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THE FUN BEGINS June 3rd— August 9th



Northwood's Summer Program is an active summer experience. Our experienced staff will provide your child with engaging activities in a safe and caring environment. Your child will enjoy a full-size air conditioned gymnasium for sports and games, field trips, weekly activities and structured activities as well as free choice time.

We have been providing summer fun for 30 plus years. Register Now!

Upfront Fees: -One time registration fee \$50.00
 -\$35 Deposit PER WEEK of camp selected

Weekly Tuition: -\$105 per week

Ask about discounts for multiple children!
7 a.m.- 6 p.m.

Ages 5-12 (must have completed kindergarten)

For details, please contact Justine Davis: childrensministry@northwoodpc.org

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Congratulations to our Confirmands!

Palm Sunday weekend, we welcomed four Confirmands into Membership in the Presbyterian Church. These students, grades 6, 7 and 8, started classes on February 10th to learn about the History of the Church, Presbyterian Policy, Old Testament, New Testament, Worship and more. They also spent a fun weekend out at Cedarkirk and attended the February Session Meeting. On Saturday, April 13th, they attended a Brunch in their honor where they shared their faith statements. Palm Sunday we welcomed Adam Booth, Ava Catlin, Olivia Catlin, and Joey Weidner as brothers and sisters in Christ's Church! In addition to being confirmed, Joey Weidner was baptized.

At-A-Glance

April 2019

This Month at Northwood

Sunday, April 21: Easter Sunday
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service (outside)
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Wednesday, April 24:
4:00-5:45 P.M. Last day of King's Kids

Sunday, April 28: Youth Sunday
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Saturday, May 4:
7:30 A.M. Stated Presbytery Meeting

Sunday, May 5:
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Sunday, May 12:
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Friday, May 17:
Last Day of Preschool

Sunday, May 19:
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service (outside)
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

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Submissions:

If you have information that you would like to be considered for the newsletter, e-mail communications@northwoodpc.org, or place it in Emily Cantin's box in the church office. The deadline is the 2nd Monday of the month.

Church Office Schedule

Beginning the week of May 20, church office hours will be Monday-Thursday, 8:30-4:00 P.M. Regular Friday office hours will resume the week of August 12. Calls to the office on Fridays will be handled by the voicemail system and returned on Monday. If there is a pastoral emergency, the system will provide the phone number needed to reach Pastor Chris or Pastor Paul. We thank you for your cooperation as we adopt this temporary schedule.

Around Northwood



Spring Bash 2019

"Community Campfire"

On April 5th & 6th, our Northwood Children's Ministry attended Spring Bash, a children's worship retreat at Cedarkirk. We are thankful that our children have the opportunities to go and worship with other faith communities, make new friendships and have fun outdoors at Cedarkirk, their "home away from home!"



Bass Player Needed!

The bass player in VoicesIn Praise, Gary Granata, is going on an extended vacation with his wife Linda from May-October. We need someone qualified to fill that spot and lead worship with us. Experience necessary. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings from 7:30-8:45 PM and the Sunday morning commitment is from 8:30 AM-10:30 AM. Please email Stephanie Carson at stephanie@northwoodpc.org or call 727-458-9749. I pray God is tugging at your heart to help us out and join our band family!



Spotlight on Deacons' Ministries

Prayer Chain Ministry

The Prayer Chain is a vital ministry that uses the power of multiple people praying at once for the urgent needs of the body here at Northwood Presbyterian Church.

During the worship service the attendance form may be completed, which has an area for prayer concerns. These prayer requests are sent to the Deacon in charge of the prayer chain by the Associate Pastor. The Deacon then sends the request out to the Prayer Chain volunteers. Prayer requests may also be given to the church office or Deacon, Troy Harris at 727-366-7762 or troyharris1962@yahoo.com



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 **May 4th**. If you need a copy of "The Five Love Languages," we will get you one free of charge! We will continue in chapter 4 for this month. Married couples of all ages are invited to attend. Each family please bring a heavy appetizer to share and child care is always provided. This is also open to couples who may not be members of Northwood. All are invited. Any questions, contact Spencer Briggs at 727-776-9295.

Presbyterian Women Installation Service

ALL women are invited to attend the Presbyterian Women Installation Service in the sanctuary on Tuesday, May 7th at 11:30am. Pastor Chris will also be leading lesson 9 of the PW Horizon Study following the Installation. A Covered Dish Luncheon and Birthday Party will follow in rooms 5 & 7. Please bring a dish to share. Dessert will be provided. If you have questions, please contact Sue Miskiewicz at 727-799-6767.



Cedarkirk Summer Camp

Cedarkirk Camp and Conference Center is offering more than 40 residential camp programs for campers who have completed 1st-12th grades. The summer theme this year is PEACE WORKS which will focus on ways we can fulfill God's vision for true peace by way of small actions and decisions we take part in every day. If you are interested in registering for a camp, visit www.cedarkirk.org. Scholarships for Cedarkirk Summer Camp are available through the Northwood Christian Education Ministry. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, contact Justine Davis at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org or 727-796-8090.



Florida Fellowship Workshop/Music Camp

The annual Workshop and Music Camp will again be at The Life Enrichment Center near Leesburg FL this year, June 9-14, 2019. This is open to rising 6th graders through adults. Those currently involved in Northwood's music program will receive financial help from money raised at the annual garage sale. A \$50 deposit is due right away so let Tom Huffman or Stephanie Carson know if you plan to attend. You can go to the website floridafummwa.org for some details. Do not register on your own—we will handle registration for the Northwood group.

Northwood Scholarship Application Time

NPC members who are high school seniors, college/vocational students or grad students are encouraged to pick up guidelines/applications from Emily Cantin, online, or in the church office now. Applications must be received by June 1, 2019. Applicants need to be involved in the life of the church (either here or at college/Seminary). This scholarship can only be received twice. We give thanks to the Bakers, Gordons, Wrights and others whose generosity to Northwood was reflected in their last will and testament. Scholarship funds come from interest earned from the following: (1) The Fred and Kay Baker Scholarship Fund, (2) The Walter and Catherine Gordon Educational Endowment, (3) Clarence and Florence Wright Scholarship Fund, (4) Monies received from other sources.

Kids' Corner Preschool/ Before and After Care

Registration for current students, siblings, and for the public has now begun for the 2019-2020 school year! You may stop in the church office and pick up your registration forms any time during church office 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 at schooldirector@northwoodpc.org.



NEWS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Habitat for Humanity

Thank you for supporting Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas County with your generous gift of \$640. Your investment helps families in our community achieve what they thought was just a dream. More than 60 struggling families will receive keys to their new home this year. Thank You! Mike Sutton, CEO

For Haiti with Love

Thank you so very much for the beautiful dresses for the little girls of Haiti. In addition to Christmas, there are so many occasions where it is such a blessing to have these on hand so we can really make a difference in someone's life. You help make that possible. Eva DeHart

RCS

Thank you for your generous gift in support of RCS Pinellas for \$250. We really rely on supporters like you to help us make a difference in the lives of the 130,000 Pinellas residents who rely on RCS. We appreciate you! Kirk Ray Smith, President & CEO

Bay Area Pregnancy Center

We want to thank you for your continued support! Your faithful generosity allowed us to serve over 1,500 families last year with 91 salvations and recommitments. 52 babies were saved from abortion. Thank you! Marsha Rimer, Executive Director

The Outreach Foundation

Thank you for your gift in support of The Outreach Foundation's mission. We are deeply grateful for your support and for the global church partners alongside of whom we serve. Grace and peace! Rob Weingartner, Executive Director

Beth-El

Thank you for your donation of \$250. Through donations such as yours we are able to assist the local Hispanic farmworkers. This program is completely funded through donations like yours, so thank you! Kathy Dain, Executive Director

Memorial Gifts

In Memory of:

Allison Gibson
Allison Gibson
Howard Green

Given by:

Esther-Elizabeth Circle
Barbara Schlerf
Art & Jeanette Holloway

Prayer Ministry

Bill Allen, Ken Andreassen, Carol Anderson, Doris Croasmun, Sue GaVette, Shirley Gleason, Fred Inkles, Carol Justice, Jane Kaempfer, Mildred Martin, Robin MacLennan, Helen Meier, Norman Phillips, David Smith, Gene Snyder, Al & Ethel Holden, Bonnie Beyer, Don Drummond, Jane Urban.

Prayers and Christian sympathies to:

- To the Zaccari Family on the death of Connie Zaccari on April 4.

Memorial Service

It is with sadness that we learned of the death of the Rev. Alfred A. Schlorholtz. A celebration of life for Rev. Al will be held at 10 am on May 18, 2019, at Mease Manor Auditorium, 700 Mease Plaza, Dunedin, FL. We thank God for Rev. Al's faithful ministry which extended over 35 years and which include time at Northwood back during the 90's.

Thank You

Thank you to the TCI class for your gift of \$262.00 in support of the Helping Hands fund. The fund provides assistance to those who need help with food and utility bills.

Prayers for our Military Families

- SrA Benjamin A. Cernansky, MacDill AFB, FL.
- SPC Glen Nadig, Ft. Campbell, KY.



If you have an immediate family member in the military that you would like added to our prayer list, please contact us.

Christian Education

TCI Class (Today's Christian Issues) Sundays at 11:00 AM

TCI provides a respectful, civil and non-judgmental forum to explore the timely issues we face as Christians, citizens, parents and friends. We ground our discussions in scripture and celebrate the diversity of ideas drawn from experiences and perspectives. TCI chooses topics from suggestions by participants and our leadership team. We meet in rooms 9&11 and we fuel our always-lively conversations with coffee and cookies.

Experiencing God Class Sundays at 11:00 AM

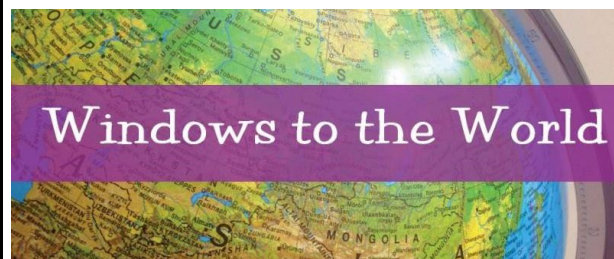
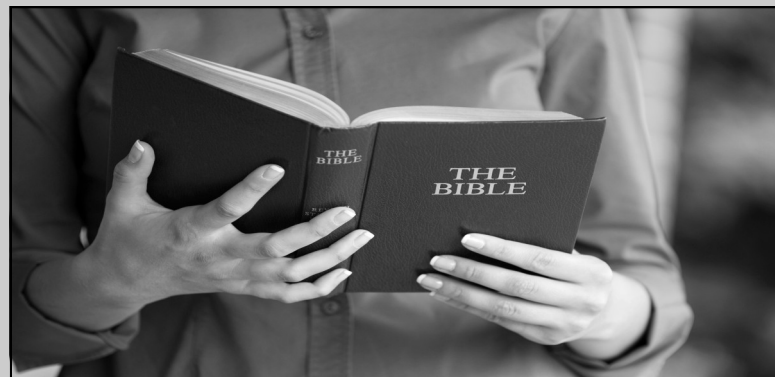
Join us on the journey for the truth about Jesus. In this video-based study based on "The Case for Christ," we will sift through historical evidence and expert testimony to help us see Jesus in a new way and find our lives transformed. We will also gain the tools to talk about Jesus with those who question whether Jesus existed or whether he is a good man, a prophet or the Son of God.

Sunday Morning Bible Study "Hebrews"

This Bible study meets at 11:30am on Sunday mornings in room 8. We are studying the Book of Hebrews, using the study guide: *Hebrews: Christ-Perfect Sacrifice, Perfect Priest* by John MacArthur. If you have any questions or would like to purchase a book for the study, please contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 or lucindy1@aol.com. This is a discussion class and is approximately one hour in length. All are welcome! Come join us!

Fresh Brewed

Women's Bible Study— This group meets the first Friday of each month at 10:30am in room 5. This month we will meet May 3rd. We will work on parts 3 & 4 along with the videos from our book "Becoming More" by Lysa Terkeurst. We will finish this book in June and be off for the summer, returning with a new book for the September meeting and our Summer Salad Spectacular. After this months (May) meeting, we will go to lunch at Carmelita's in Dunedin. If you have any questions, please contact Sally Uhler, 727-796-7563.



Fun! Friends! Friday! The Ren Crew

The Ren Crew is a group of adventuresome, young at heart 50+ adults that enjoy sharing fun with friends, old and new. We meet in rooms 9&11 the second Friday of the month (September – May). We gather at the church from 10:30 to 11:30 for presentations and conversations that are entertaining, educational and inspiring. Following the presentation the group enjoys going to a different restaurant each month.

Back by popular demand the theme for this year is, again, "Windows to the World."

May 10th- Eleanor Cicerchi: Experiencing the Culture and Seeing the Beauty of France's Countryside.

All are welcome! Transportation is gladly provided for those needing a ride. Join us and treat yourself to a Friday filled with fun and friends! For more information, you may contact Pastor Paul Means at 727-796-8090 or email at paul@northwoodpc.org.

Presbyterian Women Women's Circles



Esther/Elizabeth Circle meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 9:30am in rooms 5 & 7.

Lydia Circle meets the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00pm in room 5.

Naomi Circle meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 1:00pm in members homes. Please come and try out one of our circles! Everyone is welcome!

Children's Ministry



Children's Sunday School

8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (18/19 School Year)

Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-1st Grade, Room 3

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour.

2nd-5th Grade, Room 8

Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8.

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (18/19 School Year)

Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

VBS June 3-7

"Go Beyond with God" and blast off on this epic adventure with us to Mars and Beyond! Vacation Bible School registration and information is now available on our website under the children's ministry section. Please register on our website at www.northwoodpc.org. We are also in need of leaders and volunteers. If you are able and willing to teach, work in the kitchen, or help with crafts, please contact Justine Davis, Director of Children's Ministry at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org.



Sunday, April 21st at 9:30am: Easter Worship
Sunday, April 21st at 10:45am: Sunday School
Monday, April 22nd from 7-9pm: City Night
Wednesday, April 24th, 6pm: VBS Youth Guide Training
Friday, April 26th from 7-10pm: Game Night
Sunday, April 28th at all 3 Services: Youth Sunday
Sunday, April 28th: NO Sunday School
Sunday, April 28th at 12:30pm: YLT Meeting
Monday, April 29th from 7-9pm: City Night
Friday, May 3rd from 7-10pm: Game Night
Sunday, May 5th at 9:30am: Worship
Sunday, May 5th at 10:30am: VBS Meeting (makeup)
Sunday, May 5th at 10:45am: Sunday School
Monday, May 6th from 6:30-9pm: City Night
Friday, May 10th from 7-10pm: Game Night
Sunday, May 12th at 9:30am: Worship
Sunday, May 12th at 10:45am: Sunday School
Monday, May 13th from 6:30-9pm: City Night
Friday, May 17th from 7-10pm: Game Night
Saturday, May 18th, 9am-4pm: Cedarkirk Workday
Sunday, May 19th at 9:30am: Worship
Sunday, May 19th at 10:45am: Sunday School
Monday, May 20th from 6:30-9pm: City Night
Friday, May 24th from 7-10pm: Game Night
Sunday, May 26th at 9:30am: Worship
Sunday, May 26th at 10:45am: Sunday School
Sunday, May 26th at 12:30pm: YLT Meeting
Monday, May 27th from 6:30-9pm: City Night
Friday, May 31st from 7-10pm: Summer Games

