



BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, September 3: Dee Rivers, Drew Bryant
Monday, September 4: Scott Curkan
Tuesday, September 5: Toby Shugart, Michael Turner, Allison Gunderman
Wednesday, September 6: Aimee McDermott
Thursday, September 7: Curtis Krueger
Friday, September 8: Wally Ericson, Dot Brown
Saturday, September 9: Anne Preston


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



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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
 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) Jill Manning & Louise Mylin
 (11:00) Jan Spaulding & Lois Harber

USHERS:

(9:00) Georgia Rounding & Cindy Gamble
 (11:00) Carol & Conrad Trunzo



"So, I saw that there is nothing better than that all should enjoy their work, for that is their lot; who can bring them to see what will be after them?"

Ecclesiastes 3:22

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 or 727-787-9868.

Biblical TakeAways, led by Claudia Alwood
 The adult Sunday School/Bible Study will NOT meet September 3rd, 19th and 17th. We will resume on September 24th in the topic of John the Baptist.

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 9/3
 9:00 am - Contemporary Service
 10:05 am - Sunday School
 11:00 am - Traditional Service

Wednesday 6/6 - Friday 9/1
 Program Break, Rosalie out of Town

Sunday 9/10
 9:00 am - Contemporary Service
 11:00 am - Traditional Service

Wednesday 9/13
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Citynight

Friday 9/15
 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Game Night

Follow the link to view our weekly email:
<https://mailchi.mp/0e99d29d89f0/citylightupdate322022-13530672>

Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978

September 3, 2023



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
September 3, 2023
14th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “I Will Sing of My Redeemer”
arr. Darwin Wolford

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive, from Deuteronomy 30:15-20)*
Leader: God has set before us life and death.
People: We long to choose life.
Leader: God has set before us blessings and curses.
People: We long to choose blessings.
Leader: So we gather this morning around the table—Christ’s table.
All: Let us drink the cup of blessing and eat the bread of life.

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

*HYMN #49 “The God of Abraham Praise” LEONI
(stanzas 1,3,4)

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*
Almighty God, from the very beginning, You have designed us for glorious work. You have given us Your Spirit and spread before us limitless resources to address the needs of the world. Sadly, we confess that we fall into bad habits. We are often lazy and self-centered. We grumble and complain. We tear one another down. Forgive us, we pray, dear God. Help us to work in the world in a way that glorifies You in all that we do. Restore us to our true identity as Your ambassadors. All of this we ask 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

*APOSTLES’ CREED *(Together)*
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANTHEM “It Is Well With My Soul ” arr. Mary McDonald
Michele White, Soloist
(see hymn #840)

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

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS Ecclesiastes 3:22(NRSV)
Colossians 3:16-17;23(NRSV)

SERMON “Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho!”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

*HYMN #507 “Come to the Table of Grace” TABLE OF GRACE

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE CUP
(To symbolize our unity in Christ, we hold the bread until the Elders and Deacons are served and then all partake as one body. To symbolize our personal relationship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit leads.)

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN “Forth In thy Name, O Lord” DUKE STREET
Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, my daily labor to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know in all I think or speak or do.

The task, thy wisdom hath assigned, O let me cheerfully fulfill;
In all my works thy presence find, and prove thy good and perfect will.

Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes mine inmost substance see,
And labor on at thy command, and offer all my works to thee.

For thee delightfully employ whate’er thy bounteous grace hath given;
And run my course with even joy, and closely walk with thee to heaven.

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “When In Our Music God Is Glorified” Wagner

**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.

WELCOME

PRAISE SONG
“Way Maker”

MEET & GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG
“O Come to the Altar”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

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CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY
“Me On Your Mind”

SCRIPTURES
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Colossians 3:16-17;23 (NRSV)

SERMON
“Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho!”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

HOLY COMMUNION

SONG OF DEDICATION
“The Blessing”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU