### **Your Giving Matters**

For in-person worship, the offering plates will not be passed, however, offering boxes are located in the narthex. For those worshiping online, your giving matters too. Please commit to maintain your regular schedule of giving throughout this time by mailing your gift or using one of the online platforms below for giving electronically:

- 1. Text NPCHURCH to 73256 and follow the prompts.
- Visit <u>www.northwoodpc.org</u> and click on the giving tab. 2.
- 3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife app* menu options

## **Pledge Cards for 2023**

Thank you for your faithful answer to God's call to give freely and wholeheartedly to support the ministry and mission of Northwood Presbyterian Church in 2022. If you have already submitted a pledge card for the coming year, thank you! Pledge cards are available in the narthex and the church office. Thank you again for all God has done in and through your giving back to Him at Northwood Presbyterian in 2022.

## **2022** Contributions

Giving intended for 2022 must be received in the church office by noon on Friday, December 30th or postmarked no later than December 30, 2022. Contributions which are processed electronically through your bank's online bill pay or via our website must be initiated much earlier (probably no later than December 26) so that the transaction will fully process and qualify for deduction in 2022.

## Nursery Care Available

Infants and toddlers ages 3 and under are provided care in our excellent nursery during the entire Worship Service and during the Sunday School hour. Please contact Karlee Wright at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org with any questions. \*Please note-Childcare will NOT be provided on Christmas Eve & Christmas Day services.





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CHRISTMAS JOY

### Announcements– December 11, 2022 WELCOME GUESTS!

Welcome to Northwood and welcome to those watching online! Let us know of prayer requests by filling out the friendship sheet or through the church website, and seek to give online, by text, by mail or through offering boxes located in the narthex. Contact our church office at communications@northwoodpc.org if you are interested in how to do all the above or wish to become a member or learn more about us. Mark your calendar for our next Discovering Northwood Presentation January 22, 2023 at 10:00am. WELCOME!

## The Christmas Joy Special Offering—TODAY

The Christmas Joy Offering will be received TODAY, Sunday, December 11th. Your gifts make a difference in providing financial assistance to current and former church work-

ers and their families and in opportunities for deserving students to attend Presbyterian-related ethnic colleges and schools. Your generous support of the Christmas Joy Offering will make a difference in shining the One True Light of Christ's love.

# **Upcoming Special Music and Worship Offerings**

TODAY, December 11: "Ring, Sing & Mingle' Handbell Concert—4:00pm **December 18**: One Worship Service—10:00am Christmas Cantata **December 24**: Christmas Eve Contemporary Worship—4:30pm

Christmas Eve Traditional Worship— 7:00pm

December 25: One Worship Service—10:00am



There are informational cards with all of the musical event and special worship service dates in the narthex and in the church office to share with family and friends!

## **Cookies for Ring, Sing & Mingle**

One of the highlights of the Ring, Sing & Mingle event is all the homemade cookies! Please bring your baked goods to the kitchen TODAY, December 11th labeled Ring, Sing, Mingle.

## **Poinsettias—Last Day to Order!**

Today is the last day to order Christmas poinsettias for \$10 each in memory or in honor of a loved one for the Christmas worship services. Be sure to attach completed form from today's friendship sheet to payment so we can be sure to include your name in the bulletin.



### Attendance for 12/04/22 Livestream & In-Person

**In-Person Contemporary**—61 **In-Person Traditional**—98 Livestream from the Church Website: Contemporary Service—31 **Traditional Service**—85

Facebook Live: 57 views between both services Total Views: 332 If you have technical difficulties viewing the online services please view in the church livestreaming archives the next day as that is working well. You can call the church office and ask for help you if you are having trouble viewing. We encourage you to ask for help!

## **NO Brown Bag Bible Study During December**

Beginning Thursday, January 5th, the Brown Bag Bible Study will begin the new year with a new seven-week study looking at Jesus' seven great "I AM" statements in the Gospel of John. Each of these "I AM" proclamations furthers our understanding of Jesus' ministry in the world. Come join us as we grow in faith, hope and love!

Annual Garage Sale—January 13 & 14, 2023

Hold on to your Garage Sale items just a little longer. The hours for collecting will be: December 27 – 31 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

January 1 – 11, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. If you need a pick-up or a different time to drop-off, please call Susan Curry (727) 709-8237. The dates for the sale are Friday, January 13th and Saturday, January 14th from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. There are announcement cards in the narthex for you to post at your clubhouses or to hand out. Please reach out via social media to your friends and family about the sale. Volunteer to help if you can – it's a lot of fun. We need medium to large plastic bags (like from department stores) if you have any to donate. You are the reason the Garage Sale is successful and we appreciate you!

# **CareNotes Ministry**

Are you struggling to cope with grief or chronic illness? Are you overwhelmed with the challenges of care giving? CareNotes offer strength, help and healing for those who are hurting and provide a wealth of emotional, health, grief and eldercare support and information. CareNotes are also available for teens and children addressing such topics as bullying, social media safety and forgiveness. You will also find greeting cards if needed. These free resources are found in the racks in the narthex. They are supplied by the Deacons and refreshed by Deacon Eileen Nelson.

# Citylight Schedule 12/9 - 12/18

#### Friday 12/9

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Game Night Grades 6 & Up

#### Sunday 12/11

9:00 am - Contemporary Service 10:05 am - 11:45 am - Youth Sunday School, 11:00 am - Traditional Service 4:00 pm - Ring Sing & Mingle 7:00 pm - Youth & Families Christmas Party

### Wednesday 12/14

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Citynight - Grades 6 & Up

### Friday 12/16

No Game Night - Dinner, then Prism Concert at East Lake High School, if you would like to go, contact Rosalie.

#### Saturday 12/17

9:00 am - 1:00 pm - Drop N Shop - Volunteer to lead Kings Kid Kiddos for day of Christmas VBS!

### Sunday 12/18

9:00 am - Contemporary Service 10:05 am - 11:45 am - Youth Sunday School 11:00 am - Traditional Service

Follow the link to view our weekly email:

https://mailchi.mp/f330f1b50717/citylightupdate322022-13513696

## Presbyterian Women's Bible Study—Dec. 13

Presbyterian Women are using a Bible study called "Celebrating Sabbath" by Carol Bechtel. The fourth lesson will be Tuesday, December 13th at 10:00 am with a Christmas brunch to follow. All are invited! If you'd like more information or have any questions, please contact Patty Martin at bill.martin2@verizon.net. ALL ARE WELCOME!

### Women's Retreat- Register NOW! Feb 10-12, 2023

Join the women of Northwood at the annual Women's Retreat at Cedarkirk. You won't want to miss this amazing weekend of fellowship, games, crafts, and canoeing. Enjoy the great outdoors while staying in air-conditioned lodges. Register Now! Deposits are due December 3rd. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board across from the kitchen!

