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. For the month of November, the date has been moved to **November 10th**. Married couples of all ages are invited to attend. We will watch the video "The Five Love Languages" by Gary Chapman before starting the book in December. Each family please bring a heavy appetizer to share and child care is always provided. Sharing the seasons of a marriage between families and couples has been proven to strengthen marriages and lead to lifelong friendships. 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.

Annual Garage Sale

Our 2019 Music Ministry Annual Garage Sale is approaching quickly. The sale is **January 10-12, 2019**. How can we top the record sales from 2018? Only with your help. Your generosity is amazing. We sell almost everything – furniture, jewelry, kitchen items, clothes, shoes, toys, holiday items, tools, collectibles, books, linens, outdoor items and decorations. We will begin collecting items at the church on December 27, 2018. We will also be able to pick up larger items. Please ask your family, neighbors and friends if they would like to donate items. More details about times will be available in the next Window. If you have any questions, please call Susan Curry (727) 709-8237.

Hurricane Season Deacons' Ministry

The Hurricane Ministry of our church's Board of Deacons assists members in need of temporary housing during hurricanes or severe tropical storms. If you are in an evacuation zone and would need housing or if you are able to share your home with members-in-need, please contact Paul Means at paul@northwoodpc.org or 727-796-8090. If emailing, please use the subject "Hurricane Volunteer". Please include your name, address, phone number, email address, number of people you can accommodate, and whether you have pets.







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Announcements-October 28, 2018

WELCOME GUESTS!

Loyal to His Church 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 **Sunday**, **November 18th** 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.

WAY-Reminder

There will be NO WAY dinner or series on October 31st but will resume the following Wednesday, November 7th. Happy Halloween!

Congratulations

Congratulations to Ashley and JR Rounding on the birth of Benjamin Tyler Rounding on October 10th weighing 7lbs 7oz. and 20 inches long. And to Georgia Rounding for becoming a grandmother for a second time!

Congratulations to Laura and Patrick Turner on the birth of Harrison William Turner on October 19th weighing 6lbs 12oz. and 18.25 inches long. And to grandmother, Nancy Turner!

Memorial Service

A Memorial Service for Gail Weislogel will be held this Saturday, November 3rd at 11:00am at Regency Oaks in Clearwater. Trusting in God's everlasting love we commit Gail, our sister in faith, into God's hands.

Interment of Ashes Service

Today at 12:30, there will be an Interment of Ashes service for Jan Hewlett in the Memorial Garden. We celebrate Jan's life, giving thanks to God, the Lord of life. Following the service there will be a reception in the Christian Education Building in rooms 5 and 7.

Halloween Candy for Music Ministry

If you have leftover Halloween candy or find some good BOGO deals, the music ministry will gladly accept your donations. We use the candy as incentives in our children's choirs. Thank you for your generosity! Any questions? Contact Stephanie Carson, (727) 796-8090.

Blanket Sunday

Please consider donating new and gently used blankets to be given to the migrant worker's families at Beth-El. You may place them in either of the two bins inside the church hallway anytime **through November 4th.** Every year we collect blankets, suitcases and cash donations for these families who live in such poor and deplorable conditions. They use the blankets for more than warmth. They use them as room dividers, and other means of privacy. It is such a worthwhile cause for our church to support. Call Sue Miskiewicz @ 727-799-6767 if you have any questions.

Sing the Christmas Cantata

Do you have a desire to sing in the choir? Here is a short term way to get involved. Our Christmas Cantata is Sunday morning, December 16th. The rehearsals are on **Wednesday evenings**, 7:30-8:00, in the sanctuary. The cantata will have extra instruments and the larger the choir the better – hope you can join us! If you have any questions, please email or call Stephanie Carson 796-8090. stephanie@northwoodpc.org

Hurricane Michael Response

As we as a congregation pray for those who have been impacted by Hurricane Michael, we are gathering information about how we as a church can help. In the short term, we will be sending financial gifts to the Gulf Beach Presbyterian Church in Panama City which offers the only food pantry by other local churches. Checks should be made payable to Northwood Presbyterian Church with "Hurricane Michael" in the memo line. We will keep you updated as we learn of additional ways to help.



This Week in the Life of Our Youth:

Sunday, October 28: 9:30am Worship

• Sunday, October 28: 11:00am Sunday School

Sunday, October 28: 5-6:30pm Pumpkin Carving Party
Wednesday, October 31: 6:30-7:30pm HS Bible Halloween Party

Friday, November 2: 5:30-6:30 MS Bible Study
Friday November 2: 7-10pm Family Movie Night (Prince of Egypt)

Upcoming Events:

• Friday, November 9-11th: Fall Fusion

- Sunday, November 18th, 2-5pm: Random Acts of Kindness
- Monday, November 19th, 3-7pm: Airheads
- Tuesday, November 20th, 10-3pm: Metropolitan Ministries

If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Vanessa Celotto at youthdirector@northwoodpc.org.

Children's Ministry-Acolytes Needed

Parents, Northwood is in need of acolytes for the 8:15 & 11:00 services. Children must be in 2nd grade and up. Training and instruction will be provided as will learning the importance of bringing God's light into our worship services and then taking it out into the world. Please contact Justine Ruisz if your child is available and interested. childrensministry@northwoodpc.org.

Lighting the Advent Wreath

Celebrating in worship with an Advent wreath during the weeks prior to Christmas is a great way for us to keep Christ at the center of Christmas. How would you like to take part in what has become a meaningful Northwood tradition? The Worship Team is looking for two or more friends or family members to light the candles of the Advent wreath during each worship service of Advent (Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 24). If you are interested in volunteering, please call Linda Feller at 727-385-5629 (cell) or email her at bikingringer@gmail.com.

Women's Retreat-Save the Date!

Cedarkirk Women's retreat will be **February 8-10**, **2019**! Any questions, please contact <u>Jeanneestephen@gmail.com</u>