

“Pierced”

Northwood's youth band will be holding auditions in the sanctuary following the 10:30 service on Sunday, August 30th. Bring your instrument and play something for us (no pressure- just have fun with it!). If you would like to be a part of Pierced but you don't play an instrument we will teach you! Just come to the audition and let us know what you would like to play. We are also looking for more vocalists. If you have any questions please contact Mark Johnston at 727-688-5123.

Children's Ministries

Children's Sunday School

We are so excited to announce that the 9:30 Children's Sunday school is growing. We have so many children that we are now in need of four different age groups. What a blessing! This means we need your help to teach the children! Please contact Justine or fill out the information sheet in your bulletin if you can help teach the children's Sunday school. Please prayerfully considering how you might help.

Save the Date for Discovery Day, September 13, 9:30–12:30

Northwood is blessed with many different ministries--come before and/or after the services to discover more about them.

King's Kids

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, September 16 from 4:30-5:30 for our King's Kids kick-off party. Parents please sign up on the bulletin board to bring food to share. We look forward to another fantastic year!

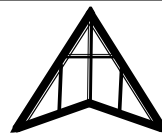
Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministry
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Deacons News

Please stop by the Deacon's updated bulletin board in the narthex to learn more about our ministries. Please feel free to call the appropriate deacon to request assistance or to become involved in one of our ministries.

Hurricane Ministry

Hurricane Season began June 1. Go to www.baynews9.com, click on "Weather," and under "Hurricane Center" find info to prepare. If evacuation is necessary, we need volunteers to share their homes. If you are willing, please contact Sue Miskiewicz, (727) 799-6767 or susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com, and type in the subject "Hurricane Request." Please include your name, address, phone number & number you can house.



Loyal to His Church
"Count on Me!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS—August 16, 2015

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship and service here. We invite you to our Discovering Northwood class **Sunday, September 20 in room 4** of the Christian Education Building from **10:45AM-12:00PM** to learn more about our church. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the pastor, Rev. E. Chris Curvin, at ChrisCurvin@Northwoodpc.org or Membership Coordinator, Katie Pacana, at Katie@Northwoodpc.org. Both Katie and Chris can be reached at 796-8090.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE AT NPC

9:00 AM Contemporary Service

10:30 AM Traditional Service

**During the major renovations of the main restrooms we will be utilizing a simpler worship schedule through September 6. There are alternate restrooms available to everyone in the church office and Family Life Center during the renovation. On Sunday, September 13, we will return to three services—8:15 AM and 11:00 AM Traditional and 9:30 AM Contemporary.*

Upcoming Events

“TRUTH WORKS”

Musical This Friday, August 21

There are 19 children, grades 3-6, participating in our Summer Music Camp with the above title, August 17-21. We conclude the week with our musical performance of “Truth Works” which takes place during ‘Field Day’ at school. A lot of biblical lessons are taught and issues such as cheating and bullying are addressed. You will experience lots of choreography, humor and great solos and singing. Please put **this Friday, August 21** at 6:45 on your calendar and plan to join us that evening and support the children of Northwood!

DINNER FOR 6-7-8

We are starting new groups. Don't miss this opportunity to get acquainted with your fellow church members. Hosts of the dinners provide the main entree and guests bring the sides dishes as requested by the host. Hosts rotate so that each pair participates fully. Dinners are monthly and set by each group to insure a convenient date for all. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board across from the kitchen. Sign up today so you won't forget! Any questions? Call Martha Tobiassen at (727)669-5517.

Upcoming Events, Cont.

DISCOVERY DAY

Have you ever wondered how to get involved in the life of the church? Well here's your answer! Join us Sunday, September 13 for DISCOVERY DAY (formerly Rally Day) and stop by over 20 tables highlighting various ministries of the church! A continental breakfast will be available while you browse! See you there!

Discovery DAY MISSION OPPORTUNITY

Sunday, September 13 Northwood is inviting everyone to participate in Beth El Shoe Sunday by bringing new or used shoes in good condition for the children, youth & adults of the Beth El Farm Workers Mission in Wimauma, FL. Our goal this year is to collect 400 pairs of shoes! Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus in this way!

The TCI Sunday School Class (Today's Christian Issues)

We will begin the 2015-2016 year on Sunday, September 20th in Rooms 9 and 11 with a two-week study looking at the relationship between *truth* and *change* and dealing with the questions: "If something is true, how can it change?" and "If something changes, how could it have been true in the first place?" We will be seeing how we might face these questions both as members of the church and members of society. Garry Justice will be leading the discussion. At present, it is believed to be true that coffee and cookies will be available.

ALL-CHURCH RETREAT

The annual Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat will be October 16-18. Poster and brochures can be found on the bulletin board directly across from the kitchen. Deposits with room requests are currently being accepted. Sign up early for best choice of rooms! Also, save the date for the Women's Retreat – Jan. 22-24, 2016!

A WORD FROM THE TREASURER

Summertime is upon us and history shows that pledge giving tends to slow down during this time. This is due to various reasons such as vacations, members returning North etc. Please remember your continuing gifts to meet expenses, some of which are heaviest at this time of year, and if you are away this may be a good time to consider automatic online giving. Thank you for your faithfulness.

Ed Bunch, Treasurer

Youth Events

YOUTH WEEK EVENTS: SIGN UP TODAY!

Sunday, August 16:

Youth Worship Service 5-6:30 PM

Monday, August 17:

Air-Heads, 6-9 pm. Costs \$15.

Tuesday, August 18:

Gym Triathlon (Ping-Pong, Knock-Out, Four Square) 6-8:30 pm

Wednesday, August 19:

Pizza & 2nd Annual Messy Game Night 6-8:30 pm

Thursday, August 20:

Spoons Tournament 6:30-8:30

Friday, August 21st:

X-treme Midnight Fun, Laser Tag 6pm-12am
(pickup at church at midnight) Costs \$20.

Night of Joy, Saturday September 12-Sunday, September 13

\$110 per youth, \$60 per adult (includes hotel and breakfast). Bring money for Saturday dinner, snacks & souvenirs, and Sunday lunch. First come, first served basis, only 23 spots available. **Full payment due Sunday, August 23.**

Troy Harris, Director of Youth & Young Adults
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Top Ten Reasons to Join the Chancel Choir

10. You never have to worry about what to wear.
9. You have a reserved seat on all major holidays – including Christmas Eve and Easter. And on Christmas Eve you get to see the candles being lit during 'Silent Night' – incredible!
8. From your advantageous seat, you can gawk, smile, see who is sleeping and otherwise enjoy the rest of the congregation.
7. No auditions or solos required!
6. Intellectual Stimulation – singing uses both sides of your brain simultaneously.
5. Make new friends!
4. Choir parties – they're fun!
3. Free Child Care!!
2. "He who sings prays twice"! (*St. Augustine*)
1. Every once and a while you might see heaven's choir singing right along with you – I'm not kidding!

Chancel Choir begins August 26 with a Strawberries & Cream reception at 6:15 pm followed by rehearsal. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. For more information, contact Stephanie Carson, Director of Music at 796-8090.