



Kid's Corner Registration

We are getting ready to hold registration for the 2016-2017 school year. In-house registration (currently enrolled students and siblings and church members) will begin **Tomorrow, February 8th**. Public registration will begin **February 15th**. The registration fee is waived for church members, but they must be active church members. There is a \$15 supply fee for all 2, 3 and VPK students. The updated prices are on our website.

—Get Involved—

Wonderful Wednesdays— Invite a Friend

Join us for our Wednesday night dinners! This series is a great way for you to introduce a friend to Northwood. If you invite any friends who are new to Northwood, their first dinner will be free! Sign them up on the pink First-Time Guest reservation form. The dinners are **February 10, 17, 24, March 2, 9 & 16**.



Dinner 6-7-8

Here we are again, ready to form new groups for Dinner for 6-7-8. Enjoy good food and fellowship with others from the church. We would especially invite all the newer members as it's a wonderful way to meet and get to know some of your new church family. Any questions? Call Martha Tobiassen at (727)669-5517.

Wednesday Night Class

The CE Ministry Team is starting a class, "Is Truth a Matter of Opinion" to be held after the Wednesday dinners at 6:30 p.m. on **March 2, 9, 16** and a final class with potluck on **March 23**. The classes will be led by Professor Michael Jahowsky.

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS—February 7, 2016

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship and service here. To learn more about our church we have our Discovering Northwood class **Sunday, March 13** in **room 4** of the Christian Education Building **from 10:45am-12:00pm**. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the pastor, Rev. E. Chris Curvin at chriscurvin@northwoodpc.org or Tracy Donovan at communications@northwoodpc.org or the church office 796-8090.

—Upcoming Events—



Annual Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast

TODAY is Scout Sunday. Northwood's own Boy Scout Troop 413 will be preparing and serving our delicious Annual Pancake Breakfast starting at 8:30 A.M. Come hungry for food and fellowship! Donations will be accepted to benefit the troop. Troop 413 thanks Northwood Presbyterian for their support.

Blood Drive TODAY

9:00 A.M.— 12:00 P.M.

All donors will receive a OneBlood fleece blanket and a wellness check up including blood pressure, temperature, iron count and cholesterol screening.



Renaissance Crew 2nd Friday Fellowship

Friday, February 12 at 10:30 in rooms 9 & 11 Bob Meier will present an entertaining program entitled "Is It Valentine's Day or St. Valentine's Day?: A Naughty but Nice Look at This Celebratory Day." Everyone is invited to bring their favorite valentine cards and memorabilia that they have enjoyed over the years. Following the program we will enjoy lunch at Beef O Brady's. Come join us as we share fellowship and laughter together. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Paul at 796-8090 or paul@northwoodpc.org.

—Upcoming Events continued—

Ash Wednesday Service

Our Lenten study begins on Ash Wednesday after our first Wonderful Wednesday Dinner, **February 10th**. Dinner is at 6:00 pm and the Ash Wednesday Service is at 6:45 pm in the Sanctuary.

Pretzel Sunday

Pretzel Sunday is coming the first Sunday of Lent, **February 14th**, at Northwood. Hot baked pretzels will be served from the kitchen during the fellowship time between services!



In about 610 A.D. a very creative Alpine Monk decided to make use of the pieces of dough left over from baking bread. The monk formed them into thin strips folded into a looped twist to represent the folded arms of children in prayer. This scrumptious treat was given to the children as they learned their prayers. They began calling the treat “Pretiola”, which is Latin for “little reward”. Soon it was known the world over as a pretzel.

Many churches still practice the tradition of a Pretzel Sunday, some the Sunday before Ash Wednesday and some on the first Sunday in Lent to remind people to be in prayer as we journey through Lent to Easter. So, every time you see a pretzel, remember prayer.

Composer Weekend– February 27-28



Composer, pianist, and extraordinary musician, Joseph M. Martin will be with us here at Northwood the last weekend of February. Our singers will have the privilege of working with Mr. Martin on Saturday as we prepare anthems for Sunday morning and a Sunday afternoon concert of his music at 4:00 p.m. It would be safe to say that his music can be heard in hundreds of churches every Sunday morning as he is the most prolific composer of sacred music in the world—writing under many pseudonyms. Joseph is a world-class pianist and brings humor and wit to the stage as he presents his music. Mark your calendars—you will not want to miss this!

Youth Upcoming Events



Sunday, February 7:

Youth Group 5:00-6:30 pm in youth room

Friday, February 12:

Game Night 7:00– 10:00 pm in youth room/gym

Sunday, February 14:

Come putt-putt at Congo River with us from 5:00-6:30. Meet at church and we will go from there.

Friday, February 19:

Game Night 7:00– 10:00 pm in youth room/gym

Youth Pancake Breakfast– Sunday, March 6

Everyone is invited to come enjoy an awesome breakfast to help raise funds for this summer’s mission projects. Money raised will help fund our summer mission trip to Alabama as well as the local work that we will be doing in our community with the youth.

Youth Week- March 21-25

Watch the bulletin for upcoming details!

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Children’s Upcoming Events



Easter Egg Hunt

Join us early this year on **Saturday, March 12** at 10:00 a.m. for our 2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Children birth-5th grade and their families are invited to hunt for eggs and then share in a time of fellowship.

Spring Bash 2016

Children 3rd-5th grades are invited to Cedarkirk, **April 15-16**. If you are interested in sending your child(ren) or for more information contact Justine Ruisz.

VBS

Vacation Bible School will be **June 20-24**, if you are interested in helping please let Justine know.

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