

### **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](http://www.northwoodpc.org) and click on the giving tab.
3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife app* menu options

### **Per-Capita Apportionment**

Every church shares in the administrative costs of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) through the annual per capita assessment. Northwood's per-capita assessment is \$35.56 per every active member and confirmed youth (communicant member). Please consider paying this administrative cost above and beyond your annual pledge/offering. You can contribute to the per-capita apportionment at any time during the year. To do so just write "per-capita" on the memo line of your check or mark an envelope accordingly. Thank you for your gift!

### **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.

### **Please send articles for all publications to Emily Cantin at [Communications@northwoodpc.org](mailto: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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**LIVE STREAMING**

Now live streaming our 9:00



### **Announcements—September 7, 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](mailto: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 September 21st at 9:45am. 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, 301 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!



### **Blood Drive—TODAY**



TODAY, September 7th from 10:00am-12:00pm, the blood mobile will be located in the Northwood parking lot. All donors will receive a \$20eGift card, a One Blood T-shirt and a wellness check-up including blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening.

### **Northwood Photo Group—Sept. 9**



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, September 9th at 7:00pm in rooms 11 & 13. All are invited, whether you're a beginner or an expert! If you have any questions, please contact David Lawrence at [david@primeimagesinc.com](mailto:david@primeimagesinc.com) or Curtis Krueger at [curtis.krueger@gmail.com](mailto:curtis.krueger@gmail.com).

### **NPC Garden Club—September 20**

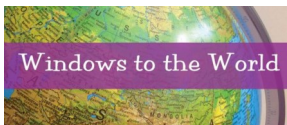
Calling all friends, fellow Christians and green thumb enthusiasts! Saturday, September 20th from 9:00am-12:00pm, Northwood will be hosting our next landscaping clean-up and fertilization day to help maintain our beautiful campus. Our focus will be the 2 year old North Childrens playground, and continued mulching of North entry. If you have any questions, contact Ritchie & Leslie Henley at [leslianne1968@icloud.com](mailto:leslianne1968@icloud.com) or 813-833-1180.

### Attendance for 8/31/25 Livestream & In-Person

**In-Person Contemporary— 47 In-Person Traditional— 77**

**There are no livestream numbers available due to local storms.**

If you have technical difficulties viewing the online services through your home computer or phone, please view the church live streaming archives the next day. You can always call the church office and ask for help if you are having trouble viewing from your home device. We welcome and celebrate our online live viewers who worship with us!



### Fun! Friends! Friday! Ren Crew— September 12

The Ren Crew Friday Fellowship will meet on Friday, September 12th at 10:30 in the Sanctuary. 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,” Pastor Paul Means will provide the program “Through the Lens of Wonder: Alaska’s Untamed Beauty from Seward Highway to the Wild Bears of Katmai National Park.” Following the program, we will enjoy lunch at Bonefish Grill. All are welcome! Join us and treat yourself to a Friday filled with fun and friends! For more information, you may contact Pastor Paul Means at 727-796- 8090 or paul@northwoodpc.org.

### Fellowship Groups Sign-up and Kick-Off Covered Dish Dinner September 18

A new season of Fellowship Groups is coming soon! Groups of 6, 7 or 8 will meet monthly for lunch or dinner in homes or in a restaurant beginning in October. **Please indicate your interest by signing up on the information sheet on the bulletin board across from the kitchen.** All group members and interested people are invited to a covered dish dinner on Thursday, September 18th at 5:00pm in rooms 5&7. New members are invited to join us as well! If you have any questions, please contact Emily Sutphin at 913-687-9063 or Emily.sutphin@gmail.com.

### 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 evening we have Youth Group that meets at 6:00pm in the youth room. Game night is every Friday evening from 7:00pm-10:00pm in the youth room/FLC. If you have any questions, please contact Dylan Cantin at youthdirector@northwoodpc.org or 727-723-5984.

### 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

### Women's Retreat– January 9-11, 2026

Join the women of Northwood for a spirit revitalizing weekend of fellowship, games, crafts, canoeing, and leisurely walks in the woods. Enjoy the great outdoors while staying in air-conditioned lodges. You won't want to miss this amazing weekend! Registration forms are available on the poster across from the kitchen. Deposits with room requests are now being accepted. Sign up early for best choice of rooms! If you have any questions, contact Jeanne at jeanneestephen@gmail.com.



### 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 during or after a storm, please contact Deacon Betty Spoerl at 931-722-0559 or bjspoerl@outlook.com. If emailing, 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. Accommodations must be non-smoking. With hurricane season approaching, we are all encouraged to prepare for a possible storm.



### Email Scam Alert

Some of our members and church staff have once again received fraudulent emails that appear to be from Pastor Chris. These email scams usually say that the pastor does not have time to talk by phone and wants to talk to you by email only. They always end up asking for you to discreetly purchase gift cards to assist the pastor in helping others.

**Our pastors will never solicit you for gift cards and do NOT send these emails.** Our pastors love to talk to you anytime but you do not need to call them to let them know you have received another suspicious email. The best way to deal with this is for you to block the sender and/or forward the email to the church office so that we can collect them for the police. It saddens us when anyone seeks to do harm and prey on the Christian kindness of our members. Be aware of such scams and do not respond to them!