

Hymn Notes:

“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies” (338)

Sometimes a hymn is born in a moment of inspiration and never changed, but Katherine Lee Bates’ (1859-1929) original poem, written after climbing Pikes Peak and gazing across the plains to the east, was altered twice by her in 1904 and finally in 1918. On her trip west she had stopped off in Chicago to visit the Columbian World Exposition where the exposition’s “White City” stood in celebration of the 400th anniversary of American’s discovery. The “alabaster cities” of stanza four refers to the “White City.” In *Glory to God* the hymn was reduced to three stanzas in deference to complaints about “white manifest destiny” suggested in the second stanza:

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness!

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

- Sunday, July 1:** Tom Golec, Zoila Rose, Laura Gajentan, Carissa Johnston, Caitlyn McCutcheon
- Monday, July 2:** Aly Tobiassen
- Tuesday, July 3:** Marilyn Elam, Pam Wood
- Wednesday, July 4:** Norm Roffey, Emily Granata, Chloe Estavil
- Friday, July 6:** Jerry Goodman, Gulten Wulf, Peri Decker
- Saturday, July 7:** Prescott Seckel

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

Barbara Schlerf

In Loving Memory of mother Mary Simpson



Jean Swintek

In Loving Memory of brother Bob



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

Ushers & Greeters



USHERS:

- (8:15) Fred & Charlotte McQuown
Howard Green & Bob MacFall
- (9:30) Candy & Rich Spoenlein

VAN DRIVER: Tom Zareczny

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 & Carissa Johnston.

2nd-5th Grade, Room 4

Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 4 with Justine Ruisz & Jane Winne.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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Childcare for children 3yrs-5th grade who attended Sunday school at 9:30 will be in room 2.

9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Middle & High School youth are NOT meeting this week for Sunday School. 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 27th until September 9th. 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 lucindyl@aol.com with questions or if you need a book ordered. Books may be purchased online.

**Welcome To
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Church**

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July 1, 2018

“For This Land In All Its Wonder”

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!

For your peace and love unending, breaking barriers that divide;
for the joy of cultures blending as we live here side by side;
God, we thank you and we pray now:
may we all be unified! May we all be unified!

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 pray now:
may this vision come to be! May this vision come to be!

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 our prayer!

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 1, 2018
6th 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: Out of the depths, O Lord, we cry to you. O God, hear our prayers and supplications.

People: Let your ears hear the anguish of our pleas. For you alone our souls wait with longing.

Leader: Wait for the Lord, more than those who wait for the morning.

People: We place our hope in you, O God, and in the power of your steadfast love.

Leader: Come! Let us worship God!

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“Improvisation on ELLACOMBE” Michael Burkhardt
(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

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 #338** “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies” MATERNA

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)- from Psalm 130, Mark 5*

God of Mercy, how often we have made light of those with unflinching faith and unquestioned assurance of your power. How often we have reacted like the mourners in Jairus’ house, when told that death will be swallowed up in the power of your love? Heal not only our illness and ailments, Holy One; heal our fickleness of heart and the inconsistency of our faith. As we yearn for your healing touch, help us wait with deep longing, more than those who wait for the morning.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** *(Responsive)- from Psalm 130*

Leader: Place your hope in God, our source of Life. For God is the Great Physician, whose steadfast love has the power to redeem.

People: We give thanks to the One who hears our prayers and makes us well, in Jesus’ name. Amen.

***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 APOSTLES’ CREED** *(Together, page 35)*

SOLO “Battle Hymn of the Republic” arr. Roy Ringwald
Michele White, Soloist

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.)

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” Robert Powell

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #337** AMERICA

Our Fathers’ God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright with freedom’s holy light,
Protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 5:21-43 NRSV *(page 816)*

SERMON “Courage & Faith” Chris Curvin, Pastor

***HYMN #500** “Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread” ST. FLAVIAN

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

(together, hymnal page 35)

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 THE SERVING

“Pastorale on ‘My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread’”
arr. Franklin D. Ashdown

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN** “This Land In All Its Wonder” CWM RHONDDA
(See front cover)

***BENEDICTION**

SUNG BLESSING “God Bless America” Irving Berlin
(please be seated) Michele White, Soloist

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Allemande” Maurice Greene (1695-1755)

(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.*

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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

“My Country ‘Tis of Thee”

MEET AND GREET

“America the Beautiful”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIDEO

“Let Us Pray For America”

PRAISE SONG

“A Mighty Fortress”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“For Our Freedom”
by Larry Stephen

SCRIPTURE

Mark 5:21-43

MESSAGE

“Courage & Faith”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Be Thou My Vision”
Arr. Sorenson

SONG OF DEDICATION

“Jesus Messiah”