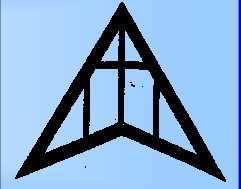




Northwood Presbyterian Church THE MONITOR

January 29, 2010 Volume 15, Issue 2



2010 Wednesday and You (WAY) Series February 10th through March 17th

Lent Study Focus—*Prayer*

Dinner 6:00 PM / Program 6:40—7:20 PM

Meals: \$4.00 for adults; \$3.00 for children;
\$15.00 max for families.

Ash Wednesday Service—Feb. 17th at 6:45 PM

Complete W.A.Y. Brochure is on pages 5 & 6



OUR FAMILY WOULD LIKE YOU TO JOIN US

in celebrating Lora Drummond's 80th birthday this Sunday, Jan. 31st, 1:30 p.m. at the Paradise Restaurant, 443 Main St. in Safety Harbor. Any questions call Diane Bolton, 727-455-2928



or Robin MacLennan, 727-799-9096.

FRESH BREWED WOMAN'S BIBLE STUDY

First Friday's at 10:30am in Room 4

We will start a new book, *"REALLY BAD GIRLS OF THE BIBLE."* On Feb. 5th we will show a video of the new book and have fellowship. (Coffee supplied. If you'd like, please bring snacks.) Mar. 5th we will discuss the first chapter. Come join a lively group of women of all ages! If you have questions, contact: Sally Uhler 796-7563, Barbara Englehart 791-4648, or Sandy Seckel 787-1667

MARRIAGE ALIVE

February 6, 5:00 pm, Rms 5, 7



We are starting a new Marriage Alive book, "Have a New Husband by Friday" by Dr. Kevin Leman. Cost is \$4.00 per couple, and the church will pick up the rest. Please contact Spencer or Ann Briggs at 726-9111 or email spencer.briggs1@gmail.com, if you would like us to purchase a book.



BLOOD DRIVE SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH

7:30 AM—12:30 PM

"Be A Giving Type, Donate Blood."

Sign-up on the bulletin board in the Narthex. See insert in this Sunday's bulletin for more information.

Women's Retreat at Cedarkirk

Feb. 19-21, 2010

(Fri. PM through Sunday A.M.)

2 Corinthians 5:17 is our theme

A few rooms still available. \$113.00 due with reservation. Place in church office in Diana Fisher's "Cedarkirk Mailbox." Transportation needs while at Cedarkirk, (golf carts), call Denise Cernansky, 813-493-8110.

SAVE THE DATE....ALL CHURCH WORKDAY

February 20, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Don't miss the fun, food or fellowship!

DINNER FOR 6-7-8

Groups are Beginning their Spring Session!



Enjoy good food, good Christian fellowship and meet fellow members of Northwood. For more information call JoAnne Spigarelli at 727-785-6565. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board across from the kitchen.

KID'S CORNER NEWS

It's that time again! Registration for Kid's Corner pre-school will begin on **Monday, February 22nd** for In-house students and their siblings and Church members. Public registration will follow the next week. I will place registration forms in a pocket on the Kid's Corner bulletin board (next to the double doors). Turn the forms in to my office on Monday morning 2/22/2010 starting around 9:00 am. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call or you can e-mail me at vickic@northwoodpc.org.

Vicki Conolly, Director of Schools

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EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES**SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2010****CHILDREN & YOUTH****Children's Church**Pre-K3 – 1st Grade Room 1**9:45 AM****Sunday School**

Pre-K 3 yrs. old Room 2

(fully potty-trained children may join once they reach their 3rd birthday)

4 & 5 yr. olds Room 3

1st & 2nd Grade Room 163rd – 5th Grade Room 86th – 8th Grade Rooms 12 & 14

Senior High Room 18

11:00 AM**Children's Church**Pre-K3 – 1st Grade Room 1**Sunday School**6th – 8th Grade Room 12 & 14**ADULT STUDIES AT NORTHWOOD****9:45 AM****SEEKERS: Room 5****Led by Bob Meier & Pete Judd.**

Jan. 31st: A general discussion of the previously reviewed DVD presentation, by the Naked Archeologist, titled "Exodus Decoded". Sally Matthews will co-ordinate this class which will run from 9:30-10:30 am.

THE BIBLE FROM SCRATCH: Room 7

Led by John Hildebrandt & Jeanette Holloway. Inquiring minds want to know... studying the book of 2 Kings. Come and join us in room 7 for Bible from Scratch.

TCI (Today's Christian Issues): Rooms 9 & 11 at 9:30.

Jan. 31st: Georgiana Winder will lead a discussion on the issues surrounding civil rights hero, Bobby DeLaughter, being jailed for obstruction of justice. The issue - is it possible for good people becoming guilty of wrong doing? Class meets in rooms 9 & 11.

SERENDIPITY: Rooms 13; 15**Led by Doug Shierling & Jane Sutton**

STUDY-FOUR DIFFERENT FAITH WALKS: Ruth, Jonah, Esther, Hosea. Jan. 31st: We're concluding the book of Esther, chapters 9 & 10; an unusual example of God's providential care for then and now. Come a little earlier than 9:45 to chat over coffee.

11:00 AM**EXPERIENCING GOD: ROOMS 13 & 15**

Led by Vicki Krueger. This group is studying the life of David.

THE THREAD (High School & Young Adults): Youth Room—Led by Jayme Rothberg & Troy Harris. This Bible study is especially for high school students, college students and other young adults. The Thread looks at how we as Christians use our faith in dealing with life's many complications.

Youth Stuff**Sunday, January 31st:**

- Sunday School
 - Middle School 9:45a (rm 12/14)
 - High School 9:45a (Youth Room)
 - Middle School 11:00a (rm 12/14)
 - High School 11:00a (Youth Room)
- NO Youth Group
 - Return from Cedarkirk

Wednesday, February 3rd:

- MS Small Group 4:30-5:05 (Youth Room)

Thursday, February 4th:

- High School Bible Study
- Himm

Friday, February 5th:

- Game Night 6-9pm (Youth Room/rm 12/14)

Sunday, February 7th:

- Confirmation Class 9:30-11:00 (rm 18)
- Sunday School-See Jan. 31st for times and rooms
- Youth Group
 - Middle School 4:30-6:15p (rm 12/14)
 - Youth Family Dinners 5:45-6:15p (rm 4)
 - High School 5:45-7:45p (rm 12/14)

Wednesday, February 10th:

- MS Small Group 4:30-5:05 (Youth Room)

Thursday, February 11th:

- High School Bible Study
 - Girl Talk Bible Study 5-6p (rm 4)
 - Guy Talk Bible Study 5-6p (Youth Room)
- Himm
 - Sticks 6-7p (rm 9/11/13/15)
 - Puppets 7-8pm (rm 9/11/13/15)

Friday, February 12th:

- NO GAME NIGHT-All Youth Retreat

Sunday, February 14th:

- Confirmation Class 9:30-11:00 (rm 18)
- Sunday School-See Jan. 31st for times and rooms
- Youth Group
 - Middle School 4:30-6:15p (rm 12/14)
 - Youth Family Dinners 5:45-6:15p (rm 4)
 - High School 5:45-7:45p (rm 12/14)

In The News**Confirmation Classes:**

Confirmation Classes start Sunday, February 7th from 9:30-11:00 in room 18.

30 Hour Famine

The 30 Hour Famine is February 26th-27th for those youth that have signed up. Those involved are busy raising money for starving children all over the world! Please join us in supporting their efforts through time, offerings, and prayer!

If you have any questions, please feel free to e-mail Katie at Katie@Northwoodpc.org or call 796-8090.

Thank you, Katie Kopp,
Director of Youth and Young Adults

DEADLINES FOR ALL PUBLICATIONS

- ◆ THE ELECTRONIC MONITOR—**The 2nd & 4th Monday of each month**
This publication is emailed to those providing email addresses.
- ◆ SUNDAY BULLETIN—**Every Tuesday at Noon**
(Please limit articles/announcements to no more than 4 lines)
- ◆ THE WINDOW-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
Deadline: **The Thursday before the 3rd Tuesday of each month**
Mailing: **The 3rd Tuesday of each month**

Please send your articles for all publications to Lois Parry at
LoisP@northwoodpc.org. Please note the above deadlines. Thank you.

KING'S KIDS SERVICE PROJECTS

During February, March, and April, King's Kids will participate in 3 service projects, and we invite the congregation to join our efforts. There will be a marked plastic bin in the hallway each month to collect the items for that month.

February: New and gently used clothing for "Clothes to Kids"

March: Canned food drive to replenish the NPC Food Pantry

April: Travel size toilet articles for families at a local homeless shelter (please save all those little hotel goodies)

Thanks so much for partnering together to help folks in need!
Ms. Janice

HELP US HELP NEEDY CHILDREN!

During the month of February, King's Kids will hold a clothing drive to benefit Clothes to Kids (CTK). CTK provides new and quality used clothing free to low-income, school-age children in Pinellas County. Each child receives a week's wardrobe. We are collecting the following items in sizes children's 4 through Adult XXL.

- Boys or girls tops (new or gently used)
- Pants/shorts (new or gently used)
- Skirts or dresses (new or gently used)
- Shoes (new or gently used)
- Jackets (in season – new or gently used)
- Socks (**new only**)
- Underwear (**new only**)

Please place your donations in the plastic bin in the hallway marked "Clothes to Kids." Thanks for your help!

Questions, email Janice Wisinski at jwisinski@northwoodpc.org or call her at 458-8952.

Janice Wisinski, Director of Children's Ministries

VBS Co-Director Needed

If you love children and like to plan, organize, and lead, then you'd be a great VBS Co-Director! If interested in this ministry, please email Janice Wisinski at jwisinski@northwoodpc.org or call her at 458-8952.

WANTED: BASS PLAYER FOR VIP!

The 9:30AM contemporary praise band, Voices In Praise, is in need of a volunteer bass player. Must be available to practice on Thursday evenings from 7:30-9:00 and Sunday mornings from 8:30-10:30. Experience required. Great fellowship and music making with the fun people in this family of musicians with hearts for God. Please call Stephanie Carson at 796-8090 or email stephanie@northwoodpc.org

PRAYER MINISTRY

Betty Brown; Sharon Brown; Johnnie and Mary Canipe; Linda Ciokan; Lucille Cole; Larry Cornillaud; Ginny Drawbaugh; Dorothy Gilmore; Tance Green; Pat Grubbs; Betty Guenther; Bernard Hoffman; Lou Hortobagyi; Bea Kimball; Diane Luke; Mildred Martin; Robin MacLennan; Annie McElveen; Curtis McLeod; Helen Meier; Diana Murray; Caysen Patel; Don Pette; Wilfred Ramsey; Marian & Walter Rather; Betty Roberts; Bob Schlerf; Mindy Swem; Lucille Talbot; Marge Votta; Diana Wardrip

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.

Erik Desilets

SRA Laura J. Hortobagyi
PSC 94 Box 1494
APO AE 09824

Judd Nichols
6740 Artic Breeze
N Las Vegas, NV 89084

Captain Daniel Doverspike
4 Overlord Dr.
Eglin AFB, FL 32542

1st LT Amberle Kurkowski
1509 A Powder River Rd.
Killeen, TX 76549

AB Shea M. Conolly
2414 Dogwood Drive, Unit B
Grand Forks AFB, ND 58204

SSG Smith, Sean (John Makal's nephew)
C co 2-127 Maintenance
Camp Bucca
APO AE 09375-0500

SSgt Gary Halstead, Jr.
P. O. Box 7765
Fort Myers, FL 33911

Jeremy T. Roberson
VAW 115
FPO AP 96601

1LT Ross Maybee
D Trp, DSTB, 1CD
Camp Liberty
APO, AE 09344



Northwood Family:

On **Saturday, January 16th, 2010**, the Mission and Outreach Team, along with the Youth Ministry Team and other volunteers, provided dinner to the 300 residents of the Pinellas Hope Tent City in Pinellas Park, FL. This was made possible through the 3 cents-a-meal collection. We'd like to thank those who cooked, served, and donated food, time and money.

The Mission and Outreach Ministry Team and The Youth Ministry Team

A BIG 'THANK YOU' FOR THE LOVELY RECEPTION

Thank you so much to all who participated in the lovely reception for me on January 10th. It meant a lot after being part of the Northwood church family for 11 years. A special thanks to Mike Cromwell, Charlotte McQuown and the kitchen crew for all the scrumptious goodies including the presentation. Lois Marsh added some delightful decorating in a style that is unique to her. The cake, including the edible picture, was delicious. An added thank you to those who came to greet me and those who sent cards, etc. I will always have fond memories of Northwood and wish the Church well in the years to come.

In His Service and Love, Cheryl Brouette

THE WORSHIP TEAM IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS

for assistance with communion cleanup after the 11:00 service. If you would be available once or twice a year to assist, please contact Jill Towell at 727-791-4345. Thank you.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP to make and serve coffee and cookies on Sundays for the 8:15 service. It only takes a 1/2 hour on Sunday morning. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board across from the kitchen. Thank you, Charlotte McQuown, Kitchen Crew

Seeking happy smiling faces to Usher for 9:30 services. If we could have three more couples, everyone could perform this duty one Sunday every other month, in 2010. Contact Louise Mylin at 727-787-9868.

We need people to sign up as Greeters. There is a new sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Thank you - Billie Ne-Smith

LIBRARY NEWS!

- ◆ Never have seen our Children's Library off the hall near the side sanctuary doors? You'll be surprised!
- ◆ Never have visited the adult library across from the main doors to the sanctuary? Stop in and look!
- ◆ Never knew there are family videos & DVD's in both libraries? Check them out!

2010 OFFERING ENVELOPES

You may have noticed the addition of two new envelopes to the box for 2010; one for the per member "**Per Capita Apportionment**" and the second envelope to defray the cost of the envelopes themselves. While some churches have collected member contributions specifically for these two costs in this way for many years, this is a new step at Northwood. The Stewardship Ministry Team considered the inclusion of these envelopes very carefully before doing so and provides the following information regarding these over and above contributions:

Every PCUSA church shares in the mission and administrative costs of their Presbytery, Synod and the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) through an annual "per capita assessment." In 2010, Northwood will be assessed \$15.50 for every active member (\$31.00 per couple) and confirmed youth for a total of approximately \$14,245.00. The per capita assessment has always been and continues to be a part of the church's annual operating budget. Your contribution in this regard, as always, is strictly voluntary. If you are able to give this offering over and above your pledge, it will make more dollars available to support Northwood's mission goals.

With regard to offering envelopes, we have taken several steps over the last year to reduce their cost to the church by switching to a more competitively priced vendor and by ordering envelopes only for those households that actually use them. Each year, however, we still have quite a few boxes of envelopes that are never picked up or used, (in spite of a 'kind' reminder call from our office angels). We will continue to look at ways we might make improvements and limit waste in this area, but if you wish to contribute to the cost of your box of envelopes, you can do so by using the envelope designated for that purpose in the front of your boxed set. Again, doing so is strictly voluntary. If you have not picked up your offering envelopes, and are available in the church office.

Thank you for your faithfulness to God through your support of Northwood Presbyterian Church.

Chris Hurst, Business Administrator
On Behalf of the Stewardship Team

2010 BIBLE READING GUIDES from the American Bible Society are now available in the narthex. Feel free to take one for yourself or a friend.

NPC VITAL SIGNS

Weather: Rainy and overcast on Jan. 17
Clear and sunny on Jan. 24 for the Annual Meeting

Sun., Jan. 17, 2010	Jan. 24, 2010
(8:15) 152	(8:15) 152
(9:30) 137	(9:30) 174
(11:00) <u>179</u>	(11:00) <u>183</u>
Total: 468	Total: 509

Northwood Presbyterian Church



Lent 2010

THE W.A.Y.

(Wednesdays And You)

Dinner

6:00 PM - 6:40 PM

Study Series:

6:40 PM - 7:15 PM

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2010 W.A.Y. Series
(Wednesdays And You)

February 10th through March 17th



Lenten Study –
“Prayer and Passionate Spirituality”

Meal: 6:00-6:40 PM

Lenten Series: 6:40-7:15 PM

February 10, *17, 24, March 3, 10 & 17

***Ash Wednesday Service: 6:45 PM in
the Sanctuary on Feb 17th**

During this year's Lenten *W.A.Y. SERIES* we will reflect on "Prayer and Passionate Spirituality."

Question: Why this topic led by our pastors? Answer: Because the essence of real change and growth in any person's life, or in the life of a church, is always spiritual. Prayer is the life's breath of any church and the Christian's journey is a spiritual battle, (Ephesians 6:13-18).

The term "passionate spirituality" refers to the vibrancy of deepening a believer's personal walk with Christ. Passionate spirituality then is not something we "have." Rather, it is a path we are on, where we are continually learning from and growing closer to Christ.

The first WAY dinner begins on February 10th with a wonderful Mardi Gras meal. The Lenten theme and study begins with worship on Ash Wednesday on February 17th following the Ash Wednesday meal.

While the W.A.Y. series ends on Wednesday, March 17. We gather for worship during Holy Week with our Heritage United Methodist Church neighbors for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday:

**April 1st 7:00 PM-Maundy Thursday
at Heritage**

**April 2nd - Noon-Good Friday
at Northwood**

Easter Sunday - at Northwood
8:15 and 11:00 AM - Traditional Services
9:30 AM Contemporary Service

Please help us provide ample child care for young children during this series by completing this form.

We will need child care for the W.A.Y. -

Name _____

Phone _____

who are Nursery age: _____

who are Pre-K-K: _____

(See back for menus)

I/We would like to make reservations for dinner for the following evenings:

- Feb 10
 Feb 17 - No "Ash Wed to go orders"
 Feb 24
 March 3
 March 10
 March 17
 All of the above

Name _____

Phone _____

of "Dining In" meals _____

of "To Go" meals _____

TOTAL _____

Meals are \$4.00 for adults
\$3.00 for children
\$15.00 maximum for a family

(Payable the evening of the meal. Please call 3 days ahead of time if you need to cancel or make additional reservations.)

Please put this reservation form in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office. There is also a sign up sheet on the Fellowship Board by the kitchen and you may call the church office by Monday, 12:00 Noon of each week with your reservation.

"WAY" to Go

"To Go" meals will be available at all WAY Dinners, except 2/17-Ash Wednesday. All "To Go" meals must be pre-ordered on the sign up sheet by Noon on Monday preceding Wednesday's dinner. Please indicate if your reservation is to be a "To Go" order. When checking in and paying for your meals, a "To Go Ticket" will be issued for ALL take out orders. Please present your ticket and pick up your meal between the following time periods:

5:45 pm – 6:00 pm

6:20 pm – 6:45 pm

Due to salad types and dressings requirements, salads will not be included in "To Go" orders.

W.A.Y. Dinner Menus 2010

February 10, 2010

Marti Gras Night

Marti Gras Salad

Paul Prudhomme's Louisiana Chicken Breast

Red Beans and Rice

Cajun Vegetables

Fresh Baked Corn Bread and Butter

Bananas Foster

Fresh Brewed Coffee, Assorted Herbal Teas

Lemonade, Fresh Brewed Iced Tea and Sweet Tea

February 17, 2010

Lenten Dinner*

Hearty Potato Chowder

Baked Ham and Smoked Turkey Hoagie Sandwich

Multi Grain Sun Chips

Assortment of Keebler Cookies

Fresh Brewed Coffee, Assorted Herbal Teas

Lemonade, Fresh Brewed Iced Tea and Sweet Tea

No "To-Go Orders" available with this meal.

February 24, 2010

Traditional Caesar Salad

Herb Crusted Roasted Loin of Pork

Creamy Mashed Potatoes with Gravy

Green Beans Almandine

Fresh Rolls and butter

Creamy Cheese Cake

Fresh Fruit Garnish

Fresh Brewed Coffee, Assorted Herbal Teas

Lemonade, Fresh Brewed Iced Tea and Sweet Tea

March 3, 2010

Mixed Garden Greens with Raspberry Vinaigrette

Tender Beef Stroganoff

Egg Noodles

Buttered Broccoli Florets

Fresh Whole Wheat Bread and Butter

All American Chocolate Cake

Fresh Brewed Coffee, Assorted Herbal Teas

Lemonade, Fresh Brewed Iced Tea and Sweet Tea

March 10, 2010

Spinach and Romaine with Poppy Seed Dressing

Mary Ann's Creamy Chicken Bake with

Traditional Bread Stuffing

Green Peas with Sautéed Mushrooms

French Bread with Butter

Plant City Strawberry Shortcake

Fresh Brewed Coffee, Assorted Herbal Teas

Lemonade, Fresh Brewed Iced Tea and Sweet Tea

March 17, 2010

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

St. Patties Ambrosia Salad

Traditional Corned Beef

Buttered Parsley Potatoes

Boiled Cabbage

Baby Carrots

Fresh Bread and Butter

Lattice Apple Pie with Cheddar Cheese

Fresh Brewed Coffee, Assorted Herbal Teas

Green Lemonade, Fresh Brewed Green Tea and Sweet Tea

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