

Hymn Notes:

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God” (32)

Our first hymn today is stanzas 1,3, and 5 of what was originally titled “Praise for Creation and Providence” by Isaac Watts (1715). This was one of eight texts that Watts included in the first hymnal intended for use by children. Excerpts from this collection became the mainstay for the moral upbringing of children with parents having their children memorize verses such as the following, titled “Against quarreling”:

*Let dogs delight to bark and bite, for God hath made them so;
Let bears and lions growl and fight, for 'tis their nature to.
But children, you should never let such angry passions rise;
Your little hands were never made to tear each other's eyes.*

Remember, this was the year 1715. Fortunately the text of the Watts' hymn we sing today rises to a higher level—a fine hymn for adults also, clearly based on the creation accounts in the opening chapter of Genesis.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

- Sunday, July 8:** Linda Andreassen, Cheryl Eschweiler, Olivia Catlin
- Monday, July 9:** Carol Bushnell, Sandi Fahy, Ally Wolf
- Tuesday, July 10:** Bridgett Ulrich, Amy Schultz, James Towell
- Wednesday, July 11:** Bob Maclennan, Dawn Winder, Kristen Murray, Erin McLarty
- Thursday, July 12:** Debbie Lang, Marcy Kemerer, Dianna Hatch
- Friday, July 13:** Ann Briggs, Jackson Krueger, Julie Bryant
- Saturday, July 14:** Lorrie Janusik, William Warren

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

GREETERS:

- (8:15) Anna & Dan Hyden
- (11:00) Nancy & Wally Ericson

Ushers & Greeters



USHERS:

- (8:15) Fred & Charlotte McQuown
Barbara Moler & Howard Green
- (9:30) Curtis & Vicki Krueger
- (11:00) Ken & Martha Tobiassen
Nancy Johnson & Cindy Whiteside

VAN DRIVER: John Makal

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (17/18 School Year)

During the summer months, there will be no children's worship. Children will remain in service with their family. Nursery will still be available.

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 Chrissy Raborn & Justine Ruisz.

2nd-5th Grade, Room 4

Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8 with Jessica Jones & Pam Means.

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Middle & High Schoolers will not be meeting for Sunday School again until August. In the meantime, all youth are welcome to worship together in the back row of the Sanctuary at the 9:30 Ignite service.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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

TCI will be on summer hiatus from May 27 until September 12. Have a joyful and rejuvenating summer and return with us on September 12 for new discussions of contemporary issues and their affects on our faith journey.

9:30 A.M. "Defenders" Sunday School Room 10

This class will not be meeting during the summer months and will resume back in the fall.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class will meet today in room 15, led by Vicki Krueger.

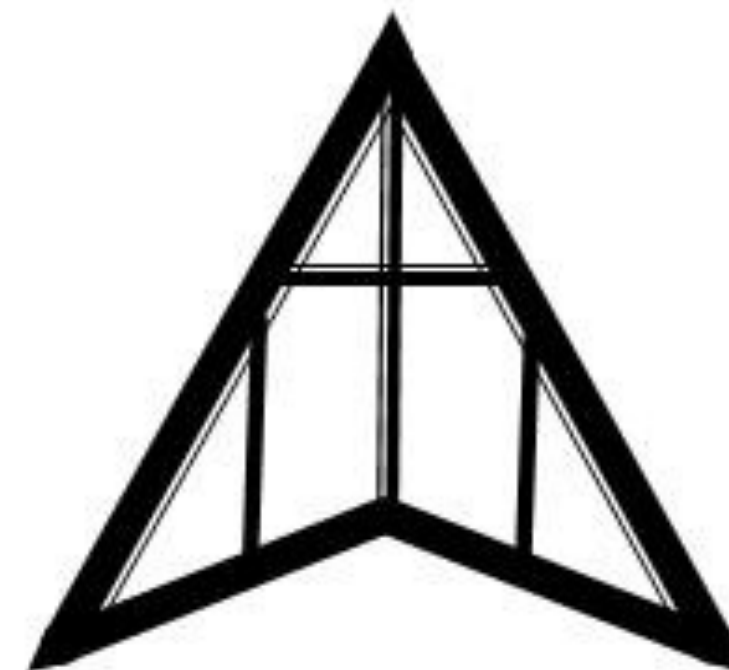
12:30 P.M. Bible Study Room 4

“Isaiah, Trusting God in Troubled Times” by Howard Peskett is the book the Sunday Bible study group will be studying this summer. This study will cover how to trust God even when life doesn't go as we want it to go. For the summer, the group will be meeting on Sundays at 12:30 in Room 4. Contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 or email lucindy1@aol.com with questions or if you need a book ordered. Books may be purchased online.

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Order for the Public Worship of God
July 8, 2018
7th 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: Friends, as Christ offered himself in obedience and was raised in glory,

People: So, too, God takes our lives and raises us up to new life in Christ.

Leader: As our lives are transformed by Christ's living presence,

People: So Christ gathers us even now to worship and to offer praise.

Leader: Then let us together listen for His word, proclaim His power,

People: And let us worship God!

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Shall We Gather at the River" arr. Charles Callahan
Heather Wood, Clarinet

(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 #32** "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" ELLACOMBE

CALL TO CONFESSION

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*

Gracious and loving Lord, whose spirit is at work within us to enliven us, it is you who have called us to gather. Yet we confess our reluctance to live in unity with your people and our failure to care for each other as you have directed us. We confess that our pride and willfulness often keeps us from wholeness. Forgive us, we pray. And help us to overcome the scandal of our pride, so that your church might be a worthy witness to the good news of your resurrection. We ask this, dear Jesus, in your name as our risen and living 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.

SOLO

"If With All Your Hearts" Felix Mendelssohn
From *Elijah* (1809-1847)

Gail Rothrock, Soloist

*"If with all your hearts ye truly seek me, ye shall ever surely find me."
Thus saith our God, Oh! That I knew where I might find Him,
that I might even come before His presence!*

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

"Ayre" Georg Philipp Telemann
Heather Wood, Clarinet (1681-1767)

***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 #175** "Seek Ye First" LAFFERTY

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 11:1-13 NRSV (page 845)

SERMON

"Midnight Knocking"
Jack Alwood, Guest Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN #688** "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart" MORECAMBE

***BENEDICTION**

SUNG BLESSING "May the Peace of God Be Your Peace" Neil McLaren
(please be seated) Gail Rothrock, Soloist

*May the peace of God be your peace.
May the love of God be the love you show.
May the joy of God be the joy you know,
And may the world that God would see be found in you.*

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CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Trumpet Tune" Brenda Portman

(You are invited to remain for the final act of worship, the closing voluntary. A closer look is welcomed if you wish to come stand next to the organ console.)

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 SONG

"The Maker"

MEET AND GREET

"Only King Forever"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"O Come to the Altar"

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"What a Beautiful Name"

SCRIPTURE

Luke 11: 1-13

VIDEO

"Knock"

MESSAGE

"Midnight Knocking"

Jack Alwood, Guest Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION

"Unstoppable God"

GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU

Sermon notes...

that Ignite Action!