

### HYMN NOTES:

#### “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (475)

The author, Robert Robinson (1735-1790), was born of humble parents and could not afford schooling for the ministry, so was apprenticed at fourteen to a London barber and hairdresser. After a dissolute youth he was converted by George Whitefield and became a Calvinistic Methodist minister.

The text was said to have been written for use on Pentecost in 1758 and was originally four eight-line stanzas. The fourth is now almost universally omitted as you can probably understand why:

*O that Day when freed from Sinning, I shall see thy lovely Face;  
Cloathed then in blood-wash'd Linnen, How I'll sing thy  
sov'reign Grace:  
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry, take my ransom'd Soul away;  
Send thine Angels now to carry me to Realms of endless Day.*

Like the more famous John Newton's "Amazing Grace," Robinson's hymn is one of providence and grace. Like Jacob, who raised an Ebenezer (stanza 2), he confesses how great a debtor he is to the grace of God, as are we all. The "Ebenezer" reference recalls I Samuel 7:12 where Jacob set up a stone altar which signified that God had brought him thus far.

### BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

- Sunday, Sep 11:** Doris Smith, Shirley Walker, Heather Stark, Jarret Schuler, Brian Schultz
- Monday, Sep 12:** Judy Peterson
- Tuesday, Sep 13:** John Richards, Jim Hunt, Linda Granata, Denise Cernansky, Grace McLarty
- Wednesday, Sep 14:** Allen Hurst
- Thursday, Sep 15:** Don Morrison, Pat Neely, Bruce Cherry, Zoltan Hortobagyi, Lindsay Rodewald, Ben Curvin
- Friday, Sep 16:** Dennis O'Shea, Jayme Rothberg
- Saturday, Sep 17:** Myrl Chronister, Bob Lewis, Ted Wojciechowski



*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*



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### FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

#### ACOLYTES:

- (8:15) Sarah Birch
- (11:00) Dylan Cantin

#### GREETERS:

- (8:15) Joyce Lange & Ellen Stoup
- (11:00) Lauren & Bob Meier

#### USHERS:

- (8:15) Wayne & Nancy Rodewald  
Patty Martin & Bob MacFall
- (9:30) Curtis & Vicki Krueger
- (11:00) Cindy Whiteside & Sue Miskiewicz  
Carol Rathmell & Ed Puscmann



**VAN DRIVER:** Art Holloway

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

### 8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**3 Yr. Olds-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade** (16/17 School Year)

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

### 9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**3 Yr. Olds- Kindergarten, Room 3**

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Melissa Long & Joyce Curvin.

**1st-2nd Grade, Room 2**

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Meagan & Keith Decker.

**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 Todd & Tanya Adkisson.

### 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

Middle & High School Sunday School during the 9:30am service will meet in the sanctuary to worship together for the first 30 minutes, then move to the youth room for the lesson with Youth Director, Jon Drawdy.

## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**9:30 TCI (Today's Christian Issues) Class- Rooms 9 & 11**

This week, the 2016-2017 TCI year begins with a discussion concerning the "2020 Vision Team" which was formed at the direction of this summer's General Assembly in Portland, Oregon. The discussion will be a denominational application of the series of class discussions in the spring of this year on "The Future of the Church and The Church of the Future". Garry Justice will be leading the discussion. Cookies and coffee will be available.

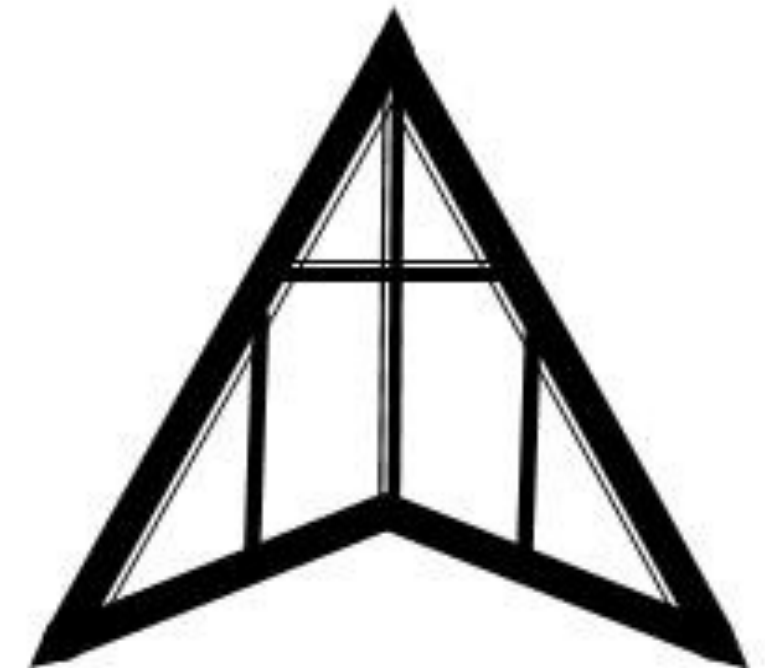
**9:30 Serendipity Class in rooms 13 & 15 at 9:30-** Fall Series, "Reconfirming the Faith, What it Means to be a Presbyterian".  
September 11: "The Biblical Background of the Creeds"  
September 18: "The Great Ends of the Church, Being a Presbyterian"

**11:00 Experiencing God Class in room 15 led by Vicki Krueger.**  
All are welcome!

Welcome To  
**Northwood Presbyterian Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Church*

September 11, 2016



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Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

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**Order for the Public Worship of God**  
**September 11, 2016**  
**17th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services**

**WE GATHER**

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

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Paul Means, Associate Pastor  
Leader: Like a woman who finds a missing coin,  
**People: God rejoices in our salvation.**  
Leader: Like a shepherd who finds a lost sheep,  
**People: God rejoices in bringing us home.**  
Leader: Let us worship God.

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** “Prelude on NETTLETON” Gerre Hancock  
*(based on the tune of the closing hymn, #475) (1934-2012)*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Chris Curvin, Pastor

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**  
*(Please complete the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and pass it toward the center aisle.)*

**\*HYMN #12 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”** ST. DENIO

**WE CONFESS**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from sin. You search for us, like lost sheep, but we pretend not to hear your voice. You treasure us, like lost coins, but we spend our lives in foolish ways. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to repent and return to you, so that we may join the joyful feast of redemption and restoration; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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** “His Eye Is On the Sparrow” arr. Ralph Manuel

*Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come,  
Why should my heart be lonely, and long for heav’n and home,  
When Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is He:  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.*

*Refrain: I sing because I’m happy, I sing because I’m free,  
For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.*

*Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise,  
When song gives place to sighing, when hope within me dies,  
I draw the closer to Him, from care He sets me free;  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He cares for me. (refrain)*

**OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN**

*(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.)*

**WE UNITE IN PRAYER**

**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.

**WE SHARE**

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

“Adagio” from Organ Sonata I” Felix Mendelssohn  
(1809-1847)

**\*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 #71 “Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me”** FIRST SONG  
Cindy Huffinan, Soloist  
*(congregation sings the refrain; soloist sings the stanzas)*

**WE HEAR THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** 1 Timothy 1:12-15 (*page 963*)  
Luke 15:1-10 (*page 850*)

**SERMON**

“Are You a Little Lost and Need Finding?”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

**WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**\*HYMN #475 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”** NETTLETON

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

“All Creatures of Our God and King” arr. John A. Behnke

*(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.)*

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**

“We Won’t Be Shaken”

**MEET & GREET**

“The Only Name (Yours Will Be)”

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VIDEO**

“9/11: On That Day”

“I Am Not Alone”

**SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER**

*(3rd-5th Grade Children move to Sunday School)*

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

*Larry Stephen*

**SCRIPTURE**

1 Timothy 1:12-15 (NRSV)

Luke 15:1-10 (NRSV)

**MESSAGE**

“Are You a Little Lost and Need Finding?”

*Chris Curvin, Pastor*

**SONG OF DEDICATION**

“In Christ Alone”

**GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU**