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Congratulations Graduates!



Jeremy Stephen graduated cum laude from the University of Central Florida in Orlando with a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering. His future plans include working on a research project at UCF this summer and then completing his Master's degree this coming year.



Liana Stephen will be graduating from the University of Delaware on June 1st with a Master's degree in Vocal Performance and Composition. Her future plans include marrying Theo Howe, also a composition major, in Newmarket, Canada on July 13th. The couple plan to pursue their music careers.



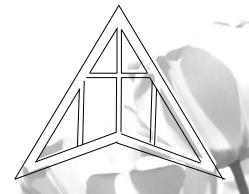
Brianna Winder graduated from the University of South Florida St. Petersburg with a BFA in Graphic Design and a minor in Art History. "I plan to pursue a job in a design firm or in a corporation with a prevalent design team I can be apart of."



Robert Wood graduated from the University of South Florida with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Biomedical Sciences and minors in General Public Health and Military Leadership. He will be serving as a commissioned 2nd lieutenant in the Army and has been granted an educational delay to attend medical school.

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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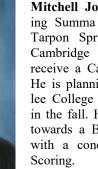
Congratulations Graduates!



Faith Allen is a graduating senior at Palm Harbor University High School. This fall, she will be attending Palm Beach Atlantic University where she will play softball and major in iology with a concentration on Molecular Biology.



Alyssa Bates will be graduating from the University of South Florida St. Petersburg with a bachelor's in Biology and a minor in Chemistry. Alyssa plans to pursue a career in working with animals.



Mitchell Johnston is graduating Summa Cum Laude from Tarpon Springs High School Cambridge Program and will receive a Cambridge Diploma. He is planning to attend Berklee College of Music (Boston) in the fall. He will be working towards a Bachelors of Music with a concentration in Film



Andy Booth will be graduating from Palm Harbor University where he was a 4 year Varsity Letterman for the baseball team. He will continue his education at Saint Leo University on an academic and baseball scholarship where he will pursue a degree in Sports Business.



AJ Hatch will be graduating with honors from Alonso High School. He is in National Honor Society and FBLA State Champion 2018. AJ will be attending USF beginning summer of 2019.



Amy Kemerer will graduate from Dunedin High School. Amy will be attending Beacon College in the fall.

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Northwood

Sunday, May 26:

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

Monday, May 27: Memorial Day-Church Office Closed

Sunday, June 2:

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

Monday, June 3—Friday, June 7 9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M. VBS

Sunday, June 9: Pentecost

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

Sunday, June 16: Trinity Sunday

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

Sunday, June 23:

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

Sunday, June 23—Thursday, June 27: High School Mission Trip

Church Office Schedule

Beginning the week of May 20, church office hours will be Monday-Thursday, 8:30-4:00 P.M. Regular Friday office hours will resume the week of August 12. Calls to the office on Fridays will be handled by the voicemail system and returned on Monday. If there is a pastoral emergency, the system will provide the phone number needed to reach Pastor Chris or Pastor Paul. We thank you for your cooperation as we adopt this temporary schedule.

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



Congratulations Graduates!



Jon Luther is graduating with honors from Sickles High School. He will be attending Hillsborough Community College as part of the Fuse Program. He will be seeking a degree in Criminology beginning this fall.



Grace Michalk will be graduating summa cum laude from Palm Harbor University High School's Center for Wellness and Medical Professions magnet program. Grace will be attending the Honors College at Florida Gulf Coast University in Ft. Myers this fall to study Psychology/Anthropology and earn a minor in French.



Morgan Peterson, daughter of Chris and Kim Peterson graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Arts in Education. Morgan will be starting her graduate program at the University of Florida this summer to pursue a dual certification (K-12 special Education and K-6 Elementary Education), Go Gators!!!



Paige Rogalski will be graduating from Countryside High School on May 23rd. This fall, she plans to start working towards a degree in Music Education at St. Petersburg College.



Chris Means graduated from USF with a Bachelor's degree in Communication. He plans to continue living and working in the Clearwater area.

botlight on Deacons' Ministries

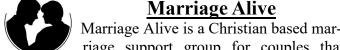
Hurricane Ministry

The Hurricane Ministry of our church's Board of Deacons assists members in need of temporary housing during or after hurricanes or severe tropical storms. If you are able to share your home with members-in-need, please contact Cassondra Fredriksen at sonna.fredriksen@gmail.com or the church office at 727-796-8090. If emailing, please use the subject "Hurricane Volunteer." Please include your name, address, phone number, email address, number of people you can accommodate, and whether you have pets.

With hurricane season approaching, we are all encouraged to prepare for a possible storm. A source for weather advisories is https://www.baynews9.com/fl/tampa/weather.

This guide has valuable information for Pinellas County http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/.

Get Involved Manual Man



riage 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 **June 1st.** If you need a copy of "The Five Love Languages," we will get you one free of charge! We will continue in chapter 4 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. 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.

Bass Player Needed!

The bass player in Voices In Praise, Gary Granata, is going on an extended vacation with his wife

Linda from May-October. We need someone qualified to fill that spot and lead worship with us. Experience necessary. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings from 7:30-8:45 pm and the Sunday morning commitment is from 8:30am-10:30 am. Please email Stephanie Carson at stephanie@northwoodpc.org or call 727 -458-9749. I pray God is tugging at your heart to help us out and join our band family!

Family Event-Messy Church

Northwood's Family Ministry invites you and your family to join us for "Messy Church" on **Saturday**, **May 25th** from 11:00am-2:00 pm at John Chestnut Park shelter #6. "Messy Church" will be a fun and relaxing time of fellowship and community for your whole family. We'll have a potluck lunch, youth lead worship, a devotional for all ages, and games and crafts for everyone. For information, contact Vanessa Celotto at youthdirector@northwoodpc.org

All-Church Retreat

The annual Cedarkirk All-Church Retreat will be October 18-20, 2019. You won't want to miss this amazing weekend of fellowship, games, crafts, canoeing and campfire with sing-along and s'mores. Poster and brochures can be found on the bulletin board directly across from the kitchen. Deposits with room requests are being accepted starting May 24th. Sign up early for best choice of rooms! Questions, contact Jeanne Stephen at Jeanneestephen@gmail.com.

Northwood Scholarship Application Time

NPC members who are high school seniors, college/vocational students or grad students are encouraged to pick up guidelines/applications from Emily Cantin, online, or in the church office now. Applications must be received by June 1, 2019. Applicants need to be involved in the life of the church (either here or at college/Seminary). This scholarship can only be received twice. We give thanks to the Bakers, Gordons, Wrights and others whose generosity to Northwood was reflected in their last will and testament. Scholarship funds come from interest earned from the following: (1) The Fred and Kay Baker Scholarship Fund, (2) The Walter and Catherine Gordon Educational Endowment, (3) Clarence and Florence Wright Scholarship Fund, (4) Monies received from other sources.

Music Workshop

The upcoming annual Fellowship Church Music Workshop (aka Music Camp) will be **Sunday**, **June 9 through noon on Friday**, **June 14**, **2019**. This year over 40 people from Northwood will be attending! We will have a week of musical and spiritual growth among friends in the midst of the beautiful setting of The Life Enrichment Center near Leesburg FL. For those registered, a reminder that your balance due needs to be paid by May 24 along with youth medical forms. Give your check made payable to Northwood Presbyterian Church to Tom Huffman. Check out the Fellowship website for lots of information: www.floridafellowship.org.

NEWS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

On behalf of the HEP staff and board of directors, we graciously acknowledge your generous gift of \$250. Your donation will help change the lives of homeless and very low-

nation will help change the lives of homeless and very lowincome individuals and families who turn to HEP for assistance. Best regards, Ashley Lowery, President & CEO

Clubfoot Solutions

Thank you so very much for your generous donation to Clubfoot Solutions. It is so heartening to receive a gift from a donor that will directly impact a child's life who is born with clubfoot deformity by fitting them with the Iowa Clubfoot Brace. Sincerely, Todd J. Becker, Director

Prayer Ministry

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

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.

Pentecost Special Offering June 9

The Pentecost offering will be collected on Sunday, June 9th for children at risk. Eighty percent of the offering will be divided between Bay Area Pregnancy Center and Beth-El to provide financial support for babies and children of those ministries. The remaining 20% percent is sent to the Presbytery of Tampa Bay for ministries with youth and children. Thank you for giving to this special offering on Pentecost Sunday.

Memorial Gifts

Caring for Our Church Family

In Memory of:

Connie Zaccari Scott Drew Allison Gibson

Given by:

Ashley & Scott Nevitt Don & Polly Hamilton Jean Swintek

Prayers and Christian sympathies to:

- Fred McQuown on the death of his sister Lois Loy on April 4.
- Fred Drew on the death of his son Scott Drew on April 17.
- Cookie Roffey on the death of her mother Louise Smith on May 6.
- Steve Foemmel and JP Sario on the death of their wife & mother Marylou Foemmel on May 11.
- Sheena Watkins and family on the death of Roland Watkins on May 12.

Thank You

Thank you everyone who sent cards and sympathies to me with the passing of my son Scott. I appreciate all of you. Sincerely, Fred Drew

Heartfelt thanks to the wonderful folks at Northwood for the cards, calls and prayers during my recent illness. They lifted my spirit and brought much comfort to my heart and soul. I know God brought me to Florida at this time in my life where I found my true church family. God bless all of you! In His Love, Jean Swintek

To My Northwood Church Family,

Thank you for the prayers, kind deeds, and cards that kept us close to God and helped us through this difficult time. Sandy Gibson and Randy

Dear Northwood Family,

I want to thank you for your prayers, visits, phone calls, cards and gifts while I was in Manor Care. Also for the delicious meals you provided when I came home. A special thank you to Pastor Paul for his prayers, visits and calls.

Sincerely, Sue GaVette

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Christian Education

TCI Class (Today's Christian Issues) Sundays at 11:00 AM

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

Join us on the journey for the truth about Jesus. In this video-based study based on "The Case for Christ," we will sift through historical evidence and expert testimony to help us see Jesus in a new way and find our lives transformed. We will also gain the tools to talk about Jesus with those who question whether Jesus existed or whether he is a good man, a prophet or the Son of God.

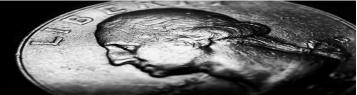
Sunday Morning Bible Study "Hebrews"

This Bible study meets at 11:30am on Sunday mornings in room 8. We are studying the Book of Hebrews, using the study guide: *Hebrews: Christ-Perfect Sacrifice, Perfect Priest* by John MacArthur. If you have any questions or would like to purchase a book for the study, please contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 or lucindy1@aol.com. This is a discussion class and is approximately one hour in length. All are welcome! Come join us!

Fresh Brewed

Women's Bible Study— This group meets the first Friday of each month at 10:30 am in room 5. This month we will meet June 7th and Sandy Seckel will lead our discussion. We will work on parts 5 & 6 along with the videos from our book "Becoming More" by Lysa Terkeurst. This will be our last meeting for the summer, returning with a new book on September 6th. If you have any questions, please contact Sally Uhler, 727-796-7563.

Financial Matters



Northwood Presbyterian 2018 Audit

From the Session Clerk, Ellen Stoup. So that the congregation is aware, Northwood conducts a financial audit every year. We have conducted a full financial review of all the books and records relating to the finances of Northwood Presbyterian Church for the year 2018. We are pleased to report that the financial records are in excellent condition and that good financial procedures are being followed and the congregation can have confidence and trust in the stewardship of their contributions.

Online Giving

If you are interested in setting up online giving, visit the "Giving" tab on our website 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.

Children's Ministry



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Children's Sunday School 8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd 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-1st Grade, Room 3

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

2nd-5th Grade, Room 8

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

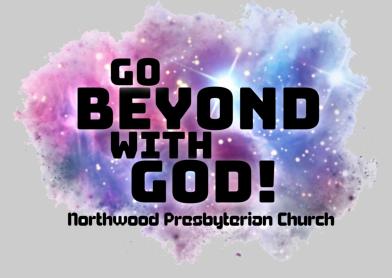
11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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VBS June 3-7

"Go Beyond with God" and blast off on this epic adventure with us to Mars and Beyond! Galaxy voyagers journey from their galactic outpost on special missions to collect power sources. Along the way, they'll learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible, and that God is always with them. Vacation Bible School registration and information is available on our website at www.northwoodpc.org under the children's ministry section. All children ages 4 (by 9/1/2019) through 5th grade are invited to attend. Registration fee is \$15.00.



Sunday, May 19th, 9:30am: Worship Sunday, Mat 19th, 10:45am: Sunday School

Monday, May 20th, 6:30-9pm: City Night & Graduation Party Wednesday, May 22nd, 6:15-7:30pm: City Group: Devotional

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Friday, May 24th, 7-10pm: Game Night Saturday, May 25th, 11-2pm: Messy Church

Sunday, May 26th, 9:30am: Worship

Sunday, May 26th, 10:45am: Sunday School

Wednesday, May 29th, 6:15-7:30pm: City Group: Devotional

Writing

Friday, May 31st, 7-10pm: Summer Games Mixer (Youth and 5th Graders)

Friday, May 31st, 10pm-Midnight:HS Hangout:Cosmic Bowling

Monday, June 3rd through Friday, June 7th: VBS Sunday, June 9th through Friday, June 14th: Music Camp

Sunday, June 23rd through Friday, June 28th: HS Mission Trip

Citylight Summer Mission Trips

This summer, our youth will be going on mission trips where we will be coming together with other youth ministries, to broaden our perspectives, challenge our comfort zones, be empowered, empower others, and create a sacred space where God can work in and through our lives.

Middle School Trip:

On July 7-13 our Citylight Middle Schoolers will be going on a mission trip to Vero Beach, Florida. This trip will be with Epic Missions and we will be working together as we do things like serve at food banks, host a dinner and game night for the elderly, and lead VBS. Our group can have a huge impact on the Vero Beach community by showing the love of Christ to the people that we'll be serving.

High School Trip:

On June 23-28 our Citylight High Schoolers will be going on a mission trip to Talladega, Alabama. This trip will be with Student Life and we will be working together to complete community projects like repairing homes and buildings. The impact our group can have showing the love of Christ to the families and children who live there is immeasurable.



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