

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 www.northwoodpc.org and click on the giving tab.
3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife* app menu options

Important Calendar Information

Many meetings have gone to an online platform. However, if your team/committee wishes to meet in person (with physical distance and masks), please check the church calendar online at www.northwoodpc.org to be sure your event/meeting is still listed. Many meeting spaces have been expanded to meet physical distance requirements and a room previously reserved might have been reassigned to a group that has made a new request for in person meeting space.

Email Scam Alert

You may be aware that some of our members, and even our church staff, have received scam emails, that appear to be from Pastor Chris and others by email. The emails scams of financial help often come in the request for you to purchase gift cards. Our pastors do NOT send these emails. This email scam is also happening to pastors in other churches across the nation at this point. Please know that your pastors and the church staff will never solicit any funds in this manner. Simply forward the message of such a request to the church office so that we can collect them 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. Be aware of scams by email and phone calls!



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



Announcements– September 27, 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 offering ways to meet on the computer or smart phones through existing programs called **Zoom** and **Microsoft Teams**. Contact our church office- 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. WELCOME!

Cedarkirk “A Weekend Apart” Retreat

We have postponed the All-Church retreat until next October as we will not be able to have any group activities together. However, Cedarkirk has “A Weekend Apart” as another option for your family! Bring your family to spend a weekend at Cedarkirk. Choose how many nights you want to stay, which building you want to stay in, and then your meal plan (either a la carte from our kitchen, or bring your own!). Your weekend will include a Cedarkirk activity per day, devotions and activities, and access to all outdoor spaces at Cedarkirk like the river, the field, the prayer garden and more! If you would like more details, visit the website at <https://cedarkirk.org/event/a-weekend-apart/>

Nominating Committee

NOMINATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED. Do you know of someone you would like to see serving as Elder or Deacon? The Nominating Committee will accept nominations for Church Officers now through November 9. Remember to get the person's permission before nominating them. Nomination forms may be returned to the church office.

I have the permission of

to nominate him/her for the office of

Elder or Deacon

(Please circle one)

Nominating Committee: Jackie Koski, Vicki Krueger, Vickie Mills, Vicki Parker, Ed Puschmann & Nancy Rodewald

Peace and Global Witness Offering

On Sunday, **October 4th**, we will receive the annual Peacemaking Offering. Eighty per cent of the offering will be divided between Bridging Freedom and Samaritan Village, both organizations fighting against the sex trafficking of women and providing victims safety, healing and hope. The PCUSA will receive 20% of the offering. Let us give generously for Jesus' sake!



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PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION



Presbyterian Women Bible Study—Oct. 1st

Presbyterian Women are using a Bible study called *"Into the Light: Finding Hope through Prayers of Lament"* by P. Lynn Miller. This is a 9-month study on reclaiming the practice of lament through Biblical study. Study books are available for purchase. The study will be available through livestreaming only on the first Thursday of each month at 11:00 AM and will be led by Pastor Curvin. The next study will take place on Thursday, October 1st. Everyone is welcome to join us through livestreaming of the study! If you'd like more information or have any questions, please contact Patty Martin at bill.martin2@verizon.net.

Virtual Brown Bag Bible Study On Livestream and Facebook Live

Thursday, October 1st at noon, Pastor Paul will continue a study on the thought-provoking Book of Job. This Old Testament book wrestles with the ongoing, unchanging human realities of deep suffering and sorrow and overwhelming pain and loss. "It is the story of one man who held on to his life in God with a faith that survived the torments of utter loss and expanded into new realms of wonder and delight." Join us as we seek, by God's grace, to grow in faith, hope and love in the midst of life's unpredictable and varied circumstances.

Virtual Online Attendance for 9/20/2020

Livestream from the church website: Contemporary Service—77
Traditional Service—72

Facebook Live: 274 views between both services. **Total Views:** 423

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!

Citylight Schedule 9/27 - 10/4



- ★ **SUNDAY 9/27**
9:30 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH
10:45 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS
8:30 PM - COLLEGE GROUP VIA ZOOM
- ★ **TUESDAY 9/29**
7:00 PM - CONFIRMATION CHAT VIA ZOOM
7:30 PM - YOUNG WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM
- ★ **WEDNESDAY 9/30**
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM IN PERSON BIBLE STUDY OUTSIDE OF THE YOUTH ROOM
- ★ **FRIDAY 10/2**
9:00 PM LATE NIGHT JACKBOX VIA ZOOM
- ★ **SUNDAY 10/4**
9:30 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH
10:45 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS
7:30 PM - YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA TEAMS

Follow the link to view our weekly email:

<https://mailchi.mp/b5091d74f269/citylight-updates-1405688>

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 the school 727-723-7679 or email at schooldirector@northwoodpc.org.

Hurricane Ministry

The Hurricane Ministry of our church's Board of Deacons assists members in need of temporary housing during hurricanes or severe tropical storms. If you are in need of emergency housing during or after a storm – or if you are able to share your home with members-in-need – please contact Eleanor Cicerchi at ecicerchi@gmail.com or 607-382-1781. You may also contact Paul Means at 727-796-8090 or paul@northwoodpc.org.

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.