Large Print Announcements

Announcements – January 14, 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!

Annual Garage Sale—Thank You!

Thank you to all of you who donated and spent so much time helping with another successful Garage Sale. Your donations and all the people who devoted hours and hours are appreciated. We'll post the tally next week but wanted to say a sincere thank you for supporting the Music Ministry program. We appreciate all of you and your generosity!

Thank you, Susan Curry and Stephanie Carson

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.

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.

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.

Sing with Composer Lloyd Larson– Rehearsals Began January 10

On Sunday, March 3, 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. The choir began rehearsing and will continue rehearsals 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!

Annual Congregational Meeting—Jan. 28

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, January 28th**. The Meeting will begin as soon as the 11 A.M. service concludes at noon. Annual Reports will be distributed with information from the Session, Deacons, Ministry Teams and church staff and others. The Nominating Committee will present the following below for election at the Annual Meeting:

Elders: Tim Beaver, Rachelle Cox, Jill Loomis, Dee Rivers

Decons: Claudia Alwood (2 yr.), Randy Ball, Betty Spoerl, Roxie Swartz,

Cindy Whiteside

Nominating Committee: Polly Brown, Linda Feller, Curtis Kreuger,

Jean Swintek

Memorial Garden: Sandy Gibson, Barbara Moler, Georgia Rounding

The Session examination for new officers is Monday, February 26th at 7 P.M. in room 4. Officers will be installed in worship on Sunday, March 10th. Officer training dates for newly elected elders and deacons are February 11th and February 18th from 4-6 P.M. in rooms 9-11 of the Christian Education Building.

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

Jane Sutton Book Club—Jan. 22

The Jane Sutton Book Club will be starting back up this January 2024. 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.

The Project Group- January 23

We have new members and new projects that we are working on during our meetings and at home. If you sew, knit, crochet or craft with a mission purpose (e.g. make greeting cards), you are invited! The project group meets the 4th Tuesday of the month (**January 23rd**) at 10:00am in room 13. We make little dresses for Haiti, lap robes, walker bags, and stuffed teddy bears. New members are always welcome. Contact Marti Huff 727-503-3783 or Evelyn Towns 727-785-3743 with any questions.

Attendance for 1/7/23 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary— 51 In-Person Traditional— 118 Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary— 100

Traditional— 100

Facebook Live: 120 views Total: 489

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 1/14

9:00 am - Contemporary Service

10:00 am - Farewell Reception for Rosalie - Rooms 5&7

(following the 9am worship service)

11:00 am - Traditional Service