

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

**Sunday, August 24:** Dylan Cantin, Rachelle Cox, Joe Hayes, Haley Davis

**Monday, August 25:** Hayley Parker


**Tuesday, August 26:** Steve Schultz, Jennifer Iannico, Katie Williams, Haley Stark, Jayla Davis

**Wednesday, August 27:** Fred McQuown, Chris Hurst, Christine Wolf


**Thursday, August 28:** Gene Baker, Earle Lusk, Melissa Long

**Saturday, August 30:** Aaron McDermott


*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*



**Missy, Shannon, Leah, Cullen, Easton & Rhett**



**In Loving Memory of Shirley & Ralph Wolf, Parents, Grandparents & Great Grandparents**

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the “2025 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) Kim Blackmore & Cliff Voege

(11:00) Patty Adams & Hazel Vernon

**USHERS:**

(9:00) Louise Mylin & Roxie Swartz



(11:00) Mary McCauley & Earle Lusk

**COFFEE SERVERS:**

(9:00) Georgia Rounding & Jill Manning

(11:00) Carol Robertson & Ann Preston

Ushers & Greeters

*And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God.*

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*Luke 13:11-13*

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**Presbyterian Women,** led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz  
The Presbyterian Women's Sisters in Christ Circle will meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will take place September 9th at 10:00am in rooms 5&7. We will begin a new 9 month study, *"Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ"* by Rhashell D. Hunter. Study books are available at the meeting and can be purchased for \$7.00. WE are delighted that several ladies joined our circle planning meeting in August; there is always room for more! For more information about how you can be involved, contact Patty Martin at [bill.martin2@verizon.net](mailto:bill.martin2@verizon.net) or Sue Miskiewicz at [susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com](mailto:susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com).

**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 5th. This meeting we will have a salad lunch. We will finish the video from *Seamless* and vote on a new book. If you have any questions, please contact Louise Mylin at [LVNM1@hotmail.com](mailto:LVNM1@hotmail.com) or 727-787-9868.

**Biblical TakeAways,** led by Emily Sutphin & Earle Lusk  
After the Summer Break, this adult Sunday School/Bible Study group will look forward to seeing everyone in class on Sunday, September 7th at 10:00am, sharp in room 8. A very familiar scripture, **The Lord's Prayer**, has been selected for our first study of the season. Each of us should benefit from many instructional blessings and discoveries the Spirit will share from the prayer Jesus taught His disciples to pray. 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.

**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 our staff. If you don't see a phone extension, other information is listed. 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  
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Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music, [taryn@northwoodpc.org](mailto:taryn@northwoodpc.org)  
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Welcome To

**Northwood Presbyterian Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Church  
Organized February 19, 1978*

**August 24, 2025**



**Come, Grow, Go!**

**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  
August 24, 2025  
11th Sunday after Pentecost  
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Flute Solo” Thomas Arne

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

MINUTE FOR MISSION Stephanie Carson, Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive, from Psalm 71)*  
Leader: In you, O God, we seek refuge; In Your justice and love, deliver us.  
**People: Be a rock of refuge for us, a strong fortress, because You are our rock and fortress.**  
Leader: For you, O Lord, are our hope and trust.  
**People: Our praise is continually of You. Let us worship God!**

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

\*HYMN #14 “For the Beauty of the Earth” DIX  
*For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:*

*Refrain: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light: Refrain*

*For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind’s delight,  
For the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: Refrain*

*For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: Refrain*

*For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given;  
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven: Refrain*

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*  
**O God, our Creator, Sustainer and Redeemer, we confess our feelings of loneliness and hurts that we carry with us day to day. We feel we live apart from your presence, in exile, and we wonder where you are. We fear your absence when, in fact, you are most present to us. Restore in us a sense of your comfort and care. Renew our strength so that we might realize our calling as disciples of Jesus. 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 “God So Loved the World” John Stainer  
Duet, Gail Rothrock & Randy Ball  
*God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,  
That who so believeth, believeth in Him  
Should not perish, should not perish but have everlasting life.  
God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world.  
But that the world through Him might be saved.*

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 “He Touched Me” HE TOUCHED ME  
**Shackled by a heavenly burden, neath a load of guilt and shame,  
then the hand of Jesus touched me, and now I am no longer the same.**

*Refrain: He touched me, O He touched me,  
and O the joy that floods my soul!  
Something happened, and now I know,  
He touched me and made me whole.*

**Since I met this blessed Savior, since He cleansed and made me whole,  
I will never cease to praise Him; I’ll shout it while eternity rolls. Refrain**

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS Jeremiah 1:4-10 (NRSVUE)  
Luke 13:10-17 (NRSVUE)

SERMON “Stand Up Straight!”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN “I Danced In the Morning” LORD OF THE DANCE  
*(stanzas 1,3,4,5)*

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Jerusalem” Hubert Perry

*You are invited to reflect on the worship service during the closing voluntary. If you must leave before the end of the service, please respect those who remain and leave quietly.)*

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

*Please ensure all electronic devices are on silent during the service.*

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

“The Father’s House”

MEET & GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG

“Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“All Hail King Jesus”

SCRIPTURES

Jeremiah 1:4-10 (NRSVUE)  
Luke 13:10-17 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Stand Up Straight!”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION

“Nothing Ever (Could Separate Us)”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music

Sermon notes...

that Ignite Action!