

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, September 1: Janet Dudley
Monday, September 2: Fred Heider
Tuesday, September 3: Dee Rivers, Drew Bryant
Wednesday, September 4: Ken Carder, Scott Curkan
Thursday, September 5: Toby Shugart, Michael Turner, Allison Gunderman
Friday, September 6: Aimee McDermott
Saturday, September 7: Gene Henriksen, Curtis Krueger

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



Linda & Mike O’Leary
In Loving Memory of Dorthea O’Leary



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 & Marti Raiche
(11:00) Gretchen Worth & Lois Harber

USHERS:
(9:00) Carol Zieres & Cindy Gamble
(11:00) Rocky Davis & Kim Blackmore

COFFEE SERVERS:
Marie Ziegler & Mia VanNess




*And he said,
“It is what comes out of a person that defiles.
For it is from within, from the human heart,
that evil intentions come; fornication, theft, murder,
adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit,
licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly.
All these evil things come from within,
and they defile a person.”*

Mark 7:20-23

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Presbyterian Women, led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz
The Presbyterian Women's Sisters in Christ Circle will meet on Tuesday, September 10th at 10:00am in room 5 of the Education Building. Our new 9 month study books, *"Let Justice Roll Down"* are available for purchase for \$5.00. For more information about how you can be involved, contact Patty Martin or Sue Miskiewicz.

Fresh Brewed,
Fresh Brewed meets on the first Friday of the month at 10:30am in rooms 5&7. Our next meeting will take place September 6th. 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. All are welcome! Bring your Bible. Our class is on a break for the summer and will resume starting September 8th. We will have a brief study of Revelation, then move into Corinthians in mid October. Please join us!

Youth Sunday School, led by Dylan Cantin
The youth Sunday School meets every Sunday morning at 10:00am in the youth room. During this time, we will discuss the scripture and message and incorporate worship elements like music into our hour.

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

We COME to Christ in worship and fellowship together.

We GROW spiritually as we commit our time, talents and finances to Him.

We 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.*

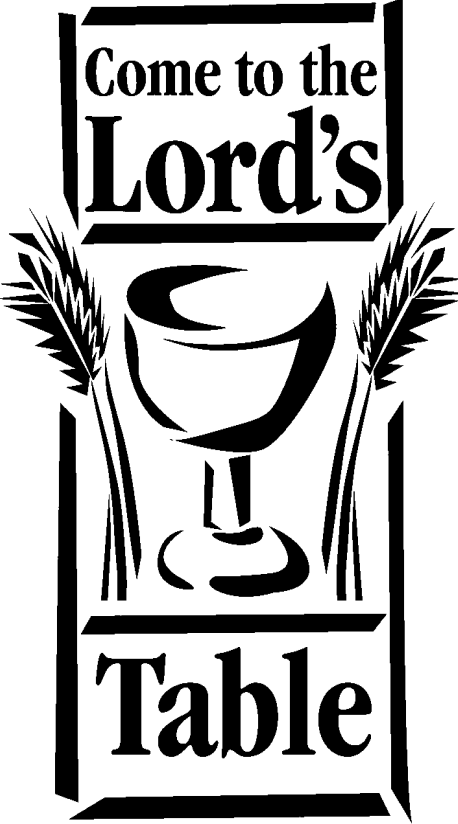
Chris Curvin, Pastor/Head of Staff x2007
Paul Means, Associate Pastor x2006
Stephanie Carson, Director of Traditional Music x2009
Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music, taryn@northwoodpc.org
David Furr, Organist, dmfurr35679@gmail.com
Emily Cantin, Director of Communications x2001
Jennifer McManus, Children's Ministry x2002
Mark Fettke, Bookkeeper x2005
Roxane Fineo, Director of Schools x2010
Dylan Cantin, Assistant Director of Youth & Families x2008

Welcome To

Northwood Presbyterian Church

*A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978*

September 1, 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
September 1, 2024
15th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “It Is Well with My Soul” arr. David Harrington
Skirt and Ties Barbershop Quartet

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Paul Means, Associate Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*
Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
People: Worship the Lord with Gladness; come to His presence with singing.
Leader: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise.
People: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.
All: With joy let us worship God!

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

*HYMN #33 “Praise the Lord! God’s Glories Show” LLANFAIR

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together, from Jeremiah 29:11)*
Dear Lord, it is out of your great love for humankind that you invite us to come to you, to get to know you, to live life with you. We confess that often times we choose to listen and to respond to competing voices and the invitations they offer “to follow them” and to experience the “good life.” Forgive us for our pride, fickleness, and half-hearted responses to the love you offer us. By your grace, enable us to see you more clearly, to love you more dearly, and to follow you more nearly, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 “When I Lift Up My Head” arr. David Wright
Skirt and Ties Barbershop Quartet
*Well, when I'm down, When I'm down and out,
when my heart is filled with fear and doubt.
Well, I lift up my head then He lifts up my heart,
and my troubles just all roll away.*

*Roll away, Lord, troubles all away, Lord.
Roll away Lord, troubles rolled away, Lord.
Well, when I lift up my head then He lifts up my heart,
and my troubles just all roll away.*

*Well I can't see the sun with my head to the ground.
Tears dim my vision and weigh my heart down.
But I found the secret when I knelt to pray.
When I lift up my head, then He lifts up my heart,
and my troubles just all roll away.*

*Roll away, troubles rolled away, Lord.
Roll away, roll away Lord.
For when I lift up my head and He lifts up my heart,
and my troubles just all roll away.*

*Roll away Lord, troubles rolled away, Lord.
Roll away Lord, troubles rolled away, Lord.
For when I lift up my head, He lifts up my heart,
and my troubles just all roll away, roll away.
My troubles just all roll away.*

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 Mark 7:1-23 (NRSV)

SERMON “The Heart of the Matter”
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

*HYMN #729 “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

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 #804 “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” MARION

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Let There Be Peace on Earth” arr. Tom Gentry
Skirt and Ties Barbershop Quartet

**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
“Meet With Me”

MEET & GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG
“How He Loves”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

*APOSTLES’ CREED
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CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY
“Here I Am to Worship”

SCRIPTURE
Mark 7:1-23 (NRSV)

SERMON
“The Heart of the Matter”
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HOLY COMMUNION

SONG OF DEDICATION
“I Will Follow”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music