

**Hymn Notes:**

**“Faith of Our Fathers”**

This is a hymn whose focus and meaning is completely different from the intention of the author. Frederick W. Faber (1814-1863) wrote this to be sung by Roman Catholic parishioners who with their newly restored freedom of political and religious expression were calling for the return of Roman rule to the Church of England. The original third stanza read: “Faith of our Fathers! Mary’s prayers, shall win our country back to thee...” It is still not popular in Britain but since the Unitarians altered it for Protestant use, it is found in most American hymnals (not *Glory to God*) as singers vow to be true to the faith till death. God moves in mysterious ways!

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

- Sunday, June 17:** Jessie Loy, Pat Hurst,
- Tuesday, June 19:** Dane Phillips, Dorothy Boyd
- Wednesday, June 20:** Judi Cella, Joyce Allen,  
Claire Hamilton, James Birch,  
Katherine Birch
- Thursday, June 21:** Buddy Brown, Connie Zaccari,  
AJ Hatch
- Friday, June 22:** Terry McNay
- Saturday, June 23:** Ernie Kirkwood, Keith Decker



*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*



**Bob & Barb Stone**

**In Celebration of our 68th Wedding Anniversary  
and in Memory of our parents**



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) Earle Lusk & Linda Ciokan
- (11:00) Ken & Martha Tobiassen

**Ushers & Greeters**



**USHERS:**

- (8:15) Dick & Connie Evans  
Jerry & Jackie Koski
- (9:30) Kim Peterson & Marie Zeigler
- (11:00) Dean Rabenstine & Ed Puschmann  
Bryan & Nicole Bullis

**VAN DRIVER:** Cynthia Lawrence

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**3 Yr. Olds-2<sup>nd</sup> 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 8 with Justine Ruisz.

**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**

This class is led by Michael and Sarah Jahosky and is a Bible-based class about defending your faith. This class will meet through July in room 10. Please stop by any Sunday, all are welcome.

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

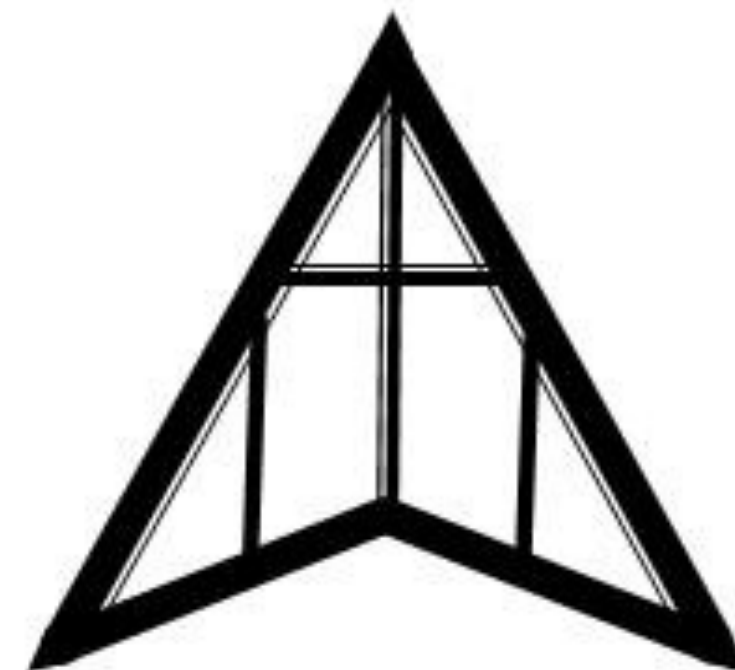
**12:30 P.M. Isaiah Bible Study Room 4**

“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 [lucindy1@aol.com](mailto:lucindy1@aol.com) with questions or if you need a book ordered. Books may be purchased online.

**Welcome To  
Northwood Presbyterian  
Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Church  
Organized February 19, 1978*

**June 17, 2018**



**Come, Grow, Go!**

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**Order for the Public Worship of God**  
**June 17, 2018**  
**4th 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: The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.

**People: Lord, send us out into your harvest.**

Leader: The kingdom of God is like a tiny mustard seed;

**People: It grows into a great plant with many branches.**

Leader: We have been crucified with Christ;

**People: Now it is Christ who lives in us.**

**OPENING VOLUNTARY**

“This is My Father’s World” arr. Joel Raney

*(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**

“Faith of Our Fathers” ST. CATHERINE

Faith of our fathers, living still, in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;  
O how our hearts beat high with joy when-e’er we hear that glorious word!

Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers, we will strive to win all nations unto thee;  
and through the truth that comes from God, we all shall then be truly free.

Faith of our fathers, we will love both friend and foe in all our strife;  
and preach thee, too, as love knows how by kindly words and virtuous life.

—words by Frederick W. Faber, 1849

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)**

Almighty God, our Father: you created us for life together. We confess that we have turned from your will. We have not loved one another as you commanded. We have been quick to claim our own rights and careless of the rights of others. Forgive our disobedience, O God, and strengthen us in love, so that we may live together in your joy; 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**

“My Jesus, I Love Thee” Gilbert M. Martin

*My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine; for thee all the follies of sin I resign;  
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou: If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, ‘tis now.*

*I love thee because thou hast first loved me, and purchased my pardon on Calvary’s tree;*

*I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow: if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, ‘tis now.*

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him, how I’ve proved him o’er and o’er!*

*Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus, O for grace to trust him more!*

*In mansions of glory and endless delight, I’ll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;*

*I’ll sing with the glittering crown on my brow; If ever I loved thee, my Jesus ‘tis now.*

**OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN**

*(Children ages 3yrs – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, are welcome to remain in service with their parents or join us in room 3 for Children’s Church.)*

**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.

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is” arr. Robert A. Hobby

*(based on Hymn #802 in Glory to God)*

**\*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 #250**

“In the Bulb There Is a Flower” PROMISE

*(Hymn of Promise)*

**WE HEAR THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Mark 4:26-34 NRSV *(page 815)*

**SERMON**

“God’s Self Disclosure” Chris Curvin, Pastor

**WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**\*HYMN #36**

“For the Fruit of All Creation” AR HYDYNOS

**\*BENEDICTION**

**SUNG BLESSING**

“A Sower Came” John D. Horman

*(please be seated)* Barbara Jordan, Soloist

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

“Allegro maestoso e vivace (Sonata II)” Mendelssohn

*(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.*

# ignite

*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**

“Glorious Day”

**MEET AND GREET**

“Grace Wins”

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VIDEO**

“Super Dads”

**PRAISE SONG**

“One Thing Remains”

**SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER**

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

“Your Love Defends Me”

**SCRIPTURE**

Mark 4:26-34

**MESSAGE**

“God’s Self Disclosure”

Chris Curvin, Pastor

**SONG OF DEDICATION**

“Resurrection Power”

**GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU**

*Sermon notes...*

*that Ignite Action!*