# Large Print Bulletin & Announcements

# **Welcome To**

Northwood Presbyterian Church

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# Order for the Public Worship of God October 12, 2025 18th Sunday after Pentecost 11:00 AM Worship Service

#### WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY "A Round of Praise" Michael Helman Celebration Ringers

(Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship during the opening voluntary)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Chris Curvin, Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive, based on Psalm 66)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

People: Sing to the glory of God's name.

Leader: All of creation worships, singing praise to God.

People: Sing to the glory of God's name.

Leader: Let us give glory to 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)

Holy God, when we are in need, we cry out for your mercy and healing. Yet, we confess that too often, we are confident in our own strength. We take the blessings to which we feel entitled and continue on our way, rather than returning to you in worship and praise. Jesus, have mercy on us! It is easy to take for granted the ease of life we so often experience, while failing to question why others are pushed to the margins and excluded. Jesus, have mercy on us! Help us to grow in compassion for all people. Redirect our paths so that we return to you, offering our praise and gratitude, now and always. 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 "Total Praise" Smallwood/arr. Doreen Rao

Lord, I will lift mine eyes to the hills,

knowing my help is coming from you.

Your peace you give me in time of the storm.

You are the source of my strength. You are the strength of my life.

I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen.

# 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**

**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 #653 "Give Thanks to God Who Hears Our Cries" MORNING SONG (stanzas 1,2,6)

### WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17:11-19 (NRSVUE)

STEWARDSHIP SERMON SERIES: Going Beyond What Is Required Sermon #1 "Hey, Wait For Me!"

Chris Curvin, Pastor

# WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN "Ten Who Suffered Sought Out Jesus" BEACH SPRING
Ten who suffered sought out Jesus
when they saw him traveling through:

"Jesus, Master, show your mercy! Hear our cry, we beg of you!" When he saw them, Jesus answered,

"Find the priests. See what they say."

As they did what Jesus told them, ten found healing on the way.

Ten were healed, and saw the wonder!
Nine kept going, homeward bound.
Only one — despised by others — took the time to turn around.
Finding Jesus, singing praises, he said "Thank you!" on that day.
Jesus said, "Your faith has healed you.
But the others — where are they?"

Where are we, O God of mercy? For your Son has blessed us, too. He has given life abundant, offered healing, made us new. Like the nine, are we distracted by our homes, our work, our play? Or do we return and thank you, taking time to humbly pray?

Jesus, make us truly grateful for the blessings we receive.

Like that one, may we say, "Thank you!"
like that one, may we believe:
Give us faith to see your mercy, and through all we do and say,
May our lives become our "thank you!" as we follow you each day.

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#### \*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Processional"

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