

HYMN NOTES:

“How Great Thou Art” (625)

It would take the FBI to trace the history of this popular hymn. In 1885, Carl Boberg, a twenty-six year old preacher, wrote a poem titled in Swedish “O Store Gud” (O Great God). He had no thoughts of his poem becoming a hymn, so a few years later he was surprised to hear it sung to an old Swedish melody. It moved next to Germany but translated there by an Estonian, then to Russia where it was published in 1927. Stuart Hine and his wife were English missionaries ministering in Poland in the 1920’s where they heard the Russian version and created English words for the Swedish melody. Hine’s translation contains little of the nine stanza original but his setting has become an all-time favorite due to its use beginning in the 1950’s in the Billy Graham Crusades.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

- Monday, August 10:** Pat Gravatt, David Hamilton, Kelly Brinkman Miller, Ben Cernansky
- Tuesday, August 11:** Norm Phillips, Ivan Becker
- Wednesday, August 12:** Mark Bonfiglio
- Thursday, August 13:** Madelyn McCutcheon
- Friday, August 14:** Shawn Davis, Mason Tighe
- Saturday, August 15:** Bob Clyne



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 “2020 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!

*“O LORD, our SOVEREIGN,
how MAJESTIC is your name in all the earth”*

Psalm 8:1

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- ◆ Children’s Ministry is sending out personal notes to the children of Northwood so watch for your note in the mail. If you want to receive a note for your child or grandchild contact Justine Davis at childrensministry@northwoodpc.org.
- ◆ Please be sure to check out and “like” the Children’s Ministry Facebook group. Each week we will have a children’s Bible lesson posted along with other activities.
https://www.facebook.com/groups/633579497423839/?source_id=263480270372443

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Wednesday Bible Study, led by Cindy Huffman

The Sunday Bible study has moved to Wednesdays and is meeting on Zoom. The group is studying the book of Ecclesiastes. If you’d like to join the Wednesday Bible Study that meets on Wednesdays at 7:00pm, 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.

**MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Citylight Schedule
819 - 8116

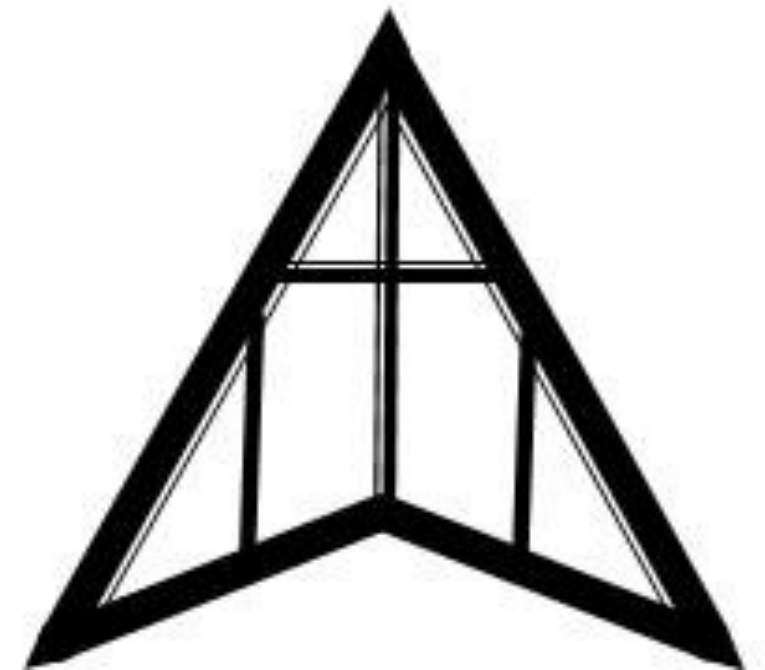
- ★ **SUNDAY 8/9**
9:30 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH
10:45 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS
8:30 PM - JACK BOX VIA ZOOM
- ★ **TUESDAY 8/11**
7:30 PM - YOUNG WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM
7:30 PM - YOUNG MEN’S BIBLE STUDY VIA TEAMS
- ★ **WEDNESDAY 8/12**
7:30 PM CITYNIGHT VIA ZOOM
- ★ **THURSDAY 8/14**
5:00 PM - SUNSET YOUTH & FAMILIES END OF SUMMER PICNIC
& SUNSET AT PHILIPPE PARK SEE FLYER FOR MORE INFO
- ★ **SUNDAY 8/16**
9:30 AM & 11:00 AM LIVE STREAM CHURCH
10:45 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA TEAMS
8:30 PM - JACKBOX VIA ZOOM

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<https://mailchi.mp/dad9284e92/citylight-updates-1398180>

**Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978*

August 9, 2020



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 Worship of God
August 9, 2020
10th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

Leader: Creating and Holy God, you have blessed us with your glorious creation.

All: Through your creative powers, you have shown us a little of your own beauty.

Leader: Creating and Holy God, you have blessed us with order instead of chaos.

All: O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your holy love overflows on to all creation!

Leader: Creating and Holy God, you have blessed us with your sustaining grace.

All: O Lord, you have shown us in Jesus Christ your own true Being, which calls forth from us a response of awe, wonder and praise!

Leader: Let us worship the Lord, our God, whose majesty fills all of creation.

OPENING VOLUNTARY "Toccata No. 1: HYFRYDOL" Joel Raney

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" ELLACOMBE

**I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day.
The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.**

**I sing the goodness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
God formed the creatures through the Word, and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye,
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze up on the sky!**

**There's not a plant or flower below but makes the glories known.
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne,
While all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care,
And everywhere that we can be, thou, God, art present there.**

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*

O Lord of the Heavens, forgive us, for we have ascribed value to our possessions that we have never ascribed to you. We have been burdened by the small, and have neglected that which is of ultimate value. In this time of worship we lay before you our faults, our shortcomings, all the results of our sin. Turn us around, gracious God. Make straight our paths to you. Your transforming love is our heart's desire. Forgive and restore us in the name of Jesus, whose cross and suffering convey your compassion and care for all creation. 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.**

ANTHEM "The Majesty and Glory of Your Name" Tom Fettke
Hour of Power Choir

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 #25 "O Lord, Our God, How Excellent" WINCHESTER OLD
(paraphrase of Psalm 8)

**O Lord, our God, how excellent, how glorious is your name.
Your majesty surrounds the earth, and children sing your fame.**

**The heavens shout your handiwork; we stand beneath in awe,
to think the One who made all things should care for us at all.**

**Yet you have made us less than gods, surpassing all but you,
with heart and mind, with strength and will, to search for what is true.**

**Into our hands you've placed all things: the earth, the sea; each
place we're called to probe for secret gifts and venture into space.**

**O Lord, our God, how excellent, how glorious is your name,
majestic in your holiness. We sing and praise your fame.**

WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 8:1-9 (NRSV)

SERMON "Second Stanza"
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

HYMN #625 "O Lord My God" HOW GREAT THOU ART
(stanzas 1,2,4)

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed:**

refrain: **Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
how great thou art! How great thou art!
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How great thou art! How great thou art!**

**When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. *(refrain)***

**When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" *(refrain)***

BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Michael Burkhardt
"Hymn Improvisation on ELLACOMBE"
(based on the tune of the first hymn, #32)

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

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 SONG

"How Great Thou Art"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG

"Ever Be"

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"There Was Jesus"

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 8:1-9

MESSAGE

"Second Stanza"

Chris Curvin, Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION

"God of Wonders"

GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU

Sermon notes...

that Ignite Action!