Large Print Announcements

Announcements— January 7, 2024 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!

Blood Drive—TODAY

TODAY from 9:30am-12:15pm 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.

Grief Recovery and God's Grace

Beginning Wednesday, January 10th and continuing through Wednesday, February 14th, Pastor Paul will lead a six-week 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 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.. 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 paul@northwoodpc.org.

Annual Report Deadline

Annual Report deadline to the Session, Committees, Pastors & Staff is Monday, January 7th 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!

Cedarkirk WOMENS Retreat—Sign Up TODAY!

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

Sing with Composer Lloyd Larson– Rehearsals Begin January 10

On Sunday, March 2, church music composer Lloyd Larson will be presenting a concert with our choir in the afternoon and will be present in each worship service that morning. His resume is impressive. His compositions and arrangements include well over 1,500 published works and he is in great demand as a clinician. He is also an excellent pianist, performer, director and has a heart for church music. We will gain a lot both musically and spiritually as we work with him. **Beginning Wednesday evening, January 10**, the choir will start rehearsing his music in the first part of choir rehearsal, 7-7:40. We would love you to be a part of that and have a large choir for Lloyd Larson to prepare. Please consider joining us and let me know – I will save you a spot!

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

Hold on just a little longer. Garage Sale drop-off will begin on December 27, 2023 and run through January 9, 2024. We accept most items except for tvs, entertainment centers or regular appliances. If you are unsure, please contact Susan Curry (727) 709-8237. She is also looking for more volunteers to setup, sort, price, cashier, bag, security and clean-up. We are in need of oversize bags, wire hangers and wrapping material like newspaper or tissue paper. Please take a card from the narthex and invite your friends and family to donate and attend the sale. The Garage Sale is scheduled for January 11, 12 and 13, 2024 from 8:00a.m. until 2:00p.m. Thank you for helping us get the word out to friends, neighbors and family.

Annual Congregational Meeting—Jan. 28

Mark your calendars for the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 28th. 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.

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. 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 <u>www.northwoodpc.org</u> and click on the giving tab.
- 3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife app* menu options

Fun! Friends! Friday! The Ren Crew- Jan. 19

The Ren Crew Friday Fellowship will meet on Friday, January 19th 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," Jack and Claudia Alwood will provide the program "HAWAI'I: You Had Me at Aloha." Following the program, we will enjoy lunch at Bonefish Grill 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, you may contact Pastor Paul Means at 727-796- 8090 or paul@northwoodpc.org.

Northwood Photo Group- January 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. January 9th at 7:00pm in rooms 5-7. All are invited whether you're a beginner or an expert.

If you have any questions, contact <u>curtis.krueger@gmail.com</u> or <u>david@primeimagesinc.com</u>.

Attendance for 12/31/23 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary— 40 In-Person Traditional— 79 Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary— 92

Traditional— 88

Facebook Live: 135 views Total: 434

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!

Citylight Youth Ministry Schedule

Sunday 1/7

9:00 am - Contemporary Service

10: 05 am - 11:00 am - Sunday School

11:00 am - Traditional Service

Wednesday 1/10

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm - Citynight

Thursday 1/11, Friday 1/12, Saturday 1/13

7:00 am - 1:00 pm - Church Garage Sale,

Youth Volunteers needed!

Sunday 1/14

9:00 am - Contemporary Service

10: 05 am - 11:00 am - Sunday School

11:00 am - Traditional Service

Rosalie Pareja has resigned from her role as the Director of Youth & Family Ministries. Sunday, January 14th will be her last day with her Northwood family. All are invited to a light reception following the contemporary service to say goodbyes next Sunday.