



BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, April 7: Marilyn Olson, Wilai McNay
Monday, April 8: Jerry Cox
Tuesday, April 9: Jackie Koski, Jennifer Johnson, Phoebe Stark
Wednesday, April 10: Judy Churchsmith
Thursday, April 11: Pamela Peters, Babs Bailey, Christopher Parker
Saturday, April 13: Rob Bonnier, Sandra Rasmussen, Dee Bryant, Cassandra Mattson




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

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) Carol & Conrad Trunzo



*"Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten the belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go."
 (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.)
 After this he said to him, "Follow Me."
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 John 15:18-19*

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 April 9th 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 April 5th 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.

Church Staff Contact Information

*Staff members are available to answer any questions you might have regarding church related programs through our office phone system. Provided below are the phone extension numbers for most of our staff who are full-time. If you don't see a phone extension we provide an email contact for you. If you call the church office 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.*

Chris Curvin, Pastor/Head of Staff x2007
 Paul Means, Associate Pastor x2006
 Stephanie Carson, Director of Traditional Music x2009
 Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music, taryn@northwoodpc.org
 David Furr, Organist, 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*

April 7 , 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
April 7, 2024
2nd Sunday of Easter
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands” Bach

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

Leader: We gather to worship as God’s dearly beloved children.

People: By God’s grace that is who we are!

Leader: Let us love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength,

People: and let us love our neighbors as ourselves.

All: In faith and joy, let us praise and worship God who first loved us.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*HYMN #268

“Crown Him With Many Crowns” DIADEMATA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*

Almighty God, in Jesus, you have shown us that your love for bent and broken people knows no limit. Time and again You have demonstrated your unfailing love for us and have stretched out your arms to draw us close. Yet we so often fail to show that love in the way in which we live. Be merciful, dear Lord, when we have little regard and little love for our neighbors. By your grace, quicken our hearts with your love and give us eyes to see and hands to reach out and share your love with those you bring into our lives. We ask all of this for the glory of your name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, the One who knows us the best and loves us the most. 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 “O Sons and Daughters of the King” Paul Sjolund

*O sons and daughters of the King, whom heavenly hosts in glory sing,
Today the grave has lost its sting: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*On this most holy day of days to God your hearts and voices raise
In songs of joy and shouts of praise: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*And we the holy church unite, as evermore is just and right,
In glory to the King of light.*

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

John 21:15-19 (NRSV)

SERMON

“A Grace-Filled Question”
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

*HYMN #498 “Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken” BEACH SPRING

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 #620 “Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven” LAUDA ANIMA

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Christ Arose” arr. Esther Megargel

**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 Sermons.

WELCOME

PRAISE SONG

“Rise Up”

MEET & GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG

“Because He Lives”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

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CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“You Are My King”

SCRIPTURE

John 21:15-19 (NRSV)

SERMON

“A Grace-Filled Question”
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

HOLY COMMUNION

SONG OF DEDICATION

“House of the Lord”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music