#### Hvmn Notes: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (306)

First published in 1782, the story goes that John Fawcett (1740-1817) received a pastoral call to a bigger and more prestigious church in London. After preaching his farewell sermon and loading his luggage on the wagons, he decided that he would prefer to stay with his fellowship in the smaller church. The hymn was said to have been written "to commemorate" Fawcett's decision to stay. It was first titled "Brotherly Love." It has appeared in nearly two thousand English-language hymnals all around the globe. Baptist and Congregational collections are especially likely to contain it, including those serving African American communities. The Methodist Hymnal, 1878 seems to be first to wed this text to the tune DENNIS. Given the Boston origins of the tune, its name likely honors the Cape Cod town named for Josiah Dennis (1695-1763), the first resident minister there.

## **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

Sunday, May 13 : Tuesday, May 15: Thursday, May 17: Friday, May 18: Saturday, May 19:

Ray Spigarelli, Greg Zimmer Bill Sutton, Pat Donnelly Wednesday, May 16: Chris Peterson, Heather Wood Adrienne Roberts, Kenny Giese Bill Mylin, Mike Nigels Bryce Bullis



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

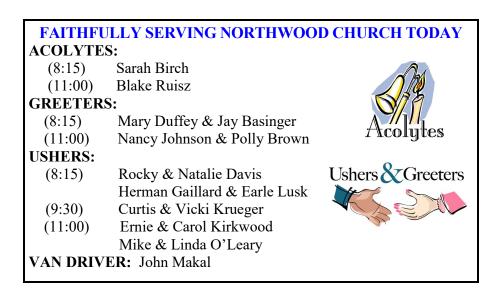
*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by* 



# Jackie & Jerry Koski In Memory of our Mothers



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!



## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

## 8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**3 Yr. Olds-2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Kim Blackmore & Jane Winne.

#### 3rd-5th Grade, Room 8

Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8 with Sarah Flaherty & Justine Ruisz.

## **11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**3 Yr. Olds-2<sup>nd</sup> 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 School youth are meeting this week for Sunday School. All youth are welcome to worship together in the back row of the Sanctuary at the 9:30 Ignite service. We'll be in service for the first 20 minutes and then we'll move to the City for Sunday School.

## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## 9:30 A.M. TCI (Today's Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11

Earlier this year Australian astronomers detected signals which may be the first light in the universe. Do these kinds of scientific discoveries undermine or enrich our faith? Barbara Englehart will lead our discussion as we talk about some of the intersections of science and faith. We'll have coffee and cookies to help fuel the conversation.

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

## 9:30 A.M. Adult Bible Study

Today concludes our bible study with Professor Michael Jahosky teaching at 9:30AM in room 10. This class is a Bible study that will give you the basic tools to talk about your faith with non-Christians.

## Welcome To **Northwood Presbyterian** Church

A Stephen Ministry Church Organized February 19, 1978

## May 13, 2018

#### Time Passes

Created with care, Born out of love, A gift of the father, From up above ... and time passes.

A smile every day, A toddler to hold, A hand reaching out A life to help mold ... and time passes.

A child full of wonder, Seeds there to sow, As the Lord watches closely, A life starts to grow... and time passes.

Full of ideas, A lad to set trends, Mixing with others, Each day making friends... and time passes.

A boy full of mischief, As others his age, Always with laughter Never with rage ... and time passes.

A son on loan To a family for awhile, Thankful for memories Always on file... and time passes.

A young man in bloom, Others to lead, Searching inside, A feeling, a need... and time passes.

A man in the dawning, A dream to be found, The good news to learn, And then spread around... and time passes.

A man standing tall, A smile from above, Good work my child, All said with love... and time passes

A man to go forward, A life to be new, A poem to be finished, Through God, by you... as time passes.

Mom 1984

#### Ministers: All Members of the Church

E. Chris Curvin, Pastor Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

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## Order for the Public Worship of God May 13, 2018 7th Sunday of Easter 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**

(adapted-Psalm 47)

Chris Curvin, Pastor

One: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God, songs of joy!

All: For the Lord, the Most High, is King over all the earth. One: God has gone up with a shout, with the sound of a trumpet.

All: Sing praises to God! Sing praises to our Lord and King!

#### **OPENING VOLUNTARY**

"Come thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Jason W. Krug Hallelujah Ringers

(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 #260 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" HYFRYDOL

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, grace, reconciliation and goodness: we are sorry for so much; for words we cannot bear to say, for memories we cannot bear to relive, for thoughts we cannot bear to admit. But you know our hearts. Relieve us of our burdens, bind our hearts not to the unbearable but rather to you, O God, so that, in all ways, we may live in the joy of your salvation and the delight of your loving embrace. Amen.

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Happy are we, when we walk in the ways of our God.

- All: Happy are we, God's beloved ones, as we receive God's forgiveness.
- One: Happy are we, because we are made whole, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

**\*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** "I Am Bound for the Kingdom" arr. Lloyd Larson Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, sing His mercy and His grace; In the mansions bright and blessed He'll prepare for us a place.

I am bound for the kingdom, will you go to glory with me? Hallelujah, praise the Lord!

While we walk the pilgrim pathway clouds will over spread the sky, But when trav'ling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh.

*Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving ev'ry day;* Just one glimpse of Him in glory will the toils of life repay.

Onward to the prize before us! Soon His beauty we'll behold; Soon the pearly gates will open, we shall tread the streets of gold.

#### **OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN**

(Children ages  $3yrs - 2^{nd}$  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**

(8:15)	"He Covers Me"	Craig Courtney
(11:00)	Westminster Singers "Children of the Heavenly Father"	Dale Wood
*DOXOLOGY	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 #306	"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"	DENNIS

#### WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS		Luke 24: 44-53 (page 861) Acts 1: 6-11 (page 884)		
SERMON	"A Poem to Be Finished"	Chris Curvin, Pastor		
WE GO OUT TO SERVE				
*HYMN #268	"Crown Him with Many Cro	owns" DIADEMAT		
*BENEDICTION				
SUNG BLESSING (please be seated)	"May the Lord Bless You and K Heather Wood, Solo	Leep You" Lloyd Larson		
CLOSING VOLUNTARY				
	"Crown Him with Many Crow	ms" 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 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

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Jason W. Krug Hallelujah Ringers

> **MEET AND GREET PRAISE SONGS**

"Chain Breaker" "Only King forever"

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

"Rescuer"

## **SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER CALL TO OFFERING OFFERTORY**

"Lord, I Need You"

### **SCRIPTURE**

Luke 24: 44-53

### **MESSAGE**

"A Poem to Be Finished" Chris Curvin, Pastor

### SONG OF DEDICATION

"Same Power"

### **GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU**

Sermon notes...

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