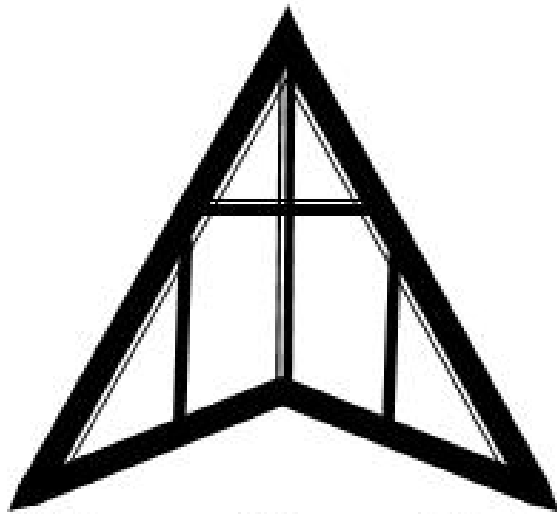


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Announcements

Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church

A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978

January 18, 2026
7:00pm



Come, Grow, Go!

Ministers: All Members of the Church

E. Chris Curvin, Pastor

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Order for the Public Worship of God
January 18, 2026
2nd Sunday after Epiphany
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices”
arr. Paul Manz
(Let us quietly prepare our hearts for worship during the opening voluntary)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

MINUTE FOR MISSION Garage Sale, Stephanie Carson

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive, from Psalm 148)*

Leader: God calls us here together — each of us, all of us,
our whole selves.

**People: We bring our questions, our longings, our hopes,
our dreams and our fears.**

Leader: Jesus invites us to come and see where God is at work.

**People: Across the street and across the globe, within these walls
and within our hearts, God is here.**

**All: Let us worship the God who reaches out in love and
invites us to come and see!**

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

***HYMN #32**

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

ELLACOMBE

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jesus, the Lamb of God, came to redeem and reconcile, to take away our sins and the sin of the world. We are invited to tell the truth about the places in need of healing and wholeness. Let us join together as we confess our sins:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together, based on Psalm 40)*

Saving God, we confess that we often have not waited patiently for you. We have preferred to sing our own song and to go our own way. We place our trust in idols, institutions and individual strength rather than trusting you. We keep quiet about the ways we have experienced your love and presence, and we fail to invite others to come and see you. Forgive us, God. Help us to be good, fertile soil so that your seeds of grace and love, bear good fruit in our words and deeds. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(based on Psalm 40)*

God comes to us, rescues us and sets us again on solid ground. God has not withheld mercy from us. Let us place our trust in the love and faithfulness of God and know that we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

*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

“Christ Has Broken Down the Wall”

Mark Miller

Dylan Cantin, Solo

*Christ has broken down the wall, Christ has broken down the wall.
Let us join our hearts as one. Christ has broken down the wall.*

*We're accepted as we are. We're accepted as we are.
Through God's love all is reconciled. We're accepted as we are.
Cast aside your doubts and fears. Cast aside your doubts and fears.
Peace and love, freely offered here; Cast aside your doubts and fears.*

*We will tear down the walls! We will tear down every wall!
God has called us one and all. Christ has broken down the wall.
Christ has broken down the wall.*

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

(Church offerings are given through the giving stations in the hallway, online or through the mail.)

*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

“Wonderful Words of Life”

WORDS OF LIFE

**Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life;
Let me more of their beauty to see, wonderful words of life;
Words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life;
(repeat)**

**Christ, the blessed one, gives to all wonderful words of life;
Sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life;
All so freely given, wooing us to heaven.
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life;
(repeat)**

**Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life;
Offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;
Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever.
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life;
(repeat)**

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Sower, Seeds, Soils... Soe What?”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #546 “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” SICILIAN MARINERS

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Toccatina for Flute”

Pietro Yon

(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