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. <u>Stephanie@northwoodpc.org</u> 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, 7:00-8:30. Please join us!! Contact Stephanie Carson for more information: <u>Stephanie@northwoodpc.org</u> or 727-458-9749.

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 3rd-5th 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 <u>Stephanie@northwoodpc.org</u> or 727-458-9749.

Women's Ministries

Bible Study:

The Girl's Štill Got It, by Liz Curtis HiggsBeginning Friday, September 2, 10:30am, rooms 4-6Followed by Summer Salad pot luck lunchWho Is Jesus?, the Presbyterian Women's Bible study for2016/2017.Tuesday, September 6, 9am, rooms 5-7Monday, September 12, 1pm, member homeTuesday, September 13, 9:30am, rooms 5-7Monday, September 13, 9:30am, rooms 5-7Monday, September 19, 7pm, rooms 5-7

Questions? Contact Patty Martin

(813-855-0851 or bill.martin2@verizon.net)



ANNOUNCEMENTS – August 21, 2016 WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship and service here. Each week's sermon is available for you in a printed booklet in the narthex as well as a video on

our website at www.northwoodpc.org. To learn more about our church we have our Discovering Northwood class **Sunday, September 25 in room 4** of the Christian Education Building **from 10:45am-12:00pm.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the pastor, Rev. E. Chris Curvin at chriscurvin@northwoodpc.org or Tracy Donovan at communications@northwoodpc.org or the church office 796-8090.



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!

Sunday Bible Study

The Sunday Bible Study group will begin a new study in September. We will be studying Paul's life and teachings, to see how his call and his decision to accept the call can help us as we grow in Christ. The study book we will use is, "Paul: His Life and Teachings," by Jack Kuhatschek. This is a discussion-based class facilitated by Cindy Huffman. We meet in Rooms 12 & 14 on Sunday evenings, 6:30 – 7:30, with the first class on September 11. All are welcome to join: males and females, singles and couples. Please contact Cindy at (727) 409-8727 if you have any questions or would like to order a book at \$9 each.

Our Sympathy

We extend prayers and Christian sympathy to Ginny and Patrick Courtney upon the death of Ginny's daughter, Sally Lasley on August 6 in Anderson, South Carolina.

Honey, We Shrunk the Kids (Library) Part 1

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**th 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**th, 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.

Discovery Day Mission Opportunity

On Sunday, August 28, as part of Discovery Day, Northwood is inviting everyone to participate in Beth-El Shoe Sunday by bringing new or used shoes in good condition for the children, youth and adults of the Beth-El Farm Workers Mission in Wimauma, FL. These shoes will be extremely helpful and appreciated as the kids and youth go back to school and for



the farm workers as they prepare to continue their work in the fields this fall. Last time we collected over 280 pairs of shoes, plus a \$1,000 donation! Our goal this year is to collect shoes and donations which would enable Beth-El to distribute at least 350 pairs of shoes to the families in their community. Thank you in advance for participating in Beth-El Shoe Sunday and sharing the love of Jesus Christ in this way.

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

Children's Ministry

Acolytes Needed

Parents we are in need of more acolytes for the 8:15 & 11:00 services. Please let Justine Ruisz know if your child can help. Grades 2nd and up! Training and instruction will be provided.

Discovery Day: August 28th

Parents make sure to stop by the Children's Ministry table to get your registration form for King's Kids and Sunday school.

King's Kids

Starts back on Sept 21st from 4:00-5:45. Don't miss the party on Sept. 14th at 4:30, remember parents must attend with child.

Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministry Childrensministry@northwoodpc.org 796-8090/ Cell– 727-641-8140

Youth Ministry

Sunday, August 21: Youth Group 5:00–6:30 P.M. in youth room
Wednesday, August 24: Bible Study 6:30–7:30 P.M.
Friday, August 26: Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M. in gym
Sunday, August 28: Youth Group 5:00–6:30 P.M. in youth room
Wednesday, August 31: Bible Study 6:30–7:30 P.M.
Friday, September 2: Game Night 7:00-10:00 P.M. in gym

Jon Drawdy, Director of Youth & Family Ministries youthdirector@northwoodpc.org

Youth Music

The potential is great for a fantastic year with youth choir and handbells (grades 6-12). We will begin the last week in August with vocal choir on Wednesday evening from 4:50-5:30 P.M. For youth handbells this year, if there is sufficient interest, we will have two groups divided by grade level – middle school and high school. Middle school ringers will meet on Tuesdays from 5:10-6:00 P.M. High School ringers will be on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:15 P.M. 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.

Dinner for 6-7-8

It's that time again! DINNER FOR 6-7-8 is about to start its new cycle of dinners. Each couple from the group takes a turn hosting in their home. The host provides the main entrée with guests bringing salad, appetizers, or dessert as requested by the host. After a great time of visiting and getting to know your fellow church members, another pair becomes the host for the next dinner. Any questions? Call Martha Tobiassen (727)669-5517.