

# Large Print Announcements

## Announcements– February 2, 2025

### **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](mailto: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, March 16th at 9:45am. WELCOME!**

### **Wonderful Wednesdays (WAY) Dinner & Series February 12, 19, 26 & March 5**

Save the dates on your calendar! Come and get involved in the Wonderful Wednesday Dinners and Bible Study led by the pastors beginning Wednesday, February 12. The study is titled “The Images of Lent and Their Meanings For Our Lives”. Lent is an important period of study and worship in the Church throughout the world. It is a forty-day period in preparation for Easter. In addition, it is time over the centuries in which Christians are called to express deep sorrow and regret at having done something wrong. As we prepare during Lent to journey to Christ’s victory on the cross there are some images and symbols which are very helpful for us to study and reflect upon for living a life of faith in Jesus Christ. Join us in our WAY Bible Studies and Ash Wednesday as we explore a few of these meaningful symbols. Brochures are located in the hallway across from the kitchen. Wednesdays at Northwood are filled with fellowship and friends and would love to see you here! Note: The Ash Wednesday Service will take place at 6:45pm in the Sanctuary on March 5th so there will be NO study on this day.

#### **February 12, 2025**

Grilled Chicken Breast with Piccata Sauce, Yellow Rice, Buttered Green Peas, Fresh Baked Bread and Butter, Plant City Strawberry Shortcake.

#### **February 19, 2025**

Fresh Fruit Salad, Sweet Baby Rays Barbecue Pulled Pork, Creamy Cole Slaw, Whole Kernel Corn Confetti, Fresh Bread Rolls, All American Apple Pie.

### February 26, 2025

Traditional Caesar Salad, Homemade Baked Ziti with Meat Sauce, Green Bean Almondine, Fresh Made Garlic Bread, Chantilly Bar Cake with Strawberry Sauce.

### March 5, 2025-Ash Wednesday

Hearty Potato Soup with Ham Tidbits, Baked Cured Ham and Smoked Virginia Turkey Hoagie Sandwich, Cape Cod Potato Chips, Decadent Fudge Brownie Drizzled with Melba Sauce.

## Sing with Composer Craig Courtney– Rehearsals Begin February 5th

On Sunday, March 30, church music composer Craig Courtney will be presenting a concert with our choir in the afternoon at 4:00pm and will be present in worship service that morning. Mr. Courtney's published works include more than two hundred choral octavos, nine vocal collections, a piano solo collection and six extended works for choir and orchestra. Compositionally, Mr. Courtney combines his training and background as a pianist, a cellist, a vocal coach, an accompanist and a choral director to create works that bear his unique style. We have 40 of his compositions and arrangements on our own shelves and greatly look forward to meeting him in person and delving into the stories behind his songs. **Beginning Wednesday evening, February 5,** 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 Craig Courtney to prepare. Please consider joining us and let me know – I will save you a spot!

## Scout Sunday—Feb. 9

Northwood Celebrates Scouting Programs in our Community! On Sunday, **February 9th**, Northwood invites all scouts, leaders and family members to both the 9:00am and 11:00am worship services for Scout Sunday. All Scouts are encouraged to come in full uniform. Northwood's own Boy Scout Troop 413 will be offering a Pancake Breakfast on this Sunday after both services. Donations to the Troop are welcome. Make plans now to come hungry for warm pancakes, eggs and sausage!

The Scouts are also collecting non-perishable food items to be delivered to a local food bank in our area. If you'd like to donate, please bring a food item with you to the Scout Sunday pancake breakfast.

## **Kirkin' o' the Tartan—Feb. 16** **ONE Worship Service—10:00am**

Please plan on joining us for the Kirkin' O' the Tartan ceremony during our ONE Worship Service at 10:00am on Sunday, February 16th. Members of The Dunedin High School Pipe Band will perform during the procession and recession of the Tartans. If you would like to participate in this meaningful ceremony, please contact Leslie Henley at 540-320-5586, or by email at [leslianne1968@icloud.com](mailto:leslianne1968@icloud.com).

## **Fun! Friends! Friday! The Ren Crew– Feb. 14**

The Ren Crew Friday Fellowship will meet on Friday, February 14th at 10:30 in the sanctuary. 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 & Earle and Jessie Lusk will provide the program “Scotland”. Following the program, we will enjoy lunch at a local 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](mailto:paul@northwoodpc.org).

## **NPC Garden Club—Feb. 15**

Join the NPC Garden Club, January 15th (third Saturday) from 9am-Noon. Our focus will be the southeast corner of the front entry and main entry island as well as the central courtyard landscaping areas. If you have any questions, contact Ritchie & Leslie Henley at [leslianne1968@icloud.com](mailto:leslianne1968@icloud.com) or 813-833-1180.

## **California Fires Response**

As we as a congregation pray for the safety of our brothers and sisters who have been impacted by the fires in California, we are gathering information about how we as a church can help. Checks should be made payable to Northwood Presbyterian Church with “LA Fires” in the memo line. Contributions can also be made online through the church’s website or delivered to the church office or delivered during normal business hours (9:00am – 3:00pm M-F).

## **Youth Ministry**

Every Sunday morning, the youth, which includes middle school, high school and college age students, will meet for Sunday School at 10:00am in the youth room. Wednesday evenings we will have Youth Group meet at 6pm in the youth room. Game night will meet on Fridays from 7pm-10pm in the youth room/FLC. If you have any questions, please contact Dylan Cantin at [youthdirector@northwoodpc.org](mailto:youthdirector@northwoodpc.org) or 727-796-8090 x2008.

## **Nursery Care Available**

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. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 727-796-8090 or [communications@northwoodpc.org](mailto:communications@northwoodpc.org)

## **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](http://www.northwoodpc.org) and click on the giving tab.
3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife app* menu options

## **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.

# **FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY**

## **GREETERS:**

- (9:00) Jill Manning & Louise Mylin  
(11:00) Lois Harber & Gretchen Worth

## **USHERS:**

- (9:00) Carol Zieres & Cindy Gamble  
(11:00) Sandy & Larry Ingram

## **COFFEE SERVERS:**

- (9:00) Marie Ziegler & Susan Hasell  
(11:00) Leslie Henley & Joanne Ross

## **Greeter Ministry**

Northwood Presbyterian has a reputation for being a warm, friendly and welcoming church. Our Greeter Ministry plays a very important role in this reputation. Our greeters are volunteers who are the first point of contact for our visitors and members. Wouldn't you like to greet and be blessed as well? If you are interested in becoming involved in this very important ministry, please contact Cindy Gamble, the Deacon responsible for greeters in the 9:00 service at [gamblecindy3@gmail.com](mailto:gamblecindy3@gmail.com). The Deacon responsible for greeters in the 11:00 service is Barbara Forsyth. She can be reached at [gulfvu@hotmail.com](mailto:gulfvu@hotmail.com).

## **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

- Tuesday, February 4:*** Chris Bryant, Drew Strelcheck,  
Jack Winder  
***Thursday, February 6:*** Art Worth, Alyssa Hager,  
Joshua Henley  
***Friday, February 7:*** Terry Steele, Pam Means, Kim Blackmore,  
Jessica Catlin, Joshua Walker  
***Saturday, February 8:*** Bev Ventrella, Renee Voss, Todd Pope,  
Ryan Weitz, Aidan McDermott

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

## **Attendance for 1/26/25 Livestream & InPerson**

**In-Person Contemporary— 47 In-Person Traditional— 189**

**Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary— 60**

**Traditional— 62**

**Facebook Live: 82 views**

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!

## **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 “2025 Flower Reservation Chart” on the bulletin board across from the kitchen, or you may send your information directly to [communications@northwoodpc.org](mailto: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!

## **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.

## **Hearing Devices**

Hearing devices are available for use during the worship services. Please ask an usher if you are in need.

## **Nursery**

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## **Did you know?**

There are complimentary greeting cards available in the library directly to your left as you enter. These are provided and kept up to date by the Deacons.

## **Please send articles for all publications to Emily Cantin at [Communications@northwoodpc.org](mailto: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.)