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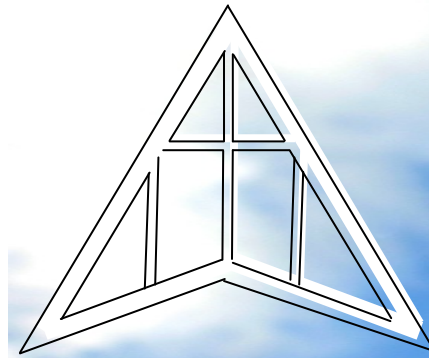
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# The Window

**Chartering Organization of Boy Scout Troop 413**

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## **Wonderful Wednesday Dinner Menus Lent 2019**

### **March 6th Lenten Dinner**

Hearty Potato Soup with Ham Tidbits, Baked Cured Ham and Smoked Virginia Turkey Hoagie Sandwich, Cape Cod Potato Chips, St. Valentine Cakes

### **March 13**

Romaine and Spinach Salad with Mandarin Orange Sections, Vinaigrette Dressing, Mary Anne's Creamy Chicken Bake topped with Savory Bread Stuffing, Glazed Baby Carrots, Fresh Baked French Bread and Butter, Northwood's Favorite "All American Chocolate Fudge Cake"

### **March 20**

Garden Fresh Field Greens with Buttermilk Ranch Dressing, Tender Beef Burgundy, Buttered Egg Noodles, Buttery Green Peas and Onions, Parmesan Rosemary Bread and Butter, Plant City Strawberry Shortcake

### **March 27**

Traditional Caesar Salad, Classic Chicken Parmesan, Angel Hair Pasta Marinara, Green Bean Almandine, Fresh Baked Parmesan Garlic Bread, Salted Carmel Ice Cream Sundae

### **April 3**

Creamy Cole Slaw, Sweet Baby Ray's Pulled Pork, Bushes Baked Beans, Cape Cod Chips, Fresh Baked Dinner Rolls with Butter, American Lattice Apple Pie

**Fresh Brewed Coffee, Assorted Herbal Teas, Lemonade, and Fresh Brewed Ice Tea and Sweet Tea are available at all dinners.**

**Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwiches will be available at all dinners**

## **2019 Wonderful Wednesday Series "Embracing the Uncertain"**

**Meal: 6:00- 6:40 P.M.  
Study: 6:41-7:15 P.M.**



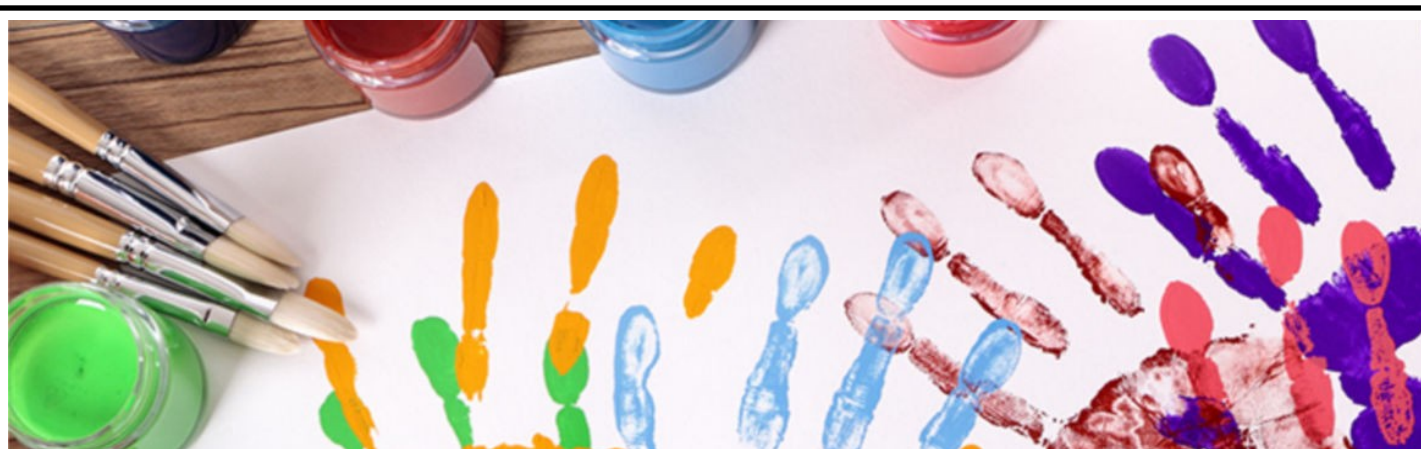
**WAY Dinner and Program**

Note: Except for the Ash Wednesday Service, which takes place at 6:45 pm in the Sanctuary on March 6th, the study series will be held in the Education Building following the Wednesday meal.

The study for this Lenten Series will utilize the book, "Embracing the Uncertain," by Magrey R. deVega. Just turning on the news shows us that we live in uncertain times. Economic instabilities, eruptions of violence, and natural catastrophes can alter the lives and landscapes of entire communities.

Our individual lives can be just as unsteady and uncertain as our plans get altered and challenges come to our health and in our relationships. Most of us, if not all, prefer stability and a predictable future instead of uncertainty. In our Lenten study, we will explore stories from the Gospels of Jesus which point to a world filled with uncertainty, yet pointing at the same time as to how following Jesus brings us courage and hope.

The first meal together for this Lenten season is on Ash Wednesday, March 6th.



## **Kids Corner Preschool/Before and After Care**

Registration for current students, siblings, and for the public has now begun for the 2019-2020 school year! You may stop in the church office and pick up your registration forms any time during church office hours, 9:00am-2:30pm. If you are interested in a tour of the school, please contact

Justine Davis at 727-723-7679 or email at  
schooldirector@northwoodpc.org.



# At-A-Glance

## This Month at Northwood

### February 2019

#### Sunday, February 24:

8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

#### Saturday, March 2:

6:00-8:00 P.M. Marriage Alive Group

#### Sunday, March 3:

8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

#### Wednesday, March 6:

4:00-5:45 P.M. King's Kids Resumes  
6:00 P.M. Wonderful Wednesday Dinner  
6:45 P.M. Ash Wednesday Service

#### Sunday, March 10:

8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

#### Wednesday, March 13:

4:00-5:45 P.M. King's Kids  
6:00 P.M. Wonderful Wednesday Dinner  
6:40 P.M. Wonderful Wednesday Study

#### Sunday, March 17:

8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
10:45 A.M. Discovering Northwood Class  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

#### Wednesday, March 20:

4:00-5:45 P.M. King's Kids  
6:00 P.M. Wonderful Wednesday Dinner  
6:40 P.M. Wonderful Wednesday Study

#### Sunday, March 24:

8:15 A.M. Traditional Service  
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service  
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

#### Wednesday, March 27:

4:00-5:45 P.M. King's Kids  
6:00 P.M. Wonderful Wednesday Dinner  
6:40 P.M. Wonderful Wednesday Study

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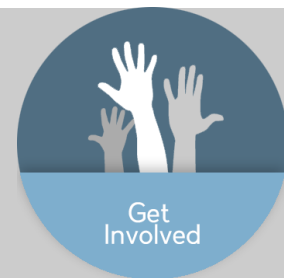
#### Submissions:

If you have information that you would like to be considered for the newsletter, e-mail [communications@northwoodpc.org](mailto:communications@northwoodpc.org), or place it in Emily Cantin's box in the church office. The deadline is the 2nd Monday of the month.

#### E-News:

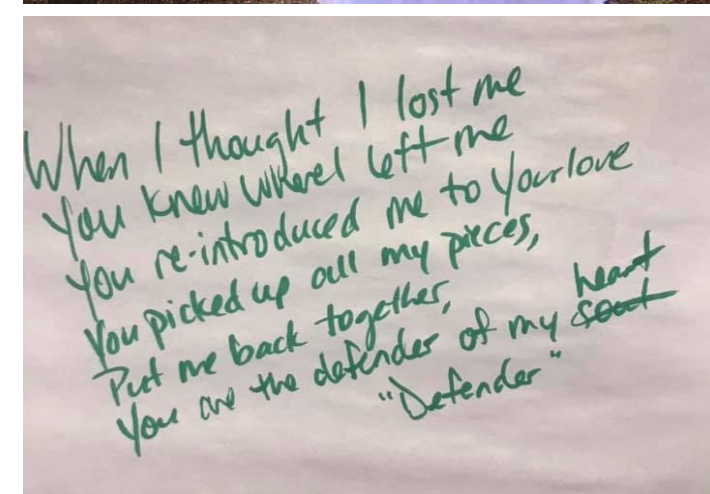
If you are interested in receiving emails with upcoming church events, please send an email with your name and request to [communications@northwoodpc.org](mailto:communications@northwoodpc.org).

# Around Northwood



### Women's Retreat 2019

"Speak What Is True" was the theme to the annual Women's Retreat this year at Cedarkirk. This was a weekend of spiritual growth, worship, friendship, fun & games, crafts, laughter and relaxation! Our Service project this year was to decorate flip flops for the women and children of Grace House. Thank you Pastor Debra Cox for your leadership as our guest speaker.



When I thought I lost me  
You knew where I left me  
You re-introduced me to your love  
You picked up all my pieces,  
Put me back together,  
You are the defender of my heart  
"Defender"

## Spotlight on Deacons' Ministries

### Congregational Card Care Ministry

When a member is ill or suffers a loss, a Deacon sends get well or sympathy cards. Deacon Elaine Cornillaud faithfully sends these cards of comfort. If you are aware of someone in need, please contact the church office.





# Around Northwood



## Marriage Alive

Marriage Alive is a Christian based marriage support group for couples that meets the first Saturday of every month from 6:00-8:00pm in rooms 4&6 of the Christian Education building. Our next gathering will be **March 2nd**. If you need a copy of "The 5 Love Languages," we will get you one free of charge! We will read chapter 3 for this month. Married couples of all ages are invited to attend. Each family please bring a heavy appetizer to share and child care is always provided. Sharing the seasons of a marriage between families and couples has been proven to strengthen marriages and lead to lifelong friendships. This is also open to couples who may not be members of Northwood. All are invited. Any questions, contact Spencer Briggs at 727-776-9295.

## Home Communion Training

Elder and Deacon Home Communion Information and Training session on Sunday, March 24th from 12:15 to 12:45 in room 8. This is an excellent opportunity for all church officers, both active and resting Elders and Deacons, to learn more and become involved in this important ministry of care and compassion to Northwood members who are homebound and unable to attend church. We need officers to serve on home teams or who would be willing to serve as a substitute. This training is needed to serve communion in the home, beyond any information received for serving communion during worship on Sunday morning. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Paul at 796-8090 or [paul@northwoodpc.org](mailto:paul@northwoodpc.org).



## Summer Music Workshop/Music Camp

### SAVE THE DATE!

June 9-14, 2019

Music Camp and workshop in Leesburg, FL (rising 6th grade through adult)

For more information, contact Stephanie Carson at 727-796-8090 or [stephanie@northwoodpc.org](mailto:stephanie@northwoodpc.org)

## Thanks for a Terrific Scout Sunday

This past Scout Sunday, Northwood Presbyterian Church welcomed over 40 scouts and their families to worship together. It is a joy to see the support and encouragement of this church, by allowing the scouts to actively participate in all 3 services. Families felt welcomed and uplifted by the church members and staff. In this ministry of developing leadership skills of our young people within the Scouting Programs, it is vital to have the church's nurturance and active involvement. Northwood does this exceedingly well!

Troop 413 also wants to thank Northwood for their support of the Pancake Breakfast. Donations received during the breakfast totaled \$896.00. These donations will be used for troop activities, including summer camp, and needed supplies. Thank you Northwood for your ministry to Scouts and their families of our community.

Debby Johnston  
Pack/Troop 413, Charter Organization Representative  
Northwood Presbyterian Church



## Sing the Lenten Cantata!

The choir will be presenting Joseph Martin's latest Cantata "Festival of Faith" on Sunday, April 14th at 4:00 PM. We need extra voices! We begin with a cantata read-through on Saturday, March 2nd from 9:30-11:00. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, March 6th from 7:30-8:10pm and will continue each Wednesday through April 10th with a dress rehearsal on April 13th. Please consider joining us!

For additional information please contact Stephanie Carson:  
[Stephanie@northwoodpc.org](mailto:Stephanie@northwoodpc.org) or 727-796-8090



# Caring for Our Church Family

## NEWS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

### Special Offerings

We give thanks to you for your support of Special Offerings, our collective witness to the love of Jesus Christ. By participating, your congregation joins other churches to change lives around the world through ministries of compassion, advocacy, peacemaking, education and witness. Bryce Wiebe, Director Special Offerings

### Cedarkirk

Thank you for your generous contribution and support to the Cedarkirk Camp & Conference Center. Patricia Holloway

### Beth-El

Thank you for your donation of Tree Gifts. Because of you we are making a difference to so many in our farmworking community. All of our programs are possible because of donors like you! Kathy Dain, Executive Director

### Alliance for International Reforestation

Thank you sincerely for your church donations to the Alliance for International Reforestation, Inc. totaling \$470.00. These gifts have been wired directly to Guatemala to support AIR projects, including construction of an efficient stove from your church in order to prevent lung disease and improve the daily lives of a Mayan family. Anne Motley Hallum, Founding President



### For Haiti with Love

Your support is truly a blessing to the Lord's work in the North of Haiti. God's blessings on you all! Eva

## Memorial Gifts

### In Memory of:

Barbara Englehart  
Barbara Englehart  
Barbara Englehart  
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Barbara Englehart

### Given by:

Art & Jeanette Holloway  
Joe & Mary Ellen Ziegler  
Bill & Bunny Bitner  
Sandy Seckel  
Barbara Schlerf  
Gary & Gwen Reefer

### In Honor of:

Wood Family

### Given by:

Jane Urban

## Prayer Ministry

Bill Allen, Ken Andreassen, Carol Anderson, Doris Croasmun, Sue Gavette, Shirley Gleason, Howard Green, Fred Inkles, Carol Justice, Jane Kaempfer, Mildred Martin, Robin MacLennan, Helen Meier, Norman Phillips, Marian Rather, David Smith, Gene Snyder, Al & Ethel Holden, Bonnie Beyer, Don Drummond, Connie Zaccari, Jane Urban.

## Prayers and Christian sympathies to:

- Dick Lucas on the news of the death of Dick's wife, Bertha "Bea" Lucas on January 26.

## Prayers for our Military Families

- SrA Benjamin A. Cernansky, MacDill AFB, FL.
- SPC Glen Nadig, Ft. Campbell, KY.



If you have an immediate family member in the military that you would like added to our prayer list, please contact us.

## Bay Area Pregnancy Center

On behalf of the staff and board of directors of CHILD Inc., Bay Area Pregnancy Center, we sincerely thank you for your donation of \$1000.00 and continued support. Marsha Rimer, Executive Director



# Christian Education

## TCI Class

### (Today's Christian Issues)

TCI provides a respectful, civil and non-judgmental forum to explore the timely issues we face as Christians, citizens, parents and friends. We ground our discussions in scripture and celebrate the diversity of ideas drawn from experiences and perspectives. TCI chooses topics from suggestions by participants and our leadership team. We meet in rooms 9&11 and we fuel our always-lively conversations with coffee and cookies.

## Experiencing God Class

### Sundays at 11:00 AM

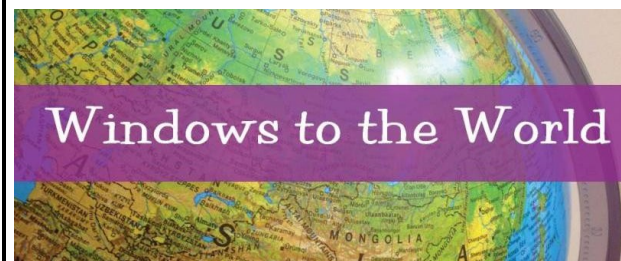
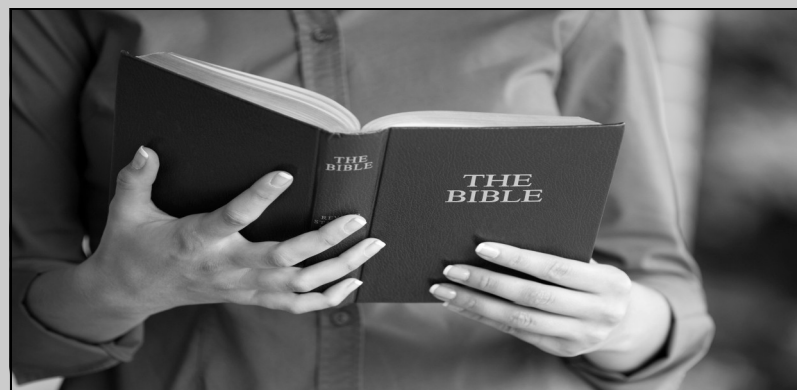
Every day brings new questions. Should I stay? Should I go? Buy it? Sell it? Start it? Stop it? There is one question you can ask that makes it easy to determine the answer to all the other questions. In our video and discussion series, we will learn how asking this question has the potential to save us time, money and tears. All we have to do is ask it. Come join us!

## Sunday Evening Bible Study "Isaiah"

This Sunday evening Bible study meets at 6:30pm in the Parlor. We are studying the Book of Isaiah, using the study guide *Isaiah: Trusting God in Troubled Times* by Howard Peskett. This is a discussion study where we use the ancient writings of Isaiah, discuss his prophecy regarding the future coming of Christ and learn the meaning to us today. Please contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 for more information. Come join us!

## Fresh Brewed

**Women's Bible Study**— This group meets the first Friday of each month at 10:30am in room 5. This month we will read and discuss Part 2, "In My Walk With God" from our book "Becoming More" by Lysa Terkeurst. If you have any questions, please contact Sally Uhler, 727-796-7563.



## Fun! Friends! Friday!

### The Ren Crew

The Ren Crew is a group of adventuresome, young at heart 50+ adults that enjoy sharing fun with friends, old and new. We meet in rooms 9&11 the second Friday of the month (September – May). We gather at the church from 10:30 to 11:30 for presentations and conversations that are entertaining, educational and inspiring. Following the presentation the group enjoys going to a different restaurant each month.

Back by popular demand the theme for this year is, again, "Windows to the World."

**March 8th**— Vanessa Celotto, Director of Youth and Family Ministry: Traveling Up Close and Personal through West and Central Europe.

All are welcome! 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, you may contact Pastor Paul Means at 727-796-8090 or email at paul@northwoodpc.org.

## Presbyterian Women

Women's Circles



**Esther/Elizabeth Circle** meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 9:30am in rooms 5 & 7.

**Lydia Circle** meets the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00pm in room 5.

**Naomi Circle** meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 1:00pm in members homes.

Please come and try out one of our circles! Everyone is welcome!

# Children's Ministry



## Children's Sunday School

### 8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

#### 3 Yr. Olds-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (18/19 School Year)

Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

### 9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

#### 3 Yr. Olds-1<sup>st</sup> Grade, Room 3

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade, Room 8

Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8.

### 11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

#### 3 Yr. Olds-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (18/19 School Year)

Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

## King's Kids

King's Kids is in full swing and will continue through Wednesday, April 4th. This is our Wednesday program for children ages 3 through 5th grade. It runs from 4:00 to 5:45 p.m. throughout the school year. This is a mid-week program to help build friendships in a Christian environment, and strengthen faith, bringing children closer to God. If you have questions, please contact Justine Davis at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org

## Spring Bash

Children 3rd-5th Grade are invited to an overnight camp at Cedarkirk, April 5th-6th. Campers have 24 hours to swim, zip-line, climb the rock wall, worship, play large-group games, do an arts and crafts project, eat some fantastic meals with new friends, and spend an adventurous night in a Rustic Cabin! Experience God and grow closer to your group at Spring Bash.

## 4th Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Children ages birth-5th grade are invited to join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday April 20th at 10:00am.

## VBS June 3-7

Parents, save the date for Vacation Bible School.

More details to come!

Saturday, February 23rd, 10-2pm: Youth Cleanup Day  
Sunday, Feb. 24th, 9:30-10:30am: Confirmation Class #3  
Sunday, Feb. 24th, 9:30am: Worship  
Sunday, Feb. 24th, 10:45am: Sunday School  
Sunday, Feb. 24th, 1:30pm: YLT Meeting  
Sunday, Feb. 24th, 5-6:30pm: Youth Night  
Monday, Feb. 25th, 6:30-8pm: YLT (City Night Prep)  
Wed., Feb. 27th, 6:30-7:30: City Group: Bible Journaling  
Friday, March 1st, 7-10pm: Game Night  
Sunday, March 3rd, 9:30-10:30am: Confirmation Class #4  
Sunday, March 3rd, 9:30am: Worship  
Sunday, March 3rd, 10:45am: Sunday School  
Sunday, March 3rd, 5-6:30: City Group: Christian Athletes  
Monday, March 4th, 6:30-9pm: City Night  
Friday, March 8th, 7-10pm: Game Night  
Sat., March 9th, - Sunday, March 10th: Confirmation Retreat  
Friday, March 15th, 7-10pm: Game Night  
Sunday, March 10th, 9:30am: Worship  
Sunday, March 10th, 10:45am: Sunday School  
Sunday, March 10th 5-6:30pm: City Group: Christian Athletes  
Monday, March 11th, 3:30-5pm: Spring Break: Laser Tag  
Monday, March 11th, 6:30-9pm: City Night  
Thursday, March 14th, Noon-4pm: Spring Break: Art Tour  
Sunday, March 17th, 9:30-10:30am: Confirmation Class #5  
Sunday, March 17th, 10:45am: Worship  
Sunday, March 17th, 10:45am: Sunday School  
Monday, March 11th, 3:30-5pm: Spring Break: Escape Room  
Monday, March 18th, 6:30-9pm: City Night  
Wed., March 20th, 6:30-7:30pm: City Group: MS @ Starbucks  
Thursday, March 21st, Noon-4pm: Spring Break: Scavenger Hunt  
Friday, March 22nd from 7-10pm: Game Night

## 2019 Confirmation Class

This year's Confirmation schedule is made up of eight classes, a session meeting, a retreat at Cedarkirk, a confirmation breakfast, and introduction in worship on Palm Sunday. The Confirmands completing the training will be examined by session and received on Palm Sunday. Please keep them in prayer as they continue on their faith journey.

Adam Booth  
Ava Catlin  
Olivia Catlin  
Joey Weidner

