SAVE THE DATE!

The annual Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat will be October 16-18. Poster and brochures can be found on the bulletin board directly across from the kitchen. Deposits with room requests are currently being accepted. Sign up early for best choice of rooms! Also, save the date for the Women's Retreat – Jan. 22-24, 2016!

Top Ten Reasons to Join the Chancel Choir

- 10. You never have to worry about what to wear.
- 9. You have a reserved seat on all major holidays including Christmas Eve and Easter. And on Christmas Eve you get to see the candles being lit during 'Silent Night' incredible!
- 8. From your advantageous seat, you can gawk, smile, see who is sleeping and otherwise enjoy the rest of the congregation.
- 7. No auditions or solos required!
- 6. Intellectual Stimulation singing uses both sides of your brain simultaneously.
- 5. Make new friends!
- 4. Choir parties they're fun!

Are you wondering about 3-1? Check back next week for more reasons you should join the Chancel Choir!

Chancel Choir begins August 26 with a Strawberries & Cream reception at 6:15 pm followed by rehearsal. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. For more information, contact Stephanie Carson, Director of Music at 796-8090.

Deacons News

Please stop by the Deacon's updated bulletin board in the narthex to learn more about our ministries. Please feel free to call the appropriate deacon to request assistance or to become involved in one of our ministries.

Hurricane Ministry

Hurricane Season began June 1. Go to <u>www.baynews9.com</u>, click on "Weather," and under "Hurricane Center" find info to prepare. If evacuation is necessary, we need volunteers to share their homes. If you are willing, please contact Sue Miskiewicz, (727) 799-6767 or susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com, and type in the subject "Hurricane Request." Please include your name, address, phone number & number you can house.



ANNOUNCEMENTS—August 9, 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 Membership Coordinator, Katie Pacana, at Katie@Northwoodpc.org. Both Katie and Chris can be reached at 796-8090.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE AT NPC

9:00 AM Contemporary Service 10:30 AM Traditional Service

*During the major renovations of the main restrooms we will be utilizing a simpler worship schedule through September 6. There are alternate restrooms available to everyone in the church office and Family Life Center during the renovation. On Sunday, September 13, we will return to three services—8:15 AM and 11:00 AM Traditional and 9:30 AM Contemporary.

Upcoming Events

NORTHWOOD PHOTO GROUP

Please join us for our Monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, in rooms 13-15 here at Northwood Presbyterian Church. Anybody interested in photography is welcome to attend, beginner or expert. Questions? Contact David Lawrence at david@primeimagesinc.com or Curtis Krueger at curtis.krueger@gmail.com.

End of Summer Bash!

Calling all youth, grades 6-12! Join us Friday, August 14 from 7-10 pm for an End of Summer Bash! There will be food, fun, music, dancing and more! Bring school supplies for admission and be sure to invite your friends! Donations are welcome to help offset the cost. If you have questions, contact, Troy Harris.

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!

Barbara Yonteck's Memorial Bulletin

Please note that there are copies of the Memorial Service Bulletin for Barbara Yonteck on the table as you exit the main Sanctuary doors. Please feel free to take one as you leave.

Youth Events

Sunday, August 9:

Youth Group 5-6:30 PM

Friday, August 14: End of Summer Bash 7-10 PM Music, Food, Dancing, Friends, Fun and more! Bring a School Supplies Donation for Admission (to go to Beth-El) Open to all Middle & High School Youth! Invite a friend!

Sunday, August 16:

Youth Worship Service 5-6:30 PM

Monday, August 17-Friday Aug 21:

Youth Week!!!! More details to come, but mark your calendars now!

Friday, August 28:

Game Night 7-10 PM

Troy Harris, Director of Youth & Young Adults <u>troyharris1962@yahoo.com</u>, 727-366-7762

Children's Ministries

Boys Game Night: Friday, August 14, 6-9 PM

Boys ages $4 - 5^{\text{th}}$ grade you are invited to a Game night in, here at Northwood. We will be playing games in the Gym, doing science experiments/object lessons and hanging out. Please RSVP on the Children's bulletin board or by calling Justine at 796-8090. Please come and invite your friends to join you. Come ready to play!!

Save the Date: Discovery Day, 9/13, 9:30-12:30

Children and their family are invited to take part in this wonderful event here at Northwood. Come discover the different ministries Northwood is blessed with before and after the services.

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

Building Renovation Pledge Update

Campaign Goal: \$80,000.00 Pledged to Date: \$62,943.00 Pledges Received \$49,520.00 Non-Pledged Gifts Received to Date: \$26,085.00 Total Gifts to Building Fund to Date: \$75,605.00 Unpaid Pledge Balance: \$13,423.00

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 \$89,028.00. 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 \$18,972.00. 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 <u>www.northwoodpc.org</u> or call the Church Office. For your convenience, gifts can be processed as credit card or echeck 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.

