? Please call Susan Curry 727-709-8237 with questions. Thank you for supporting the music ministry.



Annual Report

Annual Report deadline to the Session, Committees, Pastors & Staff was Monday, January 6th by noon. If you haven't already, please submit your electronic copy to communications@northwoodpc.org. There are copies of last year's annual report in the church office if needed. Thanks!

Annual Congregational Meeting—Jan. 26

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26th. The meeting will begin in the sanctuary as soon as the 1am worship service concludes, which may be before noon. We will elect new officers, as the Officer Nominating Committee brings its nominations and the congregation will vote on any changes to the pastors' terms of call. Annual report booklets will be provided for you to take home and read of the ministry and mission of NPC for 2024.

Northwood Photo Group— January 14

Would you like to start taking better pictures, and use photography as a way of exploring God's beauty? Please join us for the regular monthly meeting of the Northwood Photo Group on Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00pm in rooms 5-7. All are invited whether you're a beginner or an expert. If you have any questions, contact curtis.krueger@gmail.com or david@primeimagesinc.com.



Attendance for 1/5/25 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary— 51 In-Person Traditional— 129
Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary— 86
Traditional— 52

Facebook Live: 60 views

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!

Grief Recovery and God's Grace

Beginning Wednesday, January 8th and continuing through Wednesday, February 12th, Pastor Paul will lead a six-week educational seminar and support group for persons who are experiencing grief due to the death of a loved one or for those who are facing grief from other types of significant loss in their life. The time of the seminar is from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.. This is not a group therapy program, so while active participation is encouraged, it is not required. For more information, please contact Pastor Paul at 727-796-8090 or paul@northwoodpc.org.

Sing with Composer Craig Courtney— Rehearsals Begin February 5th

On Sunday, March 30, church music composer Craig Courtney will be presenting a concert with our choir in the afternoon at 4:00pm and will be present in worship service that morning. Mr. Courtney's published works include more than two hundred choral octavos, nine vocal collections, a piano solo collection and six extended works for choir and orchestra. Compositionally, Mr. Courtney combines his training and background as a pianist, a cellist, a vocal coach, an accompanist and a choral director to create words that bear his unique style. We have 40 of his compositions and arrangements on our own shelves and greatly look forward to meeting him in person and delving into the stories behind his songs. **Beginning Wednesday evening, February 5,** the choir will start rehearsing his music in the first part of choir rehearsal, 7-7:40. We would love you to be a part of that and have a large choir for Craig Courtney to prepare. Please consider joining us and let me know – I will save you a spot!



NPC Garden Club—Jan. 18

Fellow members and guests, if you are looking for a New Years resolution to help your church, join the NPC Garden Club, January 18th from 9am-Noon. Our focus will be all landscaping areas of the front entry. Potluck lunch to follow. If you have any questions, contact Ritchie & Leslie Henley at leslienne1968@icloud.com or 813-833-1180.

Your Giving Matters

For in-person worship, the offering plates will not be passed, however, offering boxes are located in the narthex. For those worshipping online, your giving matters too. Your continued faithfulness to the mission and ministry of Northwood through your giving is critical as the church's expenses do not stop. Please commit to maintain your regular schedule of giving 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 www.northwoodpc.org and click on the giving tab.
3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife app* menu options

Youth



Every Sunday morning, the youth, which includes middle school, high school and college age students, will meet for Sunday School at 10:00am in the youth room.

Wednesday evenings we will have Youth Group meet at 6pm in the youth room. Game night will meet on Fridays from 7pm-10pm in the youth room/FLC. If you have any questions, please contact Dylan Cantin at youthdirector@northwoodpc.org or 727-796-8090 x2008.

Jane Sutton Book Club—January 27

The Jane Sutton Book Club will be January 27th. The group meets the 4th Monday of the month at 10:00am in room 13 of the Christian Education building. If you are interested in joining or for more information, please contact Eleanor Cicerchi by email at ecicerchi@gmail.com or by phone 607-382-1781.

The Project Group— January 28

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 (**January 28**) 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.

NPC Fellowship Groups Dinner- Feb 1

All NPC Fellowship Groups will join together for a finale Covered Dish Dinner on Saturday, February 1st at 5:00 pm at the church in rooms 5 and 7. Bring a dish to share. If you have any questions, please contact Claudia Alwood at cjalwood@msn.com