

Large Print Announcements

Announcements– July 6, 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 if you are interested in how to do all the above or wish to become a member or learn more about us. The next Discovering Northwood Presentation to learn more about who we are and consider membership will be held on September 21st at 9:45am. Welcome!

Congratulations to Scholarship Recipients

The Scholarship team met on Tuesday, June 10, 2025. Congratulations to the following students who were awarded scholarships:

First time applicants: Ava Catlin, Hannah Gipson, Jacob Pope,
Delaney Pope

Second time applicant: Drew Strelcheck

Jacob Pope was selected as the Clarence and Florence Wright Scholarship recipient. Funds Provided by: Fred and Kay Baker Scholarship, Walter and Catherine Gordon Scholarship, Clarence and Florence Wright Scholarship, monies received from other sources.

Ladies Game Night—July 15

Come and join the fun and fellowship at Northwood Presbyterian Church. Open to all ladies who enjoy playing board games in the company of others! No RSVP required. We will meet in rooms 5 & 7 on Tuesday, July 15th at 7:00pm. Bring your favorite deck of cards or board game along with a beverage and a snack to share. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Zieres at carolzieres@gmail.com.

Women's Retreat– January 9-11, 2026

Join the women of Northwood for a spirit revitalizing weekend of fellowship, games, crafts, canoeing, and leisurely walks in the woods. Enjoy the great outdoors while staying in air-conditioned lodges. You won't want to miss this amazing weekend! Registration forms are available on the poster across from the kitchen. Deposits with room requests are now being accepted. Sign up early for best choice of rooms! If you have any questions, contact Jeanne at jeanneestephen@gmail.com.

ONLINE Directory

Church Directory available! While churches no longer offer paper church directories of members and friends, Northwood offers an Online Directory available through our website, www.northwoodpc.org. If you don't already have a login and password, you can create one by visiting our website at www.northwoodpc.org and clicking on the LOGIN link at the top of the page. When the screen appears, just click where it says "Need a login?" Follow the steps to create the login. Once you have created an account, you may look up members in the directory by clicking on the "directories" tab and entering a first and/or last name. We are available to help if needed. Call Emily Cantin in the church office and arrange a time to come by, 727-796-8090.

Grand Piano Fundraising Campaign

"Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord!" We need your help to raise significant funds in the next five months in order to purchase a quality grand piano. Your generous donation, whether big or small, will go directly toward making this dream a reality. You can make a donation by filling out a bright green campaign card that you should have received in the mail. They are also located in the narthex and in the church office. You can also make a donation online on our church website or send a check payable to NPC with "grand piano campaign" in the memo. We are grateful for your support and prayers as we strive to glorify God through our Music Ministry for generations to come!

Youth

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 evening we have Youth Group that meets at 6:00pm in the youth room. Game night is every Friday evening from 7:00pm-10:00pm in the youth room/FLC. If you have any questions, please contact Dylan Cantin at youthdirector@northwoodpc.org or 727-723-5984.

SUMMER YOUTH WEEK SCHEDULE:

Monday, July 14: Garden Project, Location & Time TBA
Tuesday, July 15: Volunteer at Feeding Tampa Bay, 1pm-3:30pm
Wednesday, July 16: Beach Clean-Up, 10:00am
Thursday, July 17: VBS Set-Up & Movie Night at Northwood
Friday, July 18: VBS Set-Up & Top Golf

VBS Register NOW—July 21-25

Northwood Vacation Bible School will be held July 21-25, 2025 from 9:00am - 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. **Registration is open on our webpage at www.northwoodpc.org.**

VBS Donations Needed— New items in the hallway!

Thank you to all who have or will donate items to the VBS non-perishable requests. Our church family is so generous. **We have put out new suitcases/luggage tags for perishable items that will need to be returned by July 20th.** This year's VBS will be well attended and Road Trip will be a huge success with your help. Thank you. Contact Rachelle Cox (727) 798-6352 if you have any questions.

Kid's Corner Preschool Registration

Registration is currently open for the 2025-2026 school year! We have openings in our 2's, 3's, and VPK. Please share the news! If you are interested in a tour of the school, please contact Roxane Fineo at 727-723-7679 or email schooldirector@northwoodpc.org.

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

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

Hurricane Ministry

The Hurricane Ministry of our church's Board of Deacons assists members in need of temporary housing during or after hurricanes or severe tropical storms. If you are able to share your home with members in need during or after a storm, please contact Deacon Betty Spoerl at 931-722-0559 or bjspoerl@outlook.com. If emailing, use the subject "Hurricane Volunteer." Please include your name, address, phone number, email address, number of people you can accommodate, and whether you have pets. Accommodations must be non-smoking. With hurricane season approaching, we are all encouraged to prepare for a possible storm.

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. The Deacon responsible for greeters in the 11:00 service is Barbara Forsyth. She can be reached at gulfvu@hotmail.com.

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) Patty Martin & Tim Beaver

COFFEE SERVERS:

- (9:00) Linda Granata & Marti Raiche
- (11:00) Dee Rivers & Joan Ross

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, July 6: Jerry Goodman, Peri Decker
Tuesday, July 8: Linda Andreassen, Olivia Catlin
Wednesday, July 9: Betsy Wisler, Carol Bushnell,
Sandy Fahy, Ally Wolf
Thursday, July 10: Bridgette Ulrich, Samantha Wilson, Amy Schultz,
James Towell
Friday, July 11: Ward Johansen, Dawn Winder
Saturday, July 12: Debbie Lang

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

Carol Rathmell In Loving Memory of My Parents

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. 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.

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.

Prayer Chain Ministry

The prayer chain is a vital ministry that uses the power of multiple people praying at once for the urgent needs of the members and friends of Northwood. During the worship service the attendance form may be completed, which has an area for prayer concerns. These prayer requests are sent to the Deacon in charge of the prayer chain by the Associate Pastor, Paul Means. The Deacon then sends the request out to the Prayer Chain volunteers. Prayer requests may also be given to the church office or Deacon Sue Miskiewicz at susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com

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.)