## **Revised Church Office Hours**

The church office remains open with modifications to our hours and staffing model for the health and safety of all. For the time being, we will be open Monday-Thursday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. and closed on Friday. Our staff will be alternating their days in the office and working from home on the others. The afternoon and Friday hours will be reserved for staff members who need/want to further limit their contact with others during this time. All staff members continue to be available via email or phone regardless of the office schedule.

### **Prayers, Joys and Concerns**

Each Sunday we will be worshiping online at both 9:30 & 11:00am. The Ignite contemporary service has a time of "prayers of joy and concerns" where people individually offer prayer requests. While worshiping via livestream we wanted to make that possible. If you have a "prayers, joys or concerns" request you would like lifted up at the 9:30am service, please go online to our homepage at www.northwoodpc.org and click on "Prayer Request" under the "Resources" tab. Just remember that these prayer requests may be shared via livestream. If anything is private, do not submit it for sharing this way. We will share as many as the time permits.

## **Email Scam Alert**

You may be aware that some of our members have received scam emails in the past month, and once over a year ago, that appear to be from Pastor Chris. The emails request financial support in the form of gift cards. Our pastor does NOT send these emails 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. 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 Christlike hearts of our members.

# 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.







NPC Guest Wi-Fi Now live streaming our 9:30 & 11:00 services on northwoodpc.org.



#### Announcements- May 3, 2020 WELCOME GUESTS!

Welcome to worship through our livestreaming while we are not gathering in public worship! We are all learning how to be a new church in this unprecedented time. Let us know of prayer requests through the church website, and seek to give online, by text and by mail. We are already offering ways to meet on the computer or smart phones through existing programs called **Zoom** and **Microsoft Teams**. Contact our church office if you are interested in how to do all the above or wish to become a member or learn more about us. WELCOME!

#### **Communion Today**

Please plan to celebrate communion during today's livestream services by preparing a small portion of juice (or something to drink) and bread for your use at home.



## Virtual Brown Bag Bible Study on Livestream and Facebook Live

On Thursdays at noon, Pastor Paul is leading a four week Bible study through May 7th, exploring Romans chapter 8, one of the greatest chapters in all the Bible. This chapter has been and continues to be a source of great strength and comfort to Christians in every time and place. From beginning to end, it reminds us that nothing can separate the children of God from His love. Join us as we seek to grow in faith, hope and love. If you have any questions, contact Paul Means at paul@northwoodpc.org

**Virtual VBS "Exploring God's Creation" June 1st - 5th** We are taking Vacation Bible School virtual! We will be offering a five-day online opportunity to connect with each other through Zoom for various VBS events such as morning energizers & songs session, Bible study, craft lessons, story time, puppets, science experiments and more throughout the week with supplies you have at home! We will be using Zoom for the live sessions from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, as well as our private children's Facebook group for recorded videos, resources.



challenges, and other opportunities. You may register at <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/</u> <u>go/4090C4EA5A82CA3FA7-virtual</u> If you have any questions, please contact Justine at childrensminitry@northwoodpc.org or Rosalie at bradfordrosalie@gmail.com

### Virtual Online Attendance for 4/26/2020

Livestream from the church website: Contemporary Service—113 Traditional Service—103

**Facebook Live**: 370 views between both services. **Total Views**: 586 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!

# **Children's Ministry**

- Children's Ministry is sending out personal notes to the children of Northwood so watch for your note in the mail. If you want to receive a note for your child or grandchild contact Justine Davis at <u>childrensminis-try@northwoodpc.org</u>.
- Please be sure to check out and "like" the Children's Ministry Facebook group. Each week we will have a children's Bible lesson posted along with other activities.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/633579497423839/? source\_id=263480270372443

# **Kid's Corner Preschool Registration**

Registration is currently open for the 2020-2021 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 Justine Davis at 727-723-7679 or email at schooldirector@northwoodpc.org.

# **Your Giving Matters**

Even when we can't be together, your giving matters. We want to continue being the church in our community and to each and every one of you in the days ahead. 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 throughout this time 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 <u>www.northwoodpc.org</u> and click on the giving tab.
- 3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife app* menu options



a special Class of 2020 booklet. Read the attached letter & contact Rosalie Bradford, Director of Youth & Families at <u>bradfordrosalie@gmail.com</u> if you would like to be featured. Click the link to view the letter:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/14MEpC8xYps3EJ0qMFQ-S-3MktWbqBINM/view?usp=sharing

# **Northwood Scholarship Application Time**

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 received by June 1, 2020. 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..