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– Kindergarten, Room 3
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Jane Winne & Kim Blackmore.
1st & 2nd Grade, Room 2
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Bree & Dan Greff.
3rd-5th Grade, Room 4
Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 4 with Chrissy Raborn & Jessica Jones.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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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 NOT 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.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 A.M. TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11
Yet another school shooting. Yet more calls for greater, or less gun control. How should our faith and Scripture inform our reactions? Ken Tobiassen will lead our discussion. As always, we’ll have coffee and cookies.

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, May 6th at 9:30AM in room 10 and will conclude next Sunday, May 13th. This class is a Bible study that will give you the basic tools to talk about your faith with non-Christians.

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

Stephanie Carson
In Memory of Jim Carson (10 years)

Beth & Raymond Linville
In Memory of Pat & Bob on their 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!

Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church
A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978

May 6, 2018

Hymn Notes:
“Earth and All Stars” (26)
This exuberant hymn of praise represents Psalm 98 (Bless the Lord all you works of the Lord). It was written by Lutheran pastor and poet Herbert F. Brokering (1926-2009) for the 10th anniversary of St. Olaf College in Northfield MN. Phrases from the original six stanzas have been shuffled around to produce the four stanzas we have in Glory to God. The original stanza 5 reflecting the context of a college setting has been left out completely:

Classrooms and labs! Loud boiling test tubes!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Athlete and band! Loud cheering people!
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The phrase “marvelous things” does not appear in the KJV of the Bible, however influenced by the biblical translation in the RSV and NRSV, the repeated last line of each stanza comes from the rendering of Psalm 98:1 which reads, “O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.”

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He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; Praise the mount!

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, as we sing, we sing thy grace.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be! Let thy goodness, O Lord, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; Here’s my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

Our ministry with the children (Children ages 3 yrs - 2nd Grade, are welcome to remain in service with their parents or join us in room 3 for Children’s Church.)

Call to offering

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Earth and All Stars”

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

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

John 15:1-11 (page 878)

SERMON

“Productive Faith”

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

HYMN #504

“We Come as Guests Invited”

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

(Together, hymnbook page 35)


(To symbolize our unity in Christ, we hold the bread until the Elders and Deacons are served and then all partake as one body. To symbolize our personal relationship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit leads.)

MUSIC DURING THE SERVING

“Prelude on O Filii et Filiae”

Flor Peeters

THE PRAYER OF THANKSING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

HYMN #496

“Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed”

AFRON

*BENEDICTION

SUNG BLESSING

(please be seated)

“God Be with Us”

Barbara Jordan, Soloist

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“The Strife Is O’er”

Flor Peeters

(based on the Easter Hymn at #236)

(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

Communion

“We Are Called”

Haas/Hayes

SONG OF DEDICATION

“We Believe”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU