

HYMN NOTES:

“God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand” (331)

Written by Daniel Crane Roberts (1841-1907) for the 1876 centennial celebration of the writing of the Declaration of Independence, this hymn was first sung in Brandon, Vermont where the author was the rector of the local Episcopal church. In 1886, he submitted this text to the committee producing a new Episcopal hymnal but with no indication that he was the author. After the still-anonymous text was approved as part of the committee’s report to the 1892 General Convention, he identified himself in time for his name to appear in the published hymnal. George Warren (1828-1902) wrote the music for the 1892 centennial of the adoption of the U.S. Constitution. The musical directions in the first printing imply that the trumpets are not optional; in fact, there is a note, “before each stanza.” The first four measures of sung text are marked “Voices alone,” and only after the next trumpet fanfare comes the direction “With Organ.”

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



Barbara Schlerf

In Loving Memory of Mother, Mary Simpson



Cookie Roffey

In Honor of Norm Roffey’s Birthday

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the “2017 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, July 2:** Alyssa Tobiassen
- Monday, July 3:** Pam Wood
- Tuesday, July 4:** Norm Roffey, Emily Granata, Chloe Estavil
- Thursday, July 6:** Joyce Lange, Gulten Wulf, Peri Decker
- Friday, July 7:** Prescott Seckel
- Saturday, July 8:** Linda Andreassen, Cheryl Eschweiler, Olivia Catlin



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

GREETERS:

- (8:15) Bill & Patty Martin
- (11:00) Murle Whitten & Ed Puschmann

USHERS:

- (8:15) Rocky & Natalie Davis
Don & Polly Hamilton
- (9:30) Rich & Candy Spoenlein
- (11:00) Nancy Johnson, Carol Rathmell
Jon & Vickie Mills

Ushers & Greeters



VAN DRIVER: Ed Puschmann

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY NEWS

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Children’s Church is taking a break through September. Children over three should remain with their parents in worship. Nursery is available all services for children 3 and under.

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 Kim Blackmore & Gulten Wulf.

1st-5th Grade, Room 8 & 10

Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to rooms 8 & 10 with Justine Ruisz & Jane Winne.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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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

Middle & High School Sunday school will not meet for the summer. All youth are invited to attend worship together in the Sanctuary at 9:30 Ignite service.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Class– TCI Class is on hiatus. Have a joyful and restful summer and plan to return with us on September 10. We’ll have more lively but respectful discussions of contemporary issues and their affect on our faith journey. As always, we’ll have cookies and coffee.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class is on break and will resume on Sunday, September 10.

6:30-7:30 P.M. Bible Study in rooms 4 & 6

Is currently on a break. Any questions? Please call Cindy Huffman at 727-733-8726.

**Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Church
Organized February 19, 1978*

July 2, 2017



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
July 2, 2017
4th Sunday after Pentecost
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

WE GATHER

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

CALL TO WORSHIP Chris Curvin, Pastor
Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
People: God's steadfast love endures forever.
Leader: Welcome one another in Jesus' name,
People: for Christ is truly present among us.
Leader: Let us worship God.

OPENING VOLUNTARY "Toccata Brevis" Daniel E. Gawthrop
(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(11:00) NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

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

***HYMN #331**
"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand" NATIONAL HYMN

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*
Great God: your Son called disciples, and prayed for their unity. Forgive divisions. Help us to confess our lack of charity toward people whose customs are different, or whose creeds conflict with what we believe. Forgive arrogance that claims God's truth; that will not listen or learn new ways. Heal broken fellowship in your mercy, and draw the church together in one faith, loyal to one Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. 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.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED** *(Together, page 35)*

SOLO "Battle Hymn of the Republic" arr. Jay Althouse
Cindy Huffman, Solo

OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN
(Children's Church is taking a break through September. Children over three should remain with their parents in worship. Nursery is available all services for children 3 and under.)

WE SHARE

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING
"For the Bread, Which You Have Broken" arr. David Cherwien
(based on the communion hymn at #516 in Glory to God)

***A 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 READINGS 2 Samuel 23:13-17 *(page 262) (NRSV)*
2 Timothy 1:7 *(page 966) (KJV)*

SERMON "Heroes: 'Who Are They?'" Chris Curvin, Pastor

***HYMN** "If My People's Hearts Are Humbled" BEECHER
If my people's hearts are humbled, if they pray and seek my face;
If they turn away from evil, I will not withhold my grace.
I will hear their prayers from heaven; I will pardon ev'ry sin.
If my people's hearts are humbled, I will surely heal their land.

Then my eyes will see their sorrow, then my ears will hear their plea.
If my people's hearts are humbled I will set their nation free.
If my people's hearts are humbled, if they pray and seek my face;
If they turn away from evil, I will not withhold my grace.
--Claire Cloninger (from 2 Chronicles 7:14)
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WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE CUP; THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP
(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 COMMUNION "Shalom (Peace)" Dan Locklair
from *The Aeolian Sonata*

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN #338** "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" MATERNA

***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Fanfare in B Flat Major" Charles W. Ore
(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

"The River"

MEET & GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS SONGS

"Superheroes"

"Everlasting God"

VIDEO

"My Country Tis of Thee"

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

For more information and classroom assignments for Children's Sunday School, please see Children's Ministry News on the back panel of this bulletin.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"In Christ Alone"

SCRIPTURE

2 Samuel 23:13-17 (NRSV)
2 Timothy 1:7 (KJV)

MESSAGE

"Heroes: 'Who Are They?'"
Chris Curvin, Pastor

COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Mercy"
Matt Redman/arr. John Cumberland

SONG OF DEDICATION

"Same Power"

GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU