## Coming Up!

## Invite a Friend to a WAY Dinner at Northwood

We are encouraging you to invite your friends, neighbors and family that may be seeking a church home. The first time that your guest attends, their dinner is free. (Free dinner offer is not available for carry-out orders.)

## Women's Retreat - January 19-22

Join the women of Northwood for an amazing weekend of fellowship, games, crafts, canoeing and nature walks. Enjoy the peaceful beauty of Cedarkirk while staying in a heated lodge, complete with fireplace and kitchen. Info coming soon!!!

## Halloween Candy for Music Ministry

If you have leftover Halloween candy or find some good BOGO deals, the music ministry will gladly accept your donations. We use the



candy as incentives in our children's choirs. Thank you for your generosity! Any questions? Contact Stephanie Carson, (727) 796-8090.

Save the Date for Special Music Offerings

December 10: 9:30 Ignite Service,

Special Christmas Program **December 10**: 'Ring, Sing & Mingle' Handbell Concert,



Carol Sing and Reception 4:00 P.M. December 17: 8:15 & 11:00 Traditional Services Cantata 'Carol Suites' by Mark Hayes





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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS- October 15, 2017** WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to participate in the many opportunities for Loyal to His Church worship and service here. All sermons at NPC are available on our website at www.northwoodpc.org under the "Watch Live" tab. From there you can watch our 11:00 service live on Sundays or click on "Archives" to find previous weeks' services. If you are interested in membership or learning more about our church, please plan to attend our next Discovering Northwood Class on November 19. Contact Tracy Donovan (communications@northwoodpc.org) if you have any questions.

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## **Church Photo Directory**

We're making good progress toward a complete church photo directory, but we need YOU to participate! We only have a few sign up days left!

#### Scheduled photography dates are:

October 27 (1:00- 8:00 P.M.) October 28 (10:00 A.M.- 5:00 P.M.) \*December 27 (12:00- 7:00 P.M.)\* \*Added to accommodate visiting students/relatives\* January 24 (1:00- 8:00 P.M.) January 25 (10:00 A.M.- 5:00 P.M.) January 26 (1:00- 8:00 P.M.) January 27 (10:00 A.M.- 5:00 P.M.) February 6 (1:00- 8:00 P.M.)

Without you, our new church directory will not be complete!

## **Blanket Sunday is November 5**

It's that time of year again. Please be thinking about picking up new or setting aside gently used blankets, sheets, suitcases and cash donations that we can give to help meet the needs of the migrant farmworkers this winter. Once again, the blankets and suitcases will be donated to Beth-El Ministries. Please contact Sue Miskiewicz with any questions or for pickup of these items at 727-799-6767 or susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com. This is a wonderful ministry and is a blessing to the people supported by Beth-El. The workers and their families use the blankets in creative ways, such as; room dividers for privacy, along with the typical use of a blanket for providing warmth. Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus in this way!



#### Wonderful Wednesdays at Northwood

WAY Dinners and program series are October 18, 25, November 1, 8 & 15. The dinner is 6:00-6:40 and is followed by a program led by our pastors, "What Makes Christianity, Christianity?" from 6:40-7:15. Reservation forms are located in the folder outside of the kitchen. See reservation form for more Dinner & Program information. RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY MONDAY AT NOON.

Don't forget to invite a friend and use pink reservation side to reserve their free first meal!

Our program series will be drawing on the classic book, Basic Christianity, written by John Stott and we will be exploring the questions, "Who does Jesus say he is?" and "What does this mean for us who live in the 21st Century?" This literary work has sold over 2.5 million copies, been translated into over 60 languages and was named a "Book of the Century" by Christianity Today. Bestselling author and Presbyterian pastor, John Ortberg, says, "Basic Christianity is a simple, clear, deep explanation of our faith. I am so grateful for the lucid elegance of this invitation to follow Jesus." Come join us we seek to grow in faith, hope and love.

#### **Nominating Committee**

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NOMINATIONS BEING ACCEPTED Do you know of someone you would like to see serving as Elder or Deacon? The Nominating Committee will accept nominations for Church Officers now through October 31. Remember to get the person's permission before nominating them. Nomination forms may be placed in the mailbox of Ray Spigarelli or Gene Weitz in the church office or in the offering plate.

I have the permission of \_\_\_\_\_

or

to nominate them for the office of

Elder

(Please circle one) Deacon

Please send articles for all publications to Tracy Donovan at Communications@northwoodpc.org.

#### Monthly Reading Group Starts Tomorrow

A new monthly reading group, Think On These Things, led by Pastor Paul, will begin tomorrow, Monday, October 16 from noon to 1:15 in rooms 13 and 15. The theme for the group is "Engaging books a thoughtful Christian ought to read." The first book we will read is a classic in Christian literature, The Return of the Prodigal Son: A Story of Homecoming by Henri Nouwen. People are welcome to bring a lunch or snacks. Join us on the third Monday of the month to engage influential and inspiring books in intelligent, gracious conversation. For more information, contact Pastor Paul Means at 727-796-8090 or paul@northwoodpc.org

#### Support Kids' Corner Preschool

Please consider supporting Northwood Presbyterian's Kids' Corner Preschool this year. They have a Target Registry for items they would like to enhance their classes. You can find their wish list online at



www.target.com/gift-registry/gift/kids'corner. Items can be dropped off to the church or school office. If you have any questions you can contact Angie Miele Surowiec or Emily Cantin at (727) 723-7679 or email at schooldirector@northwoodpc.org. Thank you for your generositv!

## **Youth Ministry**

#### This Week in the Life of Our Youth:

| Sunday, October 15: | 9:30 Sunday School in Youth Room       |
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| Sunday, October 15: | 5:00-6:30 P.M. Youth Group             |
| Wed, October 18:    | 6:30–7:30 Р.М. High School Bible Study |
| Friday, October 20: | No Game Night                          |
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Cedarkirk Youth Fall Fusion Trip: November 10th-12th: Cost will be \$35 per youth and they will be staying in the Rustic Cabins. Please email if your youth has interest in attending.

Pancake Breakfast: December 3rd after all three services our youth will be hosting a pancake breakfast in Fellowship Hall to help fund the youth summer trip.

We are always in need of any adult volunteers to help out on Friday Game Nights with our youth. They meet from 7-10:00pm here at Northwood. If this is something that you may be interested in, please contact Emily Cantin at vouthdirector@northwoodpc.org. Thanks!!