# Large Print Bulletin & Announcements

# **Welcome To**

Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church Organized February 19, 1978

November 12, 2023 11:00am



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 November 12, 2023 24th Sunday after Pentecost/Dedication Sunday 11:00 AM Worship Service

# WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY "Enduring Joy" arr. Cynthia Dobrinski Neh 8:10 The joy of the Lord is your strength Jubilation Ringers

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chris Curvin, Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: As we gather this day, each of us brings something to

worship.

People: We bring the burdens of the week.

Leader: We bring prayers of hope, and prayers of anguish.

People: We bring our voices, and our offerings, and our questions.

Leader: We bring our faith, tattered or whole as it may be.

People: We bring all this to each other and to God,

whom we worship today.

### \*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

\*HYMN #712 "As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought"

FOREST GREEN

**CALL TO CONFESSION** 

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult. We laze about in the good news of our faith and are slow to make deep commitments. Forgive us, for being silent about Your goodness, and for trusting the foolish wisdom of this world. Help us not to give up and to keep our eyes focused on Your loving grace. In Christ's Name we pray. 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 "Rise, Shine!" arr. Garrett/Trenney

Negro Spiritual

Refrain: Rise, shine! for the light is a-comin'; rise, an' shine! For the light is a-comin'; Oh, rise, shine! for the light is a-comin';

my Lord says He's comin' by and by.

This is the year of jubiliee, my Lord says he's comin' by an' by. My Lord has set his people free, my Lord says he's comin' by an' by. Wet or dry, I intend to try, my Lord says he's comin' by an' by. To serve the Lord until I die, my Lord says he's comin' by an' by. Refrain

I intend to shout an' never stop, my Lord says he's comin' by an' by. Until I reach that mountaintop, Oh, my Lord says he's comin' by an' by. 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, for ever. Amen.

#### CALL TO OFFERING

# \*TAKE MY LIFE—#697

**HENDON** 

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose, Every power as thou shalt choose.

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN #717 "For the Life That You Have Given" PLEADING SAVIOR

# WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 90:12 (KJV) 2 Kings 20:1-6 (NRSV) Luke 12:32-34 (NRSV)

#### STEWARDSHIP SERMON SERIES

Take My Life Sermon #4 "Numbering Our Days" Chris Curvin, Pastor

# PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OURSELVES AND PLEDGES

(Members and guests are invited to come forward in an act of rededication and to touch the baptismal font. During this time pledge cards may be placed in the basket near the font.)

## WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN "Giving God, We Pause and Wonder" NETTLETON Text: Copyright © 2005 by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette. All rights reserved.

Giving God, we pause and wonder: What would happen if we tithed If we gave our gifts, Creator, Hearts and hands all opened wide? We might learn, by gladly sharing, Not to trust in things we own But to risk — it's part of caring — and to trust in you alone.

We could do abundant mission, Sharing Christ who claims and frees. We could reach out with new vision In creative ministries. No more bound by limitations Of what churches can't afford, We could learn with jubilation Whole new ways to serve you, Lord.

God, we know we cannot pay you For your love in Christ your Son. Gifts and tithes are just a "thank you"; ways to pass your blessings on. We have learned that, in our sharing, We receive more than we give. By your Spirit, make us daring In this joyful way to live.

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"St. Anne"

arr. Paul Manz

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

Stephanie Carson, Director of Traditional Music; David Furr, Organist Taryn Lumia, Director of Contemporary Music