

## BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, February 1: Fred Churchsmith, Sharon Brown  
Wednesday, February 4: Chris Bryant, Drew Strelcheck, Jack Winder  
Friday, February 6: Art Worth, Alyssa Hager, Joshua Henley  
Saturday, February 7: Terry Steele, Kim Blackmore, Jessica Catlin, Joshua Walker



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



Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2026 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) Louise Mylin & Jill Manning  
(11:00) Lois Harber & Barb Bozinski



### USHERS:

(9:00) Roxie Swartz & Cindy Gamble  
(11:00) Wilai McNay & Barbara Moler

### COFFEE SERVERS:

(9:00) Linda Granata & Marie Nadig  
(11:00) Leslie Henley & Joan Ross



"For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good, but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Mark 9:49-50



## Large Print Bibles, Hymnals & Bulletins

Large print Bibles, hymnals and bulletins are available. If you need assistance locating one of these, please ask an Usher.

## Hearing Devices

Hearing devices are available for use during the worship services. Please ask an usher if you are in need.

## Your Giving Matters

For in-person worship, the offering plates will not be passed, however, offering boxes are located in the narthex. For those worshiping online, your giving matters too. Your continued faithfulness to the mission and ministry of Northwood through your giving is critical as the church's expenses do not stop. Please commit to maintain your regular schedule of giving by mailing your gift or using one of the online platforms below for giving electronically:

1. Text NPCHURCH to 73256 and follow the prompts.
2. Visit [www.northwoodpc.org](http://www.northwoodpc.org) and click on the giving tab.
3. Click "Give" under the *ChurchLife* app menu options



## Transportation Ministry

Northwood provides transportation for those who need it to and from the 11:00 AM worship service. Call the church office, 796-8090, before noon on Thursdays to reserve a seat on the van.

Rides Available

# Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church  
Organized February 19, 1978

February 1, 2026



## 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  
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**Order for the Public Worship of God**  
**February 1, 2026**  
**4th Sunday after Epiphany**  
**11:00 AM Worship Service**

**WE COME TO WORSHIP**

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** "Little Prelude & Fugue in B Flat Major" J.S. Bach  
*(Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship during the opening voluntary)*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Linda Feller

**CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)**

Leader: Our help is from God, who made heaven and earth.  
**People: We've come to worship the One who answers our prayers.**  
 Leader: In thankfulness, we bring our joyous songs.  
**People: We rejoice in God's love and faithfulness.**  
 Leader: We have come, seeking God's will.  
**People: We are open to God's transforming Spirit; let us worship God.**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

**\*HYMN #15 "All Creatures of Our God and King" LASST UNS ERFREUEN**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Leader: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. Please join me in our corporate prayer of confession:

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)**

**Holy God, how easy it is to forget that we are among the richest in the world. We think we are poor when we do not get everything we want. Keep us from misusing the power we have. Keep us from acting in ways that alienate and divide us from one another. So often we are tempted to conform to the world's standards. Therefore we pray you will set before us the higher model of sacrifice and service that is given to us in Jesus. Receive us now as we humbly come before you with our silent prayers of confession...**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God forgives, and heals, and empowers us with new insights, and an expanded capacity to serve. In humble obedience, we learn the joy of following Jesus, and living for the highest good for all. Let us therefore proclaim to the world, that.... In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

**\*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, back panel in 9:00 service)**

**ANTHEM "All Are Welcome at the Table" arr. Mary McDonald**  
*I'm gonna sit at the welcome table;  
 I'm gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days. Alleluia!  
 I'm gonna sit at the welcome table;  
 Gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.*

*All are welcome at the table. All are welcome at the table of the Lord. Alleluia!  
 All are welcome at the table; gonna sit with my brothers and sisters one of these days.  
 At the table, come and dine; feast on the bread and drink the wine.  
 Come and meet us at the table of the Lord!  
 All of God's children, come and sit down, and glory to the One who wears the crown!  
 All are welcome at the table of the Lord!*

**CALL TO OFFERING**

*(Church offerings are given through the giving stations in the hallway, online or through the mail.)*

**\*DOXOLOGY #606**

**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.**

OLD HUNDREDTH

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**WE GROW IN THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Mark 9:38-50 (NRSVUE)

**SERMON**

**"Strange Bedfellows or Dynamic Duo"**  
 Kaaren Nesmith, Guest Preacher

**\*HYMN**

**"God, Your Gift of Peace is Precious" CWM RHONDDA**  
**God, your gift of peace is precious in this world of sin and loss:  
 You have given joy and gladness, making peace through Jesus' cross.  
 God, in love you came to save us, giving freedom from our sin —  
 In you, gifts of peace begin.**

**Jesus, you are God's example in the life on earth you lived.  
 Help us see your face in others, teach us freely to forgive.  
 When, in all your children's conflicts, hate and violence increase —  
 Blest are those who work for peace.**

**Spirit, help us work for justice in each challenge that we face.  
 Each one needs to have the other: righteousness and peace embrace.  
 Children hungry? People homeless? Missiles flying through the air?  
 You seek peace with justice there.**

**So we pray and work together toward a world of your shalom.  
 May all people share your bounty, and all have both feast and home.  
 Wolf and lamb shall feed together: In your kingdom war shall cease  
 And your people live in peace.**

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**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 #432**

**"How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"**

REPTON

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Let Us With a Gladsome Mind"**

arr. Albert Travis

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

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**

**"Open the Eyes of My Heart"**

**MEET & GREET**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRAISE SONG**

**"This Is Amazing Grace"**

**SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER**

**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

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.

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**OFFERTORY**

**"Here I Am to Worship"**

**SCRIPTURE**

Mark 9:38-50 (NRSVUE)

**SERMON**

**"Strange Bedfellows or Dynamic Duo"**

Kaaren Nesmith, Guest Preacher

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**SONG OF DEDICATION**

**"Old Church Choir"**

**GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU**

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music