

Large Print Announcements

Announcements– June 14, 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, September 20th at 9:45am.** Welcome!

Youth & Family Ministry Fundraiser—LAST DAY

Today is the last day of the fundraiser. In the church hallway, you will see envelopes on display boards decorated by members of our youth ministry. Each will have a number that correlates to a dollar amount. If you are interested in donating, please take an envelope with a dollar amount you feel comfortable with and please return the envelope, (sealed with your donation inside), to the church office Monday-Friday between 9-3pm or to the youth at the fundraising table between both services today, Sunday, May 31st. Checks can be made out to Northwood Presbyterian Church with “Youth Mission” in the memo are gratefully accepted. Your donation will be used to help fund special events and mission trips. Thank you for your support!

Jane Sutton Book Club—June 22

Our next discussion will be on Theo of Golden by Allen Levi. We will meet on the fourth Monday (June 22). We are a small group of readers who would welcome more voices as we discuss stories, characters and how they relate to our lives. We usually read contemporary fiction. Please join us for stimulating conversation and informal fellowship! If you are interested in joining, please contact Eleanor Cicerchi by email at ecicerchi@gmail.com or by phone 607-382-1781.

The Project Group– June 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 (**June 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.

Give One Day a Week, Make a Lifetime of Difference

Too many of our county's elderly suffer from loneliness and poor nutrition. Be a part of the solution by delivering food and friendship to older adults in your neighborhood. *You can join us by completing an application on the volunteer page at Neighborly.org.* Neighborly Meals on Wheels volunteers deliver more than nutritious meals; they deliver the smiles and hope that improve lives. In one to two hours, at lunchtime, you'll deliver to between 5 and 10 elderly neighbors. At this time, we have needs for volunteers in Safety Harbor, Clearwater and critically in Pinellas Park and St. Petersburg. For more information, go to Neighborly.org and click the Volunteer button at the top. Northwood members can also contact John Sutphin (Mission and Outreach Committee) at email je.sutphin@gmail.com or call 913-687-941

Cedarkirk Womens Retreat—January 8-10

Leave your worries (and your chores!) behind! Join the ladies of Northwood for a spirit-filled weekend of fellowship, games, crafts, and canoeing. We're excited to announce that Debra Musgrave Cox will once again be joining us as our speaker! You won't want to miss this amazing weekend! Reservation forms are available at the church office. Please save the date for Cedarkirk Women's Retreat on your calendar! The retreat will be held on Jan. 8-10, 2027.

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.

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.

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

Per-Capita Apportionment

Every church shares in the administrative costs of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) through the annual per capita assessment. Northwood's per-capita assessment is \$40.76 per every active member and confirmed youth (communicant member). Please consider paying this administrative cost above and beyond your annual pledge/offering. You can contribute to the per-capita apportionment at any time during the year. To do so just write "per-capita" on the memo line of your check or mark an envelope accordingly. Thank you for your gift!

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

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 Georgia Rounding, the Deacon responsible for greeters in the 9:00 service at Georgia_rounding@yahoo.com. The Deacon responsible for greeters in the 11:00 service is Sue Miskiewicz. She can be reached at susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com.

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.

Children's Church Packets

Children's bulletins/coloring sheets are located in the narthex! This bulletin offers age appropriate coloring pages that relate to the scripture used during worship. Any child may use the bulletins during our worship service. Please return the clipboard and crayons to the basket in the narthex after the service!

VBS Register NOW—June 22-26

Northwood Vacation Bible School will be held June 22-26, 2026 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. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Curry at 727-709-8237. **Registration is open on our webpage at www.northwoodpc.org.**

VBS Donations Needed—FRESH FOOD ITEMS

Thank you to all who have or will donate items to the VBS non-perishable requests. Our church family is so generous.

Fresh Items:

In addition to dry goods and supplies, we are in need of lots of fresh fruits and vegetables (i.e., Oranges, Strawberries, Blueberries, Apples, Bananas, Watermelon, Grapes).

Not only do we love to have fun, healthy, and creative snacks for the children to enjoy...but we especially love to spoil our volunteers! Our camp is equipped with a dedicated mess hall just for them. Our volunteers love things like wrap/sandwich trays, veggie/fruit trays, chips and dips, brownies, cookies, cakes, bagels, hot dogs, meatballs, casseroles, 2 litre regular & diet sodas, juices, etc. We serve roughly 30-40 adults at camp per day, and on the last day over 75. Please help us in filling our bear-lockers so that everyone at camp is well-fed!

Grocery Donations can be dropped off during the week of June 15th in the Church Office (M-Th: 9am-3pm, F: 9am-12pm) or on Sunday, June 21st, in the Kitchen. Platters and other delights may also be brought in daily during VBS week (June 21st-26th, 9am-12pm) to the Kitchen.

Because of all of you and your kind generosity, Snowball Mountain challenge is going to be extraordinary!

For registration or information, please contact:

Susan Curry at 727-709-8237 or

Rachelle Cox at rachelleacox1@gmail.com or (727) 798-6352

Attendance for 5/31/26 Livestream & In-Person

In-Person Contemporary— 47 In-Person Traditional— 111

Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary— 30

Traditional— 51

Facebook— 232

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!

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) Ann & Spencer Briggs

(11:00) Carol & Conrad Trunzo

USHERS:

(9:00) Cindy Gamble & Georgia Rounding

(11:00) Wilai McNay & Sue Miskiewicz

COFFEE SERVERS:

(9:00) Susan Hassel & Marie Ziegler

(11:00) Edna Bartolucci & Lois Harber

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Monday, June 15: Stephanie Carson, Jean Swintek

Tuesday, June 16: Tina Walker

Wednesday, June 17: Jessie Loy

Saturday, June 20: Joyce Allen

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.

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

Linda & Mike O'Leary

In Loving Memory of Pete Towns

Jean Swintek

In Honor of Daughter Dianne's Birthday

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!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Presbyterian Women—

The Presbyterian Women's Sisters in Christ Circle are taking a break over the summer and will resume meetings on Tuesday, August 11th at 10:00 am. We will begin a new 9 month study, "*United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other: Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians*" by Rhonda Mawhood Lee on September 8th. Study books will be available in early August and can be purchased for \$5.00. 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.

Biblical TakeAways—10:00am Sundays in Room 8

Led by Emily Sutphin & Earle Lusk, this adult Education Class/Bible Study meets on Sunday mornings at 10:00am in room 8. We are taking a Summer break and will meet again in September with a new study topic; stay tuned! All are welcome!

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. **We are taking a break for the summer. We will plan to resume back in September.** If you have any questions or need a book, please contact Louise Mylin at LVNM1@hotmail.com or 727-787-9868.

Youth Sunday School—10:00am Sundays in the Youth Room

Led by Dylan Cantin, the youth Sunday School will be taking a break for the summer. We will continue to meet Wednesday evenings for Youth Group 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.