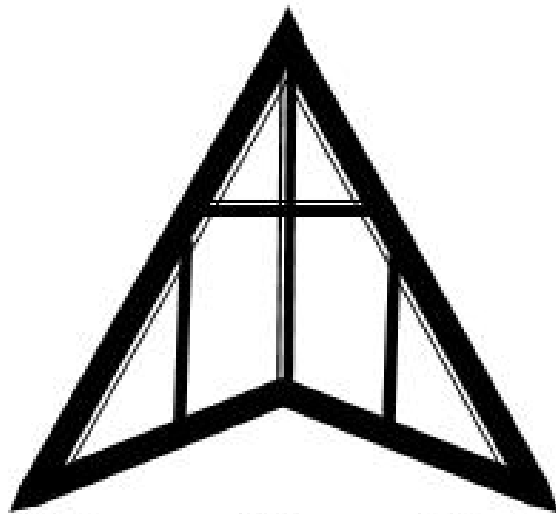


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Announcements

Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church

A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978
November 17, 2024
11:00am



Come, Grow, Go!

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 17, 2024
26th Sunday After Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Fugue in F” Johann Walther

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Responsive)*

Leader: All praise and honor is due your holy name, O Lord,

People: for you are the One who answers our prayers!

Leader: You are the One who forgives and heals our sin,

People: and you are the One who brings peace to this troubled world!

Leader: We praise you for you are the God who saves,

People: for salvation is offered to all who call upon your name!

Let us joyfully worship God!

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

***HYMN #2** “Come Thou Almighty King” ITALIAN HYMN

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*

Merciful God, you take us and our choices very seriously. Forgive us, dear Lord, for treating you like an “add-on” to life’s other seemingly more important matters. Forgive our attempt to find life on our own, apart from you. Kindle within us, by your Holy Spirit, a heart that loves you, and a desire to embrace that life offered abundantly through Jesus our Lord, in whose 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

“I Will Sing Praise”

Joseph M. Martin

Refrain: *I will sing praise to the Lord my God.
Lift up my voice in the sanctuary.
I will sing praise to the Lord, my God.
I will sing Alleluia, and praise his holy name. Refrain*

*Sing the glory of his name. I will praise his name forever.
Oh, the name above all names.
I will sing praise to him, give all my life to him;
Oh, the glory of his name; I will sing praise to the glory of his name.
Sing Alleluia, all heavens rejoice! Sing Alleluia, lift high your voice.
Sing Alleluia and make a joyful noise, joyful noise. 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 #462

“I Love to Tell the Story”

HANKEY

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 1:1-8 (NRSV)
1 Peter 3:13-15 (NIV)

SERMON

“Has God Given You a Story to Tell?”
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #463

“How Firm A Foundation”

FOUNDATION

(stanzas 1,2,4,5)

**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in God’s excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

**“Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.**

**“When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.**

**“The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no, never, no, never forsake.”**

***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Fanfare” William Mathias

(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