MUSIC NOTES:

The most beloved psalm is undoubtedly Psalm 23. Publishers have told me that their initial reaction to composers submitting a new setting of that text is, 'oh no, not again.' Today we hear a recording of our youth choir singing a 1983 publication which now appears in a number of new hymnals, including our Glory to God. The author and composer is an American, Marty Haugen (b. 1950), who was raised in the American Lutheran Church and is now a member of the United Church of Christ. His music has found favor in both Roman Catholic and Protestant congregations. The easy to sing refrain appears in our hymnal at #473 and today we can all sing that refrain as we read Psalm 23. The choral arrangement heard this morning is by our friend, Mark Hayes, who was our most recent guest for the Composer Weekend in March 2020. The youth were privileged to sing this piece with Hayes conducting them.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, August 23:	Mary Duffey	
Monday, August 24:	Violet Lawrence, Rachelle Cox, Joe Hayes,	
	Dylan Cantin, Haley Davis	
Tuesday, August 25:	Hayley Parker	
Wednesday, August 26:	Steve Schultz, Katie Williams,	
	Haley Stark, Jayla Davis	
Thursday, August 27:	Fred McQuown, Chris Hurst	
Friday, August 28:	Gene Baker, Earle Lusk, Dorian Latorre,	
	Melissa Long	
Saturday, August 29:	Al Holden	

If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in church recently, give them a call!

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by

Missy Wolf, Shannon, Leah & Cullen In Loving Memory of Parents & Grandparents **Ralph and Shirley Wolf**

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2020 Flower Reservation Chart" on the bulletin board across from the kitchen. During this time when we are not meeting for in person worship, please send your information directly to communications@northwoodpc.org Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me lie down in green pastures. He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Psalm 23 KJV

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- Children's Ministry is sending out personal notes to the children of Northwood so watch for your note in the mail. If you want to receive a note for your child or grandchild contact Justine Davis at childrensminis try@northwoodpc.org.
- Please be sure to check out and "like" the Children's Ministry Facebook group. Each week we will have a children's Bible lesson posted along with other activities.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/633579497423839/? source id=263480270372443

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Wednesday Bible Study, led by Cindy Huffman

A study of the Book of Matthew begins August 26th, every Wednesday at 7:00pm through Zoom. The study guide being used is The Immersion Bible Study: Matthew by J. Ellsworth Kalas. If you'd like to join the Wednesday Bible Study or need a study book, please email Cindy Huffman at lucindy1@aol.com and she will forward you the Zoom link. All are welcome!

Experiencing God Class, led by Vicki Krueger

If you'd like to join the Experiencing God class virtually via Zoom at 10:30am on Sunday mornings, please contact Vicki Krueger via email at vickilee33@aol.com and she will send you the meeting details each week.

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Citylight Schedule 8/23 - 8/30

- SUNDAY 8/23 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH 10:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS 8:00 PM BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING VIA ZOOM
- TUESDAY 8/25 7:30 PM YOUNG WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM 7:30 PM YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA TEAMS
- WEDNESDAY 8/26 7:30 PM CITYNIGHT VIA ZOOM
- THURSDAY 8/27 7:30 PM YOUNG WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM 7:30 PM YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA TEAMS
- FRIDAY 8/28 8:30 PM JACKBOX VIA ZOOM
- SUNDAY 8/30 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH 10:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS
- WE ARE TAKING A BREAK FROM IN PERSON ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK AS YOU ADJUST TO SCHOOL STARTING. STAY TUNED FOR SOME AWESOME EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER.

Follow the link to view our weekly email: https://mailchi.mp/d12f410adf10/citylight-updates-1400088



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Order for the Worship of God August 23, 2020 12th Sunday after Pentecost 11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Leader: We gather for worship to praise God as our 'Good Shepherd.' **People: The Lord is our Shepherd who provides all we need.**

Leader: We gather to praise our 'Good Shepherd,' who safely leads and gives us strength for the journey.

People: The Lord is our Shepherd, who gives us rest and renewal.

Leader: We gather to worship our 'Good Shepherd,' who offers us a feast when we are under pressure.

People: The Lord is our Shepherd, who's unfailing love always hovers over us. Amen.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Nobody Knows/All Night, All Day" arr. Mark Hayes

FAITHFULNESS

GLORIA PATRI

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Great is thy faithfulness, O God my father; there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *refrain*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow; blessings all mine, with ten-thousand beside! *refrain*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

O God, we have listened to voices other than yours and followed in paths of our own making. We have evaded your commandments to do what pleases us. Our hearts condemn us, but we lack the will and the strength to change our ways. Have mercy on us and forgive us, we pray, that we may devote ourselves to doing what pleases you, Our God. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

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	"Shepherd Me, O God"	Marty Haugen
	(A recording of Westminster Youth Choir, April 7, 2019)	arr. Mark Hayes

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love. I walk by the quiet waters of peace. Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul. You lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth. My spirit shall sing the music of your name.

Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side. Your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.

You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, Crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold.

Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life. I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore.

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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.

CALL TO OFFERING

SCRIPTURE WITH SUNG REFRAIN #473 (all sing the repeated refrain) "Psalm 23"

SHEPHERD ME



WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 23 (KJV)

SERMON

"Angels" Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

HYMN #546 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" SICILIAN MARINERS (stanzas 1,2)

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; Let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O, refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound; May the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Postlude on HYMN TO JOY" Jason D. Payne

Stephanie Carson, Music Director Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director



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COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

PRAISE SONG

"The Only Name" (Yours Will Be)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG

"Way Maker"

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Shepherd Me, O God" (A recording of Westminster Youth Choir, April 7, 2019) Marty Haugen/arr. Mark Hayes

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 23 (KJV)

MESSAGE

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SONG OF DEDICATION

"God So Loved"

GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU

Sermon notes...

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