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Welcome To

Northwood Presbyterian Church

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Order for the Public Worship of God May 4, 2025 3rd Sunday of Easter 11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY "Cantabile on Dunlap's Creek"

James Biery

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Curvin, Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive, based on Psalm 30)

Leader: Sing Praise to God,

who has come to our Aid! Who answers when we call, and leads us to wholeness.

People: You have turned our mourning into dancing!

You have clothed us with joy,

that we might sing praise to you and not be silent. O, Lord our God, we will give you thanks forever!

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*HYMN #247 (stanzas 1,2,3) "Now the Green Blade Rises"

NOEL NOUVELET

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

O Lord our God, we know that your throne is surrounded by the voices of many angels and that you are worshiped by the multitudes of the heavenly host, but we so often fail to join in their "amen." We confess that we do not fall down and worship you as we know we should. We are distracted by so many other things that attract our attention, and we have our doubts. Show yourself to us anew and give us the faith to cast our nets again and again. Strengthen us to worship you alone as the One who has taken away the sins of the world. In Jesus' 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

*APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANTHEM "Come to the Table" Allen Pote

Refrain: Come, come, come to the table and bring your joy, Bring all your gladness and come, come, come to the table. Eat the bread, drink the wine, come rejoice in the Lord.

Bring all your sorrow, bring all your pain, bring all the heartaches you bear,

Bring who you are and hope to become, come to the table to share. Refrain

Share in the bread, share in the wine, share in the risen Lord. Share as a family, one in community, one in the name of the Lord.

Come, come, come to the table to follow Christ forgiven and free you must come, come, come to the table. Come in faith, come in love, Come, rejoice in the Lord. Come, rejoice in the Lord, rejoice in the Lord.

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

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

John 21:1-19 (NRSVUE)

SERMON "And We Know That In All Things" Chris Curvin, Pastor

*HYMN #511 (stanzas 1,2,3)

"Come, Behold! The Feast of Heaven"

LLANFAIR

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE CUP (To symbolize our unity in Christ, we hold the bread until the Elders and Deacons are served and then all partake as one body.

To symbolize our personal relationship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit leads.)

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN Peter Said, "I'm Going Fishing" BEECHER Peter said, "I'm going fishing," so his friends went out with him. Through the night, they labored, watching, hauling empty nets

back in.

In the grey of early morning, Jesus, you came walking by. From the beach you called a greeting, "cast out on the other side!"

Soon their nets were filled to brimming; someone cried, "it is the Lord!"

Jumping in, he started swimming; Christ, you met him on the shore.

Guiding them to better waters, eating fish, and sharing bread — You showed Peter and the others: You were risen from the dead!

Risen Christ, you send us fishing! God's great sea is everywhere. You have guided us in mission, You have given love to share. Through the years, our church has heard you,

We have answered your great call:

"Cast your nets where I have told you. Bring my word of love to all!"

Lord, be with our congregation; by your spirit, send us forth! May we care for your creation; may we work for peace on earth. In our worship, in our giving, in our serving those in need, May we know, Lord; you are living, guiding us in ministry. Text: Copyright © 2003 by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette. All rights reserved.

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing" arr. Noel Rawsthorne

(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.)