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Announcements– March 8, 2026

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, March 15th at 9:45am.**Welcome!

Wonderful Wednesdays (WAY) Dinner & Study

This Wednesday, March 11th, we will continue with the Wonderful Wednesday Dinners and Bible Study led by the pastors. The dinner starts at 6:00pm in the Christian Education Building. Sign up on the brochure insert reservation form, or on the bulletin board across from the kitchen and return to the church office. Please remember to invite your friends, family and neighbors to join you.

Our Lenten study is from the book by Donald L. Griggs entitled, "Walking with Jesus: A Lenten Journey Guided by the Gospel of Luke." The devotions will focus on key passages from the Gospel of Luke as Jesus begins his journey in Galilee he "set his face to go to Jerusalem" and travels to Jerusalem to arrive in time to celebrate the Passover. Listed are the readings for Wednesday's study:

March 11th: Luke 14:7-14 "Living Upside Down"
March 18th: Luke 18:1-8 "Do Not Lose Heart!"

Northwood Photo Group– March 10

Would you like to start taking better pictures, and use photography as a way of exploring God's beauty? Please join us for the regular monthly meeting of the Northwood Photo Group on Tuesday. March 10th at 7:00pm in rooms 5-7. All are invited whether you're a beginner or an expert. If you have any questions, contact curtis.krueger@gmail.com or david@primeimagesinc.com.

Fun! Friends! Friday! Ren Crew— March 13

The Ren Crew Friday Fellowship will meet on Friday, March 13th 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," Earle and Jessie Lusk will provide the program "Egypt—Ancient History, Pharaohs, and the Nile". Following the program, we will enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. All are welcome! Join us and treat yourself to a Friday filled with fun and friends! For more information, you may contact Earle Lusk at 727-510-7373 or etlusk01@aol.com.

Composer Concert , Sunday, March 22 at 4:00pm

Composer Joseph Martin was at Northwood 10 years ago in 2016. He is coming back to work with our Chancel Choir! On **Sunday, March 22nd**, he will participate in both 9am & 11am Sunday services as well as present a concert at 4:00pm. This is a free concert and you will want to get there early for a good seat! Bring your friends and neighbors. There will be a chance to meet Joseph at the cookie reception following the concert and peruse and purchase his CD and piano music. If you have any questions, contact Stephanie at stephanie@northwoodpc.org or 727-458-9749.

Ladies Game Night—March 24

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, March 24th 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.

Jane Sutton Book Club—March 23

The Jane Sutton Book Club will be March 23rd. The group meets the 4th Monday of the month at 10:00am. This month, we will meet at the home of one of our members AND via Zoom. If you are interested in joining, please contact Eleanor Cicerchi by email at ecicerchi@gmail.com or by phone 607-382-1781 for the address to meet in person or for the Zoom link. The book to be discussed is *Mona's Eyes* by Thomas Schlesser.

Easter Lilies

Soon we'll be celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ! For just $10, you can honor someone or remember a loved one with the purchase of an Easter lily to beautify our sanctuary. Please complete the sign-up sheet in the Sunday bulletin and place that with your check into one of the giving stations (be sure to note "Easter lily" on the memo line of your check). Alternatively, you may purchase your lily online and follow-up with an email to communications@northwoodpc.org advising of who you are honoring or remembering with this gift. All donations should be made no later than Sunday, March 29.

Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes available on the table in the church library. Boxes are not numbered or labeled; you may take any one. Please remember that when making "Cash" contributions, include your first and last name on the envelope to be sure it is accurately recorded. The individual envelopes in the box are marked for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th Sunday of each month rather than being dated. Envelopes for the 5th Sunday, if needed, are at the back of the box.

Email Scam Alert

You may have received or are aware that some of our members have received scam emails and texts either today, in the past month, or even over a year ago, that appear to be from Pastor Chris. The emails and texts request a "brief" or "confidential" conversation with the pastor or financial support in the form of gift cards or other means of help.

DO NOT REPLY! Our pastor does NOT send these emails and texts, although the email address is very similar to his. This email scam is also happening to pastors in other churches in our area. Please know that your pastors and the church staff will never solicit any funds in this manner or ask for private conversations. Simply forward the message to the church office so they can be collected for the police. It saddens us when anyone seeks to do harm but especially when they prey on the kindness and Christ-like hearts of our members.

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

Youth Ministry-Spring Break

Calling all youth, including middle school, high school and college age students. We are planning lots of fun activities during the week of spring break, March 16-20. Come and join for any or all of these events**.** If you have any questions, please contact Dylan Cantin at
youthdirector@northwoodpc.org or
or 727-726-5984.

Preschool Registration for 2026-2027 School Year

Registration is underway for the 2026-2027 school year. If you are planning to register your child and need an enrollment packet, please stop by the school office. If you have any questions, contact our Schools Director, Roxane Fineo, schooldirector@northwoodpc.org or 727-723-7679.

Annual Report Booklets Available

If you did not receive an annual report booklet and you would like to have a copy, there are extras in the narthex and in the library.

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.

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. 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

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.

Attendance for 3/1/26 Livestream & InPerson

In-Person Contemporary— 56 **In-Person Traditional—** 129
Livestream from the Church Website: **Contemporary—**30
Traditional— 120

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!

FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

GREETERS:
(9:00) Sherri & Cliff Voege
(11:00) Carol & Conrad Trunzo

USHERS:
(9:00) Cindy Gamble & Georgia Rounding
(11:00) Chris Stitzel & Barbara Moler

COFFEE SERVERS:
(9:00) Marie Ziegler & Susan Hasell
(11:00) Edna Bartolucci & Lois Harber

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO…

Sunday, March 8: Sharon Card
Monday, March 9: Liana Stephen
Tuesday, March 10: Joan Warrington, Gale Dufresne
Wednesday, March 11: Darrell Cooper
Thursday, March 12: Carol Rathmell, Jim Carlstedt, Wilson Rigdon
Saturday, March 14: Andrew Michalk

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

Beth Linville
In Honor of Stephen's Retirement

Vickie Mills
In Loving Memory of Husband, Jon & Son, Kevin

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2026 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!

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.

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. The Deacon then sends the request out to the Prayer Chain volunteers. Prayer requests may also be given to the church office or Sue Miskiewicz at susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Biblical TakeAways—10:00am Sundays in Room 8
Led by Emily Sutphin & Earle Lusk, this adult Education Class/Bible Study **meets every Sunday morning at 10:00am in room 8.** We will continue our 12 week study of the Psalms. All are welcome! Please join us!

Youth Sunday School—10:00am Sundays in the Youth Room
Led by Dylan Cantin, the youth Sunday School **meets every Sunday morning at 10:00am in the youth room**. During this time, we will discuss the scripture and message and incorporate worship elements like music into our hour. 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.

Presbyterian Women—2nd Tuesday of the Month at 10:00am
Led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz, the Presbyterian Women's Sisters in Christ Circle will meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. **Our next meeting will take place March 10th at 10:00am in rooms 5&7.** We are studying *"Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ"* by Rhashell D. Hunter. For more information about how you can be involved, contact Patty Martin at bill.martin2@verizon.net or Sue Miskiewicz at susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com.

Fresh Brewed—First Friday of the Month at 10:30am
Fresh Brewed meets on the first Friday of the month at 10:30am in rooms 5&7. **Our next meeting will take place April 3rd.** Our book study is "One Thousand Gifts" *by Ann VosKamp*. If you have any questions or need a book, please contact Louise Mylin at LVNM1@hotmail.com or 727-787-9868.