

HYMN NOTES:

“What Wondrous Love Is This” (215)

The melody for this American folk hymn shows signs of Celtic influences, and the unusual meter is that of an old sea chanty about Captain Kidd. The tune first appeared in the valleys of the Southern Appalachians, where William Walker recorded it and included it in his historic *Southern Harmony* hymnal of 1835. Each stanza has a single thought which is underscored by repetition, but it is the haunting melody which has made this hymn so popular in this country. The Opening Voluntary is a simple organ setting of the tune by American organist David N. Johnson (1922-1987). Johnson also wrote the music to the hymn “Earth and All Stars.”

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, March 14: Andrew Michalk

Wednesday, March 17: Robin MacLennan, Ethel Holden,
Stephanie Strelcheck

Thursday, March 18: Margaret Lewis, Lyn Booth

Saturday, March 20: Jessica Curtin, Delaney Williamson



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



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!

“And just as Moses had lifted up the Serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.”

John 3:14-15

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 lucindyl@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 April 2nd. 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.

Brown Bag Bible Study, led by Pastor Paul Means

Thursday, March 18th at noon, Pastor Paul will continue the study of the New Testament letter written by the Apostle Paul to the Galatians. Join us via Livestream or Facebook as we study God's word seeking by God's grace to grow in faith, hope and love.

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Citylight Schedule

3/14 - 3/21

ALL IN-PERSON EVENTS REQUIRE MASKS

★ **SUNDAY 3/14**
9:00 AM - OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE, BRING A CHAIR & WEAR A MASK
OR VIEW ON FACEBOOK!
11:00 AM - LIVE STREAM CHURCH
12:30 PM - CHALLENGE TO CHANGE MISSION TRIP AT CEDARKIRK 3/14 - 3/17

★ **FRIDAY 3/19**
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM - GAME NIGHT IN THE GYM

★ **SUNDAY 3/21**
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM - LIVE STREAM CHURCH
7:30 PM - YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY VIA TEAMS
8:30 PM - COLLEGE GROUP VIA ZOOM

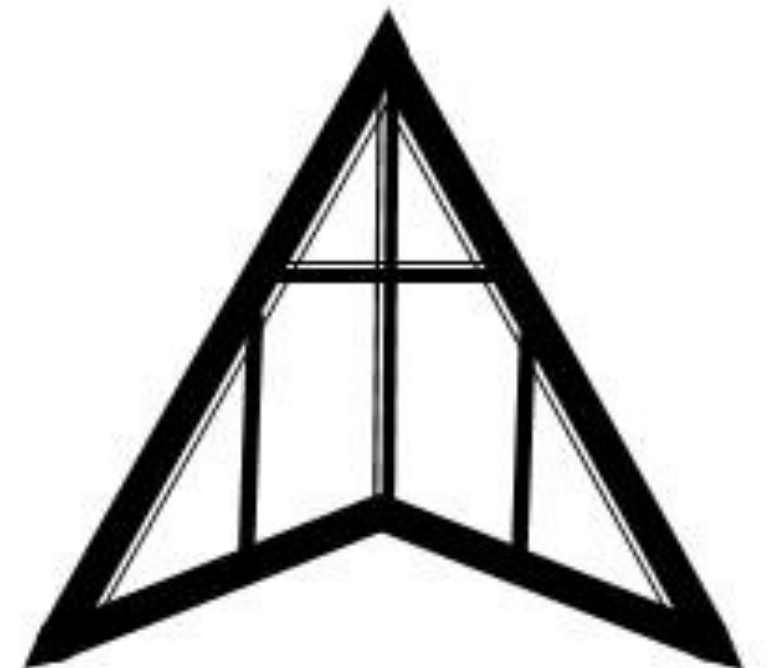
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Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

*A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978*

March 14, 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
March 14, 2021
4th Sunday in Lent
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Wondrous Love” David N. Johnson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Alfred V. Fedak
*God the Spirit, guide and guardian, windsped flame and hovering dove,
Breath of life and voice of prophets, sign of blessing, power of love:
Give to those who lead your people fresh anointing of your grace;
Send them forth as bold apostles to your church in every place.*
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

HYMN #298 “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” ABBOT’S LEIGH
(stanzas 1,2,5)
**Lord, you give the great commission:
“heal the sick and preach the word.”
Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.**

**Lord, you call us to your service:
“In my name baptize and teach.”
That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,
Give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community:
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.**

**Lord, you bless with words assuring:
“I am with you to the end.”
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend,
And, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity:
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.**

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*
**God of Promise, we confess that we would rather take the easy way
out when we struggle with the difficult questions of faith. Challenge us
as your ambassadors and hold us to the covenant You have made with
us, to be our God, and for us to be Your people. Guide us in our jour-
ney of faith, beyond our doubts and fears. Remind us that You are
close to us always, and may we surrender our lives unto you. 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.**

ANTHEM “God So Loved the World” John Stainer
Recorded by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir
*God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,
That who-so believeth, believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world;
but that the world through Him might be saved.*

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

THE INSTALLATION/ORDINATION OF DEACONS & ELDERS

DEACONS: (Class of 2023) ELDERS: (Class of 2023)
Vickie Mills *Eleanor Cicerchi
*Dee Rivers Steve Lang
*Jeanne Stephen *Cynthia Lawrence
*Mickey Stewart *Kerry McDermott
Jenny Carlstedt (class of 2021) *Roxie Swartz
*Eileen Nelson & Claudia Alwood (class of 2022)

The Statement of Purpose
The Questions to the Candidates
The Questions to the Congregation
The Prayer of Ordination, Installation and Laying on of Hands
The Declaration and Charge ** those being ordained*

SOLO Alfred V. Fedak
*Christ our Savior, sovereign, shepherd, Word made flesh, Love crucified,
Teacher, healer, suffering servant, friend of sinners, foe of pride:
In your tending may all elders learn and live a shepherd’s care;
Grant them courage and compassion shown through word and deed and prayer.*
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WE GROW IN THE WORD
LENTEN SERIES From Dust to Promise: Refreshing Our Hearts
Sermon #4 “Look in the Right Direction”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

SCRIPTURE READINGS Numbers 21:4-9 (NRSV)
John 3:14-21 (NRSV)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

HYMN #215 “What Wondrous Love Is This” WONDROUS LOVE
(stanzas 1,2,3)
**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to
bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!**

**When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down beneath God’s righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul!**

**To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
to God and to the lamb who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
while millions join the theme, I will sing!**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Sons of Sorrow” Dale Wood
Stephanie Carson, Music Director (1934-2003)
Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

IGNITE

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

“How Great Thou Art”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG

“You Are Holy”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“The Wonderful Cross”

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** those being ordained*

SONG OF DEDICATION

“We Believe”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU