FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY
GREETERS:

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

USHERS:

(8:15) Fred & Charlotte McQuown
Barbara Moler & Howard Green
(9:30) Bill & Louise Mylin
(11:00) Ken & Martha Toibissen
Nancy Johnson & Cindy Whiteside

VAN DRIVER: Don Stevens

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 & Sydney Blackmore.

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, led by Michael Jahosky, will not meet 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.

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 is studying this summer. This study covers how to trust God even when life doesn’t go as we want it to go. For the summer, the group is meeting on Sundays at 12:30 in Room 4. Contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 or email facemny1@aol.com with questions or if you need a book ordered. Books may be purchased online.

Hymn Notes:
“Jesus, Lover of My Soul” (448)
The text was written by Charles Wesley in 1740 and is often regarded as his best. However, John Wesley omitted it from his famous 1780 collection because he felt the intimate images “lover” and “bosom” were not suitable for public worship—proving that not every hymn will be equally liked by everyone. It was included in the revised 1797 edition eight years after his death. There are stories about birds finding shelter from a hawk with Charles, and another has a seahird taking refuge from a storm in his room, but more likely its inspiration came after his conversion based on “But thouarestall, for they are thine, O Lord, thou lover of souls.” (Wisdom of Solomon 11:26, KJV). This hymn had particular meaning to slaves who without names, parents, or status could claim Jesus as their provider, and published three years later. Parry was born in Wales and the tune is named for the city in North Wales where the composer was a professor of music.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, July 22:
Ted Whitten, JoAnne Spigarelli, Kayla McDermott

Monday, July 23:
Heather Villafanra, Mike O’Leary, Jill Manning, Maria Papolos

Wednesday, July 25:
Pat Rabensteen, Don Propst, Lauren Boyd

Thursday, July 26:
Eric Gajenten, Lauren Mackie, Eli Scales, Ethan Scales

Friday, July 27:
Darrough Diamond, Missy Turner

Saturday, July 28:
Nancy Zareczy

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
Ward, Pam, Erik, Dane, & Claire Johansen
In Honor of JoAnne Spigarelli’s Birthday
Fred & Charlotte McQuown
In Honor of our 66th 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!
**countdown**

**welcome**

**praise songs**

"Old Church Choir"

"Fires"

**meet and greet**

"O Come to the Altar"

**announcements**

"What Faith Can Do"

Larry & Jeanne Stephen

**sharing joys & concerns in prayer**

**call to offering**

**making offering**

"Brother James' Air"  arr. Dale Wood

(1934-2003)

**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 #460**

"Break Thou the Bread of Life"  BREAD OF LIFE

**we hear the word**

**scripture reading**

Mark 6:30-56 NRSV (page 818)

**sermon**

"Drop Your Bucket Here"  Chris Curvin, Pastor

**we go out to serve**

**hymn #440**

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"  ABERYSTWYTH

**benediction**

**sung blessing**

"A Blessing of Light"  Joseph M. Martin

(please be seated)

Cathy Garner and Cindy Huffman

Go now in peace and let your light so shine.
Go now in hope and warm the cold of night.
Go now in joy with hearts ablaze.
Walk in the light and live in praise.
Go and change the world with grace. Amen!

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**closing voluntary**

"Trumpet Tune in D"  David N. Johnson

(1922-1997)

(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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Order for the Public Worship of God
July 22, 2018
9th 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)

Leader: Surely the Lord is in this place!
People: This is the house of God.
Leader: In Christ we are no longer strangers;
People: We are members of the household of God.
Leader: Christ is the image of the invisible God;
People: In Him the fullness of God came to dwell.

**opening voluntary**

"My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker"  Jan Bender

(1909-1994)

(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 #643

"Now Thank We All Our God"  NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

**call to confession**

**prayer of confession**

(Together)

Almighty God, who sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith: we confess that we have held back the force of your Spirit among us; that we have been slow to serve you, and reluctant to spread the good news of your love. God, have mercy on us. Forgive our divisions, and by your Spirit draw us together. Fill us with flaming desire to do your will, and be faithful people; for the sake of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. 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.

**duet**

"Here I Am, Lord"  arr. Lloyd Larson

Cathy Garner and Cindy Huffman

(the text is at #69 in the Glory to God hymnal)

**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.)