CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (17/18 School Year)
Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade, Room 2
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Jane Frame & Chrsissy Reborn.

3rd-5th Grade, Room 8
Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8 with Tanya Adkisson & Justine Ruisz.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (17/18 School Year)
Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

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 Schoolers are meeting this week for Sunday school at 9:30 will be in room 2.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 A.M. TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11
The TCI Class will discuss Poverty as it is seen around the world and more particularly how Poverty is managed in the US.
Bill Bitter will lead the discussion and as usual cookies and coffee will be available to add to the flavor of the discussion.

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

9:30 A.M. Adult Bible Study
Professor Michael Jahosky will continue teaching an Adult Sunday School Bible Study, today, April 29th at 9:30AM in room 10. This class will meet on Sundays through May 13th. This class is a Bible study that will give you the basic tools to talk about your faith with non-Christians. Please let us know if you are interested in attending the class, by contacting Justine Ruisz at childrensminis-try@northwoodpc.org.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, April 29: Wayne Rodewald, Jarrett Mattson
Monday, April 30: Jane Archerd, Sarah Flaherty
Tuesday, May 1: Richard Smith
Wednesday, May 2: Steve Lawrence
Thursday, May 3: Melissa Schultz, Sophie Dietrich
Friday, May 4: Fred Inkles, Barbara Jeffrey, Raymond Linville
Saturday, May 5: Juanita Hickey
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
Louise & Bill Mylin
In Honor of our Anniversary
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

ACOLYTES: (8:15) Blake Ruisz (11:00) Dylan Cantin

GREETERS: (8:15) Barbara Englehart (11:00) Nancy & Wally Ericson

USHERS: (8:15) Dennis & Betty O’Shea Barbara Moler & Gene Baker (9:30) Bill & Louise Mylin (11:00) Pete Towns & Jon Mills Eleanor Cicerci & Nancy Johnson

VAN DRIVER: Jerry Koski

O God, in Your Love

O God, in your love, you have made us unique:
In gifts and traditions, in service we seek,
In race and in culture and family design,
diverse are the branches in Jesus the Vine.

Lord Jesus, you came to bring God's love on earth;
You welcomed the outcasts and showed us our worth.
You reached out to people whom others despised,
You said all are precious in God's loving eyes.

O Christ, with your welcome your church feels unease:
We stand at closed doors tightly holding the keys.
Yet this is your body, the church that you love,
O Lord, do you weep for your church from above?

So may your church welcome in loving accord;
All people who want to serve Jesus our Lord.
O Spirit, unite us in Jesus the Son
In mission and ministry, God, make us one.

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E. Chris Curvin, Pastor
Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission
**Order for the Public Worship of God**

**April 29, 2018**

5th Sunday of Easter

8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

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**THE GATHERING**

(Adapted from John 15:5-16)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Chris Curvin, Pastor

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Leader: Jesus said, “I tell you this so that my joy may be in you...”

People: Love one another as I have loved you...”

Leader: Jesus said, “You are my friends if you do what I ask you...”

People: Love one another as I have loved you...”

Leader: Jesus said, “I have appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last...”

All: Christ, you are the vine. We are the branches. We will abide in your love and share it!

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**OPENING VOLUNTARY**

“Enduring Gladness”

Ron Mallory

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(please be seated)

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**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Grace in God, we are people formed by your word in Christ, but we have wondered away from your truth, we have broken your commandments, we have distorted your teachings to serve our own ends, we have failed to trust you. We have wandered from your truth, we have broken your commandments, we have distorted your teachings to serve our own ends, we have failed to trust you.

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**PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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**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.

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**CALL TO OFFERING**

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**MUSICAL OFFERING**

“How Firm a Foundation”

David Cherwien

**SCRIPTURE READING**

1 John 4: 7

**SERMON**

“The Logic of Love”

Chris Curvin, Pastor

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

“How Firm a Foundation”

**SUNG BLESSING**

“Go Gently, Go Lightly”

Carlton R. Young

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing”

Michael Burkhardt

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

Stephanie Carson, Music Director

Troy Harris, Earle Lusk, Jessie Lusk, Gwen Reefer, Roxie Schwartz