

Hymn Notes:

“I Praise My Maker While I’ve Breath” (806)



Isaac Watts (1674-1748) wrote two versions of Psalm 146 with much the same words but in two different meters. When John Wesley published his first collection of hymns for use in his colonial parish, Christ Church, Savannah, GA, he included the second version in that small volume—with a few changes. It was one of his favorites and he sang it, instead of any hymn by his brother Charles, as he lay dying. Although it begins with God of creation, it ends with concern for the blind, the troubled, strangers, widows, fatherless children and prisoners. God whose concert reaches to everyone is worthy of praise, in this life and the life to come.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

- Sunday, September 2:** Fred Heider
- Monday, September 3:** Drew Bryant
- Tuesday, September 4:** Scott Curkan
- Wednesday, September 5:** Bob Anderson, Toby Shugart, Michael Turner, Allison Gunderman
- Thursday, September 6:** Mark Giese, Aimee McDermott
- Friday, September 7:** Roy Jackson, Curtis Krueger
- Saturday, September 8:** Wallace Ericson, Dot Brown

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


Fred Drew
 In Loving Memory of Mary Ann Drew
Dave & Hallie Pelham
 In Honor of our 19th Wedding Anniversary
 

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FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

GREETERS:

- (8:15) Patty Martin
- (11:00) Sandy & Larry Ingram

Ushers & Greeters



USHERS:

- (8:15) Wayne & Nancy Rodewald
David & Suzanne Hamilton
- (9:30) Candy & Rich Spoenlein
- (11:00) Polly Brown & Dean Rabenstine
Ken & Martha Tobiassen

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 Jane Winne.
2nd-5th Grade, Room 4
Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 4 with Jessica Jones.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Middle & High Schoolers are 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. After the service, youth will meet in the City at 11:00am for Sunday School where we are currently doing a recap of the Book of Genesis.

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 9. Have a joyful and rejuvenating summer and return with us next Sunday for new discussions of contemporary issues and their affects on our faith journey.

9:30 A.M. “Defenders” Sunday School Room 10, led by Michael Jahosky, will not be meeting during the summer months and will resume in the fall.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class Room 15, led by Vicki Krueger, will not meet for the summer. We will resume in the fall.

11:00 A.M. “Journey Through” Room 4, led by Vanessa Celotto.
Starting today, **September 2nd**, we will be offering an adult Sunday school class in room 4 from 11:00-11:45 that coincides with the youth Sunday school class. It is an awesome opportunity for you and your family to study the Bible cover to cover and grow together in a way that is relevant to each of your lives. Don’t have a child in the Youth Ministry program? That’s okay! The class is open to everyone and it’s the perfect place to study the Bible while building relationships with other members of Northwood.

6:30 P.M. Sunday Evening Bible Study Room 4
This Bible study meets at 6:30pm on Sunday evenings in room 4. 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
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Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Church
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September 2, 2018



Ministers: All Members of the Church

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Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

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Order for the Public Worship of God
September 2, 2018
11th 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: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come to his presence with singing.

Leader: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise.

People: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

Leader: With joy let us worship God!

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“Arise, My Soul, Arise!” Michael Burkhardt

(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 #806** “I’ll Praise My Maker While I’ve Breath” OLD 113TH

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*

Dear Lord, it is out of your great love for humankind that you invite us to come to you, to get to know you, to live life with you. We confess that often times we choose to listen and to respond to competing voices and the invitations they offer “to follow them” and to experience the “good life.” Forgive us for our pride, fickleness, and half-hearted responses to the love you offer us. By your grace, enable us to see you more clearly, to love you more dearly, and to follow you more nearly, through Jesus Christ our 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.

ANTHEM “Come to the Table” Allen Pote

*Come, come, come to the table and bring your joy,
Bring all your gladness and come, come, come to the table.
Eat the bread, drink the wine, come rejoice in the Lord.
Bring all your sorrow, bring all your pain, bring all the heartaches you bear.
Bring who you are and hope to become, come to the table to share.*

*Come, come, come to the table, remember Christ,
Remember his love when you come, come, come to the table.
Come in faith, come to serve, come rejoice in the Lord.
Share in the bread, share in the wine, share in the risen Lord.
Share as a family, one in community, one in the name of the Lord.
Come, come, come to the table to follow Christ forgiven and free,
You must come, come, come to the table.
Come in faith, come in love, come rejoice in the Lord.*

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

“Prelude on BEACH SPRING” Charles Ore
(based on the closing hymn #498)

***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**

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 35: 1-6, Mark 7: 31-37
NRSV *(pages 578, 819)*

SERMON “The Great Reversal” Paul Means, Associate Pastor

***HYMN #793** “O Christ, the Healer” ERHALT UNS, HERR

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

“Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior” Charles Callahan
(based on the communion hymn #495)

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN #498** “Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken”
BEACH SPRING

***BENEDICTION**

SUNG BLESSING “Now as We Go” Carlton R. Young
(please be seated) Barbara Washburn, Soloist

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Jerusalem” C. Hubert H. Parry
(see the hymn #373, “O Day of Peace” (1848-1918)

(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.*

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COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

PRAISE SONGS

“Soul On Fire”

“Live Like That”

MEET AND GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Duet

“Voices”

*by Jeremy Stephen
Jeremy & Larry Stephen*

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“You Say”

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 35: 1-6, Mark 7: 31-37

MESSAGE

“The Great Reversal”

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC

“I Will Rise”

Arr. Sorenson

SONG OF DEDICATION

“King of My Heart”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU