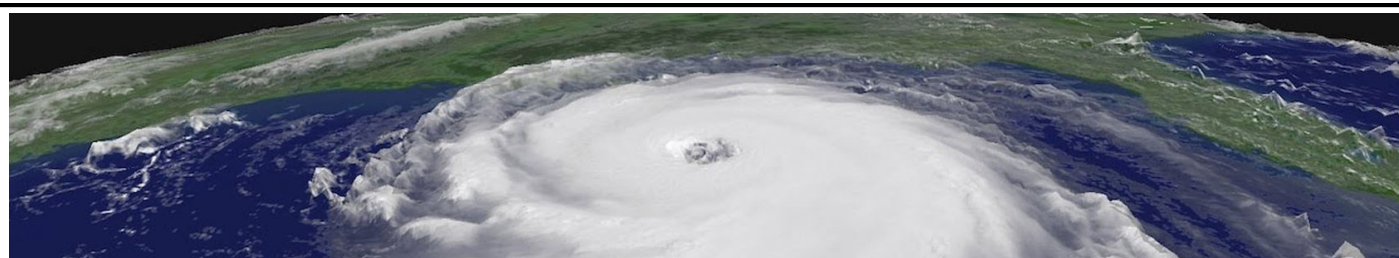


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Hurricane Ministry

The Hurricane Ministry of our church's Board of Deacons assists members in need of temporary housing during or after hurricanes or severe tropical storms. If you are able to share your home with members-in-need, please contact Betty Spoerl at bjspoerl@outlook.com, 931-722-0559, or the church office at 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. We are all encouraged to prepare for a possible storm.

A source for weather advisories is: <https://www.baynews9.com/fl/tampa/weather>.

This guide has valuable information for Pinellas County:
<http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/>.

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Congratulations Graduates!

Class of 2025



Brianna Adkisson is graduating from Calvary Christian High School. She will be graduating with her Honors Diploma. She was a JV/Varsity cheerleader all 4 years of High School. Brianna plans to attend the University of South Florida, St. Petersburg.



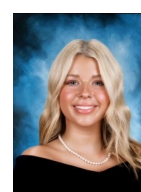
Aidan McDermott is graduating from Countryside High School and will be attending St. Petersburg College in the fall. Aidan plans to complete two years there before transferring to the University of South Florida, where he intends to major in Political Science and minor in Music.



Claire Cantin is graduating Cum Laude from Countryside High School. After attending only her senior year at Countryside, she played on the Varsity Soccer team and was on the homecoming court. Her future plans are to work after graduation and hopes to someday own her own business in home sales.



Garland Pelham graduated Summa cum laude from Florida Gulf Coast University with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Health Science. She will be looking for a job in that field while working on art projects over the summer. We are very proud.



Ava Catlin is graduating from Palm Harbor University High School. She is in the National Honor Society and made straight A's her entire senior year. She is planning on taking classes locally this fall before going to a university. We are very proud of Ava and all of her accomplishments! We know she will be great at whatever the future holds for her.



Delaney Pope is graduating Summa Cum Laude from East Lake High School in the Business and Performing Arts Academies. Delaney will attend Florida Atlantic University in August and will study Business Marketing.



Hannah Gipson is graduating from the I.B. (International Baccalaureate) Program at Palm Harbor University High School this May. She will start the 7-Year B.S./M.D. Program at the University of South Florida Honors College in August, majoring in biomedical sciences and hoping to become a pediatrician in the future.



Adyson Ulrich will be graduating from East Lake High School and plans to attend Santa Fe College in the Fall to major in Nursing, in the future she hopes become a NICU nurse.

At-A-Glance

This Month at Northwood

June 2025

Sunday, June 1: Communion Sunday

9:00 A.M. IGNITE Service
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Sunday, June 8:

9:00 A.M. IGNITE Service
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Sunday, June 15:

9:00 A.M. IGNITE Service
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Sunday, June 22:

9:00 A.M. IGNITE Service
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Sunday, June 29:

9:00 A.M. IGNITE Service
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

Church Staff Contact Information

Staff members are available to answer any questions you might have regarding church related programs through our office phone system. Provided below are the phone extension numbers for most of our staff who are full-time. If you don't see a phone extension we provide an email contact for you. If you call the church office when the lines are busy or the office is closed, you will be prompted to use the Dial By Name Directory **OR** the staff member's extension number to leave a message. The church number is still 796-8090.

- Chris Curvin, Pastor x2007
- Paul Means, Associate Pastor x2006
- Stephanie Carson, Traditional Music x2009
- David Furr, Organist
dmfurr35679@gmail.com
- Taryn Lumia, Contemporary Music
taryn@northwoodpc.org
- Dylan Cantin, Assistant Dir. Youth & Families
youthdirector@northwoodpc.org x2008
- Emily Cantin, Dir. of Communications x2001
- Mark Fettke, Bookkeeper x2005
- Roxane Fineo, Director of Schools x2010
- Drew Milano, Sound & Tech,
worship@northwoodpc.org
- Eli Jeffre, Summer Ministry Intern
ejeffre@hotmail.com

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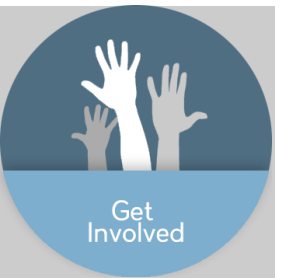
Submissions:

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 3rd Monday of the month.

Church Office Hours

We will be open Monday-Friday from 8:30am to 3:00pm. All staff members continue to be available via email or phone regardless of the office schedule.

Around Northwood



Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Member Selection



Inspired by the life and ministry of our foremothers, Presbyterian Women are steadfast in faith, mission and resolve to be Christ's witnesses to the world. In this regard, the Life Membership award was established to honor those who embody the principles of our pledge. To date, Northwood Presbyterian Women has selected just 37 very deserving recipients.

We are pleased to announce that our 2025 recipient is Dee Rivers.

Having joined Northwood in 2019, Dee generously shares her time, talent and treasure in so many ways. Here is just a sample:

- Served as a deacon, then immediately after her 3 year term completed, became an Elder. She leads a very active and successful Membership and Evangelism team which has attracted significant numbers of new members
- Actively participates as a key Kitchen Krew member, assists in overseeing the weekly cookie and coffee hour and bakes cookies for memorials and other events
- Actively participates in Presbyterian Women functions and serves on the Charitable Contribution and social committees
- Contributes to the annual garage sale and assists in preparing the monthly window mailing
- Serves home communion to house-bound church members and often serves as an usher or greeter
- Works with a local charity to ensure that excess food is not wasted, and is distributed to the needy

Dee received a certificate, a Life Membership pin and will have her name added to the Honorary Life Membership plaque near the café. Congratulations and thank you from all of us.

Welcome New Members

We welcome the following new members who attended our May 18th Discovering Northwood Class!



Maggie Hall
9:00 am
Worship Service



Daniel Rounding
9:00 am
Worship Service



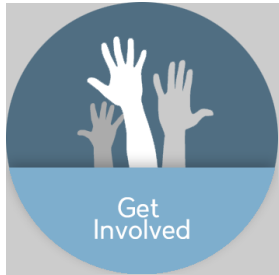
Marilyn Mandakis
11:00 am
Worship Service



Judy Rodriguez
11:00 am
Worship Service



Samantha Wilson
11:00 am
Worship Service



Around Northwood

Summer Ministry Intern, Eli Jeffre



We welcome Eli Jeffre again this summer as our Summer Ministry Intern. Eli has been attending Northwood his entire life! We are excited about his serving again this summer with us as a ministry intern. Eli will assist in leading worship, have the opportunity to preach, provide leadership with our youth and young adults, VBS, and gain experience in other areas of ministry as well. Eli is a Junior at Florida State University where he also serves on the staff of the Wesley Foundation. Welcome back Eli!



Northwood Photo Group—June 10

Would you like to start taking better pictures, and use photography as a way of exploring God's beauty? Please join us for the regular monthly meeting of the Northwood Photo Group on Tuesday, June 10th at 7:00pm in rooms 11 & 13. All are invited whether you're a beginner or an expert. If you have any questions, contact curtis.krueger@gmail.com or david@primeimagesinc.com.

NPC Garden Club June 21—9am-12pm

Calling all friends, fellow Christians and green thumb enthusiasts! Saturday, June 21st, from 9:00am-12:00pm, Northwood will be hosting our next landscaping clean-up and fertilization day to help maintain our beautiful campus. We will have a potluck lunch to follow. Please contact Ritchie and Leslie Henley at leslianne1968@icloud.com with any questions.

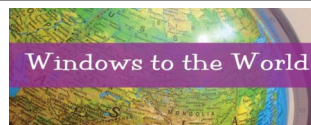
Transportation Ministry

This ministry provides transportation for the 11:00am service. It is for members and friends who are unable to drive themselves to church. **Volunteer drivers are always welcome.** Paul Means is heading this ministry. If you need the service of this ministry, please call the church office at 727-796-8090.

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 on the back for prayer concerns. These prayer requests are given to Deacon, Sue Miskiewicz, and then she sends the request out to the prayer chain volunteers. It is our joy and privilege to pray for you!

Fun! Friends! Friday! The Ren Crew



The Ren Crew Friday Fellowship will be taking a break for the summer and will resume back on September 12th. For more information, you may contact Pastor Paul Means at paul@northwoodpc.org.

Jane Sutton Book Club—June 23



The Jane Sutton Book Club will meet June 23rd. The group meets the 4th Monday of the month at 10:00am in room 13 of the Christian Education building. If you are interested in joining or for more information, please contact Eleanor Cicerchi by email at ecicerchi@gmail.com or by phone 607-382-1781.

The Project Group— June 24

If you sew, knit, crochet or craft with a mission purpose (e.g. make greeting cards), you are invited! The project group meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at 10:00am in room 13. We will meet June 24th. We make little dresses for Haiti, lap robes, walker bags, and stuffed teddy bears. The latter go to the ER at Countryside. New members are always welcome. Contact Marti Huff 727-503-3783 or Evelyn Towns 727-785-3743 with any questions.



Your Giving Matters

For in-person worship, the offering plates will not be passed, however, offering boxes are located in the narthex. For those worshipping online, your giving matters too. Your continued faithfulness to the mission and ministry of Northwood through your giving is critical as the church's expenses do not stop. Please commit to maintain your regular schedule of giving by mailing your gift or using one of the online platforms below for giving electronically:

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



Memorial Gifts

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Jon Mills
Ray Spigarelli

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In Honor of:

Bill & Louise Mylin

Given by:

Jean Swintek

Memorial Gifts

If you wish to make a gift to the church in honor or in memory of someone, please be sure to attach a blue Memorial Gift form to your contribution. Completing the form ensures that we have all the information necessary to properly direct the gift and acknowledge it to both you and the recipient. Forms are located near the memorial book in the Narthex or in the Church Office. Thank you for your assistance.

Prayer Ministry

Roger Adkisson, Carol Anderson, Julie Bryant, Jeannette Holloway, Fred Inkles, Phillip Mackie, Mildred Martin, Robin MacLennan, Dave Pelham, Norman Roffey, David Smith, Gene Snyder.

Prayers and Christian Sympathies to:

- Mary Torrisi upon the news of the death of her mother, Leah Langenheim on May 5.
- JoAnne Spigarelli and Family upon the news of the death of her husband, Ray Spigarelli on May 17.
- Carolyn Rickrode and Family upon the news of the death of her mother, Doris Hoffman on May 22.

Home Communion

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 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 contact Jackie Koski at Jackie.koski2014@gmail.com.

NEWS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Thornwell

Dear Friends at Northwood, thank you for your recent gift to Thornwell! You all bring hope and healing by supporting this ministry. Children and families will know love, care and safety because YOU care. Thank You, Rebecca Cox

Beth-El

Thank you for your generous contribution of \$250. I want to acknowledge how your support helps bring us hope and new beginnings to the families we serve. Many migrant farm working families are currently deciding whether to move to other states for seasonal work. Relocating is expensive and increasingly difficult. Your generosity makes it possible for these families to experience hope in their daily lives. May this season bless you and your loved ones! Dr. Teresita Matos-Post, Exec. Director

Clearwater Free Clinic

We are grateful for your kind donation of \$250 to the Clearwater Free Clinic. Your gift will directly impact the lives of the uninsured, medically underprivileged people we are committed to serving. For 47 years, the clinic has provided this population with convenient access to comprehensive medical and mental health services and continues to expand with the support of donors like you. Yours in health, Anthony Degina, CEO

HEP

There are not enough words to express how deeply grateful we are for your recent gift of \$250 to support the critical service we provide to the homeless men, women, children and families in our community. Your dedication to helping people help themselves has had an incredible impact on our community. Thank you! Best Regards, Ashley Lowery, President & CEO

Northwood Food Pantry

The Northwood Presbyterian Food Pantry is a mission that is supported totally by monetary gifts and donated non-perishable food from the congregation. Dedicated volunteers purchase food and also fill bags that are then given out to those less fortunate residents who come to the church for help. The need in our own community is overwhelming. Northwood depends on the generous support from all of us in order to sustain this ever growing demand. Please help us continue this important mission by donating whatever you can and as a caring congregation we together can feed the multitudes as Christ did. Thank you for your faithful support of this ministry and mission of Northwood Presbyterian Church.

Food Pantry items needed: Canned Meat, Pasta Sauce, Beef Stew, Chili, Beef Ravioli, Spaghetti Sauce, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Tuna, Soup, Canned Vegetables, Canned Fruit



Christian Education



Presbyterian Women

The Presbyterian Women's Sisters in Christ Circle is taking a break over the summer and will resume their meetings on Tuesday, August 12th at 10:00 am. They will begin a new 9 month study, *"Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ"* by Rhashell D. Hunter in September. Study books will be available in early August and can be purchased for \$5.00. For more information about how you can be involved, contact Patty Martin at bill.martin2@verizon.net or Sue Miskiewicz at susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com.



The Sisters in Christ PW Circle met on May 13th for their last Bible study of this season and annual Birthday Luncheon. The founder of HEP (Homeless Empowerment Program) spoke to our group. Pictured are linens for this month's donation to HEP.

Fresh Brewed

Fresh Brewed meets on the first Friday of the month at 10:30am in rooms 5&7. Our next meeting will be June 6th. If you need a book or have any questions, please contact Louise Mylin at LVNM1@hotmail.com or 727-787-9868.

Bible Takeaways

This adult Sunday School/Bible Study will be taking time off for the summer and will resume after Labor Day, September 7th.

Nursery

The Nursery is available for childcare during both the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services. Our staff are screened and trained to provide safe, caring and entertaining supervision to your little ones while you attend Worship.

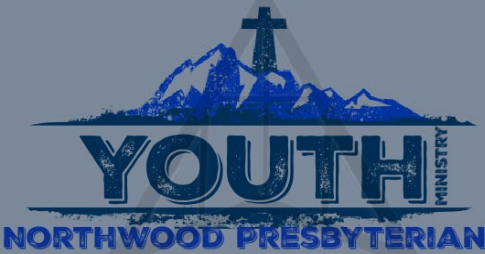


Kids' Corner Preschool & Before/After School Care Program

Registration is underway for the 2025-2026 school year. If you are planning to register your child and need an enrollment packet, please stop by the office, or reach out to your child's teacher. If you need assistance in applying for a VPK Certificate of Eligibility, feel free to call the office. Please submit your completed paperwork as soon as possible. **If you are interested in registration or have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Roxane Fineo at schooldirector@northwoodpc.org or 727-723-7679.**

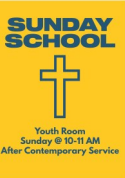
Summer Camp

Kids' Corner Preschool will be offering 4 weeks of summer camp for children that are going into VPK or Kindergarten in the fall. It is a great way to keep your child engaged in the classroom setting during the summer months. The program is scheduled to run during the weeks of June 16-20, June 23-27, July 14-18, and July 28-August 3. The camp fee will be \$150.00 per week. If you sign up for 3 weeks, the 4th week will be free! If you are interested in registering your child, please contact Roxane Fineo at schooldirector@northwoodpc.org.



Youth Ministry

Every Sunday morning, the youth, which includes middle school, high school and college age students, will meet for Sunday School at 10:00am in the youth room. Wednesday evenings we will have Youth Group meet at 6 pm in the youth room. Game night will meet on Fridays from 7pm-10pm in the youth room/FLC. **If you have any questions, please contact Dylan Cantin at youthdirector@northwoodpc.org or 727-796-8090 x2008.**



YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

The youth Sunday School meets every Sunday morning at 10am in the youth room. During this time, we will discuss the scripture and message and incorporate worship elements like music into our hour.



WEDNESDAY YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group meets every Wednesday at 6pm in the youth room. There will be a lesson, group discussion, music and food.

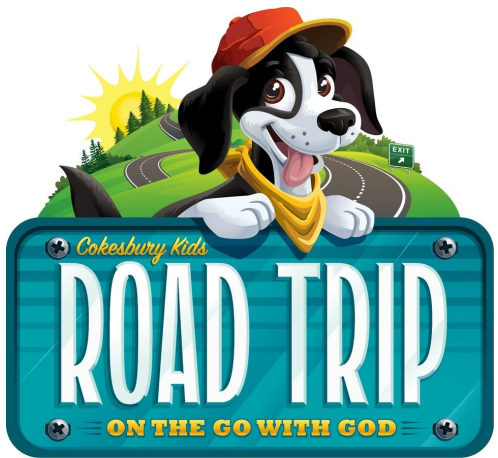


GAME NIGHT - We meet on Fridays from 7pm-10pm in the youth room/FLC to play a variety of games such as board games, video games and sports activities including pickleball, basketball and kickball.



VBS—Register Online NOW!

Embark on an exciting journey with *Road Trip VBS*. This year's VBS is based on Joshua 1:9 – "The LORD your God is with you wherever you go." Discover God's presence everywhere as we explore new places, make new friends, and experience God's goodness together.



Join us in a fun-filled adventure on the open road, taking all the kids (Travelers) on thrilling journeys to exciting destinations. Led by the Navigator and an adventurous puppet Scout, kids will learn that God is always with them. Through engaging stories from the Navigator's Guide (the Bible), Travelers will delve into timeless tales of faith from the Old and New Testaments. Get ready for twists, turns, and excitement as they face new challenges and find strength in God's presence on this unforgettable trip!

July 21-25, 2025—9:00 am - 12:00 pm.

Join us for a week of fun, faith-building activities!

Our VBS is open to Pre-k—5th grade, also welcoming grades 6 - 12 to volunteer.

Register online at

<http://northwoodpc.org/fellowship/vbs-vacation-bible-school/>