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Announcements– May 21, 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. WELCOME!

Discovering Northwood Presentation—TODAY

A Discovering Northwood presentation will be held TODAY in Room 4 at **10:00am** 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!

Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Member Selection

Inspired by the life and ministry of our foremothers, today's Presbyterian Women are steadfast in faith, mission and resolve to be Christ's witnesses to the world. In this regard, the Life Membership award was established to honor those who embody the principles of our pledge. To date, Northwood Presbyterian Women has selected just 34 very deserving recipients.

Congratulations to this year's selection, Barbara Moler.

Barbara's presence is notable indoors, outdoors and around the town. Her many contributions to our church and its congregation include participation in Kitchen Krew activities, contribution to the annual garage sale, beautification of our grounds and the memorial garden, provision of transportation, meals and home communion for church members and much more.

Barbara is a resting officer of NPC, coordinates ushers for the traditional service, and participates in many more church and community activities.

Barbara received a certificate, a Life Membership pin and will have her name added to the Honorary Life Membership plaque in the narthex.

Pentecost Special Offering & Hot Dog Sunday—May 28

The Pentecost offering will be collected for children at risk, with 80% of the offering divided between Bay Area Pregnancy Center and Cedarkirk. The offering will provide scholarships to send children to summer Christian camps. The remaining 20% is sent to the Presbytery of Tampa Bay for ministries with youth and children. We invite you to wear RED on this Pentecost Sunday. In addition to our cookie and coffee hour, we will be serving hotdogs in between services. Gathering will take place in the hallways from the kitchen windows.

Jane Sutton Book Club—May 22

Come and join the Jane Sutton Book Club! 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.

Northwood Scholarship Application 2023

NPC members who are high school seniors, college/vocational students or grad students are encouraged to pick up guidelines/applications from Emily Cantin, online, or in the church office now. **Applications must be returned to JoAnne Spigarelli @ jpspig1@gmail.com. Applications must be received by June 1, 2023.** Applications will not be accepted in the church office. Applicants need to be involved in the life of the church (either here or at college/Seminary). This scholarship can only be received twice. We give thanks to the Bakers, Gordons, Wrights and others whose generosity to Northwood was reflected in their last will and testament. Scholarship funds come from interest earned from the following: (1) The Fred and Kay Baker Scholarship Fund, (2) The Walter and Catherine Gordon Educational Endowment, (3) Clarence and Florence Wright Scholarship Fund, (4) Monies received from other sources.

The Project Group—May 23

Come and join us! We're women of all ages who sew, knit, and crochet items with a mission purpose. We sew little dresses for Haiti or walker bags, make lap robes, or knit caps for newborns. We meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 10:00am in Room 13. There we bring our projects, share ideas, get encouragement to finish projects, sort through donated material and enjoy Christian fellowship. PLEASE join us on May 23rd at 10:00 am in Room 13. Questions? Call Evelyn Towns 727-785-3743.

VBS Save the Date—July 17-21

Northwood Vacation Bible School

July 17-21, 2023

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join us for a week of fun, faith-building activities!

Our VBS is open to Pre-k - 5th grade,
also welcoming grades 6 - 12 to volunteer.



Northwood's 4th Friday Movie Night



All are invited on Friday night, **May 26th from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm** for our 4th Friday "Northwood Movie Night". We will be showing *Peter Pan & Wendy*. Bring lawn chairs, family, friends, and a picnic and we will show the film in the Family Life Center (gym). Popcorn and drinks will be available as well. We encourage you to invite friends and help them get to know us here at Northwood.

King's Kids

King's Kids has resumed and will be meeting every Wednesday night in room 16, 4PM-6PM, until the end of the school year. Children ages VPK-5th grade are welcome to join this free program that includes a children's sermon, games, activities, food, fellowship, and fun! Please contact Karlee Wright @ ChildrensMinistry@northwoodpc.org for any questions. join us!"

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 email Karlee Wright at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org if you are interested or have any questions.

Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat—SIGN UP NOW!

The annual Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat will be October 20-22. Poster and brochures can be found on the bulletin board directly across from the kitchen. Deposits with room requests are being accepted starting today. Sign up early for best choice of rooms! Also, save the date for the Women's Retreat – Jan. 26-28, 2024!

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. Please commit to maintain your regular schedule of giving throughout this time 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

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, please contact Mickey Stewart at walkey1a@outlook.com or the church office at 727-796-8090. If emailing, please 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.

With hurricane season approaching, we are all encouraged to prepare for a possible storm. A source for weather advisories is:

<https://www.baynews9.com/fl/tampa/weather>.

This guide has valuable information for Pinellas County

<http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/>.

Nursery Volunteers Needed!

The nursery is in need of volunteers during the 9am & 11am services. If you are interested, please contact Karlee Wright at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org or karleeRwright@gmail.com

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 between 12:15-12:30 on Sunday in the kitchen.

Memorial Gifts

If you wish to make a gift to the church in honor or in memory of someone, please be sure to attach the blue Memorial Gifts form to your contribution. Completing the form ensures that we have all the information necessary to properly direct the gift and acknowledge it to both you and the recipient. Forms are located near the memorial book in the Narthex or in the Church Office. Thank you for your assistance.

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 \$35.61 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.

Attendance for 5/7/23 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary— 59 In-Person Traditional— 103

Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary— 38

Traditional— 49

Facebook Live: 54 views for Traditional Service Total: 303

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!