

Beth-El Adopted Families' Angel Tree

It's that time of year when we have the opportunity to help our adopted families with Christmas! On Sunday, November 19th, we will have "angels" on our Christmas tree in the narthex so that you can choose a gift to provide for a family in need. (Gifts should cost \$15-\$20) Please make sure you sign out the angel in the church library before taking it home. Gifts should not be wrapped and should be returned to the Christmas tree area by Sunday, December 3rd. For information contact Pam Means at (727) 386-0747 or Nancy Johnson at (727) 366-7705.

Beth-El Angel Tree

Northwood will be supporting the Beth-El Farmworkers Ministry in Hillsborough County again this year. The gift requests will be on multi-colored angels on the Christmas tree starting November 26. Gifts range from \$1.00 up. Please bring unwrapped gifts and place under the tree by December 11th. For information contact Evelyn Towns (727) 785-3743.

Women's Retreat - January 19-22

Join the women of Northwood for an amazing weekend of fellowship, games, crafts, canoeing and nature walks. Enjoy the peaceful beauty of Cedarkirk while staying in a heated lodge, complete with fireplace and kitchen. Info coming soon!!!

Save the Date for Special Music Events

December 10: 9:30 Ignite Service,
Special Christmas Program

December 10: 'Ring, Sing & Mingle' Handbell Concert,
Carol Sing and Reception 4:00 P.M.

December 17: 8:15 & 11:00 Traditional Services Cantata
'Carol Suites' by Mark Hayes



Support Kids' Corner Preschool

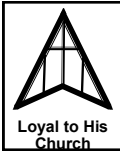
Please consider supporting Northwood Presbyterian's Kids' Corner Preschool this year. They have a Target Registry for items they would like to enhance their classes. You can find their wish list online at www.target.com/gift-registry/gift/kids'corner. Items can be dropped off to the church or school office. Any questions? Contact Angie Miele Surowiec or Emily Cantin at (727) 723-7679 or email at: schooldirector@northwoodpc.org. Thank you for your generosity!



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ANNOUNCEMENTS- November 19, 2017

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities here. If you are interested in membership or learning more about our church, please join us today for our Discovering Northwood Class at 10:45 in room 4. Contact our Senior Pastor, Chris Curvin at (727) 796-8090 or by email at chriscurvin@northwoodpc.org if questions. The next Discovering Class will be held on January 21st.

Welcome Back, Pastor Jack Alwood

We welcome to the pulpit today Dr. Jack Alwood who is no stranger to us at NPC. "Jack" is an honorably retired member of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay and he and his wife, Claudia, worship with us regularly. Jack enjoys singing bass in in our Chancel Choir, when not serving other churches in our presbytery.

Live Streaming At Northwood

All sermons at NPC are available on our website at www.northwoodpc.org under the "Watch Live" tab. From there you can watch our 11:00 service live on Sundays or click on "Archives" to find previous weeks' services.

Presbyterian Women Invitation

All women of Northwood Presbyterian Church are invited to "Get Together" on Tuesday, December 5, at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Chris will be teaching the Horizon Bible Study "Cloud of Witnesses," lesson 4. Coffee and pastries will be provided. Bring a friend! Contact Sue Miskiewicz (727-799-6767) for additional information.

Church Photo Directory

*Space is filling up! Be sure to sign up soon.
Next sign-up date is Sunday, December 10!*

Remaining photography dates are:

- *December 27 (12:00- 7:00 P.M.)*
- *Added to accommodate visiting students/relatives*
- January 24 (1:00- 8:00 P.M.)
- January 25 (10:00 A.M.- 5:00 P.M.)
- January 26 (1:00- 8:00 P.M.)
- January 27 (10:00 A.M.- 5:00 P.M.)
- February 6 (1:00- 8:00 P.M.)



Without you, our new church directory will not be complete!

[Annual Garage Sale](#)

Our 2018 Music Ministry Annual Garage Sale is approaching quickly. The sale is scheduled for January 12 and 13, 2018. More information will be coming in the Window, but we wanted to give you ample time to clean out your garage, attic, closets and other storage areas. If you have any questions, please call Susan Curry at (727) 709-8237. Thank you!
~Susan Curry and Carol Rathmell (Music Ministry Co-Chairs) & Stephanie Carson

[Poinsettia Orders](#)

Do you have someone you'd like to honor or remember with a poinsettia in the sanctuary this Christmas? For just \$9, you can make that happen. Place your check designated "Poinsettia" and the completed sign-up form from Sunday's friendship sheet (through December 10) in the offering plate or drop off in the church office during regular office hours.

[Think on These Things](#)

[An Intelligent, Imaginative, Hospitable Reading Group](#)

Think On These Things, led by Pastor Paul will meet on Monday, November 20 from noon to 1:15 in rooms 13 and 15. The theme for the group is "Engaging books a thoughtful Christian ought to read." This month we are reading and will discuss C. S. Lewis' classic book, *The Screwtape Letters*. People are welcome to bring a lunch or snacks. For more information, contact Pastor Paul Means at 727-796-8090 or paul@northwoodpc.org.

[Drop N' Shop/Parent's Morning Out](#)

Parents, save the date for Saturday, Dec 2nd for our annual Drop N' Shop/Parent's Morning Out. Drop your children off 9:00 A.M.- 12:00 P.M. so you can get some time to yourself! While you are away, your children will be having a Christmas celebration with crafts, games and a lesson about why we celebrate Jesus during the season of Christmas. This event is \$10.00 per child with a max of \$30.00 per family, for ages birth – 5th grade. The money collected goes towards the scholarship program for children and youth, grades 1st -12th, to offset the cost of summer camps at Cedarkirk.

Mark it on your calendars! More information on how to sign up will available soon. For more questions contact Ms. Justine.

[Pancake Breakfast](#)

Mark your calendars! Sunday, December 3rd after all three services, our youth will be hosting a pancake breakfast in Fellowship Hall to help fund the youth summer trip. Come hungry to support our youth!

Please send articles for all publications to Tracy Donovan at Communications@northwoodpc.org.

[Youth Ministry](#)

[This Week in the Life of Our Youth:](#)

Sunday, November 12: 9:30 A.M. Worship and Sunday School
Sunday, November 12: 5-6:30 P.M. Youth Group
Wed, November 15: 6:30–7:30 P.M. High School Bible Study
Friday, November 17: 7:00-10:00 P.M. Game Night

[Upcoming Events:](#)

- Metropolitan Ministries: November 21st from 8:45-11:30am
- Pancake Breakfast: December 3rd after all 3 services
- Feeding Tampa Bay: December 27th from 1:00-4:00pm

Youth Game Night is held on Friday night from 7-10:00pm here at Northwood. **We are in need of adult volunteers** to help out on **12/8** and **12/22**. If this is something that you may be interested in, please contact Vanessa Celotto at youthdirector@northwoodpc.org. Thanks!

[Nursery Care Available](#)

Infants and toddlers are provided care in our excellent nursery during the entire Worship Service and during the Sunday School hour.

[Children's Bulletins](#)

Children's Bulletins for ages 3-6 and for ages 7-12 are available in the Narthex.

[Large Print Hymnals & Bulletins](#)

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

[Kids & Youth: Do you play a Musical Instrument?](#)

Kids and youth (ages 1st grade through 12th grade), come play your instrument on Christmas Eve...your gift to the Lord! If you have a sacred song to play during our pre-service concert at 4:00 P.M. please call Justine Ruisz at (727) 796-8090 or email her at: childrensministry@northwoodpc.org.

[Alternative Gifts for Christmas!](#)

Are you challenged to find a perfect, affordable gift for someone who has everything? Do you want to show your children and grandchildren that you believe the greatest gift is helping others? Consider an Alternative Gift! For as little as \$5.00 you can honor a loved one with a donation to a local, national or international benevolence. The women of Lydia Circle will be in the Narthex during Advent (December 3, 10, 17 and 24) to help you select a PERFECT alternative gift. Questions? Contact Barbara Englehart (743-4886 or waspffinella@yahoo.com) or Nancy Johnson (366-7705 or njohnso1472@gmail.com).