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&
Announcements

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



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Order for the Public Worship of God
October 5, 2025
17th Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion
Sunday
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY Cynthia Dobrinski
“Blessed Assurance” with “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”
Jubilation Handbell Ringers
(Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship during the opening voluntary)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

Leader: Today we gather around God's table from near and far.

People: We are the People of God!

Leader: Though we differ in language, custom, and tradition

People: We are brothers and sisters in Christ!

Leader: For there is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism

People: We are One in God's Spirit!

Leader: He gave himself up for us,
so we could be reconciled to God.

People: Come, let us worship the God of our Salvation!

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

***HYMN #307** “God of Grace and God of Glory” CWM RHONDDA
(stanzas 1,2,4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*

As we come today to your great table, O God, we realize how small we have made our own. Our vision of your grace is too narrow. Our awareness of your mercy is too limited. Our understanding of your kingdom always falls short. We fail to measure up to the people you have called us to be. Hear our prayers and forgive our shortcomings. Raise our eyes, lift our hearts, and inflate our spirits, so that we may live joyfully and abundantly in the manner of Jesus. 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**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(from the Belgic Confession of Faith)*

Leader: What do you believe about the Church of Christ?

People: We believe and confess one single catholic or universal church—a holy congregation and gathering of true Christian believers.

Leader: What binds them all together?

People: They await their entire salvation in Jesus Christ, are washed by his blood, and sanctified and sealed by the Holy Spirit.

Leader: How big is this church?

People: This holy church is not confined, bound or limited to a certain place or certain persons. But it is spread and dispersed throughout the entire world, though still joined and united in heart and will, in one and the same Spirit, by the power of faith. Amen.

ANTHEM

“Taste and See”

Michael Helman

Cantor, Michele White; Jubilation Ringers

Refrain: *Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*

Bread of life, cup of salvation, come to the banquet of love.

*Lord, you write your name upon our hearts;
Praise and thanks we give to you.
Come and share the Word of life and love;
gracious God we give you glory. Refrain*

*Lord, you rule o'er all creation,
tending all with loving hand.
You gave us your Son, the Bread of Life;
Loving God we give you glory. Refrain*

*Praise to you, O God, Creator.
Praise to Christ, Redeemer, King.
Praise the Spirit who brings unity.
Triune God we give you glory! Refrain*

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

Luke 17:5-10 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Increase Our Faith”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

*HYMN #501

“Feed Us Lord”

FEED US

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 #504

“We Come As Guests Invited”

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*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Prelude in Classic Style” Gordon Young

(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