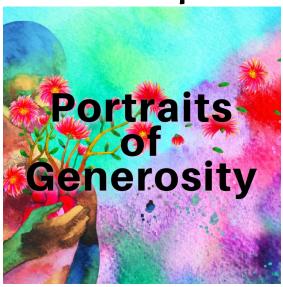
Large Print Bulletin & Announcements

Welcome To

Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church Organized February 19, 1978 October 20, 2024 11:00am

Stewardship Series



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 20, 2024 22nd Sunday After Pentecost 11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Diane Bish

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Curvin, Pastor

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord for God is good, **People: God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: Those who exalt themselves will be humbled, **People: and those who are humbled will be exalted.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*HYMN #10 "Sing Glory to the Name of God" LAST UNS ERFREUEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

Let the trumpet sound, O God, and wake us from slumber. The days pass quickly and our time is soon spent. We are caught sleeping when we should be awake; there are tasks to be done, wrongs to be made right and lives to be lived practicing generosity. Forgive our failure to obey your commandments, and our drowsiness when we hear Christ's call. Help us to climb whatever obstacle prevents us from following you. In Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: "Lo! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye." Friends receive the victory over sin that Christ has won, and arise to newness of life.

All: Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 "How Great Thou Art" arr. Rouse/Kirkland

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made. I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my savior God to thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my savior God to thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in; that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! 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

*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 #415 "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" RESTORATION (stanzas 1,2)

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 19:1-10 (NRSV)

STEWARDSHIP SERMON SERIES: PORTRAITS OF GENEROSITY Sermon #1 Zacchaeus... "I Will Give and Pay Back"

Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN "Zacchaeus Was a Tax Man" AURELIA

Zacchaeus was a tax man who one day climbed a tree, for he was short in stature and said he could not see. And yet he had a problem that mattered even more: He didn't see the suffering his greed had caused the poor.

O Lord, you saw Zacchaeus so wealthy, yet alone. You said "Come down and hurry! I'm coming to your home." For you broke bread with sinners and saw within each one a person loved and treasured, God's daughter or God's son.

It wasn't just the treetop that helped Zacchaeus see; Your love and welcome showed him how different life could be. He said that he'd start over and work to make things fair; He'd speak the truth, bring justice, and find new ways to share.

O Christ, you bid us welcome and help us all to see! May we respond by building a just society. Then children won't be hungry and all will share your bread. Then those who now must struggle will live in joy instead.

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Jubilate"

Gordon Young

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

Stephanie Carson, Music Director; David Furr, Organist