

Hymn Notes:

“I Danced in the Morning” (157)

Though this 1962 text by Sydney Carter (1915-2004) still has power to surprise people after more than a half century, it actually draws on a very old tradition of narrating the story of Christ’s life as a kind of dance. The text is thick with biblical references and one could compile allusions for almost every line. Another idea to note is that this hymn affirms what could be called a Dance of Life in opposition to the Dance of Death/Day of Wreath motif that received much attention in European culture from the late Middle Ages onward. Part of the message of this text is that those aspects of religion that emphasize negativity are not as true to the good news as those that center on the gift of life.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Monday, October 22: Mary Ellen Zeigler, Cassondra Fredriksen, Robert Robicheau

Tuesday, October 23: Vickie Mills

Wednesday, October 24: Imogene White, Jon Mills, Ed Derkevics

Thursday, October 25: David Daniel, Larry Taylor, Jordan Mattheus

Friday, October 26: Sue GaVette, Jody Mattheus, Doug Caccamise

Saturday, October 27: Brianna Preston, Caitlyn Preston



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



Elaine Cornillaud

In Honor of My Son Jason & Granddaughter Ava

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the “2018 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!



FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

GREETERS:

(8:15) Barbara Moler & Mary Duffey
(11:00) Sharon Card & Ed Puschmann

USHERS:

(8:15) Rocky Davis & Mary Duffey
Earle Lusk & Bob MacFall
(9:30) Kim Peterson & Marie Zeigler
(11:00) Ernie & Carol Kirkwood
Eleanor Cicerchi & Nancy Johnson

VAN DRIVER: John Makal

Ushers & Greeters



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (18/19 School Year)

Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-1st Grade, Room 3

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Dan Gipson & Moe Estavil.

2nd-5th Grade, Room 4

Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 4 with Jessica Jones & Jean Swintek.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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**11:00 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Middle & High Schoolers (6th-12th graders) are **NOT** meeting this week for Sunday School. All youth are welcome to worship together in the center-right-side of the Sanctuary at the 9:30 Ignite service. Sunday school will resume October 28th.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 A.M. TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11

This week we'll welcome our Associate Music Director, Tom Huffman, back to TCI to share how he uses music to enrich our worship of God. Enjoy a discussion of hymns, history and harmony while savoring cookies and coffee.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class Room 15, led by Vicki Krueger,

Each day brings new questions. Should I stay? Should I go? Buy it? Sell it? Start it? Stop it? There is one question you can ask that makes it easy to determine the answer to all the other questions. In our video and discussion series, we will learn how asking this question has the potential to save us time, money and tears. All we have to do is ask it. Come join us!

11:00 A.M. “Journey Through” Room 4, led by Vanessa Celotto.

Journey Through will NOT meet this Sunday. The class will resume Oct. 28th.

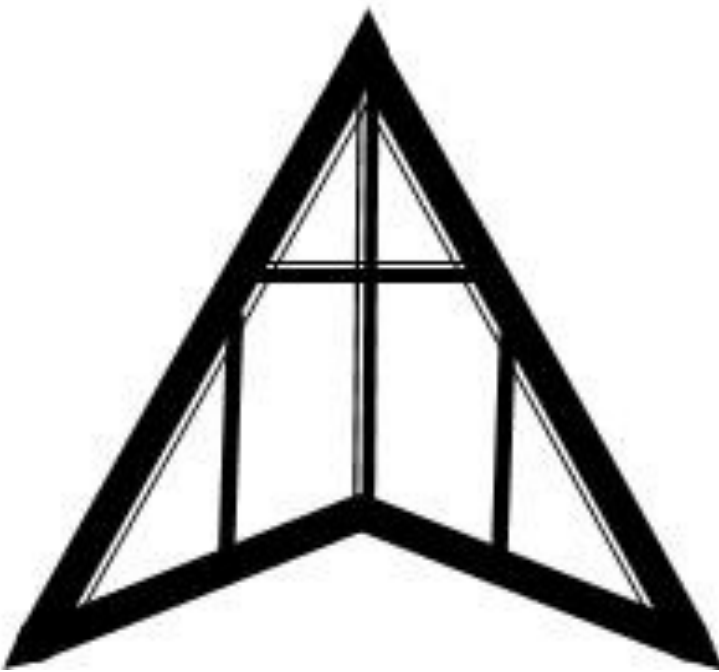
6:30 P.M. Sunday Evening Bible Study

This Bible study meets at 6:30pm on Sunday evenings in the Parlor. We are studying the Book of Isaiah, using the study guide *Isaiah: Trusting God in Troubled Times* by Howard Peskett. This is a discussion study where we use the ancient writings of Isaiah, discuss his prophecy regarding the future coming of Christ and learn the meaning to us today. Please contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 for more information. Come join us!

**Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978*

October 21, 2018



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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
October 21, 2018
22nd Sunday after Pentecost
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

THE GATHERING

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

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) Paul Means, Associate Pastor
Leader: Give thanks to God for the faith we share.
People: Let us be steadfast in hope through Jesus Christ.
Leader: Pray always, and do not loose heart..
People: For God is faithful and His grace is sufficient.
All: With joy let us worship God!

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“Andantino” Jean Langlais
(1907-1991)

(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 #41 “O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!” LYONS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

Merciful God, you have generously bestowed upon us blessings upon blessings. Surely such goodness and grace should inspire within us a desire to embrace you, even as you have embrace us through your Son, Jesus. Yet we confess dear Lord, it doesn’t take all that much to cause us to doubt your presence and provision in our lives. Oh God, you have been faithful. By your grace, open us up to your good gifts in our lives and may we know the joy of sharing those good gifts with others, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

ST.ANNE

What shall we render to our God, for all the bounty given?
We lift the cup salvation brings and call the name from heaven.

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ANTHEM

“Devotion” arr. John Ness Beck

*I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice, and it told thy love to me.
But I long to rise in the arms of faith and be closer drawn to Thee.
Consecrate me now to Thy service, Lord, by the power of grace divine;
let me soul look up with a steadfast hope and my will be lost in Thine.*

*Draw me nearer, nearer blessed Lord, to the cross where Thou hast died;
Draw me nearer, nearer to Thy precious bleeding side.*

*Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord.
Lord I want to be like Jesus in my heart.*

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OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children ages 3yrs – 2nd Grade, are welcome to remain in service with their parents or join us in room 3 for Children’s Church.)

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

MUSICAL OFFERING

“For the Beauty of Each Hour” Alfred V. Fedak

*DOXOLOGY—#606

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #157 “I Danced in the Morning” LORD OF THE DANCE

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 22:15-22 NRSV (page 803)

SERMON

“Living a Life of Gracious Generosity”
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #697

“Take My Life” HENDON
(stanzas 1,3,5,6)

*BENEDICTION

SUNG BLESSING

(please be seated)

“Grace, Love and Fellowship”
Dick Casper, Soloist

Tom Fettke

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“All Praise to Jesus’ Hallowed Name” J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

(You are invited to reflect on the worship service during the closing voluntary. If you must leave before the end of the service, please respect those who remain and leave quietly.)

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

*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

PRAISE SONGS

“Call Upon the Lord”

“Unstoppable God”

MEET AND GREET

“What a Beautiful Name”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

“O Come to the Altar”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Lord I Need You”

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 22:15-22

MESSAGE

“Living a Life of Gracious Generosity”

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION

“Only King Forever”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Sermon notes...

that Ignite Action!