

Pledge Cards for 2024

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 2023. 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 2023.

2023 Contributions

Giving intended for 2023 must be received in the church office by noon on Friday, December 29th or postmarked no later than December 29, 2023. Contributions which are processed electronically through your bank's online bill pay or via our website must be initiated much earlier (probably no later than December 27) so that the transaction will fully process and qualify for deduction in 2023.

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.

Restrooms

Restrooms are located in the hallway past the Library and in the hallway across from the kitchen. Hand Sanitizers are conveniently located at each exit.



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— December 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 the next Discovering Northwood Presentation, Sunday, January 21st at 10:00am. WELCOME!**

Beth-El & HEP Angel Tree



It's that time of year when we have the opportunity to help our adopted families with Christmas! This year we are working with families from the Beth-El Farmworkers Ministry and with HEP (Homeless Empowerment Program). Beth-El angels remain on the tree. The angel decorations will have a gift or general household items printed on them. Select as many angels as you like. If you took a house off the tree for HEP, please make sure your gift is under the tree by this Sunday, Dec. 3rd. Thank you so much for sharing the love of Jesus Christ in this way during the Christmas Season!

Poinsettias

Do you have someone you'd like to honor or remember with a poinsettia in the sanctuary this Christmas? For just \$10, you can make that happen. Place your check designated "Poinsettia" and the completed sign-up form from today's friendship sheet (through December 17) in the giving station or drop off in the church office during regular office hours. If paying online, be sure to send an email to communications@northwoodpc.org with the names of your loved ones and whether it is in memory or honor.



Ring, Sing & Mingle – December 10



Northwood's three handbell choirs will present a variety of Christmas Music interspersed with Carol singing and ending with a cookie reception. At the festive reception there will be a photo booth backdrop, so bring your phones for pics and wear your Christmas finery to get some great family shots for your Christmas Cards this year. Please bring homemade cookies for the event. That's the best part!!

Attendance for 11/26/23 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary— 68 In-Person Traditional— 125

Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary— 58

Traditional— 80

Facebook Live: 113 views

Total: 444

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!

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

The Ren Crew Friday Fellowship will meet on Friday, December 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,” Rachele Cox will provide the program, “The Breathtaking Beauty of Norway and Iceland: The Land of Fire and Ice.” Following the program, we will enjoy lunch at BJ’s 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, contact Pastor Paul Means at paul@northwoodpc.org.



Presbyterian Women's Bible Study—Dec. 12

All Women are Welcome

Presbyterian Women, Sister in Christ, are using a Bible study called “*Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus in Luke-Acts*” by Olive Mahabir. The lesson will be Tuesday, December 12th at 10:00 am in rooms 5 & 7 with a Christmas brunch to follow. All are invited! If you’d like more information or have any questions, please contact Patty Martin at bill.martin2@verizon.net.

Christmas Cantata— December 17

“Light Into Darkness” with Chancel Choir & Instruments by Mary McDonald. The Cantata will be performed Sunday, December 17th, during our ONE Worship Service at 10:00a.m.



Cedarkirk WOMENS Retreat—Jan 26-28

Join the ladies of Northwood for a spirit-filled weekend of fellowship, games, crafts and canoeing. Enjoy the great outdoors while staying in air-conditioned lodges. The dates are **January 26-28, 2024**. You won’t want to miss this amazing weekend! Reservation forms are available at the church office and due now.



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 let Jennifer McManus know, who is serving as our Acting Director of Children’s Ministry. You may contact Jennifer at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org or say “hello” to her when you see her on Sunday morning!

Music Ministries Annual Garage Sale

January 11, 12 & 13

The annual Garage Sale is scheduled for January 11, 12 and 13, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Thank you for helping us get the word out to friends, neighbors and family. There will soon be announcement cards in the narthex for you to post at your clubhouses, places of business or to hand out. Please reach out via social media to your friends and family about the sale. Volunteer to help if you can – it’s a lot of fun. Please call Susan Curry (727) 709-8237 if you have questions.

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 www.northwoodpc.org and click on the giving tab.
3. Click “Give” under the *ChurchLife* app menu options