HYMN NOTES:

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (610)

The text was written by Charles Wesley on the first anniversary of his spiritual conversion (1740). He was inspired to write the poem after a conversation with Moravian Peter Böhler during which Wesley asked him about praising Christ. Böhler replied, "Had I a thousand tongues, I would praise Him with them all." The original hymn has eighteen stanzas and was titled "For the anniversary of one's conversion." The first stanza is:

Glory to God, and praise and love be ever, ever given,

by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

The hymn has long been the first selection in Methodist hymnals.

The tune was composed by Carl G. Gläser in 1828. The arranger of the music, Lowell Mason, named the tune AZMON, the Hebrew word for

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by



"fortress."

Bill & Louise Mylin

In Honor of our Wedding Anniversary



Diane Musto In Memory of Doris Petersen

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2016 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!

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO....

Sunday, April 24: Charlie Hersh, Keith Nadig, Kat Voss,

Jaedon Wade

Monday, April 25: Billie Nesmith, Renee Smith

Tuesday, April 26: Diane Lynn, Jessie Lusk, Tom Michaels,

Lukas Ruisz, Elias Jeffre, Isaac Jeffre

Wednesday, April 27: Anna Colon, Troy Harris, Shaun Flaherty,

Olivia French

Thursday, April 28: Elinore Geer

Friday, April 29: Wayne Rodewald, Jarrett Mattson

Saturday, April 30: Jane Archerd, Sarah Flaherty

If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in church recently, give them a call!

FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

ACOLYTE:

(8:15) Kathryn Birch

(11:00) Aidan McDermott

GREETERS & USHERS

The Youth of Northwood will be greeting and ushering this morning as we celebrate Youth Sunday!

YOUTH CHOIR: Dylan Cantin, Sarah Flaherty, Shaun Flaherty, Bryce Fulford, David Hamilton, Carissa Johnston, Lindsey Peterson, Robert Wood. Heather Wood

WESTMINSTER HANDBELL CHOIR: Alyssa Bates, Dylan Cantin, Shaun Flaherty, Lucas Johnston, Lindsey Peterson, Brandon Strelcheck, Robert Wood, Heather Wood, with assistance from Troy Harris and Pam Wood.

VAN DRIVER: Jane Winne

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (15/16 School Year)

Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship class after the Children's Message with Justine Ruisz.

9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-VPK (15/16 School Year), Room 3 with Dan Gipson & Mauricio Estavil.

Kindergarten- 2nd Grades, Room 2

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Melissa Patel.

3rd-5th Grades, Room 12

Students gather to worship at the beginning of the service with their teachers, in the front Sanctuary rows, closest to the band. After the Prayers of Joys & Concerns, they will move to room 12 with Todd & Tanya Adkisson.

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (15/16 School Year), Children may remain in worship with their family or join us in room 3 for children's worship with Barbara Englehart & Nancy Stevens.

Parents, if you wish for your children to receive communion please have them remain with you in the worship service on Communion Sundays. If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Elder Dawn Winder, Chair of Worship Team.

9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

On the 1st Sunday we will meet in the Ignite service to enjoy worship and communion together. Middle and High Sunday School will be in the Youth Room on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 AM Serendipity Class

Join us in rooms 13&15.

9:30 AM TCI Sunday School Class (Today's Christian Issues)

Susan Ruley, director of development for RCS, will be leading class today. Susan is not new to Northwood as she and her husband Mat sang in our choir on special occasions. For the past seven months Susan has worked with RCS. She will highlight the different programs of RCS with a question and answer discussion. As always, coffee and cookies will be available in rooms 9 & 11.

11:00 AM Experiencing God Class

Join us in room 15 as we explore 10 key beliefs, practices and virtues of Christian faith. Our goal: how to think, act and be more like Jesus.

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Order for the Public Worship of God April 24, 2016 5th Sunday of Easter 8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins. Please silence electronic devices.)

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Fanfare Celebration!" Westminster Handbell Choir Michael Mazzatenta

(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 #233

"The Day of Resurrection"

LANCASHIRE

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

Loving and merciful Father, so many times we fail to do the right thing. We turn our backs to those who need us, or we hurt those who love us the most. We are self-centered and concerned with our own pleasure more than your will for our lives. You have mercy on us when we should be punished; you love us even when we do not deserve it. At times we are lazy and disobedient, but you still love us unconditionally. Teach us to obey your commands and follow your ways. We pray all of this in the name of Jesus, 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

"Raise Your Hands" Westminster Youth Choir

Raise your hands to the One who gives us ev'rything, yet He shines in emptiness.

Heather Sorenson

Raise your hands when you're high upon the mountain,

and you know that you've been blessed.

Raise your hands when you start your day with nothing, and you end with even less.

Raise your hands when you're off'ring up the sacrifice that you want to claim as yours. Raise your hands, reaching up to heaven, when your heart's bowed to the floor. Raise your hands, trusting in the grace of God that has carried you before.

I will lift my hands to You, and bless Your name forever. I will lift my hands to You and bless Your holy name.

Raise your hands when your heart is full of worship, and your songs are filled with praise. Raise your hands when the battle ends in vict'ry and God's glory is ablaze. Raise your hands. Let the earth shout, "Hallelujah!" and the people shout, "Amen!" Raise your hands, and the hands that have been emptied, God will fill them once again.

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OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN

Justine Ruisz, Director of Children's Ministries

(Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for children's worship.)

WE UNITE IN PRAYER

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.

WE SHARE

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING "Open the Eyes of My Heart arr. Mark Hayes with Be Thou My Vision" Sarah Flaherty and Robert Wood, Solos

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord I want to see You.

To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory. Pour out Your power and love as we sing "Holy, holy, holy."

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me save that Thou art: Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

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*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 #305 "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!" DARWALL'S 148TH WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 22:6-16 (page 907)

SERMON

"What Have You Learned, Dorothy?" Troy Harris, Director of Youth and Young Adults

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" *HYMN #610 **AZMON**

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Look Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious" arr. Michael Burkhardt

(The closing voluntary is the final act of worship. If you must leave before the end of the service, please respect those who are listening 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

WESTMINSTER HANDBELL CHOIR

"Fanfare Celebration!"

MEET & GREET

PRAISE SONGS-PIERCED YOUTH PRAISE BAND

"Lay Me Down" "Gold"

"Believer"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WESTMINSTER YOUTH CHOIR

"Open the Eyes of My Heart''

BAPTISM

Andrew Bryce Fulford

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

(3rd-5th Grade Children move to Sunday School)

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"From the Inside Out"

SCRIPTURE

Acts 22:6-16 (NRSV)

MESSAGE

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SONG OF DEDICATION

"Fix My Eyes"

BENEDICTION