

Northwood Christian Church, Springfield, Oregon

The Church that says, "Welcome Home..."

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How Much Would Sunday Worship Really Cost?

Did you know that a lot of folks volunteer to support Sunday Worship? It takes 5 hours to create the bulletin with 'a lot of good stuff in there' and two folks two hours to fold it. [9] The Praise team has six volunteers who practice 2 to 3 hours on Tuesday and give us about 3 hours of their time on Sundays. [21] The Choir [14 folks] practices on Wednesday and provides the music for third service. [28]. Behind the scenes are sound technicians who practice with the Praise Team and provide you with coordinated sound, including the microphones for the elders and for the sermons. [8] For those who have small ones there are wonderful volunteers who watch them in the nursery. [15] If you like the coffee and treats between services, they too are provided by volunteers. [2] The diaconate teams set up and provide services for everyone, from greetings and directions to distributing the communion trays, and fol-

lowing the services, straightening up and locking the building. [56] There is a team of volunteers who count and deposit your donations. [3] Then there are all of the leaders who provide Sunday School class for all ages. [14] One person spends time calling and arranging for call to worship and scripture readings and the elders not only give us the communion and giving messages, they also visit all of our members who are unable to attend and give each of them an opportunity for worship and communion. [12] If you add up all of the bracketed numbers there is an estimate of 179 volunteer hours that go into supporting each Sunday's worship. If each volunteer hour was worth \$8 then it would cost us \$1432 more to have worship each week. (52 weeks = \$74,464). God's blessings to everyone who serves our church!

Jane Kirkpatrick Success

Our Jane Kirkpatrick event was such a blessing! 332 tickets were sold and about 300 people attended. The church looked full. So many people said what a special evening it was, a wonderful blessing and even 'a God Night.' We feel that it was a real outreach to the community. Jane Kirkpatrick also expressed what a wonderful night it was. Thanks to all who attended, bought tickets and helped. Jane sent us \$150 from the proceeds of her book sales and we made almost \$1100 after expenses. Our goal now is to get our books catalogued onto a computer so we all will know just what we have. That will take us some time, and

we'll also have to purchase a program. We'll be getting some new books and a heater for the room. The library is getting used more and more all of the time. We do request that people take no more than 3 books at a time, and get them back to us in 2 weeks. There are others who may be waiting to read one of the books you have out- especially if it is part of a series. WE will be calling people who don't return books to remind them that they need to return them. Also, the longer you have a book, the less likely you are to remember go get it back. Happy reading. The Library Crew

Karaoke

We had a great time Friday night! If you like music, we would love to have you join us. We have individual singing, group singing or those who just like to listen and socialize. We have Western, Gospel, Pop and R & B music. So hopefully you will find something you enjoy. We will meet again on November 3rd and 17th at 6:30 pm in the Fireside Room. For questions, you can call Larry or Vella Lanz.

Upcoming Concert

The Pacific Gospel Music Association will be in concert at Eugene 1st Baptist Church on November 9th, 10th & 11th. Tickets are \$12 each, but if we get a group of 10 or more we will get a discount. See or call Meredith Noble or Juanell Wartena at if you would like to go.

Angel Tree Gifts

Angel Tree Ministry will once again, with your help, be providing children from our area with Christmas gifts. This gifts are a request from a parent that is incarcerated. This year we will be providing for 70 children who come from 39 families. Each child will have two gifts, a need (clothing, etc.) and a want (toy, game), Angel Tree sponsor ornaments will be available starting on Sunday, November 19th, after each service. Each gift will need to be wrapped and returned to the church no later than December 10th. Thank you for your gifts and prayers for this group of children.

Harvest Dinner

November 12 - 5:00 pm

Northwood's Annual Harvest Dinner will be held November 12th at 5:00 pm. This is a time of celebration and sharing a meal together. We will meet in the sanctuary at 5:00 for a time of fellowship and singing. The NCC group *Virtue* will perform for us during this time.



The children will have their own Harvest Dinner with Happy Meals from McDonald's. They will then have a Bible story and make an autumn craft.

After dinner we will collect the Harvest Offering. This is an over and above offering- that is used for a specific purpose in the church. This year, we will be using the Harvest offering to help pay down the debt on the wonderful new addition that we have been enjoying for the last year. The usual amount that people are asked to consider giving, is one day's wages.

Christmas Trees

The Youth Group will be selling Noble Fir Christmas Trees in the church parking lot as a fundraiser at the following times.

Wednesday, November 29	4 pm - 6 pm
Saturday, December 2	9 am - 12 pm
Wednesday, December 6	4 pm - 6 pm
Saturday, December 9	9 am - 12 pm
Wednesday, December 13	4 pm - 6 pm



September World Outreach

\$5908 was given in September



Habitat for Humanity has built over 200,000 homes, housing over one million people in 100 countries in the last 30 years..."One House at a Time."

Each simple, decent and affordable Habitat house is helping to change the world and making it a better place to live, building communities...one house and one family at a time. Last year Northwood gave \$3449 to the Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity affiliate.

September Giving

NCC	\$820
Love Offering/Church Family	\$476
Lane Christian Aftercare	\$181
Eugene Mission	\$328
FISH	\$312
Youth for Christ (Detention)	\$312
Mission Scholarships	\$164
St. Vincent de Paul	\$148
Young Life	\$66
Christian Church in OR	\$903
Habitat for Humanity	\$246
El Faro Orphanage	\$230
Week of Compassion	\$164
Whisler Family	\$656
Lemke Family	\$410
Neveux Family	\$82

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will now be meeting quarterly instead of monthly. It will still be the second Monday, from 7 - 8 pm. Next meeting will be January 8th, 2007.

ALPHA Program

A special "one-time" Alpha dinner and program will be held for the Northwood family as part of GOLF on Wednesday, November 29th. Alpha is a contemporary, no-pressure evangelism and outreach program that has proven very effective in reaching the unreached for Christ. If you know someone that you are hoping to reach for Christ, please come on the 29th so you can learn what Alpha is about. Our next course begins on Thursday, January 4th at Northwood. We'd love to see your friends and family attend.

Alert & Alive Potluck

November 14th will be the next Alert and Alive Potluck. Please note this is the 2nd Tuesday, instead of the 3rd Tuesday of the month. This will be a one time change only, but was necessary for November. A Thanksgiving programs is planned. The October Potluck was great fun. Vera Kephart, Patty Phillips and Wayne Hahn were the hosts. The decorations and program were great. If you have never come to one of our potlucks, you are truly missing a wonderful time...the fellowship is wonderful, the food top notch and oh, do we ever have fun. Hope to see you on November 14th.

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Daytime Bible Study is starting a new 5 week series of classes beginning Tuesday, October 31st at 1:00 pm in the library. Newcomers are welcome!

Arms to Hold

Arms are always needed in the Nursery, to hold babies. No diaper changes needed, but if you have an extra 1/2 hour or more during a Sunday morning, the babies (and staff) would love for you to come and volunteer your time. 2nd service is always a busy time in the nursery. Not only do we have parents in service, we have parents in Sunday School, too! Come be a baby holder and get your 'baby fix'. All arms are welcome!



Dear Northwood Christian Church,

Tuesday afternoon, October 10th, we loaded 4562 completed school kits on the truck bound for the East coast - eventually to make their way to kids in displacement camps in Darfur, Sudan. The goal was 2000!

Your donations of filled cloth bags, school supplies and cash certainly helped make this community project a success - and you have made a difference in the lives of children in Darfur. Thank you to Shiela Rowland.

For Free

A new chaise lounge. Good for health or back problems. You pick it up. Contact Connie Cooper.

Shoebox Christmas

Shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child are due back to the church on Sunday, November 12th. Please place them on the table provided in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday.



Shut-Ins

In an effort to serve our 'shut-ins' better, we need to know when you are in a hospital, a rehabilitation center or at home and unable to attend church. On Sundays, our elders take communion to those who cannot get out for whatever reason. So, please have someone notify the church office by Friday if you would like to have communion.

Help Wanted

*Northwood Christian Church Nursery
Paid Position*

We are looking for a Christian caregiver who loves Jesus and His littlest children, birth through 36 months, to work in our church nursery on Sunday mornings, Wednesday evenings and other additional church-related events. All applicants must complete a criminal background check. Please send a cover letter and resume to:

Northwood Christian Church
2425 Harvest Lane
Springfield, OR 97477.
Closing date: November 30, 2006

UO Booth

On November 18th, the Children's Ministry will be responsible for the U of O All American Hot Dog booth. This will be a fundraiser for Children's Ministry. Between 18 & 20 adults are needed to assist with this event. Talk to Robben or Rose LeCuyer if you want to sign-up.

November Diaconate Teams

November 5 - Doug Kartub
November 12 - Steve Weber
November 19 - Roger Foster
November 26 - Rick Christian

November Preparers

Louise McCowan & Barbara Howerton

November Elders

Communion & Offering

November 5 -
Dorman Harry & Dennis Page
November 12 -
John Sergeant & Judy Hockett
November 19 -
Jeff Svejcar & Rose Miller
November 26 -
Tom Utt & Shelli Jackson

Children's Ministry

Each Sunday -

9:45 am - Sunday School classes for all ages. Ages and grades are posted on the doors in the education wing.

Act Up for Jesus Drama Club at 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for all ages – if you like drama, creating scenery or just making some new friends *Act Up* is for you.

Each Wednesday -

5:00 to 6:30 in the Sanctuary, **Children's Christmas Musical Rehearsals**, *The King is Coming*, for children kindergarten through 5th grade

Following dinner at G.O.L.F. at 6:30 p.m. **Kingdom Kids** for children three-years through 2nd grade. The children experience a Bible lesson, a great game and a super craft. Friends are always invited!

Lifeliners Youth Group for children in 3rd, 4th & 5th grades. The children experience Bible 101 and some great relationship building. Friends are always invited!



Date Change



The Tea for the Children and the Alert and Alive Group that was scheduled for November 10th, has been re-scheduled for December 8th.



We don't put our members personal information on the web. Please see your printed version or contact the office for the new members this month.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 2 pm A & A Games 5 pm Christmas Program Practice 6 pm G.O.L.F. Dinner 6:45 G.O.L.F. Classes 6:45 Choir 7:45 Cantata Practice	2 6 pm Praise Team 7 pm G.O.L.F. Class— Walk Through the Bible	3 6:30 pm Karaoke	4
5 8:00 am Jump Start 8:15 am Contemporary 9:45 am Contemporary 9:45 am Sunday GOLF 11:15 am Traditional 11:00 am Act up for Jesus 4:00 pm Praise Band 6:00 pm Youth Group	6 6 pm Quarterly Leader's Meeting 7 pm Boy Scouts	7 1 pm Women's Bible Study 2:15 pm Choir Team 6 pm Praise Team 8 pm Drop in B-ball	8 2 pm A & A Games 5 pm Christmas Program Practice 6 pm G.O.L.F. Dinner 6:45 G.O.L.F. Classes 6:45 Choir 7:45 Cantata Practice	9 5:30 pm Stewardship 7 pm G.O.L.F. Class— Walk Through the Bible	10	11
12 8:00 am Jump Start 8:15 am Contemporary 9:45 am Contemporary 9:45 am Sunday GOLF 11:15 am Traditional 11:00 am Act up for Jesus 5 pm Harvest Dinner	13 7 pm Boy Scouts	14 12 pm Alert/Alive Potluck 1 pm Women's Bible Study 2:15 pm Choir Team 6 pm Praise Team 6:30 pm Board Mtg 8 pm Drop in B-ball	15 2 pm A & A Games 5 pm Christmas Program Practice 6 pm G.O.L.F. Dinner 6:45 G.O.L.F. Classes 6:45 Choir 7:45 Cantata Practice	16 7 pm G.O.L.F. Class— Walk Through the Bible (last one)	17 6:30 pm Karaoke	18
19 8:00 am Jump Start 8:15 am Contemporary 9:45 am Contemporary 9:45 am Sunday GOLF 11:15 am Traditional 11:00 am Act up for Jesus	20 7 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm Worship Team Meeting	21 1 pm Women's Bible Study 2:15 pm Choir Team 6 pm Praise Team 8 pm Drop in B-ball	22 NO G.O.L.F.	23 Office Closed  <i>Thanksgiving</i>	24 Office Closed	25 8 am Women's Breakfast @ Country Waffle
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