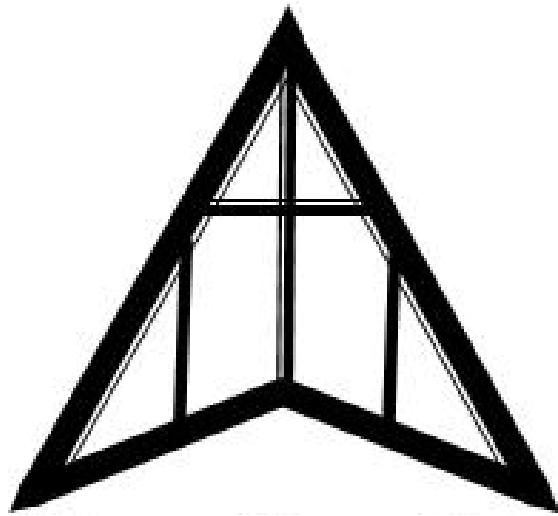


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Announcements

Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church

A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978

October 26, 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
October 26, 2025
20th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “How Great Thou Art” arr. Susan Henry
Violin, Melanie Cox Schulz
(Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship during the opening voluntary)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Paul Means, Associate Pastor

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY Jackie Koski

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

Leader: Give thanks to God for the faith we share;

People: be steadfast in hope through Jesus Christ.

Leader: Pray always, and do not lose heart.

**People: Being confident of this, that God who began a good work
in you will carry it on to completion until the day Christ
Jesus appears.**

Leader: Let us praise and worship God!

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

***HYMN #275** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” EIN FESTE BURG

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*

Almighty and loving God, you invite us to draw near to you, to share our hearts with you, and to live in fellowship with you. For give us when we keep you at arm's length. Forgive us when we live according to our own will, relegating you to the margins of our lives. Forgive us when we pursue and prize religious works and activities above a humble and contrite heart that receives and depends wholly upon your saving grace. In your mercy, grant us eyes that see, ears that hear, and hearts that respond to the love and grace you freely bestow upon us in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, for it is in his holy name that 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 “Come, Christian’s, Join to Sing!” Randall Kempton

4-Hand Piano, Stephanie Carson, David Furr

Violin, Melanie Cox Schulz ; Drum, Jarrett Mattson

Come, Christians, join to sing, Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;

praise is His gracious choice; Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!

He is our guide and friend; to us He’ll condescend;

His love shall never end, Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again; Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!

*On heaven’s blissful shore His goodness we’ll adore,
singing for evermore; Ah, Alleluia! 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

***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 #435**

“There’s a Wideness In God’s Mercy”

IN BABILONE

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 18:9-14 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

**“When God Looks at the Heart”
Paul Means, Associate Pastor**

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN**

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

I AM THINE

**I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice,
and it told Thy love to me;
but I long to rise in the arms of faith, and be closer drawn to Thee.**

Refrain: **Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
to the cross where Thou hast died;
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
to Thy precious, bleeding side.**

**O the pure delight of a single hour that before Thy throne I spend,
when I kneel in prayer, and with Thee, my God,
I commune as friend with friend! *Refrain***

**Consecrate me now to Thy service,
Lord, by the power of grace divine;
let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,
and my will be lost in Thine. *Refrain***

***BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Gavotte from “Mignon”” A. Thomas
Violin, Melanie Cox Schulz**

*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