# **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

Monday, September 27: Suzanne Alexander, Eric Kemerer

Meagan Decker

Tuesday, September 28: Loisanne Bilka, Diana Fisher,

Todd Adkisson

Diane Musto, Ethan Winder Friday, October 1:

Saturday, October 2: Missy Wolf

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



# Susan Curry & Linda Earl 🖠 In Memory of



# Mom, Gerry Krause's Birthday & Sister, Missy Jetmore (8/14/1959-8/31/2021)

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!

# FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

# **GREETERS:**

Cynthia Lawrence & Jenny Carlstedt

(11:00) Claudia Alwood & Jeanette Holloway

#### **USHERS:**

(9:00)Nancy Turner & Jill Manning

Barbara Moler & Earle Lusk



"For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mothers womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well."

Psalm 139:13-14

# **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

# ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

# Wednesday Bible Study, led by Cindy Huffman

Cindy Huffman will be leading a study of the prophet, Jeremiah, featuring the book by Matthew S. Harmon. 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.

# Experiencing God Class, led by Vicki Krueger

Experiencing God Class has started!

The Experiencing God class offers you a place to connect with other believers in the study of God's word and how it applies to our daily lives. Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. We will be meeting online using Zoom. Email Vicki Krueger at vickilee33@aol.com for the link and for any technical help or questions.

# Presbyterian Women, led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz

The Presbyterian Women unified circle will meet the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00am in rooms 4-8. We will be starting a new 9 month bible study entitled What my Grandmothers Taught Me by Merryl Blair. Chris Curvin will be teaching each lesson via Livestream, and our circle will have a follow-up discussion of the lesson. The second lesson is Thursday, October 7th at 11AM. If you'd like a book, or more information regarding the multiple activities that Presbyterian Women engage in, please contact Patty Martin at bill.martin2@yerizon.net or Sue Miskiewicz at susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com.

# Fresh Brewed,

Fresh Brewed will meet Friday, October 1st at 10:30am at Philippe Park (shelter 5). The book we are studying is From Daughters to Disciples by Lynn Japinga. If you need a book, please contact Marti Huff at marti.huff.np@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please contact Louise Mylin at (727) 787-9868 or LVNM1@hotmail.com.

# MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

# Citylight Schedule 9/22 -10/3

WEDNESDAY 9/22 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM - CITYNIGHT - OFFSITE

 $\frac{\text{THURSDAY 9/23}}{\text{6:30 PM} \cdot \text{PHU VS COUNTRYSIDE @PHU SITTING ON HOME SIDE MEET AT THE CHURCH AT 6:30 PM FOR A RIDE}$ 

FRIDAY 9/24 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM - GAME NIGHT

SUNDAY 9/26 9:00 AM - INDOOR CONTEMPORARY SERVICE 10:05 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00 AM - INDOOR TRADITIONAL SERVICE

WEDNESDAY 9/29 6:00 PM · 7:30 PM · CITYNIGHT

FRIDAY 10/1 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM - GAME NIGHT

SUNDAY 10/3 9:00 AM - INDOOR CONTEMPORARY SERVICE 10:05 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00 AM - INDOOR TRADITIONAL SERVICE

Follow the link to view our weekly email:

https://mailchi.mp/7e10551278f5/citylightupdate-6519723

# **Welcome To** Northwood Presbyterian

A Stephen Ministry Church Organized February 19, 1978

Church

# **September 26, 2021**

# "O God, You Search Me"

O God, you search me and you know me. All my thoughts lie open to your gaze. When I walk or lie down you are before me: ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising. You discern my purpose from afar, and with love everlasting you besiege me: in every moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord, vou have known its meaning through and through. You are with me beyond my understanding: God of my present, my past, and future, too.

Although vour Spirit is upon me. still I search for shelter from your light. There is no where on earth I can escape you: even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me, gave me life within my mothers womb. For the wonder of who I am, I praise you: safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

#### 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 September 26, 2021** 18th Sunday after Pentecost 11:00 AM Worship Service

# WE COME TO WORSHIP

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** 

"Duh Bist Die Ruh"

Franz Liszt

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Chris Curvin, Pastor

#### INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Kay & James Ferguson—Re-Affirmation

Leslie & Ritchie Henley—Transfer of Letter, local Presbyterian Church Anne & Lauren Preston—Re-Affirmation of Faith

Betty Spoerl—Transfer of Letter, Old Bridge UMC, Va.

# **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come into his presence with singing. Know that the

Lord, he is God!

People: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the

sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give

thanks to him; bless his name!

People: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

\*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 need 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** 

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

Eternal and Gracious God, You are the One in whom we find our meaning and joy. Our lives are in Your hands, and we say we trust You. Yet our faith is often limited and conditional. We are flawed and fallen people. We trust our ways over Your ways. We depend on our abilities instead of Your abilities. We do not love You with our whole heart, soul, and mind, nor do we love our neighbors as ourselves. For give us and free us, O God. Strengthen us to serve You as Your joyful, forgiven people. May we live to give Your name glory. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*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.

"Psalm 139" **ANTHEM** 

Refrain: Lord, you have searched me and known me, You know everything I do. When I rise up, when I lie down, You are with me through and through

Before a word is on my tongue, you know what I will say, Your presence follows me day by day.

Where can I flee from your spirit? Where can I go to run away? If I go to heaven, or live in hell, you are there. Refrain

Search me, O God and know me. Try me and know my heart. See if there be any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

# 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 & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*DOXOLOGY—#606

OLD HUNDREDTH

Allen Pote

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 139:1-18 (NRSV)

\*HYMN #29

"O God, You Search Me" (see bulletin cover)

O GOD, YOU SEARCH ME

# WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 12:1-2 (NRSV) John 3:16 (NRSV)

**SERMON** 

"A Lover's Quarrel with the World" Chris Curvin, Pastor

# WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN #687 (stanzas 1,4,5,6)

"O God, Our Help In Ages Past" ST. ANNE

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all our years away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, Be thou our guard while life shall last, and our eternal home.

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Outro to "Le Nozze Di Figaro" W.A. Mozart

\*Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.

Stephanie Carson, Music Director Nathanael Leonard, Associate Director of Music & Organist

# GNATE

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** 

"Holy Water"

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**PRAISE SONG** 

"God So Loved"

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

**CALL TO OFFERING** 

**OFFERTORY** 

"Testify to Love" Larry, Jeanne & Jeremy Stephen

**SCRIPTURES** 

Psalm 139:1-18 (NRSV) Romans 12:1-2 (NRVV) John 3:16 (NRSV)

**SERMON SERIES** 

"A Lover's Quarrel with the World" Chris Curvin, Pastor

**SONG OF DEDICATION** 

"Thrive"

**GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU** 

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