

Large Print Announcements

Announcements– April 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. **Mark your calendar for the next Discovering Northwood Presentation, Sunday, May 12th at 10:00am.** WELCOME!

Jane Sutton Book Club—April 22

The Jane Sutton Book Club will be April 22nd. 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– April 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 (**April 23**) 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.

One Great Hour of Sharing Envelopes Available

Envelopes are now available in the pews for the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. This year, 80% of the money received will be divided equally between local ministries, Metropolitan Ministries & Presbyterian Disaster Fund, and 20% will go to the Presbytery of Tampa Bay.

Presbyterian Women Bible Study—May 14, 11:00am

You are invited to attend our recommitment service and brief study of chapter 9 of this year's Presbyterian Women Bible study entitled *Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus in Luke-Acts*, by Olive Mahabir. The final lesson and presentation will be held in the sanctuary on May 14th at 11:00am. Following the lesson, we will meet in rooms 5,7,9 for a potluck birthday luncheon. If you'd like more information or have any questions, please contact Patty Martin at bill.martin2@verizon.net.

Northwood Scholarship Application 2024

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, 2024.** 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.

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.

Children's Sunday School

Children's Sunday School for ages 4 to 5th grade is held weekly during both Worship Services (9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.) in Room 14. For registration, contact Jennifer at: childrensministry@northwoodpc.org or 727-796-8090 x2002, or stop by Room 14 if you are just joining us today!

Nursery

The Nursery is available for childcare during both the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services. Our staff are screened and trained to provide safe, caring and entertaining supervision to your little ones while you attend Worship.

King's Kids

Our Spring 2024 King's Kids Session will be held on Wednesdays from 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m., March 20th – May 8th. Join our group of adventurers as we discover New Testament stories of Jesus' amazing ministry through interactive lessons, crafts, and other fun activities. Ages 4 to 5th grade.

VBS Save the Date—July 15-19

Northwood Vacation Bible School July 15-19, 2024—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.

**For registration or information, please contact:
Jennifer McManus, Director of Children's Ministry
childrensministry@northwoodpc.org
727-796-8090 x2002**

Cedarkirk Retreats—Save the Dates

Please save the dates for these Cedarkirk events on your calendar! The Fall Church Retreat will be held on Oct. 11-13, 2024 and the Women's Retreat will be held on Jan. 10-12, 2025. Registration info for the Fall Retreat will be available in May.

Northwood's Got Talent—Save the Date—May 19th

Save the date for an afternoon of talent, fun and laughter! The date for this years NGT is Sunday, May 19th at 4:00pm. If you are interested in participating, please contact Babs Bailey at dixiechick411@gmail.com or 727-512-9476

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. 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

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.

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.

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.)

Attendance for 4/14/24 **Livestream & In-Person**

In-Person Contemporary— 46 In-Person Traditional— 178

Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary— 75

Traditional— 52

Facebook Live: 116 views

Total: 467

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!

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Monday, April 22: Edwin Smith, Garry Justice

Tuesday, April 23: Lindsay Frame

Wednesday, April 24: Keith Nadig, Kat Voss

Friday, April 26: Diane Lynn, Jessie Lusk, Tom Michaels,
Eli Jeffre, Isaac Jeffre

Saturday, April 27: Shaun Flaherty, Olivia French

If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in church recently, give them a call!

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by

Friends of Northwood

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the “2024 Flower Reservation Chart” on the bulletin board across from the kitchen, or you may send your information directly to communications@northwoodpc.org. Please remember to mark “flowers” and the date on your \$30 donation. Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!

FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD **CHURCH TODAY**

GREETERS:

- (9:00) Cindy Gamble & Susan Hasell
- (11:00) Elaine & Charles Rumpel

USHERS:

- (9:00) Marie Ziegler & Jill Manning
- (11:00) Carol & Conrad Trunzo