

### BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

**Monday, February 26:** Beth Brinkman  
**Tuesday, February 27:** Cookie Roffey, David Furr,  
Jeremy Stephen  
**Thursday, February 29:** Kay Rath  
**Friday, March 1:** Carol Zieres, Marcy Seckman, Charlie Larson  
**Saturday, March 2:** Geogianna Winder, Sonya Weidner



*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 "2024 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) Cynthia & David Lawrence  
(11:00) Patty Adams & Hazel Vernon

#### USHERS:

(9:00) Marie Ziegler & Roxie Swartz  
(11:00) Rocky Davis & Wayne Rodewald



*"For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

*Isaiah 55:8-9*

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

#### Presbyterian Women, led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz

The Presbyterian Women, Sisters in Christ, meets on the second Tuesday of the month with our next meeting on March 12th at 10:00am in rooms 5 & 7. We are studying *Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus in Luke-Acts*, by Olive Mahabir. Books are available for purchase in the office. The cost is \$5. Please plan to join us!

#### Fresh Brewed,

Fresh Brewed meets on the first Friday of the month with our next meeting on March 1st at 10:30am in rooms 5&7. We are studying the 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 meets every Sunday morning at 10:00am in room 5. We are studying the Parables of Jesus right now in the Synoptic Gospels and the Gospel of 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.

*Staff members are available to answer any questions you might have regarding church related programs. If you call when the lines are busy or the office is closed, you will be prompted to use the Dial By Name Directory **OR** the staff member's extension number to leave a message. The church number is still 796-8090. Extension numbers are provided here to clip and save for your convenience:*

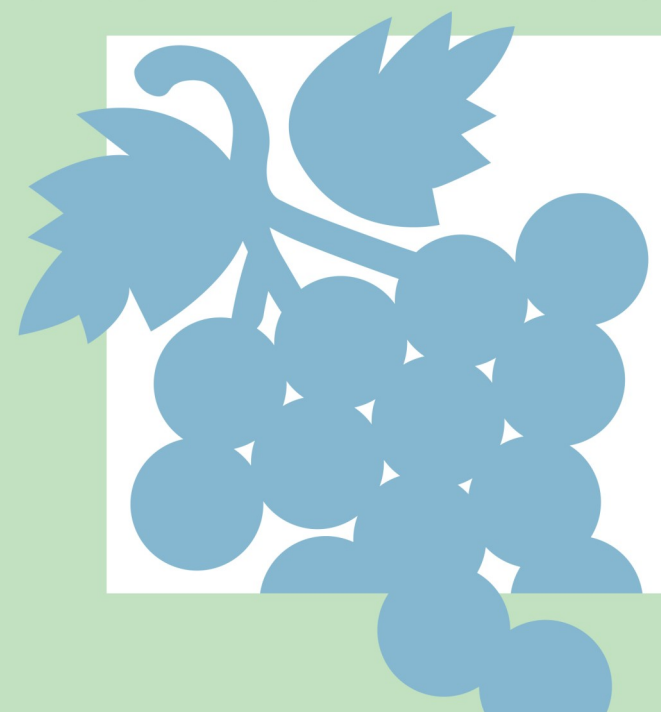
Chris Curvin, Pastor x2007  
Paul Means, Associate Pastor x2006  
Stephanie Carson, Director of Traditional Music x2009  
Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music, [taryn@northwoodpc.org](mailto:taryn@northwoodpc.org)  
David Furr, [dmfurr35679@gmail.com](mailto:dmfurr35679@gmail.com)  
Emily Cantin, Director of Communications x2001  
Jennifer McManus, Children's Ministry x2002  
Mark Fettke, Bookkeeper x2005  
Roxane Fineo, Director of Schools x2010

# Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

*A Stephen Ministry Church  
Organized February 19, 1978*

## February 25, 2024

### SECOND SUNDAY *in Lent*



#### **Ministers: All Members of the Church**

E. Chris Curvin, Pastor  
Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

#### **Northwood Presbyterian Church**

2875 State Road 580, Clearwater, FL 33761  
(727) 796-8090  
[www.northwoodpc.org](http://www.northwoodpc.org)



Like us on Facebook!  
[facebook.com/npc.clearwater](https://facebook.com/npc.clearwater)

Order for the Public Worship of God  
February 25, 2024  
2nd Sunday in Lent  
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY      “Fugetta in C Major”      G.F. Handel/  
arr. David Bridges  
Revelation Youth Ringers

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS      Chris Curvin, Pastor

MINUTE FOR MISSION      Stephanie Carson, Composer Sunday

\*CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive, from Isaiah 55)*

Leader: Seek the Holy One, who may be found;  
Call upon God, who is near

People: **Our thoughts are not God’s thoughts,  
nor are God’s ways our ways.**

Leader: As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are God’s ways  
higher than our ways and God’s thoughts than our thoughts.

People: **The word of God shall not return empty; it shall accomplish  
God’s good purpose.**

Leader: Let us *call upon our God, who is near.*

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

\*HYMN #612      “We Praise You, O God”      KREMSER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from  
Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and  
desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws.  
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we  
have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is  
nothing good in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, and spare those who  
confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your  
promises declared unto all people in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant that  
we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of  
His 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      “What Wondrous Love Is This”      Michael Burkhardt  
*with Revelation Youth Ringers*  
*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!*  
*What wondrous love is this, O my soul!*  
*What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss*  
*To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,*  
*To bear the dreadful curse for my soul?*

*When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down beneath God’s righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul.  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.*

*To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing.*

*And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on;  
And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on;  
And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing and joyful be,  
And through eternity I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on;  
And through eternity I’ll sing on.*

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 #442      “Just As I Am, Without One Plea”      WOODWORTH

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS      Romans 7:14-25 (NRSV)  
Mark 8:31-34 (NRSV)

SERMON      “Our Two Natures!”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN #415      “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”      RESTORATION

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY      “The God of Abraham Praise”  
arr. Michael Burkhardt

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

Stephanie Carson, Director of Traditional Music; 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

WELCOME

PRAISE SONG

“Thrive”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Stephanie Carson, Composer Sunday

MEET & GREET

PRAISE SONG

“God Is Good”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy king-  
dom 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

“Amazing Grace”

SCRIPTURES

Romans 7:14-25 (NRSV)  
Mark 8:31-34 (NRSV)

SERMON

“Our Two Natures!”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION

“The River”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Worship

Sermon notes...

that Ignite Action!