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&
Announcements

Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church
A Stephen Ministry Church
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11:00am



Ministers: All Members of the Church
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**Order for the Public Worship of God
September 29, 2024
19th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service**

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”
Jubilation Ringers; Piano, David Furr
arr. Joel Raney
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*) Sally Keith
Leader: O, give thanks to the Lord. Our God is good.
People: The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever!
Leader: The Holy One is my strength and my might;
People: and has become my salvation.
Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be
glad in it.
All: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

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

*HYMN #761 “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service” BEECHER
(*stanzas 1,2,3*)
**Called as partners in Christ’s service, called to ministries of grace,
we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend,
equal partners in our caring to fulfill God’s chosen end.**
**Christ’s example, Christ’s inspiring, Christ’s clear call to work and
worth,
let us follow, never faltering , reconciling folk on earth.
Men and women, richer, poorer, all God’s people, young and old,
blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.**

**Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, in a small or global sense,
help us bear each other's burdens, breaking down each wall or fence.
Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care,
bring new power and strength for action , make us colleagues, free
and fair.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jackie Koski

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*

**Loving God, we ask you to lift us from all that weighs us down and
spoils our relationship with others or separates us from You. Give
us rest from all that worries us, provokes our fears, raises our anx-
iety, or stirs our anger. Forgive us! Give us rest that restores our
faith and trust in You. Grant us a keen sense of your presence and
Your priorities for our lives that we may know and live in your
peace. In Jesus' name. 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

"I Am His Child"

Moses Hogan

Chancel Choir Women

*I may not be all that you are; I may not be a shining star;
But what I am, I thank the Lord for making me His child.*

Thank you Lord for hearing every prayer.

Thank you Lord for just being there.

Thank you Lord, thank you Lord, for I am not worthy of your love.

So don't use me, or abuse me, for I am His child.

Don't tease me, or mistreat me, for I'm still His child.

You can even talk about me, but I'm still His child.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORDS PRAYER

Sue Miskiewicz

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

Jill Loomis

*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 #724

“O Jesus, I have Promised”

ANGEL’S STORY

(stanzas 1,2,4)

*O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
nor wander from thy pathway if thou wilt be my guide.*

*O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near:
I see the sights that dazzle; the tempting sounds I hear.
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer and shield my soul from sin.*

*O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be.
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.*

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Galatians 3:23-28

SERMON

“Building an Inclusive Community”
Rev. Holly Dillon, Guest Preacher

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #69

“I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”

HERE I AM

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: **Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?**

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “In Christ there is no East or West”

arr. Dale Wood

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

Stephanie Carson, Music Director; David Furr, Organist