



**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**  
**Sunday, August 20:** Bucky Helms, Dennis Rasmussen, Jeff Voss, Isabella Latorre  
**Monday, August 21:** Margie Goff, Catherine Brinkman, Dominic Fuoco  
**Wednesday, August 23:** Mary Duffey  
**Thursday, August 24:** Violet Lawrence, Rachelle Cox, Joe Hayes, Dylan Cantin, Haley Davis  
**Friday, August 25:** Hayley Parker  
**Saturday, August 26:** Steve Schultz, Katie Williams, Haley Stark, Jayla Davis




*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) Cindy Gamble & Susan Hasell  
(11:00) Claudia Alwood & Patty Adams

**Ushers & Greeters**

**USHERS:**  
(9:00) Marie Ziegler & Jill Manning  
(11:00) Cindy Whiteside & Wilai McNay

*“After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.*

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*Revelation 7:9 NIV*

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**  
**ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**Presbyterian Women**, led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz  
The Presbyterian Women Unified Circle has resumed its monthly meetings. We meet on the second Tuesday of the month with our next meeting on September 12th at 10:00am in rooms 4-8. We will be studying *Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus in Luke-Acts*, by Olive Mahabir. Books are available for purchase in the office or at our planning meeting. The cost is \$5. Please plan to join us!

**Fresh Brewed**,  
Fresh Brewed has resumed its monthly meetings. We meet on the first Friday of the month with our next meeting on September 1st at 10:30am in rooms 5&7. We are starting a new book, *“Prayer, Does It Make a Difference?”* by Phillip Yancey. If you need a book or 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 will begin TODAY, August 20th at 10:00am in room 5. We will be comparing the Gospel accounts of Jesus’ life, the Synoptic Gospels and John. All are welcome! Bring your Bible.

**Our Mission Statement: “Come! Grow! Go!”**

- ◆ We are to COME to Christ and be active in worship and fellowship together.
- ◆ We are to GROW spiritually as we commit our time, talents and finances to Him.
- ◆ We are to GO out in mission and service in the name of Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit.

**Citylight Schedule**

**Sunday 8/20**  
9:00 am - Contemporary Service  
10:05 am - Sunday School  
11:00 am - Traditional Service

**Wednesday 8/23**  
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Citynight

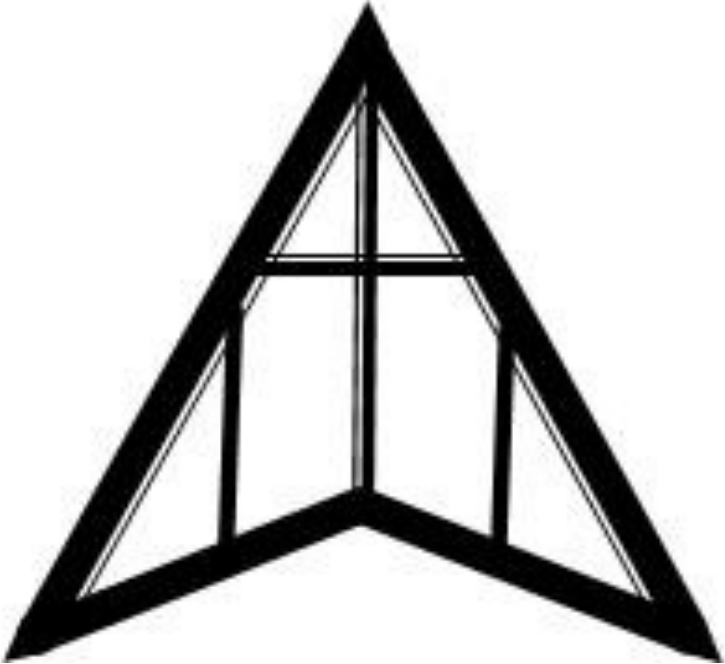
**Friday 8/25**  
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Game Night

**Sunday 8/27**  
9:00 am - Contemporary Service  
10:05 am - Sunday School - counting shoes for Beth EL!  
11:00 am - Traditional Service

**Follow the link to view our weekly email:**  
<https://mailchi.mp/430c5d301eea/citylightupdate322022-13529972>

**Welcome To**  
**Northwood Presbyterian Church**  
*A Stephen Ministry Church*  
*Organized February 19, 1978*


**August 20, 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  
August 20, 2023  
12th Sunday after Pentecost  
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY arr. Dennis Johnson  
“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Paul Means, Associate Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsive)*  
Leader: Praise to the Lord our Shepherd, who gives us all we need for life.  
**People: He leads us to a green oases, and washes us in the calm waters of God’s goodness.**  
Leader: God leads us on the path to life and comforts us through the dark valleys.  
**People: Let us dwell in God’s house our whole life long. Alleluia!**  
**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 #326 “For All the Saints” SINE NOMINE  
*(stanzas 1,2,4,5)*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*  
**O God of light and hope, we thank You for words of assurance that Your love is stronger than darkness. Forgive our stumbling as Your good news is met by resistance and opposition in our lives and in our world. We want to live by faith. We want to be confident that Your light will prevail. But our fears unnerve us, and we foolishly rely upon our own strength. Nourish within us a deeper faith that looks confidently to You in the midst of struggle. Challenge us to be a people who share Your grace and mercy with the world, for we ask this in Jesus' name. 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.**

ANTHEM arr. Larry Shackley  
“You Are My All In All/Fairest Lord Jesus”  
Duet, Kay Ferguson, Claudia Mitcham; Piano, Jim Ferguson

*You are my strength when I am weak, you are the treasure that I seek, you are my All in All.*

*Seeking you as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I’d be a fool, you are my All in All.  
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name. Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.*

*Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless your name, you are my All in All.  
When I fall down, you pick me up, when I am dry you fill my cup, you are my All in All.*

*Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son. Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor; thou my soul’s glory, joy, and crown. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name. Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.*

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, for ever. 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 #374 “O Holy City, Seen of John” MORNING SONG  
*(stanzas 1,2,3)*

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS Revelation 7:9-17 (NRSV)  
John 10:14-16 (NRSV)

SERMON “A Great Multitude”  
Rev. Jack Alwood, Guest Preacher

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN #369 “Blessing and Honor” O QUANTA QUALIA  
*(stanzas 1,2,3)*

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Allegro Maestoso e Vivace” Mendelssohn  
*(Sonata No.2)*

*\*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**  
“Graves Into Gardens”

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

**MEET & GREET**

**PRAISE SONG**  
“Hymn of Heaven”

**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**  
“I Don’t Wanna Go”

**SCRIPTURES**  
*Revelation 7:9-17 (NRSV)  
John 10:14-16 (NRSV)*

**SERMON**  
“A Great Multitude”  
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**SONG OF DEDICATION**  
“Yahweh (No One)”

**GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU**

*Sermon notes...*

*that Ignite Action!*