CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Biblical TakeAways—10:00am Sundays in Room 8

Led by Emily Sutphin & Earle Lusk, this adult Education Class/Bible Study meets every Sunday morning at 10:00am in room 8. Beginning January 4th, we will begin a 12 week study of the Psalms. Books are \$5 and can be purchased from Earle Lusk. Books aren't required, but helpful. All are welcome! Please join us!

Youth Sunday School—10:00am Sundays in the Youth Room

Led by Dylan Cantin, the youth Sunday School meets every Sunday morning at 10:00am in the youth room. During this time, we will discuss the scripture and message and incorporate worship elements like music into our hour. 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.

Presbyterian Women—2nd Tuesday of the Month at 10:00am

Led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz, the Presbyterian Women's Sisters in Christ Circle will meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will take place January 13th at 10:00am in rooms 5&7. We are studying "Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ" by Rhashell D. Hunter. For more information about how you can be involved, contact Patty Martin at bill.martin2@verizon.net or Sue Miskiewicz at susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com.

Fresh Brewed—First Friday of the Month at 10:30am

Fresh Brewed meets on the first Friday of the month at 10:30am in rooms 5&7. Our next meeting will take place February 6th. We are taking the month of January off. Our book study is "One Thousand Gifts" by Ann VosKamp. If you have any questions or need a book, please contact Louise Mylin at LVNM1@hotmail.com or 727-787-9868.

<u>Please send articles for all publications to Emily Cantin at Communications(a) northwoodpc.org.</u>

• Any submissions for the bulletin and announcements must be emailed by the Sunday before it is to appear. (Please limit all announcements to 4 lines.)







Announcements—January 4, 2026 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 the next Discovering Northwood Presentation, Sunday, January 18th at 9:45am. Welcome!

Annual Report Deadline

Annual Report deadline to the Session, Committees, Pastors & Staff is Monday, January 5th by noon. Please submit your electronic copy to <u>communications@northwoodpc.org</u>. There are copies of last year's annual report in the church office if needed. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Thanks!

Music Ministry's Annual Garage Sale

We sure hope you've been collecting for the 2026 Annual Music Ministry's Garage Sale! You are what makes it such a success. Drop-off have started and will run through January 13, 2026 from 10am-4pm. If you need a different time or help, call Susan Curry. Please take a card from the narthex and invite your family, friends and neighbors to



donate and attend the sale. The Garage Sale is scheduled for January 15, 16 and 17, 2026 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. We will have Breakfast and Lunch available for purchase all three days along with baked goods that will benefit our Youth Program. More details will follow in the Windows and in the bulletins later in December and January. If you have questions, please call Susan Curry (727) 709-8237.

Annual Congregational Meeting—Jan 25

Mark your calendars for the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 25th. The Meeting starts at 12:00 pm in the Sanctuary. We will hear reports from the Session, the Deacons and their Ministry Teams. We will also be electing new officers, as the Officer Nominating Committee brings its nominations.

ONLINE Directory

Church Directory available! While churches no longer offer paper church directories of members and friends, Northwood offers an Online Directory available through our website, www.northwoodpc.org. If you don't already have a login and password, you can create one by visiting our website at www.northwoodpc.org and clicking on the LOGIN link at the top of the page. When the screen appears, just click where it says "Need a login?" Follow the steps to create the login. Once you have created an account, you may look up members in the directory by clicking on the "directories" tab and entering a first and/or last name. We are available to help if needed. Call Emily Cantin in the church office and arrange a time to come by, 727-796-8090.



Northwood Photo Group—January 13

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 13th 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 or Curtis Krueger at curtis.krueger@gmail.com.

NPC Garden Club—January 17

Calling all green thumb enthusiasts! Join the NPC Garden Team, January 17th, 9am-12pm. Our focus will be East Main Entry Flower Bed, North Entry Flower Bed and Fertilization. If you have any questions, please contact Ritchie and Leslie Henley at rhenley67@icloud.com or leslieanne1968@icloud.com or rhenley67@icloud.com or 813-833-1108.

Mission Opportunity to Honduras

The Mission and Outreach Committee is offering an opportunity for the Northwood members to participate in a mission trip organized by First Presbyterian Church of St. Petersburg. The dates are June 21-28, 2026. The group will fly to Comayagua, Honduras and travel by chartered bus to The New Hope Clinic in San Francisco, Honduras to participate in health screenings, children's ministries in local churches and schools. If interested or to sign up, please contact John Sutphin

(913-687-9410), je.sutphin@gmail.com or Pastor Chris Curvin.

Flower Arrangements

The flowers that are placed in the sanctuary are assembled into smaller arrangements to be distributed to those who are ill or in need of encouragement. If you know someone in need, you are welcome to take one of these arrangements. They can be picked up during the week in the church office Monday-Friday 9am-3pm.



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

Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes available on the table in the church library. Boxes are not numbered or labeled; you may take any one. Please remember that when making "Cash" contributions, include your first and last name on the envelope to be sure it is accurately recorded. The individual envelopes in the box are marked for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th Sunday of each month rather than being dated. Envelopes for the 5th Sunday, if needed, are at the back of the box.

Pledge Cards for 2026

Thank you for your faithful answer to God's call to give freely and wholeheartedly to support the ministry and mission of Northwood Presbyterian Church in 2025. If you have already submitted a pledge card for the coming year, thank you! Pledge cards are available in the narthex and the church office. Thank you again for all God has done in and through your giving back to Him at Northwood Presbyterian in 2025.

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!