

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, October 5: Beverly Hyden, Joey Weidner

Wednesday, October 8 Sharon Lumia, Andrew McManus

Thursday, October 9: Ellis Cantin, Tom Donnelly

Friday, October 10: Claire Cantin, Ethel Cargill

Saturday, October 11: Gloria Whitfield, Jerry Koski, Susan Hasell, Jacob Pope



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

Terry Steele

In Loving Memory of My Mother, Maxine Steele

Babs Bailey

In Loving Memory of My Son, Raymond Bailey

Jean Swintek

In Honor of Andrew's Birthday



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) Louise Mylin & Jill Manning

(11:00) Gretchen Worth & Lois Harber

USHERS:

(9:00) Cindy Gamble & John Hildebrandt

(11:00) Martha Tobiassen & Marie Phillips

COFFEE SERVERS:

(9:00) Linda Granata & Marie Nadig

(11:00) Lyn Sawers & Joan Ross



The apostles said to the Lord,

"Increase our faith!"

The Lord replied,

"If you had faith the size of a mustard seed,

you could say to this mulberry tree, '

Be uprooted and planted in the sea,'

and it would obey you.

Luke 17:5-6

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 Traditional 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

Drew Milano, Sound & Tech, worship@northwoodpc.org

Welcome To

Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church

Organized February 19, 1978

October 5, 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
October 5, 2025
17th Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion Sunday
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY Cynthia Dobrinski
“Blessed Assurance” with “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”
Jubilation Handbell Ringers
(Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship during the opening voluntary)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)
Leader: Today we gather around God's table from near and far.
People: We are the People of God!
Leader: Though we differ in language, custom, and tradition
People: We are brothers and sisters in Christ!
Leader: For there is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism
People: We are One in God's Spirit!
Leader: He gave himself up for us, so we could be reconciled to God.
People: Come, let us worship the God of our Salvation!

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

*HYMN #307 “God of Grace and God of Glory” CWM RHONDDA
(stanzas 1,2,4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)
As we come today to your great table, O God, we realize how small we have made our own. Our vision of your grace is too narrow. Our awareness of your mercy is too limited. Our understanding of your kingdom always falls short. We fail to measure up to the people you have called us to be. Hear our prayers and forgive our shortcomings. Raise our eyes, lift our hearts, and inflate our spirits, so that we may live joyfully and abundantly in the manner 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

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the Belgic Confession of Faith)
Leader: What do you believe about the Church of Christ?
People: We believe and confess one single catholic or universal church—a holy congregation and gathering of true Christian believers.
Leader: What binds them all together?
People: They await their entire salvation in Jesus Christ, are washed by his blood, and sanctified and sealed by the Holy Spirit.
Leader: How big is this church?
People: This holy church is not confined, bound or limited to a certain place or certain persons. But it is spread and dispersed throughout the entire world, though still joined and united in heart and will, in one and the same Spirit, by the power of faith. Amen.

ANTHEM “Taste and See” Michael Helman
Cantor, Michele White; Jubilation Ringers
Refrain: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
Bread of life, cup of salvation, come to the banquet of love.

Lord, you write your name upon our hearts;
Praise and thanks we give to you.
Come and share the Word of life and love;
gracious God we give you glory. Refrain

Lord, you rule o’er all creation,
tending all with loving hand.
You gave us your Son, the Bread of Life;
Loving God we give you glory. Refrain

Praise to you, O God, Creator.
Praise to Christ, Redeemer, King.
Praise the Spirit who brings unity.
Triune God we give you glory! Refrain

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

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 17:5-10 (NRSVUE)

SERMON “Increase Our Faith”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

*HYMN #501 “Feed Us Lord” FEED US

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 relation ship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit leads.)

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #504 “We Come As Guests Invited” WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Prelude in Classic Style” Gordon Young
(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, Director of Traditional Music; 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
“Thrive”

MEET & GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG
“Glory to God Forever”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

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CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY
“Here I Am to Worship”

SCRIPTURE
Luke 17:5-10 (NRSVUE)

SERMON
“Increase Our Faith”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

HOLY COMMUNION

SONG OF DEDICATION
“Blessed Be Your Name”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music