#### **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

Sunday, March 3:Steve Winder, Emily FisherFriday, March 8:Connie Evans, Sharon Card



Saturday, March 9: Liana Stephen

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

### Vickie & Jon Mills In Loving Memory of our Son Kevin

## Dr. & Mrs. Raymond Linville in Honor of our Son Major Dax Linville

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

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) Gretchen Worth & Lois Harber

#### **USHERS:**

(9:00) Carol Zieres & Cindy Gamble (11:00) Leslie and Ritchie Henley



"About midnight, Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened."

Acts 16:25-26

### 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 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
David Furr, 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

March 3, 2024



#### 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 March 3, 2024 3rd Sunday in Lent 11:00 AM Worship Service

#### WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY "To God Be the Glory" Doane/arr. L. Larson Lloyd Larson, Piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Curvin, Pastor

#### INTRODUCTION OF COMPOSER LLOYD LARSON

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive, Psalm 51)

Leader: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. People: You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

Leader: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite

heart, O God, you will not despise.

People: O come, let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of

praise!

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

\*HYMN #641

"When In Our Music God is Glorified"

**ENGELBERG** 

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

God of all the saints, God of all the sinners, hear our prayer. We would be saintlike — holy, good, patient, loving. But we end up feeling more like sinners — full of failures of morality, selfish, mean. Perhaps you see us simply as human — as beloved, and flawed, and trying, and failing, and succeeding. In all of this, forgive the wrong that we have done, and bless the good we have accomplished. Keep on loving us, and helping us, and molding us more and more into the image of Christ, in whose 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

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Scots Confession of 1560 (Together)

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, and alone we must serve, whom alone we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and distinct in three persons, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe in all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence and such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory. Amen.

#### **ANTHEM**

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" arr. Lloyd Larson Barbara Jordan, Soloist

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all!

#### **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 READING

Acts 16:20-26 (NRSV)

**SERMON** "How Music Nurtures Faith and Transforms Us" Chris Curvin, Pastor

\*HYMN #521

"In Remembrance of Me"

RED

#### 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 relation ship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit leads.)

#### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

#### WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN #625

"How Great Thou Art"

HOW GREAT THOU ART

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Our Great Savior"

Lloyd Larson, Piano

Prichard/arr. L. Larson

Stephanie Carson, Director of Traditional Music; David Furr, Organist

## GNATE

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**

"Less Like Me"

#### **MEET & GREET**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### INTRODUCTION OF COMPOSER LLOYD LARSON

#### **PRAISE SONG**

"Lead Me to the Cross"

#### SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

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#### **CALL TO OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY**

"Our Great Savior" Lloyd Larson, Piano

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Acts 16:20-26 (NRSV)

#### **SERMON**

"How Music Nurtures Faith and Transforms Us" Chris Curvin, Pastor

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

#### **SONG OF DEDICATION**

"Whom Shall I Fear"

#### **GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU**

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music

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