#### <u>Welcome Nathanael Leonard</u> <u>Associate Director of Music & Organist</u>

Nathanael Leonard is a recent transplant to the St. Petersburg and Tampa area. Hailing originally from Williamstown, WV, Nate completed his Masters Degree in piano performance and concentration in vocal collaboration at the University of Toledo. Active in both sacred and secular music, Nate has enjoyed serving as the director of church music programs, directing and accompanying musical theater production, collegiate instructing and accompanying in all musical genres.

In addition to musical pursuits, Nate owns and manages commercial and residential property in Toledo, Ohio and is in the Tampa area working for The Willow Center, a counseling company providing perspective and wisdom in order to rediscover peace and restore relationships. Nate is passionate about building relationships in order to cultivate joy, harmony and belief in common goals and aspiration.

Nate is excited to return to worship at Northwood Presbyterian Church, believing that fresh expressions of faith have become evident through a global pandemic. While there is much work to do, there is also much joy to be experienced as we, albeit slowly, return to "normal," realizing that normal can include the silver linings from struggles we all faced together. It is his hope that this pandemic has invited us to open our hearts to change and allowed us to more fully appreciate and celebrate each others' differences.

#### <u>Please send articles for all publications to Emily Cantin at</u> <u>Communications@northwoodpc.org.</u>

- Any submissions for the bulletin and announcements must be emailed by the Sunday before it is to appear.
- Publications for the *Window* newsletter must be received by the 3rd Monday of the month. (Please limit all announcements to 4 lines.)





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#### Announcements– September 5, 2021 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 our next Discovering Northwood Class, September 19th at 10:00am. WELCOME!

## **Shoes for Beth-El—Thank You!**

Many thanks to the Northwood church family from the Beth-El farm worker's ministry and Northwood's Mission Team. Through your generous participation in Beth-El Shoe Sunday, 300 pairs of shoes were donated, along with a number of pairs of socks, 10 suitcases and \$225. Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus with others in this way!

### Music Rehearsals have begun!

- <u>Chancel Choir: Wednesdays</u>
  7-8:30 Choir Rehearsal, sanctuary
- <u>Celebration Ringers: (Beginner/Intermediate)</u> Sundays between services (10-10:40), beginning Sept 12
- <u>Jubilation Ringers: (Intermediate/Advanced)</u> Sundays at noon, beginning Sept 12
- Youth and Children's Choirs to be announced. Praise Band, to be determined.

Please call or email Stephanie Carson and we will plug you in! 727-458-9749; stephanie@northwoodpc.org

#### **Brown Bag Bible Study**

The Brown Bag Bible Study is back and livestreaming for the Fall! This Thursday, September 2nd, at noon, Pastor Paul continues a study of The Book of Acts. Acts provides us with an invaluable bridge between the four gospels and the 22 New Testament letters and offers inspiration, guidance and examples for us today. Join as we seek to grow in faith, hope and love!

### **Kings Kids—Attention Parents!**

This September, (tentative kick-off party September 22nd) Kings Kids will be restarting at Northwood. Your children will learn more about Jesus' love and goodness through weekly (Wednesdays 4-6pm) sessions of Bible study, music with Miss Stephanie, crafts and recreation. We need your support for this to happen. Register your child/children ages preschool through 5th grade by sending the information to childrensministry@northwoodpc.org.

Please include:

- Your name, email & phone number
- Your child/children's name, age, grade level

Your ability to help at least once a month by teaching or helping our teachers by staying in the room during their activities is important to our success. We look forward to hearing from you!

### **Memorial Service**

Nancy Johnson-There will be a Memorial Service for Nancy Johnson here in the Sanctuary Saturday, September 11th, at 1:00 PM. We continue to keep the entire Johnson family in our prayers.

# **Dinner for 6-7-8**

Want to meet and socialize with members of your Northwood Church Family? Dinner for 6-7-8 is meeting outside for a picnic Saturday, Oct. 9 at Phillippe Park at 12 noon, Shelter 01. Bring your own picnic and drinks, and maybe lawn chairs as we eat together and talk about Dinner for 6-7-8. There are three possibilities for dinners:

- Group will continue to meet at local Pinellas County parks and enjoy those beautiful parks with picnics.
- Group will meet at local restaurants for dinner.
- Group will meet at members' homes for potluck dinners. •

Sign up for which group interests you. Claudia Alwood will organize groups and send out lists and suggestions. You can contact her at cjalwood@msn.com for questions.

#### Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat Oct. 22-24

The annual All-Church Retreat at Cedarkirk will be held on October 22-24. 2021. You won't want to miss this amazing weekend of fellowship, games,



crafts, canoeing and campfire with sing-along and s'mores. Enjoy the great outdoors while staying in airconditioned lodges! Deposits are being accepted now. Sign up early for best choice of rooms!



## **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 at schooldirector@northwoodpc.org. or 727-723-7679.

## **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 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