

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, September 28: Diana Fisher, Todd Adkisson
Tuesday, September 30: Bill Oxenford
Wednesday, October 1: Diane Musto, Ethan Winder
Thursday, October 2: Missy Wolf
Friday, October 3: Dan Greff, Brian Mackie, Leslie Henley



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

Betsy & Bonnie
In Loving Memory of Our Parents,
Loisanne & Bill Bilka

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) Marti Raiche & Kim Blackmore
(11:00) Jan Robins & Hazel Vernon

Ushers & Greeters



USHERS:

(9:00) Marie Ziegler & Roxie Swartz
(11:00) Wilai McNay & Patty Adams

COFFEE SERVERS:

(9:00) Georgia Rounding & Jill Manning
(11:00) Carol Robertson & Anne Preston



In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no vegetation of the field had yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground, but a stream would rise from the earth and water the whole face of the ground—then the LORD God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being. And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Genesis 2:4-9

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Presbyterian Women—2nd Tuesday of the Month at 10:00am

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—First Friday of the Month at 10:30am

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—10:00am Sundays in Room 8

Led by Emily Sutphin & Earle Lusk, this adult Education Class/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—10:00am Sundays in the Youth Room

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
Stephanie Carson, Director of Music x2009
Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music, taryn@northwoodpc.org
David Furr, Organist, dmfurr35679@gmail.com
Emily Cantin, Director of Communications x2001
Mark Fettke, Bookkeeper x2005
Roxane Fineo, Director of Schools x2010
Dylan Cantin, Assistant Youth Director x2008 (cell 727-723-5984)
Aidan Murray, Facilities/Maintenance, x2002
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Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

*A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978*

September 28, 2025



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 28, 2025
16th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Flee As a Bird”
After Beethoven: ‘Moonlight Sonata’
based on a hymn by Mary Dana Schindler/arr. Heffler
Flute: Adreinne Clover; Clarinet: Nikki Kemp
(Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship during the opening voluntary)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

MINUTE FOR MISSION Stephanie Carson, Sing the Cantata

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS
Larry Connolly— Transfer of Letter, First Presb. Church of Bristol (9:00)
Tammy Connolly—Transfer of Letter, First Presb. Church of Bristol (9:00)
Lyn Sawers—Re-Affirmation of Faith (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)* Emily Sutphin
Leader: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.
People: And God declared it to be good.
Leader: Word of Life, You spoke over Your creation and made it live.
People: You called forth life forms of every shape and size.
Leader: Spirit of Life, You gathered the dust of the earth and made human kind in His image.
People: And entrusted all of creation to our stewardship.
All: And on this seventh day, we come to worship and remember our role as partners in creation.

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

*HYMN #664 “Morning Has Broken” BUNESSAN

CALL TO CONFESSION Leslie Henley

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*
Almighty and loving God, our beautiful home is an awesome gift. Yet we trade clean air for the power of convenience, clean water for easy waste disposal and wilderness for elbowroom. We marvel more at our inventions than over your creations. Share your wisdom and teach us how to protect the best, and restore that which has been eroded. Guide us in living sustainably, being satisfied that enough is enough and not consuming more than we need. Guide us to repair and replace our habitat, climate and food sources. Send your spirit over the waters again; stir us to action and wise choices. In your grace, forgive us and free us to take action to restore your creation to glory and peace. 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 “Daughters of Promise, Women of Faith” Joseph Martin
(Incorporating “Be Thou My Vision”)
Commissioned by choir members Steve and Debbie Lang in honor of their mothers Rita Lang and Lila Odom in celebration of their many years of music and ministry.
Flute: Adrienne Clover; Clarinet: Nikki Kemp; Drum: Jarrett Mattson

O daughters of promise, O women of faith, come teach us compassion, and show us the way. Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart. Come nurture our journey in glorious ways; inspire us with wisdom, and lead us today. Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word. O daughters of promise, so precious and rare, great is your value; no gold can compare. Gifted with marvelous mercy and love, you are a blessing from heaven above. You are a blessing from heaven above.

O daughters of promise, God’s wondrous design, you are crafted and called for a purpose divine. Now this is the season, the time and the place to rejoice in your mission and celebrate grace. Great is the challenge. Walk worthy; stand tall. Break down every barrier, and climb every wall. With all of your strength, be a servant to all. This is your moment to answer the call. This is your moment to answer the call.

Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always, Thou, and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Come, sons and daughters, together as one, our journey, our mission has only begun. Come, walk with the Shepherd, and trust and obey, for Christ is the Life and the Truth and the Way. Let the joy of the Lord be our candle at night, leading us on to a harvest of white, Striving with passion in worship and praise, people of promise, one family of faith, People of promise, one family of faith. We’re one family of faith!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORDS PRAYER Jackie Koski
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 Mary Kreuziger

*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 #714 “God of the Fertile Fields” ITALIAN HYMN

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 19 (NRSVUE)
Genesis 2:4-9, 15-20 (NRSVUE)

SERMON “Becoming a Green Church”
Rev. Holly Dillon

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #14 “For the Beauty of the Earth” DIX
(stanzas 1,2,3,4)

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” Beethoven
Flute: Adrienne Clover; Clarinet: Nikki Kemp

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 Lion and The Lamb”

MEET & GREET

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PRAISE SONG

“Hold Us Together”

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

“How He Loves”

SCRIPTURES

Psalm 19 (NRSVUE)
Genesis 2:4-9, 15-20 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Becoming a Green Church”
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SONG OF DEDICATION

“My Feet Are On the Rock”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music