## **California Fires Response**

As we as a congregation pray for the safety of our brothers and sisters who have been impacted by the fires in California, we are gathering information about how we as a church can help. Checks should be made payable to Northwood Presbyterian Church with "LA Fires" in the memo line. Contributions can also be made online through the church's website or delivered to the church office or delivered during normal business hours (9:00am – 3:00pm M-F).

#### **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. 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 <u>www.northwoodpc.org</u> 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 6:00pm in the youth room. Game night will meet on Fridays from 7:00pm-10:00pm in the youth room/FLC. If you have any questions, please contact Dylan Cantin at youthdirector@northwoodpc.org or 727-796-8090 x2008.

#### **Nursery**

The Nursery is available for childcare during both the 9:00am and 11:00am 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







# Announcements—January 19, 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.

#### **Discovering Northwood Presentation—TODAY**

A Discovering Northwood presentation will be held TODAY in Room 5 at 9:45am for those wishing to learn more about Northwood and consider church membership. Please know you are welcome to attend if you have been visiting us online in worship. We hope to see you there!

#### **Annual Garage Sale—Thank You!**

Thank you to all of you who donated and spent so much time helping with another successful Garage Sale. Your donations and all the people who devoted hours and hours are appreciated. We'll post the tally next week but wanted to say a sincere thank you for supporting the Music Ministry program. We appreciate all of you and your generosity!

Thank you, Susan Curry and Stephanie Carson

## **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 11am 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. The Nominating Committee will present the following below for election at the Annual Meeting:

Elders: Marti Huff, Beth Linville, John Sutphin, Christine Wolf, Louise Mylin

<u>Deacons</u>: Pat Donnelly, David Hamilton Jr., Georgia Rounding

<u>Nominating Committee</u>: Jody Beattie, Ann Briggs, Dan Jeffre,
Cookie Roffey

<u>Memorial Garden</u>: Patty Adams, Sandy Gibson, Barbara Moler, Elaine Rumpel

The Session examination for new officers is Monday, February 24th at 7:00pm in room 4. Officers will be installed in worship on Sunday, March 9th. Officer training dates for newly elected elders and deacons are February 9th and February 16th from 4:00-6:00pm in room 4 of the Christian Education Building.

#### Attendance for 1/12/25 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary—35 In-Person Traditional—118 Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary—68 Traditional—114

Facebook Live: 64 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**

Every Wednesday through February 12th, Pastor Paul will lead an 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 12:30pm to 2:00pm 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 <a href="mailto:paul@northwoodpc.org">paul@northwoodpc.org</a>.

## 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.

# 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 collec-



tion 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, 7:00-7:40. 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!

## 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

#### Scout Sunday—Feb. 9

Northwood Celebrates Scouting Programs in our Community! On Sunday, **February 9th**, Northwood invites all scouts, leaders and family members to both the 9:00am and 11:00am worship services for Scout Sunday. All Scouts are encouraged to come in full uniform. Northwood's own Boy Scout Troop 413 will be offering a Pancake Breakfast on this Sunday after both services. Donations to the Troop are welcome. Make plans now to come hungry for warm pancakes, eggs and sausage!

The Scouts are also collecting non-perishable food items to be delivered to a local food bank in our area. If you'd like to donate, please bring a food item with you to the Scout Sunday pancake breakfast.

## Wonderful Wednesdays (WAY) Dinner & Series February 12, 19, 26 & March 5

Come and get involved in the Wonderful Wednesday Dinners and Lenten Series beginning Wednesday, February 12th. Dinner will begin at 6:00pm in rooms 5-13 of the Christian Education Building with the Lenten program to follow at 6:40pm. Brochures and sign-up sheets will be published in the next few weeks. Wednesdays at Northwood are filled with fellowship and friends and would love to see you here!

#### Kirkin' o' the Tartan—Feb. 16—ONE Worship Service

Please plan on joining us for the Kirkin' O' the Tartan ceremony during our ONE Worship Service at 10:00am on Sunday, February 16th. Members of The Dunedin High School Pipe Band will perform during the procession and recession of the Tartans. If you would like to participate in this meaningful ceremony, please contact Leslie Henley at 540-320-5586, or by email at <a href="leslieanne1968@icloud.com">leslieanne1968@icloud.com</a>.