# 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 Katie Pacana at 796-8090. Duties include answering phones, assisting with the food pantry, sorting mail, and other administrative duties.

## **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 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.

### **Chancel Choir and Handbell Summer Break**

Many thanks to the Chancel Choir for their service in worship as well as the two cantatas and Fall AGO choral workshop. A thank you also goes out to the Handbell Choirs for their "Ring, Sing, & Mingle" concert during Advent and the many pieces throughout the year. We will be looking for new members for both choir and bells. I pray God will work on your heart to join us. We need you! Please give a warm "thank you" to a choir or bell member!

### **Voices In Praise, No Summer Break**

A big thank you to the praise band family who do not take a break during the year! There will be needed vacations and fill-ins during the summer. Ignite worshippers, please give your VIP & HIP worship leaders a good word of thanks if you see them for helping us "make a joyful noise to the Lord."



# ANNOUNCEMENTS—July 26, 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 until September 13 when we return to three services. There are alternate restrooms available to everyone in the church office and Family Life Center during the renovation.

### **Christian Education Survey**

The Christian Education team would like your input! Please help us assess our CE programs by filling out the short survey found online at <u>www.northwoodpc.org/survey</u>. The survey will be available online **through July 31.** Thank you for your participation!

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **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 (formally 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!

#### 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!

# **Youth Events**

#### Sunday, July 26: WATER WARS 5-6:30 PM

This is a great chance to get wet and cool down with all of your friends. We'll have water balloons, squirt guns and such. Some will be available but feel free to bring more stuff.

#### Friday, July 31: 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.

#### **Acolyte Training**

Parents if you are interested in having your child, grades  $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$ , learn to be an acolyte, please contact Justine Ruisz. Classes will be held in August after service, dates to be determined. This is a great opportunity to have your child be a part of the traditional worship services.

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

# Kid's Corner Pre-school

Kid's Corner begins Monday, August 24! We have openings for both the Monday-Wednesday-Friday and Tuesday-Thursday 2 yr. old classes. If you are interested, please contact the school by calling 727-723-7679.

> Mrs. Vicki Pre-school Director

## **Building Renovation Pledge Update**

Campaign Goal: \$80,000.00 Pledged to Date: \$62,943.00 Pledges Received \$49,000.00 Non-Pledged Gifts Received to Date: \$25,645.00 Total Gifts to Building Fund to Date: \$74,645.00 Unpaid Pledge Balance: \$13,943.00

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 \$88,588.00. 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 \$19,412.00. Thank you to those able to make gifts and additional financial contributions to help us bridge this gap.

# **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.

# 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