## HYMN NOTES:

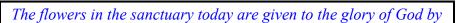
#### "Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit" (180, 181)

This hymn was first included in New Hymns for the Lectionary, 1986 and written by Thomas H. Troeger who was Dean of the School of Theology and Professor at Iliff School of Theology in Denver before moving to Yale Divinity School from where he retired in 2015. He has taught courses in homiletics, worship and congregational song along writing numerous hymns and playing the flute. Ordained in the Presbyterian Church in 1970 and in the Episcopal Church in 1999, he is dually aligned with both traditions. Author of more than a dozen books on preaching and worship, he is also a poet having written over 80 hymns—eight of them appearing in our hymnal, Glory to God. Today's hymn first retells the story of Jesus exorcising a demon (Mark 1:21-28) then probes the meaning of demons today, and concludes with a prayer for wholeness.

#### **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

Sunday, January 31:	Steve Miskiewicz, Cindy McCarthy, Juli Fish,
	Kelly Pintoski
Monday, February 1:	Becky Sharp, Sharon Brown
Tuesday, February 2:	Emily Torres
Wednesday, February 3	: Meaghan Caccamise
Thursday, February 4:	Chris Bryant, Drew Strelcheck, Jack Winder
Saturday, February 6:	Alyssa Bates
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If you see someone wh	ose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in

church recently, give them a call!





Friends of Northwood

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2021 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 Please remember to mark "flowers" and the date on your \$30 donation. Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. *His praise endures forever.*"

Psalm 111:10

# **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

## **ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

#### Wednesday Bible Study, led by Cindy Huffman

A study of the Book of Matthew meets 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.

#### **Fresh Brewed**

Fresh Brewed will meet on the first Friday of every month at 10:30am via Zoom. The next meeting is February 5th. The book we are studying is "Deeply Rooted; Knowing Self, Growing in God" by Christopher Marcie. Please contact Louise Mylin for a Zoom code and if you have any questions (727) 787-9868.

# **MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Citylight Schedule 1/31 - 2/7

- SUNDAY 1/31 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH 10:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS 7:30 PM YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA TEAMS 8:30 PM - COLLEGE GROUP VIA ZOOM
- TUESDAY 2/2 8:00 PM YOUNG WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM
- WEDNESDAY 2/3 6:00 PM 7:30 PM CITYNIGHT IN THE GYM. MASK REQUIRED
- SUNDAY 2/7 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH 10:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS NO YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, SUPER BOWL SUNDAY

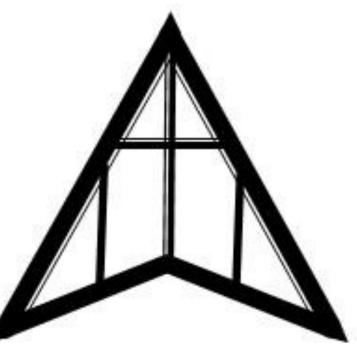
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# Welcome To **Northwood Presbyterian** Church

A Stephen Ministry Church **Organized February 19, 1978** 

# January 31, 2021



# 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 **January 31, 2021** 4th Sunday after Epiphany 11:00 AM Worship Service

#### WE COME TO WORSHIP

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** Southern Folk Melody "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus" arr. Mark Hayes

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Michele White, Soloist

Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high. Heaven and earth, awake and sing, "Praise to our almighty King." Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love; sun and moon, uplift your voice; night and stars in God rejoice!

Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold; join with children's songs of praise; worship God through length of days. From the north to southern pole let the might chorus roll: "Holy, holy holy One, glory be to God alone!"

-Stopford A. Brook, 1881

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Paul Means, Associate, Pastor

HYMN #65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" CWM RHONDDA Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty. Hold me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more: feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside. Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee: I will ever give to thee.

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

O God, be gracious to us, for we have sinned against you. In our busyness we have failed to call on you. In our self-centeredness we have ignored your hurting people. We have uttered empty words and wearied you with empty deeds. We have been unwilling to see our own iniquity and have not dared to believe that you can heal us. Come to us now to forgive and make new. In Jesus name. Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 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 "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" arr. Mark Hayes Traditional Spiritual

(recorded March 1, 2020, conducted by the arranger)

Heather Wood, Clarinet; Adrienne Clover, Flute; Jarrett Mattson, Djembe I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me. All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, comfort me. In my trials, Lord, comfort me.

When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to comfort me. When I'm in trouble, Lord stay with me. When I'm in trouble, Lord stay with me. When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to stay with me. I want Jesus to walk with me.

#### 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

HYMN #181

"Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit" EBENEZER (organ introduction by Aaron David Miller)

"Silence! Frenzied, unclean spirit," cried God's healing, Holy One. "Cease your ranting! Flesh can't bear it. Flee as night before the sun." At Christ's voice the demon trembled, from its victim madly rushed, while the crowd that was assembled stood in wonder, stunned, and hushed.

Lord, the demons still are thriving in the gray cells of the mind: tyrant voices, shrill and driving, twisted thoughts that grip and bind, doubts that stir the heart to panic, fears distorting reason's sight, guilt that makes our loving frantic, dreams that cloud the soul with fright.

Silence, Lord, the unclean spirit, in our mind and in our heart. Speak your word that when we hear it all our demons shall depart. Clear our thought and calm our feeling; still the fractured, warring soul. By the power of your healing make us faithful, true, and whole.

#### WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 111 (NRSV) Mark 1:21-28 (NRSV)

FAITHFULNESS

SERMON

"Go Forward! March On!" Chris Curvin, Pastor

#### WE GO OUT TO SERVE

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 spring time and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above ioin 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

#### BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Paul Manz "Hymn Improvisation on CWM RHONDDA" (1919-2009)

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



ignite is a contemporary worship service at 9:00 that delivers the message of Jesus Christ through Powerful Music, Media & Scripture Based Sermons.

#### COUNTDOWN

#### WELCOME

#### **PRAISE SONG**

"We Won't Be Shaken"

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### PRAISE SONG

''Jesus Loves Me''

#### **SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER**

#### **CALL TO OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY**

"In Christ Alone"

#### **SCRIPTURES**

Psalm 111 Mark 1:21-28

#### MESSAGE

"Go Forward! March On!" Chris Curvin, Pastor

#### SONG OF DEDICATION

"Same Power"

**GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU** 

## Sermon notes...

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