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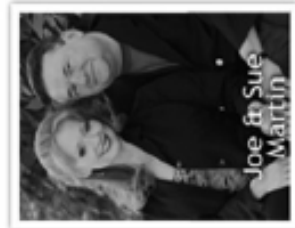
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TOUR OF SCOTLAND/  
IRELAND  
WITH JOSEPH MARTIN

Members of Northwood Presbyterian Church will be among those planning to tour Scotland and Ireland in September 2017. The top church music composer and pianist Joseph M. Martin will host the tour in conjunction with the professional



organization *Harmony International*.

The nine-day tour (with an optional 3-day extension to Killarney) will include concert performances in St. Giles Cathedral in Edinburgh, St. Patrick's

Cathedral in Dublin and in Derry, Northern Ireland. We will also tour Edinburgh Castle and visit the John Knox house along with attending a talk about the life and ministry of John Knox and more. Singers and non-singers are welcome. For those interested, Joseph Martin will be with us in person at Northwood Presbyterian Church on Friday, August 19 at 7:30 (in the sanctuary) to talk about the details and to answer any questions we may have. Everyone is welcome to come and meet Joe and find out more about the trip. Attendance does not obligate you to go. More details can be found at the website: [HarmonyInternational.com](http://HarmonyInternational.com). Contact Northwood Presbyterian's Organist & Associate Music Director, Tom Huffman, for more information (727) 796-8090 or [hufftom@aol.com](mailto:hufftom@aol.com).

*Joseph Martin will be with us in person at Northwood Presbyterian Church on Friday, August 19 at 7:30 p.m. (in the sanctuary) to talk about the September 2-10, 2017 Celtic Tour.*

Everyone is invited!



Sunday, August 28, 2016

Join us for a great opportunity to learn everything you always wanted to know about Northwood. There will be over 20 tables representing the various groups and they will be fun and full of facts. A continental breakfast will be served and we will have a special game with prizes. You don't want to miss this – August 28, 2016 between 9:15 am and 12:30 pm. Bring your friends and neighbors!

# At-A-Glance

August 15, 2016

This Month at  
Northwood

Sunday, August 21:  
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Sunday, August 28:  
Discovery Day 9:15 A.M.– 12:30 P.M.  
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Sunday, September 4:  
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Friday, September 9:  
10:30-11:30 A.M. Ren Crew

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

Wednesday, September 14:  
4:30 P.M. King's Kids Kick-off Party

Sunday, September 18:  
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Wednesday, September 21:  
4:00– 5:45 P.M. King's Kids Resumes

Sunday, September 25:  
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
10:45 A.M. Discovering Northwood Class  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Sunday, October 2:  
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

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

Friday, October 14:  
10:30-11:30 A.M. Ren Crew

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## The Window

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If you have information that you would like to be considered for the newsletter, e-mail [communications@northwoodpc.org](mailto:communications@northwoodpc.org), or place it in Tracy Donovan's box in the church office. The deadline is the 2nd Monday of the month.

E-News:  
If you are interested in receiving emails with upcoming church events, please send an email with your name and request to [communications@northwoodpc.org](mailto:communications@northwoodpc.org).

# Spotlight on Deacons' Ministries

## Care Notes/Care Cards Ministry

The Deacons' Care Notes/ Care Cards Ministry serves the church by providing faith based booklets and pamphlets offering support, assistance, healing, and words of encouragement relating to many different topics. These items are available to the congregation in a wall rack in the Narthex. Linda Diamond coordinates this ministry. Please feel free to pick up any item that could be helpful for you or a friend. If you have any questions about this ministry, you may contact Linda at 727-796-3751 or [lin-damdiamond@gmail.com](mailto:lin-damdiamond@gmail.com).

## NPC VITALS

Weather: Hot & Muggy  
Sunday, July 31, 2016  
(8:15) 67  
(9:30) 131  
(11:00) 104  
Total: 302

### Prayer Ministry

Ken Andreassen; Burt Benziger; Doris Croasman; Shirley Gleason; Howard Green; Fred Inkles; Rees Heycock; Lou Hortobagyi; Kelly Jordan; Jane Kaempfer; Diane Luke; Lois Marsh; Mildred Martin; Robin MacLennan; Curtis McLeod; Helen Meier; Norman Phillips; Marian Rather; David Smith; Charline Snow; Gene Snyder; Lucille Talbot; Al & Ethel Holden; Bill & Jane Sutton; Bonnie Beyer; Nellie Elzerman

### Memorial Gifts

<b>In Memory of:</b>	<b>Given by:</b>
Judy Basinger	Bill & Bunny Bitner
Dottie Benziger	Bill & Bunny Bitner
Dottie Benziger	Jean Swintek
Dottie Benziger	Rebecca Dodge
Dottie Benziger	Bill & Loisanne Bilka
Dottie Benziger	Joe & Mary Ellen Zeigler
Dottie Benziger	Barbara Englehart
Dottie Benziger	Robert & Pauline Hayward
Dottie Benziger	Margaret T. Ward
Dottie Benziger	Anonymous

<b>In Honor of:</b>	<b>Given by:</b>
Zoey Guthrie	Lorrie Jamusik
Peter & Susan Gajentan	Joe & Mary Ellen Zeigler

# Christian Education

Bailey Shields, Christian Education Team Chair

## Adult Ministry

### Fun! Friends! Friday!

#### Ren Crew

The Ren Crew is a group that delights in sharing fun with friends, old and new, on 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.

The Ren Crew theme for the Fall of 2016 is "Windows to the World." The following presentations open "different windows to the world" as Northwood members share their fascinating travel experiences from here in the U.S. and from around the world.

Sept. 9- Eleanor Cicerchi:

*Safari through Serengeti, Africa*

Oct. 14-Pastor Paul:

*Experience Beauty and Grandeur in the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone National Parks*

Nov. 11- Bob Meier:

*Exploring Ancient Ephesus*

Dec. 9- Associate Music Director and Organist, Tom Huffman:

*Christmas Carols from around the World*

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, contact Pastor Paul Means at 727-796-8090 or [paul@northwoodpc.org](mailto:paul@northwoodpc.org).

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

(Schedule starting in September)

### 8:15 AM Children's Christian Education

Children's Church starts back in September. Children over three should remain with their parents in worship. Nursery is available all services for children 3 and under.

### 9:30 AM Children's Christian Education

**3 Yr. Olds-Kindergarten (16/17 School Year), Room 3**  
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour.

### 1st- 2nd Grades, Room 2

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

### 3<sup>rd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> Grades, Room 8

Students gather to worship at the beginning of the service with their teachers, in the front Sanctuary rows, closest to the band. After the Prayers of Joys & Concerns, they will move to room 8.

### 11:00 AM Children's Christian Education

Children's Church starts back in September. Children over three should remain with their parents in worship. Nursery is available all services for children 3 and under.

*Parents, if you wish for your children to receive communion please have them remain with you in the worship service on Communion Sundays. If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Elder Dawn Winder, Chair of Worship Team.*

### 9:30 AM Middle & High School Christian Education

Please meet in the Ignite service (9:30 am) to enjoy worship together. During the summer, there will be no Sunday School for the Middle and High School Youth. Sunday School will resume during the school year.

## Children's Ministry

Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministry



### Children's Ministry Events

#### King's Kids Resumes

King's kids kickoff party is on September 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:30. Parents and children, come and learn what King's kids is all about and what the children will be learning during this session. King's Kids starts back on September 21<sup>st</sup> – November 16<sup>th</sup> and then Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> – March 29<sup>th</sup>.

#### Discovery Day

Save the date for August 28<sup>th</sup>. All the ministries that are happening at Northwood will have information and displays for you to see in the Christian Education Building. Make sure to stop by after you worship together as a family at one of our 3 services. There will be no children's Sunday school but there will be activities for the children at the children's ministry table when you come to Discovery Day.

Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministry  
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(727)796-8090 Cell/text- (727)641-8140

## Youth & Young Adults

Jon Drawdy, Director of Youth & Family Ministries

### Youth Ministry Events

Friday, Aug 19:	Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M.
Sunday, Aug 21:	Youth Group 5:00-6:30 P.M.
Friday, Aug 26:	Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M.
Sunday, Aug 28:	Youth Group 5:00-6:30 P.M.
Friday, Sep 2:	Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M.
Sunday, Sep 4:	Youth Group 5:00-6:30 P.M.
Wednesday, Sep 7:	Bible Study 6:30-7:30 P.M.
Friday, Sep 9:	Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M.
Saturday, Sep 10:	Rock the Universe
Sunday, Sep 11:	Youth Group 5:00-6:30 P.M.
Wednesday, Sep 14:	Bible Study 6:30-7:30 P.M.
Friday, Sep 16:	Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M.
Sunday, Sep 18:	Youth Group 5:00-6:30 P.M.
Wednesday, Sep 21:	Bible Study 6:30-7:30 P.M.
Friday, Sep 23:	Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M.
Sunday, Sep 25:	Youth Group 5:00-6:30 P.M.
Wednesday, Sep 28:	Bible Study 6:30-7:30 P.M.
Friday, Sep 30:	Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M.

Jon Drawdy, Director of Youth & Family Ministries  
[youthdirector@northwoodpc.org](mailto:youthdirector@northwoodpc.org)

## Women's Ministry

### Bible Study:

*The Girl's Still Got It*, by Liz Curtis Higgs

Beginning Friday, September 2, 10:30am, rooms 4-6  
Followed by Summer Salad pot luck lunch

### Who Is Jesus?

the Presbyterian Women's Bible study for 2016 – 2017.

Tuesday, September 6, 9am, rooms 5-7

Monday, September 12, 1pm, member home

Tuesday, September 13, 9:30am, rooms 5-7

Monday, September 19, 7pm, rooms 5-7

Questions? Contact Patty Martin

(813-855-0851 or [bill.martin2@verizon.net](mailto:bill.martin2@verizon.net)).

### Discovery Day:

Be sure to stop by the Women's Ministries table on Sunday, August 28. Learn about the many opportunities to grow in faith and fellowship.

## Adult Ministry

### Sunday Morning Classes

#### Serendipity Class-

Sundays at 9:30 AM

Class will resume Sunday, September 4.

#### TCI Class- Sundays at 9:30 AM

(Today's Christian Issues)

Class will resume Sunday, September 11.

#### Experiencing God Class-

Sundays at 11:00 AM

Meets in room 15 led by Vicki Krueger.

Class will resume Sunday, September 11.




# Around Northwood

## Discovery Day Mission Opportunity

Sunday, August 28 Northwood is inviting everyone to participate in Beth-El Shoe Sunday by bringing new or used shoes in good condition for the children, youth & adults of the Beth-El Farm Workers Mission in Wimauma, FL. Our goal this year is to collect 400 pairs of shoes! Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus in this way!



## Handbell Ringers Needed



We have two adult handbell choirs at NPC: an intermediate and an advanced group. If you read music and have never tried ringing handbells before, you are missing out on a lot of fun! We need a couple more ringers for each group which will start rehearsing in September. We will also be preparing for our annual Christmas Concert, "Ring, Sing & Mingle". Please call or email Stephanie Carson if you might be interested and she will train you to ring or plug you in. Don't deprive yourself of the joy of ringing! [Stephanie@northwoodpc.org](mailto:Stephanie@northwoodpc.org) or 727-458-9749.

## New Chancel Choir Members Wanted

Has it been years since you have sung in a choir? It is a super way to plug yourself into a small group of people who all enjoy the same thing. We have great fellowship while making beautiful music together and lifting our voices to God. Our wonderful choir for our traditional services will start back rehearsing again on Wednesday, August 24. That evening, at 6:15, we will have a Strawberries and Cream and goodies reception before rehearsal, 7:00-8:15. Please join us!! Contact Stephanie Carson for more information: [Stephanie@northwoodpc.org](mailto:Stephanie@northwoodpc.org) or 727-458-9749.



## Youth Music

The potential is great for a fantastic year with youth choir and handbells. We will begin the last week in August with vocal choir on Wednesday evening. For youth handbells this year, if there is sufficient interest, we will have two groups divided by grade level—middle school and high school. First choice would be to have Middle School ringers on Tuesdays after school, and High School ringers on Wednesdays before vocal choir. If Mr. Huffman has not already contacted you, please express your interest to him so we can make a final decision on days and times. Text or call (727) 409-8726 or email [hufftom@aol.com](mailto:hufftom@aol.com).

## Honey, We Shrunk the Kids (Library)

### Part I

Our wonderful and growing music ministry has been bursting at the seams and has recently remodeled the choir and robe rooms. In order to facilitate this expansion, a small portion of the Children's Library was partitioned off and is now being used to store the children's and youth choir robes. The robes now discreetly hang behind a very nice roller shade, and the balance of the library space is still being used for religious books and DVD's. Stop in and "Check it Out".



## Is a Night On The Towne coming back?

The answer is "Maybe". For those members not familiar with A Night On The Towne, it is basically Northwood's version of a talent show. It's been about 4 years since we last held it, and in the past we have had singers, dancers, musicians, crazy skits, and it was HUGE fun. So back to the "Maybe" answer. We have reserved Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> for A Night On The Towne. This event only works if we have at least 15 acts. The acts can be serious or funny, can be performed by an individual or a group, and should be no more than 5 minutes long. If we can get FIRM commitments for 15 acts by September 15<sup>th</sup>, the show will go on! If you would like to perform at A Night On The Towne, or would like more information about the event, call or text Jim Warren at 727-215-0733.

## Children's Handbells and Orff Instruments

A new season for children's handbells will be starting back soon and we have three openings for children 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade. You do not need to read music - I will teach you rhythm and we color code our notes. We also get to play xylophones and other percussion instruments - all hands on. We meet Tuesday afternoons from 4:00-5:00. Please let me know if your child is interested - no fee for this. First come, first served! Contact 'Miss Stephanie' at [Stephanie@northwoodpc.org](mailto:Stephanie@northwoodpc.org) or 727-458-9749.



# Caring for Our Church Family

## Our Sympathies and Prayers

- We extend our prayers and sympathies to Elinore Geer and her family and friends upon the death of her husband, Edward Geer on July 21. The memorial service will be held at Northwood on Friday, August 12 at 2:00 P.M.
- We extend our prayers and Christian sympathy to Georgianna Winder and family upon the news of the death of Georgianna's aunt, Frances "Aunt Enie" Pollard on July 24.
- We extend our prayers and Christian sympathy to Doug, Roger and Steve Winder and families upon the news of the death of their nephew, Pete Kowal III on July 13.

# News From the Mission Field

## Isaiah's Inn

- Thank you for your generous donation of over \$500 earmarked for summer camp. 40 families are provided housing and other support, such as our Summer Camp Program and Back-to-School Program where we provide clothing for our children returning to school.
- Thank you for your generous donation of \$250. We were housing 35 families early this spring and have been able to add an additional 5 families for a total of 40 families we housed in June. We need and appreciate your support.

## VBS Program

- Hello, my name is Liza and my two children, Derek and Maya, came to Cave Quest and had an amazing time. Thank you to everyone that had their hands in the program. It was by far one of the best I've ever seen. We moved here from New York last summer and one of the memories I want my children to have is VBS. We are so blessed to of had made a friend that told me about your church. Thank you!


## Church World Service

- Thank you for your generous contribution to the work of Church World Service- which we appreciate more than ever in these challenging times. Your compassionate support is helping impoverished communities: develop clean, reliable water sources; teach poor farmers sustainable ways to create food security; and provide food, water, shelter and other necessities to families struggling to rebuild their lives and livelihoods after natural disasters and civil conflict. I have seen both the resilience and the resolve of the women, men and children we assist. And I have been deeply moved by the generosity of people like you, who give hope and opportunity to people in need, here in the U.S. and around the world. -Rev. John L. McCullough, President and CEO

## Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas County

- Thank you for your recent generous gift of \$960 to Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas County. Your investment helps families in our community achieve what they thought was just a dream. Thanks to you, we will hand the keys to 45 struggling families by years end and look forward to celebrating with them as they start their new lives.
- Thank you for your recent generous gift of \$2,960 to Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas County. To date, Habitat Pinellas has completed 358 safe, affordable homes in our community. Your support allows us to remain focused on our mission to promote family stability through innovative housing solutions.

## Volunteer Opportunity



Would you love to be a blessing by greeting those who enter Northwood Presbyterian Church on Sunday? Volunteering to be greeter will bless you too! Please call Elaine Cornillaud at (727) 726-3441, if you would love to greet at 8:15 or 11:00 A.M. Thank you!

## Home Communion For You!

If you or someone you know is unable to attend church, either short-term or long-term to receive communion, Northwood's Home Communion Ministry Team would be happy to bring Home Communion to you. We want everyone to know that the church cares about them and we are glad to provide this connection of love and care through the sacrament of Holy Communion with Jesus. No preparation on your part is needed, we bring everything. We visit homes, rehab centers, hospitals, etc. For more information or an appointment, please call Barbara Moler at (727) 734-3331 or Sandy Gibson at (727) 791-4265.