HYMN NOTES:

All the organ music today is by the American composer Dale Wood (1934-2003). Wood was a prolific but careful writer of music for organ, choirs and handbells. He called himself “the world’s oldest teenager” and was known for his high energy gregorian personality. Also known as “Mr. Joy,” he frequently comes across in his writing. A native Californian, he was initially a self-taught musician who at the age of 13 won a national hymn writing contest for the American Lutheran Church. After college and a few church jobs, he spent much of his career as Executive Editor of Sacred Music Press. He lived in Northern California most of his life at The Sea Ranch, a residential area along the coast in over 5000 acres of redwoods and meadows. The residents manned their own fire department and Dale took his turn as president of the fire fighters. Wood was a primary leader in the standardization of a handbell notation system. He also was an avid proponent of limited damping of bells. He was quoted in his later years regarding the need to silence the ring of a bell, but it was probably shortly after the invention of the telephone.

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-2nd Grade, Room 2
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Gulten Wulf & Chrissy Reborn

3rd-5th Grade, Room 12
Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 12 with Claudia Alwood & Justine Ruisz

11:00 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.

Childcare for children 3yrs-5th grade who attended Sunday school at 9:30 will be in room 2.

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 Jackie Koski, Chair of Worship Team.

9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Middle & High School will meet this week for Sunday School. All youth are invited to attend worship together in the Sanctuary for the 9:30 Ignite service. We will attend service for the first 20 minutes and then move to the City for Sunday School.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Class:
Paul wrote “Be not overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good”. This is the focus of our study today...how do we do this? Come join us for discussion plus coffee and cookies. Led by Martha Tobiansen

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

FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

ACOLOYTES:
(8:15) Dylan Canner
(11:00) Blake Ruisz

GREETERS:
(8:15) Joanne & Ray Spigaralli
(11:00) Cookie Roffey

USHERS:
(8:15) Dick & Connie Evans
Don & Nancy Stevens
(9:30) Curtis & Vicki Krueger
(11:00) Bryan & Nicole Bullis
Ken & Martha Tobiansen

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January 14, 2018
The Baptism of the Lord
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: From the north and south we come.
People: From the east and west God calls us.
Leader: Over the mighty waters, the Lord speaks.
People: I have called you by name; you are mine.
Leader: Let us worship God.

OPENING VOLUNTARY
Prelude on BUNESSAN
Dale Wood
(1934-2003)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
(From the bulletin insert, "FRIENDSHIP SHEET," pass it toward the center aisle.)

HYMN
Down by the Jordan
LORE DEN HERREN

Down by the Jordan, a prophet named John was baptizing,
Preaching a message the people found bold and surprising:
"God will forgive! Show that you'll change how you live!
Surely God's new day is rising!
There by the river, the crowd came with great expectation:
"Are you God's Chosen One, sent here to rescue our nation?"
"No!" John replied. "He who is mightier than I
Judges and offers salvation."
Jesus, you went to be baptized among the others,
Taking your place among sinners, God's lost sons and daughters.
Then with great love, God's Spirit came as a dove!
Your work began in those waters.
Here in the Church, we are baptized and filled with God's Spirit.
Freed and forgiven, we're welcomed with joy! Can you hear it?
This is God's sign! This is how God says, "You're mine!"
Let's take the good news and share it!

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
God our Redeemer, we confess that our lives do not reflect your glory. You walk with us in times of trial, but we abandon others in trouble. You pour out your love for us, but we fail to share your mercy. Forgive us, God of grace.
Send us your Holy Spirit to cleanse and recreate us so that we may honor your love for us, but we fail to share your mercy. Forgive us, God of grace.
When I rise up, when I lie down, you are with me through and through.
Before a word is on my tongue, you know what I will say,
your presence follows me day by day.

Search me, O God, and know me, try me and know my heart. See if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

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.)

WE UNITE IN PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING
Prelude on BEACH SPRING
Dale Wood
(1934-2003)

DOXOLOGY
OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION
HYMN #490
Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters
BEACH SPRING

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING
Mark 1:4-11 (page 812)

SERMON
50 Years Later: New Covenant and Promise
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

HYMN #482
Baptized in Water
BUNESSAN

BENEDICTION

SONG OF DEDICATION
"The River"

COUNTDOWN
WELCOME

PRAISE SONGS
"Live Like That"

PRAYER
"Chainbreaker"
"Glorious Day"

MEET AND GREET
ANNOUNCEMENTS
"Your Love Defends Me"

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY
"What a Beautiful Name"

SCRIPTURE
Mark 1:4-11

MESSAGE
"30 Years Later: New Covenant and Promise!"
Chris Curvin, Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION
"Go in Peace"

GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU