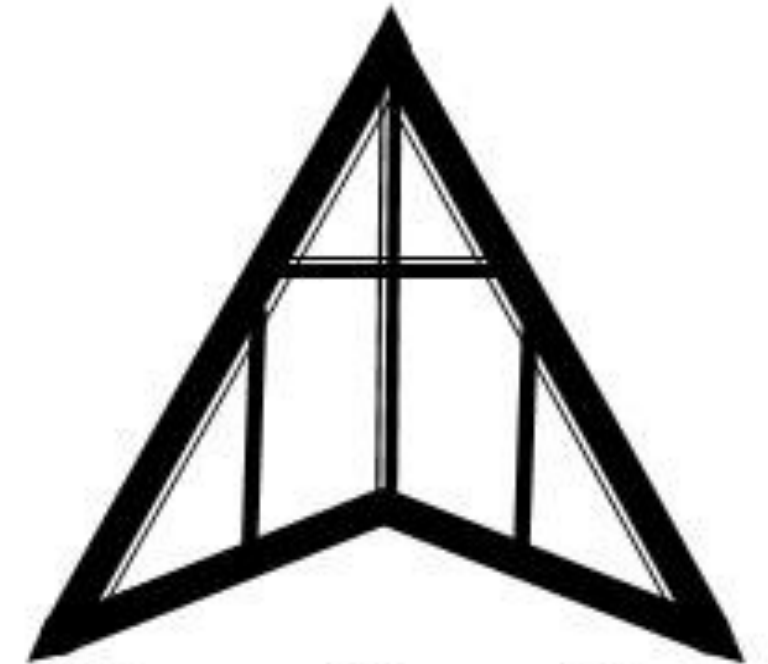


# Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

*A Stephen Ministry Church  
Organized February 19, 1978*

## April 19, 2026



# Come, Grow, Go!

*Ministers: All Members of the Church*

E. Chris Curvin, Pastor

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### BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

**Sunday, April 19:** Terry Curkan, Lex Long  
**Monday, April 20:** Anna Hyden  
**Tuesday, April 21:** John Hildebrandt  
**Wednesday, April 22:** Garry Justice, Pam Johansen  
**Friday, April 24:** Keith Nadig, Kat Voss  
**Saturday, April 25:** Linda Howard



*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*



### Friends of Northwood



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](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) Cindy Gamble & Susan Hasell  
(11:00) Nan Robbins & Edna Bartolucci

Ushers & Greeters



#### USHERS:

(9:00) Jill Manning & Marie Ziegler  
(11:00) Mary Kreuziger & Tim Beaver

#### COFFEE SERVERS:

(9:00) Nancy Turner & Jenny Carlstedt  
(11:00) Bev Hyden & Lyn Sawers



*When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.*

*Luke 24:30-35*

### 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 worshipping 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

### 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  
Stephanie Carson, Director of Music x2009  
Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music, [taryn@northwoodpc.org](mailto:taryn@northwoodpc.org)  
David Furr, Organist, [dmfurr35679@gmail.com](mailto:dmfurr35679@gmail.com)  
Emily Cantin, Director of Communications x2001  
Mark Fettke & Sandy Kallin, Bookkeeper x2005  
Roxane Fineo, Director of Schools x2010  
Dylan Cantin, Assistant Youth Director x2008 (cell 727-723-5984)  
Aidan Murray, Facilities/Maintenance, x2002  
Drew Milano, Sound & Tech, [worship@northwoodpc.org](mailto:worship@northwoodpc.org)

Order for the Public Worship of God  
April 19, 2026  
3rd Sunday of Easter  
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

*(Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship during the opening voluntary)*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“Our Hope for Years to Come” arr. Mitchell Eithun  
*(using hymn tunes ST. ANNE, LANCASHIRE, CRUCIFER, MELITA)*  
Jubilation Ringers

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Curvin, Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsive, from Psalm 116)*

Leader: I love the Lord because He has heard my voice and my supplications.

People: **He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.**

Leader: For He has delivered me, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling. I walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

People: **Together, let us make our vows to the Lord, in the presence of God’s people.**

All: **Let us worship.**

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

\*HYMN #268

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

DIADEMATA

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 Peter 1:21 says, “Through Christ you have come to trust in God, who raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.” It is because of our trust in the resurrection that each week we confess together the ways our faith and hope have not been set on God. When we confess, we name our sins and commit to turn toward the life God calls us into again. With that in mind we join our voices praying together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*

**Merciful God, even as we proclaim the saving life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we fail to see the living Christ in our midst. We find ourselves preoccupied with our own well-being. We fail to challenge our way of thinking, choosing to justify our actions instead of examining our intentions. Show us again how to live with a resurrection faith, a faith that sees life and hope in the midst of death and destruction. Transform our hearts so that they may once again be filled with love and our feet moved to actions of grace and mercy. In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In Acts 2:39, Peter says: “For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” Receive the good news, Children of God, you are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God! 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.**

ANTHEM

“The Lord’s My Shepherd” John A. Behnke  
Cantor: Michele White with Jubilation Ringers  
*(Congregation please sing on the choral refrain.)*

Refrain: **The Lord’s my shepherd, I shall not want.  
He leads me, He leads me.**

*He makes me lie down in green pastures.  
He leads me by still waters. Refrain*

*He restores my soul.  
He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name’s sake. Refrain*

*Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil. Refrain*

*You prepare a table in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows. Refrain*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever and ever. Refrain*

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

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

\*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 #254 “That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright” PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35 (NRSVUE)

SERMON “Road to Emmaus: Open Eyes, Warm Hearts and Eager Feet”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN #246

“Christ Is Alive”

TRURO

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” arr. Mark Sedio

*(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*

**WELCOME**

**PRAISE SONG**

“Hallelujah (Your Love Is Amazing)”

**MEET & GREET**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRAISE SONG**

“Death Was Arrested”

**SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORDS PRAYER**

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**OFFERTORY**

“All Hail King Jesus”

**SCRIPTURE**

Luke 24:13-35 (NRSVUE)

**SERMON**

“Road to Emmaus: Open Eyes, Warm Hearts and Eager Feet”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

**SONG OF DEDICATION**

“Your Grace Is Enough”

**GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU**

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music

*Sermon notes...*

*that Ignite Action!*