

HYMN NOTES:

“For This Land in All Its Wonder” by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

We have often sung the hymns of Gillette, a Presbyterian pastor in Delaware. She wrote this one in 1999 to be used at times of national celebration. It references Psalm 147; Micah 6:8; and Colossians 1:19-20 and celebrates the gifts of God’s creation that are evident in the land around us in many ways. She writes, “Yet many of God’s blessings are of a different kind. We see God’s presence in history and God’s gifts of love and peace that bring us together as a people. God calls us to respond to these gifts by working together for the justice that God desires.”

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

Barb Schlerf

In Loving Memory of my mother, Mary Simpson



Carolyn Rickrode

In honor of mom, Doris Hoffman’s birthday



Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the “2016 Flower Reservation Chart” on the bulletin board across from the kitchen. Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO....

- Sunday, July 3rd:** Pam Wood, Emily Whitaker
- Monday, July 4th:** Norm Roffey, Emily Granata, Chloe Estavil
- Wednesday, July 6th:** Joyce Lange, Peri Decker
- Thursday, July 7th:** Prescott Seckel
- Friday, July 8th:** Linda Andreassen, Cheryl Eschweiler, Olivia Catlin
- Saturday, July 9th:** Carol Bushnell, Ally Wolf



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

FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

ACOLYTE:

- (8:15) Kathryn Birch
- (11:00) Aidan McDermott



GREETERS:

- (8:15) Barbara Moler & Lorrie Janusik
- (11:00) Ed Puschmann & Ken Tobiassen

USHERS:

- (8:15) Bill & Margaret Lewis
Dennis & Betty O’Shea
- (9:30) Candy & Rich Spoenlein
- (11:00) Nicole Twors & Bryan Bullis
Sue Miskewicz & Steve Winder



VAN DRIVER: Ed Puschmann

MUSIC DIRECTORS: Stephanie Carson, Music Director
Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY NEWS

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Children’s Church is taking a break through September. Children over three should remain with their parents in worship. Nursery is available all services for children 3 and under.

9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-VPK (15/16 School Year), Room 3 with Joan & Aly Tobiassen.

Kindergarten- 2nd Grades, Room 2

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Alice & Charles Ellis.

3rd-5th Grades, Room 8

Students gather to worship at the beginning of the service with their teachers, in the front Sanctuary rows, closest to the band. After the Prayers of Joys & Concerns, they will move to room 8 with Kay Scheuerman & Maria Vivas.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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Parents, if you wish for your children to receive communion please have them remain with you in the worship service on Communion Sundays. If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Elder Dawn Winder, Chair of Worship Team.

9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Please meet in the Ignite service (9:30 am) to enjoy worship together. During the summer, there will be no Sunday School for the Middle and High School Youth. Sunday School will resume during the school year.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday morning adult education classes will resume in September. Please look for other adult Christian education opportunities on our announcement insert.

Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church

July 3, 2016



“An American Hymn”

*O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea.*

*O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness.
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.*

*O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life.
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness and every gain divine.*

*O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam undimmed by human tears.
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea.*

--Katharine Lee Bates, 1893



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
July 3, 2016
7th Sunday after Pentecost
8:15 & 11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service

WE GATHER

*(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins.
Please silence electronic devices.)*

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“A Patriotic Prelude for Trumpet and Organ” Charles Callahan
Emily Cantin, Trumpet

(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

***HYMN #331**

“God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand” NATIONAL HYMN

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(together)*

God our Father: you led people to this land, and, out of conflict, created in us a love of peace and liberty. We have failed you by neglecting rights and restricting freedoms. Forgive pride that overlooks national wrong, or justifies injustice. Forgive divisions caused by prejudice or greed. Have mercy, God, on the heart of this land, through Jesus Christ the Lord. 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.

***THE THEOLOGICAL DECLARATION OF BARMEN**

(Adapted for worship. See text on back page of announcements sheet.)

ANTHEM

“An American Hymn” arr. Cecil Effinger
Emily Cantin, Trumpet
(see text on front cover)

OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN

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WE SHARE

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” arr. Michael Burkhardt
(based on the American hymntune at #475)

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

CWM RHONDDA

1. For this land in all its wonder, for each city, farm, and town,
For each mountain filled with splendor, for each place where love is found,
For the freedoms we enjoy here,

God, may thanks to you abound! God, may thanks to you abound!

--Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, ©1999

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***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN**

“For This Land in All Its Wonder”

CWM RHONDDA

2. For your peace and love unending, breaking barriers that divide,
For the joy of cultures blending, walls of hate we’ll not abide.
God, we thank you and we pray now:
May we all be unified! May we all be unified!
3. For your hand to lead and guide us, for your work in history,
For your vision born inside us of a just society,
God, we thank you and we prayer now:
May this vision come to be! May this vision come to be!
4. May we be a nation seeking ways that are both wise and fair,
May our living and our speaking serve your purpose everywhere.
May we follow where you lead us;
God, this is our hope and prayer! God, this is our hope and prayer!

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WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Kings 5:1-19 *(page 293)*

SERMON

“Question: How Do We Remain Faithful to God and Still Pledge
Allegiance to Our Nation? Answer: Two Mule Loads of Dirt Please!”

Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND 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.

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE CUP;
THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

(To symbolize our unity in Christ, we hold the bread until the Elders and Deacons are served and then all partake as one body. To symbolize our personal relationship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit leads.)

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

“Finlandia”

arr. Diane Bish

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN #340**

“This Is My Song”

FINLANDIA

***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Now Thank We All Our God” arr. Robert A. Hobby

(The closing voluntary is the final act of worship. If you must leave before the end of the service, please respect those who are listening and leave quietly.)

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

ignite

ignite is a contemporary worship service at 9:30 that delivers the message of Jesus Christ through Powerful Music, Media & Scripture Based Sermons.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

MEET & GREET

PRAISE SONGS

“God Is Good”

“The Same Power”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIDEO

“Stories of Freedom”

“This Is My Land”

Larry Stephen

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

(5th Grade Children move to Sunday School)

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“I Am Not Alone”

SCRIPTURE

2 Kings 5:1-19

MESSAGE

“Question: How Do We Remain Faithful to God and Still

Pledge Allegiance to Our Nation?

Answer: Two Mule Loads of Dirt Please!”

Chris Curvin, Pastor

COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Prayer for Guidance”

Heather Sorenson

SONG OF DEDICATION

“America, the Beautiful”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU