

Large Print Announcements

Announcements– January 21, 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. WELCOME!

Discovering Northwood Presentation—TODAY

A Discovering Northwood presentation will be held TODAY in Room 4 from **10:00am to 11:00am** 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!

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.

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.

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!

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

Deacons: 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 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

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!

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.

Compassionate Care Card Ministry

When a member is ill or suffers a loss, a deacon sends get well or sympathy cards. Deacon Carol Rathmell faithfully sends these cards of comfort. If you are aware of someone in need, please contact Carol at csrathmell@aol.com or contact the church office at 727-796-8090.

Attendance for 1/14/23 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!

Email Scam Alert

Some members have received scam emails that appear to be from our pastor, in past years. The emails, disguised as his, request you purchase gift cards and email the card's numbers to him. Other churches have the same problem. As a rule, our church staff will never solicit funds by email. If you receive such an email, please forward the message to the church office but do not respond to it.

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.

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.

Transportation Ministry

Northwood provides transportation for those who need it to and from the 11:00 AM worship service. Call the church office, 796-8090, before noon on Thursdays to reserve a seat on the van.