Deacons

Class of 2013 Dan Gipson, God's Tool Box Georgianna Winder, Moderator Mary Jane Redpath, Prayer Chain Bridgette Ulrich, Prayer Notes/Care Notes Cynthia Lawrence, Van Ministry

Class of 2014

Roma Allen, Prayer Chain Jenny Carlstedt, Secretary Barbara Moler. Greeters Mike Purlsev, Vice Moderator Dean Rabenstine, Hospital Visitation

Class of 2015

Carl Corrello, College/Military Carol Justice. Homebound Visitations Pamela Peters, Flower Ministry Vicki Phillips, Meal Ministry Ed Puschmann, Hurricane Ministry

Elders

Class of 2013

Ken Andreassen, Youth & Young Adults Joan Baker, Christian Education Mike O'Leary, Stewardship, Property & Finance Jim Youngblood, Human Resources Ellen Stoup, Schools

Class of 2014

Sharon Brown, Membership & Evangelism Susan Curry, Christian Education Jackie Koski, Worship Ray Spigarelli, Stewardship, Property & Finance Gene Weitz, Youth & Young Adults

Class of 2015

Babs Bailey, Nominating Committee & HR Louise Mylin, Stewardship, Property & Finance Norm Roffey, Mission & Outreach Jane Sumwalt, Schools Lou Weislogel, Stewardship, Property & Finance

THE HONDURAS MISSION TEAM is collecting school supplies for the kids in Honduras. We need crayons, pencils, sharpeners, erasers, and children's scissors. There is a blue bin in the entryway by the bookshelf to drop donations. We are also in need of large military style duffle bags or rolling suitcases to transport supplies. Duffle bags and suitcases can be dropped off in Pastor Chris's office. Thank you!



ANNOUNCEMENTS—May 5, 2013 WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship and service here. Our Discovering Northwood class is for newcomers as well as those of us who have been around awhile to simply learn more about us or to become a member of our church family.

The next Discovering Northwood class will be May 19th in room 4 of the Christian Education Building from 11:00 am-12:00 pm. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the pastor, Rev. E. Chris Curvin, at ChrisCurvin@Northwoodpc.org or Membership Coordinator, Katie Pacana, at Katie@Northwoodpc.org. Both Katie and Chris can be reached at 796-8090.

Presbyterian Women

Everyone is invited to the PW Installation Service, Covered Dish Luncheon, and Annual Birthday Party on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, starting at 11:30 am in the Sanctuary. Luncheon follows the ceremony. Bring a dish to share. Beverages and Birthday cake are provided! Questions? Contact Marian Hill, 723-3433.

THE PASCHAL CANDLE Many Presbyterian churches use candles in worship. Today on the chancel is a very large candle that symbolizes both the pillar of fire that led Israel by night and the risen Lord who stands among us at Easter. This large candle sits tall and it bears a light and witness to the risen Christ.

The candle is called the paschal candle. "Pasch" comes from the Hebrew word "pesah," meaning deliverance or Passover -- thus connecting the Resurrection to the Exodus. The candle is first used on Easter and continues at each service through the Great Fifty Days—Easter through Pentecost. It is also appropriate to light it at initiation rites such as baptism, confirmation and ordinations as well as at funerals.

Mother's Day Bake Sale It's our 3rd Annual Mother's Day bake sale to benefit Convers! Be sure to stop by the church on Mother's Day. May 12th and give that Sweet Mom of yours a Sweet Treat! If you are providing baked goods, please package to sell.

Per Capita Apportionment Envelopes are in the Pews!

Every church shares in the administrative costs of the Presbytery. Synod and General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) through the annual per capita assessment. Northwood's per capita assessment for 2013 will be approximately \$24.00 per every active member and confirmed youth (communicant member). Please consider paying this administrative cost above and beyond your annual pledge/offering. Thank you for your gift.

WE NEED VAN DRIVERS!!!! We are in need of van drivers to serve in either a monthly rotation or as substitutes. Van drivers are responsible for picking up church members from around the area. bringing them to the 11:00 AM Service, and taking them home. If you are interested in serving in this way, please contact Cynthia Lawrence at 736-3919.

Deacon's Hurricane Ministry Hurricane Season begins June 1. The predictions this year say we could see 18 named tropical storms, (9 hurricanes and 4 major hurricanes). Go to www.baynews9.com, click on "Weather", and under "Hurricane Center" find all the information you need to prepare. If evacuation is necessary, the NPC Hurricane Ministry is asking for volunteers to share their homes. If you are willing, please contact Ed Puschmann at (727)773-0764 or email him at edjudi@tampabay.rr.com. and type in the subject "Hurricane Request." Please include name, address, phone number and how many you can accommodate.

Save the Date: Sam and Barb Musgrave, along with the NPC Kitchen Krew, invite the congregation to a reception on Saturday, June 15th from 2 to 4 PM to celebrate the marriage of their daughter Rev. Debra Musgrave to Christopher Cox. They will be married on Saturday, June 8th at Eastminster Presbyterian in Melbourne, Fl. We would like to celebrate this wonderful occasion with our Northwood family. Cards and good wishes welcome, please no gifts.

SUMMER MUSIC CAMP!!

Who: Kids rising into 3rd grade thru kids rising into 6th grade What: We learn and perform a Christian musical, play music games, & have snack! When: 8/12 – 8/16 **Time:** M-F 9-12:00 + Friday evening dinner/performance, 8/16 (extra nominal cost for dinner) Cost: \$25 for the week How many: Limited to 25 Why: Because it's fun to perform and give our gifts back to God!! How: Email or call me to reserve your spot! stephanie@northwoodpc.org: 796-8090

NURSERY WORKER NEEDED (minimum part time) Responsible for caring for babies and children up to five years of age. Must have experience and pass a background check. Hours vary on Sunday mornings between 8 a.m. and noon and on some Wednesday afternoons and evenings between 3:45 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Other events of the church may require additional hours. Contact Alice Beck for more information.

News About Our Children's Ministries

Acolyte Training: Today! Training (with your adult) is from 12-1:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Vacation Bible School:

SonWest RoundUp VBS, June 24-28, 2013 Registration is open for all!

Summer Sunday School: Still looking for teachers or assistants for these summer dates:

3 yrs-K Class: June 30 (Teacher & Asst.), August 4 & August 11 (Asst. only)

1st grade 5th grades Class: July 7, July 14 & August 4 (Teacher & Asst.)

Teacher Training on Sunday, May 19, from 10:30-11 in Room 4

*If you have any questions or would like to help with Sunday School, King's Kids, or VBS, please contact Marcy Kemerer at Childrensministry@northwoodpc.org, or call/text 727-455-2583.

Youth Events

•Sunday, May 5th: 5-7pm Youth Group •Friday, May 10th: 7-10pm Game Night •Sunday, May 12th: Bake Sale, No Youth Group

Middle & High School Christian Education: Sundays 9:30 &11:00

Troy Harris. Interim Director of Youth & Young Adults YouthMinistry@Northwoodpc.org, 796-8090

Search Committee for Director of Children's Ministry

The committee has been reviewing applications and conducting interviews. Updates will be communicated as we proceed with this search. Joan Baker, Search Committee Chair.

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Library News!!! Our team is working hard to update our libraries. We need your help - please return items checked out some time ago. Do check out new items displayed. Nothing checked out??? Take a look in the libraries often.

2014 WOMEN'S RETREAT!!

Be sure to put this date on the calendar for next year's Women's Retreat – February 7th – 9th!! More info to follow at a later date!!

Northwood Meals on Wheels Needs Drivers! Have you been looking for a way to share God's love with your fellow neighbor? Currently, we have an opening for a driver on the first Tuesday of each month. For more information call Blanche Parsons, 813-814-0818.