

Upcoming Events

FUN! FRIENDS! FRIDAY!

Ren Crew 2nd Friday Fellowship will meet on January 13 at 10:30 in rooms 9 & 11. Linda Howard will present a program entitled "Enjoying Nature, State Parks and Hidden Gems in the Sunshine State." Following the program we will enjoy lunch at the Sunset Grill Restaurant. Come join us as we share fun with friends, old and new. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Paul at 796-8090 or paul@northwoodpc.org.

Discovering Northwood

Discovering Northwood is a one-time class for those interested in membership and/or learning more about us. The class, held every other month, with a few exceptions, aims to inform visitors about the life, ministry, and mission of Northwood. Classes focus on what we as Christians & Presbyterians believe as well as different ministries in the life of the church. We'll talk about ways to get involved, share your gifts, grow in your faith and serve the church and community. We hope you'll consider joining us for one of these classes. The next Discovering Northwood Class is **Sunday, January 22, 2017** 10:45am-12:00pm, Room 4 of the Christian Education Building.

Cedarkirk Women's Retreat - January 20-22

The Fresh Brewed Women's Bible Study group has generously donated a portion of the fee for the Women's Retreat! This scholarship is open to all those who have **not** previously attended. One lucky winner will be randomly chosen, and will be able to attend for an additional cost of only \$39. If you are interested, please call Sharon at 727-286-7109 by the deadline of 8 p.m. on January 8th. Call now and join the women of Northwood for an awesome weekend!!!



ANNOUNCEMENTS- January 1, 2017

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship and service here. Each week's sermon is available for you in a printed booklet in the narthex as well as a video on our website at www.northwoodpc.org.

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Welcome Mr. Les Burrows!

We welcome our guest organist today, Mr. Les Burrows. Mr. Burrows was for many years organist at the Pasadena Presbyterian Church in St. Petersburg.

Financial Peace University

Approximately 76% of Americans live paycheck to paycheck, regardless of their income. "Broke" has become the new normal in our nation, but this doesn't have to be true for you. Taking control of your money starts with a plan, and *Financial Peace University* is that plan!

Financial Peace University is financial expert Dave Ramsey's nine-week money class. You'll learn practical ways to pay off debt, overcome your fear of budgeting, and create a savings plan to replace retirement worries with financial peace. The class starts **January 15, 2017** at 6:30 and is a nine-week course. The cost \$93 per individual or couple for the materials. We can order as a group or you can get the materials directly from daveramsey.com. Please email Michael Turner at MBTurnerDC@aol.com to sign up or ask any questions. Looking forward to seeing you there in January!!!

Holiday Schedule

The church office will be closed on January 2. It will reopen Tuesday, January 3 at 9:00 A.M.

Youth Ministry

- Sun, Jan. 8:** Youth Group Family Dinner Kick-Off
5:00-6:30 P.M.
- Wed, Jan. 11:** High School Bible Study 6:15-7:15 P.M.
- Fri, Jan. 13:** Off-Campus Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M.
- Sat, Jan. 14:** Winter Jam 3:30 P.M.
- Sun, Jan. 15:** Youth Group 5:00- 6:30 P.M.
- Wed, Jan. 18:** Bible Study 6:15- 7:15 P.M.
- Fri, Jan. 20:** Game Night 7:00- 10:00 P.M.
- Sun, Jan. 22:** Youth Group 5:00- 6:30 P.M.
- Wed, Jan. 25:** Bible Study 6:15- 7:15 P.M.
- Fri, Jan. 27:** Game Night 7:00- 10:00 P.M.
- Sun, Jan. 29:** Youth Group 5:00- 6:30 P.M.

Jon Drawdy, Director of Youth & Family Ministries
youthdirector@northwoodpc.org (813) 624-2593

Children's Ministry

King's Kids

King's Kids is on a break for the holidays until Wednesday, Jan 25th.

Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministry
Childrensministry@northwoodpc.org 796-8090/ Cell- 727-641-8140

Annual Congregational Meeting & Potluck Lunch January 29th at Noon

Mark your calendars for Sunday, January 29th. It's the Annual Congregational Meeting and Church-wide Potluck. The Meeting starts at 12:00 pm and the potluck lunch will follow. At the meeting we will hear reports from the Session, the Deacons and their Ministry Teams. We will also be electing new officers, as the Officer Nominating Committee brings its nominations. Look for luncheon sign-up in upcoming bulletins & on the bulletin board outside the kitchen.

Annual Garage Sale- January 13 & 14

Our Music Ministry Annual Garage Sale is just around the corner and we need your help in making it the biggest one ever. Our sale is scheduled January 13 & 14, 2017, 8:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M. Make sure to invite everyone to come shop the great bargains!



We are accepting donations of furniture, jewelry, kitchen items, clothes, shoes, toys, holiday items, tools, collectibles, linens, books and outdoor items. Please no old TVs or large entertainment centers. We would love to have a plant area if anyone out there has a green thumb and would like to donate plants. Plastic bags and hangers are also needed.

Please ask your family and neighbors if they have any items they would like to donate.

Our drop-off will begin in Room 14:

- **Sunday, January 1,** 8:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.
- **Monday, January 2 - Saturday, January 7,** 10:00 A.M.- 7:00 P.M.
- **Sunday, January 8,** 8:00 A.M.- 6:00 P.M.
- **Monday, January 9 - Thursday, January 12,** 10:00 A.M.- 7:00 P.M.

We will be able to pick up items that you would like to donate by calling Susan Curry (727) 709-8237.

Annual Report Deadline

To the Session, Committees, Pastors & Staff: Please note that the deadline to submit your Annual Report is **Monday, January 9th** by noon. Please submit your electronic copy to Tracy Donovan (communications@northwoodpc.org). If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Thanks!

Please send articles for all publications to Tracy Donovan at
Communications@northwoodpc.org