

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

**Sunday, July 9:** Carol Bushnell, Sandi Fahy, Ally Wolf

**Monday, July 10:** Bridgette Ulrich, Amy Schultz, James Towell

**Tuesday, July 11:** Bob MacLennan, Dawn Winder, Erin McLarty


**Wednesday, July 12:** Debbie Lang

**Thursday, July 13:** Ann Briggs, Jackson Krueger, Julie Bryant


**Friday, July 14:** Lorrie Janusik, William Warren

**Saturday, July 15:** Nathan Rodewald

*If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in church recently, give them a call!*



*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by*




**Friends of Northwood**

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the “2023 Flower Reservation Chart” on the bulletin board across from the kitchen, or you may send your information directly to [communications@northwoodpc.org](mailto:communications@northwoodpc.org)

Please remember to mark “flowers” and the date on your \$30 donation.

Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!



**FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY**

**GREETERS:**

(9:00) Ann & Spencer Briggs


(11:00) Carol & Conrad Trunzo

**USHERS:**

(9:00) Nancy Turner & Georgia Rounding

(11:00) Mike Elza & Earle Lusk

Ushers & Greeters



*“We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.”*

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*Romans 8:28-29*

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**Presbyterian Women**, led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz  
PW is taking a break for the summer.  
We will resume on **August 8th** for our annual planning meeting and will begin a new 9 month study in September.

**Fresh Brewed**,  
Fresh Brewed will be off for the month of July. We will resume in August with a planning lunch to decide our next book. If you have any questions, please contact Louise Mylin at [LVNM1@hotmail.com](mailto:LVNM1@hotmail.com) or 727-787-9868.

**Biblical TakeAways**, led by Claudia Alwood  
The adult Sunday School/Bible Study class is adjourning for the summer and will resume back in August.

**Citylight Schedule**

**Sunday 7/9**  
9:00 am - Contemporary Service  
10:05 am - Sunday School  
11:00 am - Traditional Service  
12:00 pm - VBS Youth Guide and Volunteer Meeting

**Monday 7/10**  
Backyard Mission Week Begins!

**Tuesday 7/11**  
Backyard Mission Week Day 2

**Wednesday 7/12**  
Backyard Mission Week Day 3

**Thursday 7/13**  
Backyard Mission Week Day 4

**Friday 7/14**  
Backyard Mission Week Day 5

**Sunday 7/16 VBS EVE**  
9:00 am - Contemporary Service  
9:05 AM - VBS LAST MINUTE DETAILS  
11:00 am - Traditional Service

**Monday 7/17 - 7/21 -- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**Follow the link to view our weekly email:**  
<https://mailchi.mp/771a29f6a7a1/citylightupdate322022-13527368>

Welcome To

**Northwood Presbyterian Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Church*  
*Organized February 19, 1978*

**July 9, 2023**



**Come, Grow, Go!**

**Ministers: All Members of the Church**  
E. Chris Curvin, Pastor  
Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

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Order for the Public Worship of God  
July 9, 2023  
6th Sunday after Pentecost  
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY      “Amazing Grace”      arr. Diane Bish

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS      Chris Curvin, Pastor

MINUTE FOR MISSION      “2023 All-Church Retreat”      Spencer Briggs

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsive, from Psalms 84 & 107)*  
Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O God!  
**People: My soul longs for your courts; my heart sings for joy.**  
Leader: Let us give thanks to God, for God is good; God’s steadfast love endures forever!  
**People: All nations shall thank you for your wonderful works. You satisfy the thirsty, and the hungry you fill.**  
**All: Let us worship God.**

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST  
*(Please complete the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and pass it toward the center aisle.)*

\*HYMN #267      “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”      MADRID

CALL TO CONFESSION      Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*  
**With Christ as our hope, O God, we come to your sanctuary seeking pardon. We confess that we have not worshipped you alone. Life makes its demands and at times we have pushed you to the margins. You are for leisure moments, when our work is done. Forgive us of our small minds and mistaken priorities. Restore in us the sense of your greatness and your ultimate claim upon our lives. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581      GLORIA PATRI  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen**

SOLO      “God and God Alone”      Phill McHugh  
Randy Ball, Soloist  
*God and God alone created all these things we call our own.  
From the mighty to the small, the glory in them all is God’s and God’s alone.*

*God and God alone reveals the truth of all we call unknown.  
And all the best and worst of man won’t change the Master’s plan;  
it’s God’s and God’s alone.*

*Refrain: God and God alone is fit to take the universe’s throne.  
Let everything that lives reserve its truest praise for God and God alone.*

*God and God alone will be the joy of our eternal home.  
He will be our one desire; our hearts will never tire of God and God alone.* Refrain

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORDS PRAYER  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

CALL TO OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY—#606      OLD HUNDREDTH  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN #15      “All Creatures of Our God and King”      LAST UNS ERFREUEN  
*(stanzas 1,2,6)*

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS      Psalm 42:1-6a (NRSV)  
Romans 8:28-39 (NRSV)

SERMON      “The Center that Holds”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN #268      “Crown Him with Many Crowns”      DIADEMATA  
*(stanzas 1,2,4)*

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY      “Psalm 19”      Marcello

*\*Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.*

Stephanie Carson, Music Director; David Furr, Organist

IGNITE

ignite is a contemporary worship service at 9:00 that delivers the message of Jesus Christ through Powerful Music, Media & Scripture Based Sermons.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

**PRAISE SONG**  
“Good God Almighty”

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**  
“2023 All-Church Retreat”  
Spencer Briggs

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEET & GREET

**PRAISE SONG**  
“Holy Water”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

CALL TO OFFERING

**OFFERTORY**  
“Living Hope”

**SCRIPTURES**  
Psalm 42:1-6a (NRSV)  
Romans 8:28-39 (NRSV)

**SERMON**  
“The Center that Holds”  
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**SONG OF DEDICATION**  
“Thrive”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU