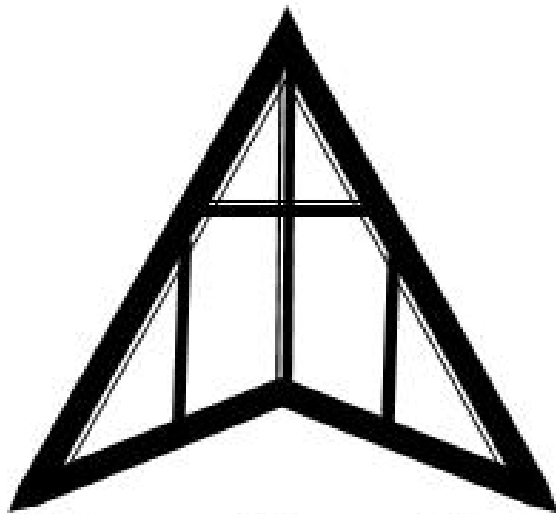


Large Print Bulletins

Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church

A Stephen Ministry Church
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11:00am



Come, Grow, Go!

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Order for the Public Worship of God
September 27, 2026
18th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Arabesque No. 1” Claude Debussy

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Diane Dewaters— Re-Affirmation of Faith (11:00)

Dan Hughes— Re-Affirmation of Faith (9:00)

Holly Hunt— Re-Affirmation of Faith (9:00)

Trish Northrup — Re-Affirmation of Faith (9:00)

Carole Van Nahl— Re-Affirmation of Faith (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsive, Psalm 100)* Linda Feller

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord
with gladness; come before God with joyful songs.

**People: We know that the Lord is God. It is God who made us
and we are God’s children;**

Leader: Enter God’s gates with thanksgiving and the courts of the
Lord with praise;

People: Give thanks to God and praise God’s name.

Leader: Let us celebrate the faithful, enduring love of God, as we
stand and pass the peace of Christ to one another.

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

***HYMN**

“God of Our Fathers”

NATIONAL HYMN

**God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band.
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.**

**Thy love divine hath led us in the past;
in this free land by Thee, our lot is cast.
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and Stay.
Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.**

**From war’s alarms, from deadly pestilence,
be Thy strong arm, our ever sure defense.
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.**

**Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory laud and praise be ever Thine.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*

Almighty God, Lord of creation: We confess that we have not walked faithfully in Your beautiful light. We have allowed the distractions of this world to dim our devotion. Forgive our wayward hearts, O Savior. Heal our griefs, pardon our offenses, and restore to us the joy of Your salvation. Guide our steps back to Your paths, that we may honor You in all we do. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(responsive)*

Leader: Hear the good news of the gospel: Jesus Christ is the Lord of creation, the Son of God, and the Son of Man. He is our Savior, and the light of our souls.

People: Though we have strayed into darkness, His light is never overcome. His grace is fairer than the meadows and brighter than the stars of heaven.

All: He shines more beautifully than all the joys of earth. By His boundless mercy and perfect sacrifice, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #630

FAIREST LORD

**Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to earth come down,
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
thou my soul's glory, joy and crown.**

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

David Hamilton, Jr. & Clara Morgan

ANTHEM

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 #268
(stanzas 1,2)

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

DIADMATA

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 96 (NRSVUE)
Ephesians 5:15-21 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Music is God’s Gift of Love”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

CELEBRATION MUSIC

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Rondo in G” John Bull

(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.*

Stephanie Carson, Director of Traditional Music; David Furr, Organist