

Building Renovation Pledge Update

Campaign Goal: \$80,000.00
Pledged to Date: \$62,943.00
Pledges Received \$50,340.00
Non-Pledged Gifts Received to Date: \$27,665.00
Total Gifts to Building Fund to Date: \$78,005.00
Unpaid Pledge Balance: \$12,603.00

If all of the unpaid pledges for the Building Renovation are paid by December 31, 2015, then the total given toward our original goal of \$80,000 will be \$90,608.00. As was announced recently during worship and through our publications, the best and lowest bid for the renovation was \$108,000. As a result of recent giving, the gap is now only \$17,392.00. Thank you to those able to make gifts and additional financial contributions to help us bridge this gap.

A WORD FROM THE TREASURER

Summertime is upon us and history shows that pledge giving tends to slow down during this time. This is due to various reasons such as vacations, members returning North etc. Please remember your continuing gifts to meet expenses, some of which are heaviest at this time of year, and if you are away this may be a good time to consider automatic online giving. Thank you for your faithfulness.

Ed Bunch, Treasurer

Online Giving

If you are interested in setting up online giving, visit the "Giving" link to the secure portal at www.northwoodpc.org or call the Church Office. For your convenience, gifts can be processed as credit card or e-check transactions. Additionally, you may make a one-time gift or set your contributions up for automated processing on a schedule that you select. Participation in the offering on Sunday morning is an act of worship and we wish to include those who choose to give online. If you so choose, you will find laminated cards in the Narthex that can be placed in the offering plate to say "My gift this week was made online." Thank you for your continued and faithful support of the ministry and mission of Northwood Presbyterian Church.



ANNOUNCEMENTS—September 6, 2015

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship and service here. We invite you to our Discovering Northwood class **Sunday, September 20 in room 4** of the Christian Education Building **from 10:45AM-12:00PM** to learn more about our church. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the pastor, Rev. E. Chris Curvin, at ChrisCurvin@Northwoodpc.org or Chris can be reached at 796-8090.

THREE SERVICES RESUME NEXT WEEK

8:15 AM Traditional Service
9:30 AM Contemporary Service
11:00 AM Traditional Service

Please note that our model of three worship services begins next week, Sunday, September 13. Join us for worship!

Upcoming Events

Office Closed, Monday, September 7

The church office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day. The office will re-open Tuesday, September 8 at 9:00 AM.

NORTHWOOD PHOTO GROUP

Please join us for our Monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8, in rooms 13-15 here at Northwood Presbyterian Church. Anybody interested in photography is welcome to attend, beginner or expert. Do you have questions about the Photo Group? Contact David Lawrence at david@primeimagesinc.com or Curtis Krueger at curtis.krueger@gmail.com.

Celestial Handbell & Orff Ensemble

We're starting up again. We usually cap it at 10, but have an unusually large group of 3rd graders that I want to include. If you are a 4th or 5th grader and play an instrument or read music we have a couple of spots left. If you are a 3rd grader – no experience necessary – I will teach you the basics of rhythm reading and it is very easy (about 3 spots left). This is all hands-on, a lot of fun and it's free! We will meet Tuesday afternoons in the 4-5:00 time frame, but with two groups, the time is not definite yet. I would need a strong commitment to come to every rehearsal. If interested, please email me, Stephanie@northwoodpc.org, ASAP!

Upcoming Events, cont...

DINNER FOR 6-7-8

THE LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR DINNER FOR 6-7-8 is today! Three or four dinners (depending on group size) should be scheduled for October, November, January, and February. There will be a Christmas brunch including all groups in December at the home of Ken and Martha Tobiassen. Sign up TODAY on the bulletin board across from the kitchen or call Martha Tobiassen, 727-669-5517.

Fun! Friends! Friday!

Join the "Ren Crew," a group that delights in sharing fun with friends, old and new, on the second Friday of the month. We will kick off the fall on Friday, September 11, with Pastor Paul providing the presentation, Sabbatical Experiences, Part 1: Glacier National Park and the Canadian Rockies. We will gather at the church from 10:30 to 11:30. Following the program we will enjoy a delightful lunch at a favorite restaurant. 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.

DISCOVERY DAY

Have you ever wondered how to get involved in the life of the church? Well here's your answer! Join us Sunday, September 13 for DISCOVERY DAY (formerly Rally Day) and stop by over 20 tables highlighting various ministries of the church! A continental breakfast will be available while you browse! See you there!

Discovery DAY MISSION OPPORTUNITY

Sunday, September 13 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!

ALL-CHURCH RETREAT

Join us at the annual Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat on Oct. 16-18, 2015. Rooms are filling up fast, so mark your calendars and sign up TODAY! Information can be found on the bulletin board directly across from the Kitchen. You won't want to miss this amazing weekend!

Office Angels Needed

We are in need of volunteers to assist in the church office during the week. Weekdays are split into two shifts—9-12:30 and 12:30-4. We have openings for Monday afternoon, Wednesday afternoon, every other Friday morning, and substitutes. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Chris Hurst at 796-8090.

Youth Events

Saturday, September 12-Sunday, September 13:

Night of Joy

Friday, September 18:

Game Night- 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 20:

Youth Group 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Friday, September 25:

Game Night- 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 27:

Youth Group 5:00-6:30 p.m.

*Troy Harris, Director of Youth & Young Adults
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Children's Ministries

Children's Sunday School

We are so excited to announce that the 9:30 Children's Sunday school is growing. We have so many children that we are now in need of four different age groups. This means we need your help to teach the children! Please contact Justine or fill out the information sheet in your bulletin if you can help teach the children's Sunday school.

King's Kids

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, September 16 from 4:30-5:30 for our King's Kids kick-off party. Parents please sign up on the bulletin board to bring food to share. We look forward to another fantastic year!

Sunday School Rooms

Starting on Sept 20th we will return to our regular Sunday school time at 9:30. Due to the number of children we will be in different Sunday school rooms. Here are the room assignments; Pre-K/K – room 3, 1st & 2nd Grade – room 4, 3rd & 4th Grade –room 8, 5th Grade- room 12.

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