

Kid's Corner Preschool--Before/Aftercare Registration

Registration for current students, siblings, and for the public has now begun for the 2019-2020 school year! You may stop in the preschool office and pick up your registration forms any time during preschool hours, 9:00am-2:30pm. If you are interested in a tour of the school, please contact Justine Davis at 727-723-7679 or email her at schooldirector@northwoodpc.org.

Ren Crew

The Ren Crew 2nd Friday Fellowship will meet on **March 8th** at 10:30 in rooms 9 &11. We are a group of adventuresome, young at heart 50+ adults that enjoy sharing fun with friends, old and new. This month we continue the popular theme "Windows to the World" with Vanessa Celotto providing the program "Traveling Up Close and Personal through West and Central Europe." Following the program we will enjoy lunch at Carmelita's Mexican Grill and Cantina. Questions? Contact Pastor Paul paul@northwoodpc.org or 727-796-8090.

Marriage Alive

Marriage Alive is a Christian based marriage support group for couples that meets the first Saturday of every month from 6:00-8:00pm in rooms 4&6 of the Christian Education building. Our next gathering will be **March 2nd**. If you need a copy of "The Five Love Languages," we will get you one free of charge! We will read chapter 3 for this month. Married couples of all ages are invited to attend. Please bring a heavy appetizer to share. Any Questions, contact Spence Briggs at 727-776-9295.

Large Print Hymnals & Bulletins

Large print hymnals and bulletins are located in white binders in the racks outside of the main sanctuary double doors. If you need assistance locating one of these, please ask an usher.



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NPC Guest Wi-Fi Now live streaming our 9:30 & 11:00 services on northwoodpc.org.



Announcements– February 24, 2019

WELCOME GUESTS!

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities here for you. If you are interested in membership or simply learning more about our church, please join us **March 17th** for our Discovering Northwood Class at **10:30 in Room 4** of the Christian Education Building.

Nursery: Infants and toddlers (up to age 3) are provided excellent care in our nursery during all worship services and Sunday school hour. Parents are asked to sign in and out when dropping off and picking up your child.



Sing the Cantata

The choir will be presenting Joseph Martin's latest cantata "Festival of Faith" on Sunday, April 14th at 4:00 PM. We need extra voices! We begin with a cantata read-through on Saturday, March 2nd from 9:30-11:00. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, March 6th from 7:30-8:10pm and will continue each Wednesday through April 10th with a dress rehearsal on April 13th. Please consider joining us! Call or email Stephanie Carson 727-458-9749; stephanie@northwoodpc.org

Website Launch

On Monday, February 25th and Tuesday, February 26th, our church website at www.northwoodpc.org and the links that you access via that site will not be fully functioning. During that time, the pages and data found at our old site will be transitioned to a new platform with a new look and improved interface, especially on mobile devices. For a brief time during this period, staff email (@northwoodpc.org) will also be delayed, though nothing should be lost. We anticipate that once the new site is fully functional, some adjustments will be necessary and that there will be a learning curve. The ultimate goal is a more efficient site that represents Northwood today. If you have any questions, please contact Emily Cantin at communications@northwoodpc.org or 727-796-8090.

Wonderful Wednesdays at Northwood

Save the dates on your calendar! Come and get involved in a Wonderful Wednesday activity! Wednesdays at Northwood are filled with fellowship and friends! Here is some of what is going on each Wednesday.

- WAY Dinners— March 6, 13, 20, 27, & April 3
- A Lenten Study for Unsteady Times, “Embracing the Uncertain” led by Pastor Chris Curvin. (6:40-7:15pm)

Just turning on the news shows us that we live in uncertain times. Economic instabilities, Eruptions of violence, and natural catastrophes can alter the lives and landscapes of entire communities. Our individual lives can be just as unsteady and uncertain as our plans get altered and challenge comes to our health and in our relationships. Most of us, if not all, prefer stability and a predictable future instead of uncertainty. In our Lenten study we will explore stories from the Gospels of Jesus which point to a world filled with uncertainty, yet at the same time, pointing to how following Jesus brings us courage and hope.

- King's Kids, our weekly program for children ages 3 years old- 5th grade. (4:00– 5:45pm)
- Chancel Choir rehearsal (7:30-9:00pm)

For more information on any of our Wednesday programs contact the church office at (727) 796-8090.

Pretzel Sunday

Pretzel Sunday is coming next Sunday, **March 3**. 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.

CITELIGHT

This Week in the Life of Our Youth:

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| • Sunday, February 24: | 9:30-10:30am | Confirmation Class #3 |
| • Sunday, February 24: | 9:30am | Worship |
| • Sunday, February 24: | 10:45am | Sunday School |
| • Sunday, February 24: | 1:30pm | YLT Meeting |
| • Sunday, February 24: | 5-6:30pm | Youth Night |
| • Sunday, February 24: | 6:30pm | Summer Trip Meeting |
| • Monday, February 25: | 6:30-8pm | YLT (City Night Prep) |
| • Monday, February 25: | 7:00pm | Confirmation Class at Session |
| • Wednesday, February 27: | 6:30-7:30pm | City Group: Bible Journaling |
| • Friday, March 1: | 7-10pm | Game Night |

If you're interested in volunteering with the youth program, please contact Vanessa Celotto at youthdirector@northwoodpc.org. Thanks!

Children's Ministry

King's Kids

King's Kids is in full swing and will continue through Wednesday, April 4th. This is our Wednesday program for children ages 3 through 5th grade. It runs from 4:00 to 5:45 p.m. throughout the school year. This is a mid-week program to help build friendships in a Christian environment, and strengthen faith, bringing children closer to God.

VBS June 3-7

Parents, save the date for Vacation Bible School. More details to come.

Spring Bash 2019

Spring Bash at Cedarkirk, for children 3rd-5th grade will be April 5th & 6th. Please contact Justine Davis to reserve your spot!

4th Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Children ages birth-5th grade are invited to join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20th at 10:00am. Save the date!

*Justine Davis, Director of Children's Ministry
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Please send articles for all publications to Emily Cantin at Communications@northwoodpc.org.

- Any submissions for the bulletin and announcements must be emailed by the Sunday before it is to appear.