

## Discovering Northwood Class/New Members

A Discovering Northwood Class will be held in Room 4 on Sunday, **March 21st from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM** for those wishing to learn more about Northwood and consider church membership. (Even when we are not meeting for in-person worship, small groups have begun to meet practicing social distance and wearing masks). Please know you are welcome to attend if you have been visiting us online in worship. You may also join the class through Zoom by contacting Pastor Chris Curvin and letting him know of your interest with an email address for him to send you a link to the meeting.



## Announcements—February 14, 2021

### **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](mailto: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!**

## Kids' Corner Preschool—Registration is OPEN

Registration is currently open for the 2021-2022 school year! We have openings in our 2's, 3's, and VPK. Please share the news! You may stop in the preschool office and pick up your registration forms. If you are interested in a tour of the school, please contact the school director, Laura Garcia at 727-723-7679 or email at [schooldirector@northwoodpc.org](mailto: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 [www.northwoodpc.org](http://www.northwoodpc.org) and click on the giving tab.
3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife app* menu options

## Annual Congregational Meeting TODAY, February 14th

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation is TODAY, February 14th at Noon utilizing the computer online platform *Microsoft Teams*. You can attend this online meeting by clicking on the following link <https://Tinyurl.com/NPC-AnnualMeeting>. This link is also provided on the church website and in the "This Week at Northwood" for those receiving weekly notices through our *Constant Contact* mailings every Thursday. The business for the meeting is limited only to election of new officers and to vote on the Terms of Call for our pastors. The Nominating Committee will present the following for election at the Annual Meeting:

### Elders

(class of 2023)  
Eleanor Cicerchi  
Steve Lang  
Cynthia Lawrence  
Kerry McDermott  
Roxie Swartz

### Deacons

(class of 2023)  
Vickie Mills  
Dee Rivers  
Jeanne Stephen  
Mickey Stewart  
Jenny Carlstedt (Class of 2021)  
Eileen Nelson (Class of 2022)

### 2021 Nominating Committee:

Babs Bailey  
Bunny Bitner  
Bill Martin  
Jim Warren

The Session examination for new officers elected at the Annual Meeting today is Monday, February 22nd at 7:00 P.M. in rooms 4, 6 and 8 or through Microsoft Teams online participation. Officer training times will be communicated to new officers following the election on February 14th. Officers will be installed during the month of March, currently scheduled for March 14th, either in person or through an online platform.



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[facebook.com/citylightnpc](https://facebook.com/citylightnpc)



NPC Guest Wi-Fi Now live streaming our 9:00 & 11:00 services on [northwoodpc.org](http://northwoodpc.org).



**LIVE STREAMING**

## Scout Sunday—TODAY, February 14th

Did you know that your church hosts close to 150 scouts and their families involved in scouting, as a part of Northwood's commitment to our community? TODAY, February 14th, Northwood will celebrate Scouting with 2-3 scouts participate in the live streaming of our 9:00 and 11:00 AM worship services. We invite all the scouts to watch us on either Northwood's website, [www.northwoodpc.org](http://www.northwoodpc.org) or Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/npc.clearwater](http://www.facebook.com/npc.clearwater). We look forward to Scout Sunday next year, (after the pandemic!), in hopes of seeing all our scouts in full uniform and return to our tradition of a scrumptious pancake breakfast! We lift up before God in worship the impact of scouting in our community.

## Ash Wednesday Service – February 17, 7:00PM ONLINE ONLY

On Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> we will offer our annual Ash Wednesday service livestreamed only through our website, <http://northwoodpc.org/resources/watch-livestream> and Facebook. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the traditional season of Lent, the 40-day period of sacrifice and atonement to prepare ourselves for Christ's resurrection at Easter.

While those in our Christian tradition may be familiar with the power of having a cross traced on their forehead or the back of their hand, (the sign of baptism), and being reminded that they come from dust and will return to dust, the theme of the service this year will be: "From Dust to Promise." This year's service is a reminder of our mortality as well as the new promised life in Christ.

Those viewing the Ash Wednesday worship service will be encouraged to make the sign of the cross with their finger only or by using dust or ash from home or soil from the ground or from a potted plant. Other options could be using water, oil or just your finger.

## Take Home Ashes—February 16, 5:00pm-7:00pm

Drive through the Portico outside of the sanctuary from 5:00pm-7:00pm on **Tuesday, February 16th** to take home a "Do It Yourself" ashes kit for Ash Wednesday, February 17th.

## Virtual Brown Bag Bible Study

### Livestream and Facebook Live—Feb 18th, 12:00pm

Thursday, February 18th at noon, Pastor Paul will continue the study of the New Testament letter written by the Apostle Paul to the Galatians. Join us as we study God's word seeking by God's grace to grow in faith, hope and love.

## Citylight Schedule 2/14 - 2/21



- ★ **SUNDAY 2/14**  
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM - LIVE STREAM CHURCH  
10:15 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS  
7:30 PM - YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA TEAMS
- ★ **TUESDAY 2/16**  
8:00 PM - YOUNG WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM
- ★ **WEDNESDAY 2/17**  
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM - CITYNIGHT IN THE GYM.  
MASK REQUIRED
- ★ **SUNDAY 2/21**  
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM - LIVE STREAM CHURCH  
10:15 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/1d9167ac952e/citylightupdate292021>

## Virtual Online Attendance for 2/7/2021

**Livestream from the church website: Contemporary Service—56**  
**Traditional Service—75**

**Facebook Live: 238 views between both services**      **Total Views: 369**

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!



## Kirkin' o' the Tartan—February 21st

Kirkin' o' the Tartan will be celebrated again this year via livestream on Sunday, February 21st at both the 9:00am and 11:00am worship services. This, now annual tradition here, will feature music for the bagpipes and representative tartans of Scottish clans as well as hymns and music of our Scottish heritage.

## 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.