

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, September 21: Alyssa Long, Hannah Gipson
Monday, September 22: Steve Lang, David Nelson, Rachel Granata
Tuesday, September 23: Carol Trunzo, Phil Ventrella, Faye Mackie, Tanya Adkisson
Thursday, September 25: Leah Dipolito, Cecelia Turner
Saturday, September 27: Suzanne Alexander



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

Randy Ball
In Honor of My Wife Gail Rothrock



Jean Swintek
In Honor of My Grandson's,
Scott & Mark Patrick and Misug's Birthdays

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

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) Georgia Rounding & Susan Hasell
(11:00) Elaine & Charles Rumpel



USHERS:

(9:00) Marie Ziegler & Jill Manning
(11:00) Carol & Conrad Trunzo



COFFEE SERVERS:

(9:00) Nancy Turner & Jenny Carlstedt
(11:00) Bev Hyden & Hazel Vernon

...in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:37-38

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 October 14th at 10:00am in rooms 5&7. We are studying "*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. For more information about how you can be involved, contact Patty Martin at bill.martin2@verizon.net or Sue Miskiewicz at 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 October 3rd. Our new book study is "One Thousand Gifts" by Ann VosKamp. If you have any questions or need a book, please contact Louise Mylin at LVNM1@hotmail.com or 727-787-9868.

Biblical TakeAways, led by Emily Sutphin & Earle Lusk

The adult Sunday School/Bible Study meets every Sunday morning at 10:00am in room 8. All are welcome! Bring your Bible. 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

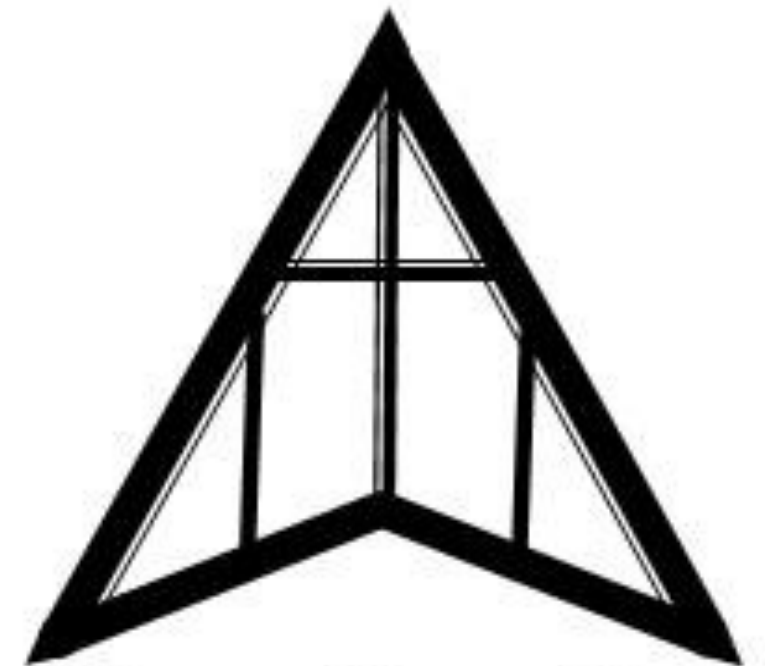
*Staff members are available to answer any questions you might have regarding church related programs through our office phone system. Provided below are the phone extension numbers for our staff. If you don't see a phone extension, other information is listed. If you call the church office when the 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.*

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Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

*A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978*

September 21, 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
September 21, 2025
15th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Prelude from Violin Sonata No. 7” Vivaldi
(Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship during the opening voluntary)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)
Leader: Turn us, O God,
People: away from the world’s temptations and distractions.
Leader: Return us, O God,
People: to the quiet calm of your presence.
Leader: Restore us, O God,
People: to the path you call us to follow.
Leader: Orient us, O God,
People: to the hope of all that is possible through you.

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

*HYMN #846 “Fight the Good Fight” DUKE STREET

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)
God, our refuge and strength, you lift up the lowly and hold out hope to the hopeless. Yet we who receive your grace so freely do not follow your example. We are quick to judge, eager to criticize, slow to show mercy. We gather and keep for ourselves what was meant to be shared. We diminish and dehumanize those around us. God of us all, hear this confession. Receive it. We ask for your forgiveness, in Jesus’ 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 “Ubi Caritas” Audrey Snyder
Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
(Where there is charity and love, God is there)
Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur
(Let us rejoice and be glad in it)
Simul ergo cum in unum congregamur.
(Likewise, therefore, when we come together)
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero
(And from a sincere heart let us love one another.)

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 “And Can It Be That I Should Gain” SAGINA
And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior’s blood!
Died he for me? Who caused his pain!
For me? who him to death pursued.
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
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He left his Father’s throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!),
Emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam’s helpless race.
‘Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God, it found out me!
‘Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God, it found out me!

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine;
Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th’eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ my own.
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and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS Genesis 45:1-8 (NRSVUE)
Romans 8:28,31-39 (NRSVUE)

SERMON “Lessons From a Taxi Driver!”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #703 “Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me” ST. CATHERINE

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Sinfonia from Solomon” Handel

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

“Rise Up (Lazarus)”

MEET & GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG

“My Jesus”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

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.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“No Longer Slaves”

SCRIPTURES

Genesis 45:1–8 (NRSVUE)
Romans 8:28, 31–39 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Lessons From a Taxi Driver!”
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SONG OF DEDICATION

“My Redeemer Lives”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music

Sermon notes...

that Ignite Action!