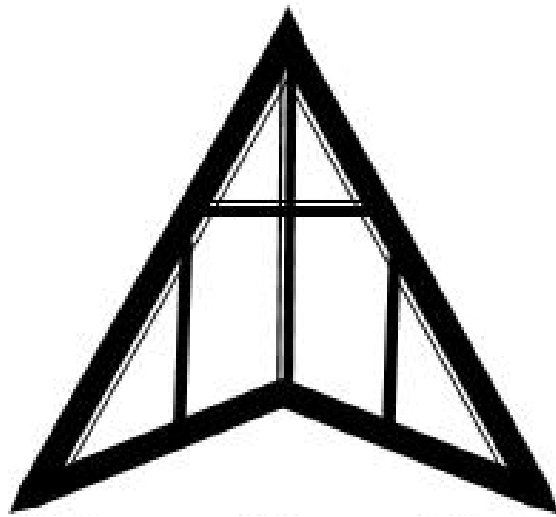


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Announcements

Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church

A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978

April 27, 2025
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
April 27, 2025
2nd Sunday of Easter
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “The Holy Christ has Risen” J.S. Bach

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Paul Means, Associate Pastor

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

Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: Peace be with you. Jesus meets us where we are.

People: Peace be with you. The risen Lord is here.

All: Let us worship God!

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

***HYMN #246**

“Christ Is Alive”

TRURO

(stanzas 1,2,4,5)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*

Loving and faithful God, you made the hearts of the discouraged disciples glad with the knowledge of the resurrection of Jesus. We confess that like them, we can find the truth of Easter hard to believe. Forgive us that we are so easily discouraged, and given to despair. Forgive us that although we claim to live by resurrection faith, we so often appear to believe that death is the end. Come to us, Lord God, in the power of the risen Christ. Take away our crippling doubts and fears, and by your Holy Spirit empower us to live lives that make a difference for Jesus' sake. 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

“The Holy City”

Weatherly /Adams

Michele White, Soloist

*Last night I lay a-sleeping, there came a dream so fair:
I stood in old Jerusalem, beside the temple there;
I heard the children singing, and ever as they sang,
Me thought the voice of angels, from heaven in answer rang;
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“Jerusalem! Jerusalem! Lift up your gates and sing,
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna to your King!”*

*And then me-thought my dream was changed, the streets no longer
rang,
Hushed were the glad Hosannas the little children sang;
The sun grew dark with mystery, the morn was cold and chill,
As the shadow of a cross arose upon a lonely hill,
As the shadow of a cross arose upon a lonely hill.
“Jerusalem! Jerusalem!” Hark! How the angels sing:
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna to your King!*

*And once again the scene was changed, new earth there seemed to be,
I saw the holy city beside the tideless sea;
The light of God was on its streets, the gates were open wide,
And all who would might enter, and no one was denied.
No need of moon or stars by night, or sun to shine by day,
It was the new Jerusalem that would not pass away,
It was the new Jerusalem that would not pass away.
Jerusalem! Jerusalem! Sing, for the night is o'er!
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna forevermore!
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna forevermore!*

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 #234**

“Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”

ST. KEVIN

(stanzas 1,2,4)

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:19-31 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

**“Resurrection Faith”
Paul Means, Associate Pastor**

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #268
(stanzas 1,2,4)

“Crown Him With Many Crowns ”

DIADEMATA

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Organ Sonata No. 3, 1st Movement ” Mendelssohn
(excerpt)

(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