



[Handbell Ringers Needed](#)

We have two adult handbell choirs at NPC: an intermediate and an advanced group. If you read music and have never tried ringing handbells before, you are missing out on a lot of fun! We need a couple more ringers for each group which will start rehearsing in September.

We will also be preparing for our annual Christmas Concert, "Ring, Sing & Mingle". Please call or email Stephanie Carson if you might be interested and she will train you to ring or plug you in. Don't deprive yourself of the joy of ringing!
Stephanie@northwoodpc.org or 727-458-9749

[New Chancel Choir Members Wanted](#)

Has it been years since you have sung in a choir? It is a super way to plug yourself into a small group of people who all enjoy the same thing. We have great fellowship while making beautiful music together and lifting our voices to God. Our wonderful choir for our traditional services will start back rehearsing again on Wednesday, August 24. That evening, at 6:15, we will have a Strawberries and Cream and goodies reception before rehearsal, 7:00-8:15. Please join us!! Contact Stephanie Carson for more information: Stephanie@northwoodpc.org or 727-458-9749.



[Children's Handbells and Orff Instruments](#)

A new season for children's handbells will be starting back soon and we have three openings for children 3rd-5th grade. You do not need to read music - I will teach you rhythm and we color code our notes. We also get to play xylophones and other percussion instruments - all hands on. We meet Tuesday afternoons from 4:00-5:00. Please let me know if your child is interested - no fee for this. First come, first served! Contact 'Miss Stephanie' at Stephanie@northwoodpc.org or 727-458-9749.



[Pierced Youth Band Auditions](#)

Our Youth Band 'Pierced' will be holding auditions for new band and vocal members TODAY in the sanctuary immediately following the 11:00 service.

No experience is necessary and if you would like to learn how to play bass, guitar, keys, drums, etc. we will train you (free music lessons!). Contact Mark Johnston at 727-688-5123 to reserve your audition time.



[ANNOUNCEMENTS – August 14, 2016](#)

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. To learn more about our church we have our Discovering Northwood class **Sunday, September 25 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.

—Around Northwood—

[Blood Drive](#)



There will be a blood drive TODAY 9:15 A.M.- 12:15 P.M. All donors will receive a FREE OneBlood cooler and a wellness checkup including blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening.

[Discovery Day Mission Opportunity](#)

On Sunday, August 28, as part of Discovery Day, Northwood is inviting everyone to participate in Beth-El Shoe Sunday by bringing new or used shoes in good condition for the children, youth and adults of the Beth-El Farm Workers Mission in Wimauma, FL. These shoes will be extremely helpful and appreciated as the kids and youth get ready to go back to school and for the farm workers as they prepare to continue their work in the fields this fall. Last time we collected over 280 pairs of shoes, plus a \$1,000 donation! Our goal this year is to collect shoes and donations which would enable Beth-El to distribute at least 350 pairs of shoes to the families in their community. Thank you in advance for participating in Beth-El Shoe Sunday and sharing the love of Jesus Christ in this way.



[Save the Date](#)

Save the date for Discovery Day 2016- Sunday, August 28. For more information contact Bailey Shields, (727) 223-9687 or at bshields4@tampabay.rr.com.

Youth Music

The potential is great for a fantastic year with youth choir and handbells. We will begin the last week in August with vocal choir on Wednesday evening. For youth handbells this year, if there is sufficient interest, we will have two groups divided by grade level—middle school and high school. First choice would be to have Middle School ringers on Tuesdays after school, and High School ringers on Wednesdays before vocal choir. If Mr. Huffman has not already contacted you, please express your interest to him so we can make a final decision on days and times.

Text or call (727) 409-8726 or email hufftom@aol.com.

Women's Ministries

Bible Study:

The Girl's Still Got It, by Liz Curtis Higgs

Beginning Friday, September 2, 10:30am, rooms 4-6

Followed by Summer Salad pot luck lunch

Who Is Jesus?

the Presbyterian Women's Bible study for 2016 - 2017.

Tuesday, September 6, 9am, rooms 5-7

Monday, September 12, 1pm, member home

Tuesday, September 13, 9:30am, rooms 5-7

Monday, September 19, 7pm, rooms 5-7

Questions? Contact Patty Martin

(813-855-0851 or bill.martin2@verizon.net).

Is a Night On The Towne coming back?

The answer is "Maybe". For those members not familiar with A Night On The Towne, it is basically Northwood's version of a talent show. It's been about 4 years since we last held it, and in the past we have had singers, dancers, musicians, crazy skits, and it was HUGE fun. So back to the "Maybe" answer. We have reserved **Saturday, October 15th** for A Night On The Towne. This event only works if we have at least 15 acts. The acts can be serious or funny, can be performed by an individual or a group, and should be no more than 5 minutes long. If we can get FIRM commitments for 15 acts by **September 15th**, the show will go on! If you would like to perform at A Night On The Towne, or would like more information about the event, call or text Jim Warren at 727-215-0733.

Children's Ministry

Acolytes Needed

Parents we are in need of more acolytes for the 8:15 & 11:00 services. Please let Justine Ruisz know if your child can help. Grades 2nd and up! Training and instruction will be provided.

Discovery Day: August 28th

Parents make sure to stop by the Children's Ministry table to get your registration form for King's Kids and Sunday school.

King's Kids

Starts back on Sept 21st from 4:00-5:45. Don't miss the party on Sept. 14th at 4:30, remember parents must attend with child.

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

Youth Ministry

Sunday, August 14: Youth Group 5:00-6:30 P.M. in youth room

Friday, August 19: Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M. in gym

Sunday, August 21: Youth Group 5:00-6:30 P.M. in youth room

Jon Drawdy, Director of Youth & Family Ministries
youthdirector@northwoodpc.org

Tour of Scotland/Ireland with Joseph Martin

Members of Northwood Presbyterian Church will be among those planning to tour Scotland and Ireland in September 2017. The top church music composer and pianist Joseph M. Martin will host the tour in conjunction with the professional organization *Harmony International*.

The nine-day tour (with an optional 3-day extension to Killarney) will include concert performances in St. Giles Cathedral in Edinburgh, St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin and in Derry, Northern Ireland. We will also tour Edinburgh Castle and visit the John Knox house along with attending a talk about the life and ministry of John Knox and more. Singers and non-singers are welcome.

For those interested, Joseph Martin will be with us in person at Northwood Presbyterian Church on **Friday, August 19 at 7:30** (in the sanctuary) to talk about the details and to answer any questions we may have. Everyone is welcome to come and meet Joe and find out more about the trip. Attendance does not obligate you to go. More details can be found at the website: Harmony-International.com.