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News from the Facility Manager

Hello again Northwood Family,

It's hard to believe that February is over and that we are starting into the spring already! Where does the time go???

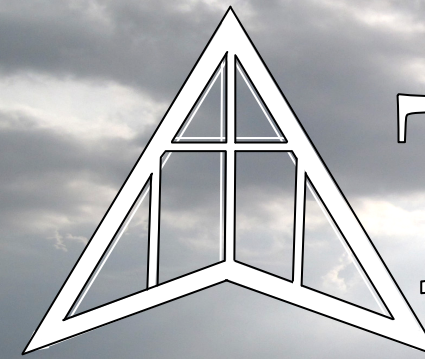
To start off with this month, I'd like to say and give a great big THANK YOU to 1) Ed Puschmann for coming in and putting spray lubricant on all our padded folding chairs, and 2) Bill Sutton and his Friday Work Crew for re-digging the two drainage ditches we have on property. All of you are a real blessing!

Next, a lot of my time this month has been spent on the roof of the CE building. This was for two reasons—1) to supervise the correction of the ductwork up there and 2) to meet and work with the roofer to find and fix the remaining leak in room 8. We actually hauled garden hoses up there and flooded 1/2 of the roof. In the process we found a leak and it has since been corrected. Prayerfully and hopefully this will put an end to the CE building roof leaks. I am also in the process of acquiring bids to repair the roof over the youth room as it has developed leaks.

In addition, the renovations to Room 16 are complete and we have a new directional sign and decorative chain at the south driveway by the access road. As I am writing this, preparations are in process for the annual stripping and waxing of the gymnasium floor.

In closing, I again want to thank all of you for the warm welcome and tell you it's my pleasure to be "at your service."

Jeff Mossolle



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KID'S CORNER NEWS

Hi from Kid's Corner. I wanted to write and share the good news that Kid's Corner will have been in the community for 28 years. We were established in August 1986 with 10 children and have been growing ever since. Over the years we have educated, loved, nurtured, and shared the word of Christ to thousands of children. Many pre-school families have joined the church and we are also seeing our graduates bringing their children back to us. Northwood has always used the schools as an outreach to the community to serve and support the families that live here. Pre-school today is not what it was 28 years ago, but we are still a House of God and that leads us in all we do here at Kid's Corner.

As a result of our reputation for excellence, we are growing again. We are adding a new classroom. These are exciting times as we continue to be a positive and loving presence in our community. We are looking for a teacher for the five-day class for three-year-olds. I need someone who, at the very least, has an A.S. in Early Childhood Education or a B.S. or B.A. in Education. We are a N.A.E.Y.C. accredited school, and we must meet certain standards to maintain that accreditation. Please contact me at 727-723-7679 or at vicki@northwoodpc.org for any questions or to apply for the position.

Thank you again for being supportive of the schools and we will continue to aim for the highest standards in all we do. Thank you!

Holy Week Schedule

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 13

8:15 & 11:00 A.M. Traditional Services
9:30 A.M. Contemporary Service
(Nursery available)

4:00 P.M. Lenten Cantata

"In My Place"

By: Craig Courtney

MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 17, 7 P.M.

Joint service at Heritage UMC
with Northwood PC

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 18, 12:00 NOON

Joint service at Northwood PC
with Heritage UMC

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20

The "One Great Hour of Sharing" offering will be received (see purpose of offering in Sunday bulletins).

Photos Available at Floral Cross

8:15 & 11:00 A.M.

Traditional Services-Sanctuary

9:30 A.M. Contemporary Service

(Outside, weather permitting; bring lawn chairs or a blanket)
(Nursery available)

Photos Available at Floral Cross

At A Glance

March 18, 2014

This Month at Northwood

Sunday, March 23rd:

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

Wednesday, March 26th:

6:00 P.M. W.A.Y. Dinner
6:40 P.M. Study Series

Sunday, March 30th:

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

Wednesday, April 2nd:

6:00 P.M. W.A.Y. Dinner
6:40 P.M. Study Series

Sunday, April 6th:

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

Sunday, April 13th:

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

Thursday, April 17th:

7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service
at Heritage UMC

Friday, April 18th:

12:00 PM Good Friday Service
at Northwood PC

Sunday, April 20th:

Easter Sunday
8:15 A.M. Traditional Service
9:30 A.M. IGNITE Service (outside)
11:00 A.M. Traditional Service

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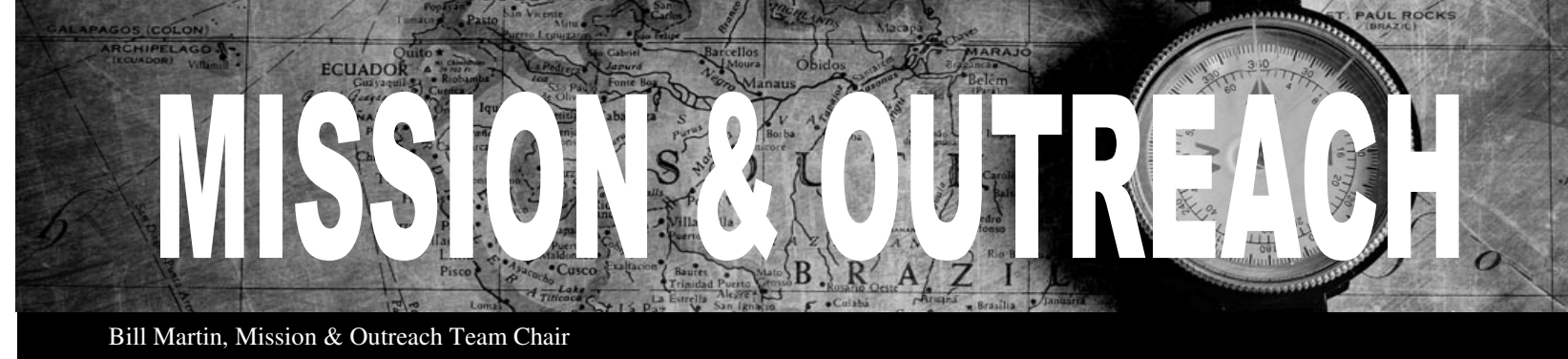
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Submissions:

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

E-News:

If you are interested in receiving the bi-weekly Monitor via our e-news system, please send an email with your name and request to Katie@northwoodpc.org.



Future Mission Trips to Honduras

In 2013 Northwood led its first mission trip to Honduras. It was a wonderful mission effort that made a real difference in the five Honduran villages, and it made a meaningful impact on the lives of the nineteen people who participated in the trip.

Northwood is committed to leading ongoing mission trips to Honduras. The cost to the participants and for all the resources needed to carry out a successful mission effort is significant. Given the reality of these costs, the Honduras Mission Trip is being envisioned as taking place every two years, rather than every year. This approach will allow more time to fund upcoming mission trips and plan the mission activities based on the financial resources available. In considering an every two years model, the prayerful hope is that Northwood will lead a mission trip to Honduras in 2015.

Northwood's commitment to missions is strong. We look to God, grateful for the mission opportunities that He has provided this community of faith in sharing, in word and work, the transforming love of God and the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

FOOD PANTRY NOTICE!

Thank you so much for all the support, financially and with supplies, that we have received for the church food pantry. Please be sure that the cans/jars donated are not out dated, as we have no outlet for outdated food. Thank you again!



THANK YOU'S FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Antioch Partners

Dear Northwood,

Thank you for your donation of \$500.00 to the Antioch Partners in November 2013. We are grateful for your support.

Blessings,
Andrew Adair
Executive Director

Bay Area Pregnancy Center

Dear Northwood,

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Staff, we sincerely thank you for your continued support. Through your continued prayers and generous donations we have had another awesome year at BAPC. We have expanded our ministry with the purchase of a second Clearwater unit, we have opened a third center located in the High Point neighborhood, and we continue to enhance our existing consulting and training programs. All accomplished while Serving Mothers, Saving Babies and Sharing Truth on a daily basis.

Sincerely,
Marsha Rimer
Executive Director

Bay Area Pregnancy Center

Dear Faithful Friends,

You folks continue to bless us with your generous food donations. During the last quarter, Northwood was instrumental in keeping our food pantry supplied. We served 72 families during the months of October, November and December. We were only able to do this because of your help.

In Appreciation,

Marsha Rimer
Executive Director

Christian Education

Susan Curry, Christian Education Team Chair

Check it Out!

Be sure to check out both our Children's and Adult Libraries! There are a number of great books and topics!

NPC Children's Library

Helping the young to walk in His footsteps. Preschool books are on the "yellow" side and children's books on the "green" side. DVD's are also available.

Book Categories:

Bible & Bible Helps (220-222)
Bible Stories, Old & New Testaments (222.1)
Stories of People of the O.T. (222.11-226)
Psalms and Proverbs (223.2)
What Is God Like? (231.6)
God's Creation (231.7)
Jesus' Birth/Advent/Christmas (232.92)
John the Baptist/Jesus' Disciples (232.950.92-34)
Jesus' Teachings/Parables/Miracles & People of the N.T. (232.954-232.955)

NPC Adult Library

To help us grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Books, Tapes & Charts for Bible Study:

Commentaries, Persons of the Bible, Dictionaries, Biblical Times, Concordances, Atlases

Books & Tapes for Spiritual Growth:

Ways of Knowing God, Prayer, Discipleship, Spiritual Gifts & Fruit

Helps & Relationships:

Marriage, Divorce, 2nd Marriage, Singleness, Single Parents, Parenting, Grandparenting, Caring for the Special Child, Caring for Parents and the Ill, Depression, Alzheimer's, Disabled, Grief, Abuse, Addiction

Church History & Leaders, Religion:

Presbyterianism, Judaism, Islam, Cults, Bibles, The Jerusalem Bible, The Koran, Conversion, Missions

Literary Analyses & Author Collections:

Lord of the Rings, Harry Potter, DaVinci Code, C.S. Lewis, Tolstoy, Faith & Fiction

Youth Cart:

Books & Tapes on Cart, Lord of the Rings, Chronicles of Narnia

EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES

8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-5th Grade (13/14 School Year) Room 3, dismissed to the multi-age Sunday School class after the Children's Message.

9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-K (13/14 School Year) Room 3

1st & 2nd Grades Room 16

3rd-5th Grades Room 8

Students gather to worship at the beginning of the service with their teachers, in the front Sanctuary rows, closest to the band. After the Prayers of Joys & Concerns, they will move to room 8.

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-5th Grade (13/14 School Year) Room 3, dismissed to the multi-age Sunday School class after the Children's Message.

Please plan ahead and prepare for the celebration of the Sacrament of Communion on the first Sunday of the month. It is a prayerful time for giving thanks and confessing our sins, renewing our commitment to God, and hearing the Word proclaimed. Parents, if you wish for your children to receive communion please have them remain with you in the worship service on Communion Sundays. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact elder Jackie Koski (jackieandjerry@verizon.net), Chair of the Worship Team.

9:30 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SERENDIPITY—Rooms 13 & 15

We are on chapter 17 of the book of John. The disciples slowly learn their roles once Jesus has left them. He promises that the "Spirit of Truth" will teach them and help them to understand who Jesus is. Their sadness of the missing Lord will turn to joy. Class starts at 9:45 but come early for coffee and cookies and a time to chat with fellow classmates.

TCI (Today's Christian Issues)—Rooms 9 & 11

The TCI Class discuss current topics and issues. Classes are led by a group of rotating teachers and are filled with great discussion. We invite you to join us. The class meets at 9:30 in Rooms 9 & 11.

11:00 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

EXPERIENCING GOD – Rooms 13 & 15

TODAY: "Christian." Ask 100 people to define what it means, and you'll get 100 different answers. In this series, we will explore the truth and fiction behind one of the most famous brands in all of history. Led by Vicki Krueger.

Youth & Young Adults

Troy Harris, Interim Director of Youth & Young Adults ~ Ken Andreassen, Team Chair ~ Gene Weitz, Elder

CONFIRMATION

Please continue to pray for our 2014 Confirmation Class—Amy Kemerer, Brie Mattheus, Kayla McDermott, Josh Luther, Jon-Jon Luther, Andrew Booth, AJ Hatch, Mitchell Johnston, Sydney Blackmore and Grace Michalk.

CONYERS IS JUNE 8TH-14TH!

This year the group will travel Sunday, June 8th and return Saturday, June 14th. We will be asking those who make the trip to pay \$200.00 each. The price helps with the overall expenses, including camp registration, rental of vans, cost of gas, and other travel expenses.

Each year we provide a number of full or partial scholarships and participants will be able to request this assistance again this year. We anticipate the actual cost per person will be about \$225, part of which is being raised by the church through donations and fund-raising events.

The deadline to sign up is April 18th; please include a \$50 deposit per participant. The remaining amount will be due May 2nd. Sign up by filling out the information sheet on the youth bulletin board and placing it in the envelope outside of Katie Pacana's office.

CEDARKIRK 2014 SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Registration for Cedarkirk's 2014 Summer Camps is open! Whether you are in first grade or high school, a family with young children or a grandparent seeking time with your grandchild, Cedarkirk's summer programs have something for you. Cedarkirk offers camps for all ages and stages of life, emphasizing opportunities for fun, relationship-building, and spiritual growth in a beautiful, natural environment. To ensure your first choice of programs, pick up a brochure in the church office or visit www.cedarkirk.org today. If you have any questions, please contact the camp office at 813.685.4224 or camps@cedarkirk.org.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION TIME

NPC members who are high school seniors, college/vocational students or grad students are encouraged to pick up guidelines/applications from the church office. Applications must be received by June 1, 2014. Applicants need to be involved in the life of the church (either here or at college/Seminary). This scholarship can only be received twice. 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. We give thanks to the Bakers, Gordons, Wrights and others whose generosity to Northwood was reflected in their last will and testament.

Youth Highlights

Friday, March 21:

7-10 P.M. Game Night
10 P.M.-7 A.M. Lock-in Celebration Station

Sunday, March 23:

9:30 A.M. Sunday School
11 A.M. Sunday School
4:15-5 P.M. Middle School Youth Group
5-6 P.M. Combined Middle & High School
6-6:45 P.M. High School Youth Group

Tuesday, March 25:

5-10 P.M. Movie & Pizza Night

Friday, March 28:

7-10 P.M. Game Night with "Minute-to-Win-it" Challenge

Sunday, March 30:

9:30 A.M. Sunday School
11 A.M. Sunday School
4:15-5 P.M. Middle School Youth Group
5-6 P.M. Combined Middle & High School
6-6:45 P.M. High School Youth Group

Friday, April 4:

7-10 P.M. Game Night

Sunday, April 6:

9:30 A.M. Sunday School
11 A.M. Sunday School
4:15-5 P.M. Middle School Youth Group
5-6 P.M. Combined Middle & High School
6-6:45 P.M. High School Youth Group

Friday, April 11:

7-10 P.M. Game Night

Saturday, April 12:

Confirmation Breakfast

Children's Ministry

Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministry
Susan Curry, Elder and Chair of Christian Education

Summer Music Camp

Reserve your spot for Summer Music Camp! It takes place the week before school resumes, August 11-15, 9-12:00. The cost is \$25 for the entire week! We learn a Christian Musical and perform it, play music games, have snack and fellowship. There will be auditions for parts as we get closer and the cast is limited to 25 children, so sign up now by emailing Stephanie Carson.

stephanie@northwoodpc.org

Library

It's going to be Easter soon and you'll see books displayed to help prepare for Easter. Ask your parents about it. Check it out!

Children's Ministry News

Sunday School Classes

See Christian Education on page 4 for Sunday School information.

King's Kids

King's Kids is back in session. Every Wednesday from 4:00-6:00, the children are learning about Jesus' Life. King's Kids is off for Spring Break on March 26th. We will resume on April 2nd.

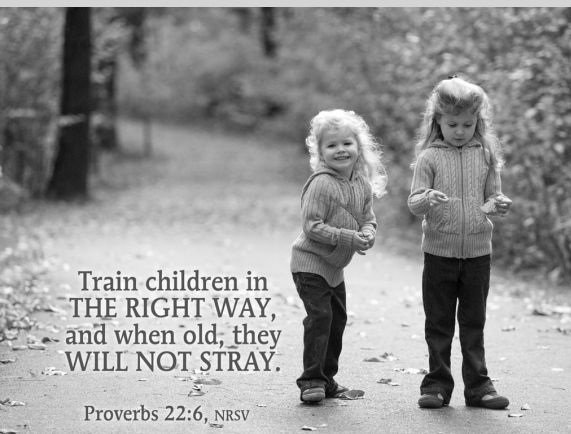
VBS News

At this year's VBS the children and adults will get to imagine and build with God! The adventure includes music that will wow your ears, interactive Bible fun, super science, cool crafts, hands-on mission work, delicious snacks, great games, and more. To be a part of all the excitement, call or email *Justine Ruisz*.

Cedarkirk Spring Bash

We have twelve 3rd – 5th boys who will be attending 1 night at Cedarkirk for a Spring Bash. This event is April 4-5. Spring Bash campers will 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! Please pray for those of us attending that we may grow closer to God and to one another!

Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministry
Childrensministry@northwoodpc.org ~ 796-8090



Train children in
THE RIGHT WAY,
and when old, they
WILL NOT STRAY.

Proverbs 22:6, NRSV



Caring for Our Church Family

PRAYER MINISTRY

Ken Andreassen; Larry Cornillaud; Doris Croasmun; Jean Dayes; Dorothy Dykstra; Shirley Gleason; Hugh Gott; Rees Heycock; Lou Hortobagyi; Barbara Hunt; Kelly Jordan; Jane Kaempfer; Bea Kimball; Diane Luke; Mildred Martin; Robin MacLennan; Bert McCormick; Annie McElveen; Curtis McLeod; Helen Meier; Pamela Peters; Norman Phillips; Marian & Walter Rather; Barbara Smith; David Smith; Charline Snow; Gene Snyder; Lucille Talbot.

Please keep the following who are serving in the military in your prayers. Addresses have been included should you wish to send cards of support.

Capt. Daniel Doverspike
2044 Pratt Court
Evanston, Illinois 60201-3116

AB Cernansky, Benjamin A.
320 TRS/FLT 2471 Dorm A4
1320 Truemper St. Unit 364028
Lackland AFB, TX 78236

Our prayers and sympathy go out to:

- The family of Paul Wagner on the news of his death in Columbus, IN on February 27, 2014.

Do you sew?

The music ministry is in need of some sewing. Our robes are old and many are in need of zipper repair. The children and adult Biblical costumes are old and tattered. It would be wonderful to have some new ones. If someone would like to offer their services we would be very grateful! Please email or call Stephanie Carson. Thank you!

stephanie@northwoodpc.org ~ 727-796-8090

Church Nursery Attendant

First Presbyterian Church, Safety Harbor

FPC, Safety Harbor has openings for two nursery attendants. Applicants must be 18 or older and pass a background check. Preference will be given to those with experience. Pay is \$10 an hour. Those interested should e-mail resume and contact information to fpc.sh.office@gmail.com.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In Memory of:
Alice Wilson

Given by:
*John & Janet George
Bill & Patty Martin
Mary Wheeler
Anita Sans
Jane Urban
Barbara Englehart
Bill & Loisanne Bilka*

Olga Ramsay

Barbara Englehart

Dorothy Harrill

Lorrie Janusik

Babs Avery

Bill & Loisanne Bilka

Paul Wagner

*Linda Ciokan
Jane Urban
Barbara Englehart
Bill & Bunny Bitner*

VITALS

Weather: Sunny
Sunday, March 9, 2014
Daylight Savings Time
(8:15) 126
(9:30) 143
(11:00) 162
Total: 431

PLEASE REMEMBER THE CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.

Recycling

The proceeds from paper recycling via the blue dumpster at the church are still used to fund college scholarships. We welcome your newspapers for this worthwhile project!

Church Website

The staff would like to remind you to continually check back to the church website for information on upcoming events! The website is constantly changing and updating! Have something you'd like to put on the website? Contact Katie: Katie@northwoodpc.org.