**Hymn Notes**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (39)

Many times there is an exotic story about the origin of a particular gospel song, but in this case the author wrote in 1955 that there were no special circumstances for his. Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960) was a Methodist pastor from New Jersey and based this hymn on two biblical texts, especially as they are warded in the KJV. The first, James 1:17 includes the phrase “the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.” The second is Lamentations 3:22b-23: “his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.” This hymn gained great popularity in the mid twentieth century through its use in the Billy Graham Crusades. Originally the tune had no name. The composer suggested the name FAITHFULNESS when one was requested for the Baptist Hymnal, 1956.

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**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

8:15 & 11:00 AM

**CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (9:20 School Year)

Children 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-1st Grade, Room 3

Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour.

2nd-5th Grade, Room 8

Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8.

**11:00 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Middle & High Schoolers (6th-12th graders) are welcome to worship together in the back-left side of the Sanctuary at the 9:30 Ignite service. After the service, the youth will meet for Sunday School this week in rooms 10 & 12 where we will be continuing our series, Amplify. The Confirmation class will meet in the City at 10:45am for Class #1.

**ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

9:30 a.m. TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11

TCI – Today’s Christian Issues – offers adult congregants an opportunity to explore how our Christian values should inform our daily lives. This week, Jack Alwood will explore how we get our “Breaking News” in light of the Good News that Jesus is Lord — and he'll touch on predestination, an issue that came up in last week’s class. Next week, Martha Tobiassen will examine Christianity in China and how it's spread.

11:00 a.m. **Experiencing God Class Room 15**, led by Vicki Krueger

The Experiencing God class offers you a place to connect with other believers in the study of God's word and how it applies to our daily lives. Our goals: to grow in our understanding of the Bible, as Jesus’ own group of disciples did; to meet the needs of others in our group in prayer and ministry; to become equipped for evangelism; and to let the living Word of God dwell richly in us.

11:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 18th**

This Bible study meets at 11:30am on Sunday mornings in room 6 of the Christian Education Building. We are studying the minor prophets from the Old Testament. We are looking at God’s message of hope and reconciliation to God’s people while they were in exile. The book we are using is part of the Immersion Bible Studies—Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, and Malachi by Linda B. Hinton. If you have any questions or would like to purchase a book for the study, please contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 or lucindyl@aol.com. This is a discussion class and is approximately one hour in length. All are welcome! Come join us!

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**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO…**

- Sunday, February 9: Jeri Heycock, Kathy Gunderman, Alex Booth
- Monday, February 10: Dane Johansen, Brandon Capito
- Tuesday, February 11: Dennis Lambert
- Wednesday, February 12: Emily McMullen, Brooke Allison, Bitzi Evans
- Thursday, February 13: Marie Phillips, Marti Raiche
- Friday, February 14: Robert Walker, Suzanne Schulhof, Peter Gajentan, Zoe Scaler
- Saturday, February 15: Larry Ingram, Kylie Torres

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

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

**Beth & Raymond Linville**

In Honor of Shelia Linville and Patricia Miller’s Birthday

**Terry & Peggy Steele**

In Honor of Terry’s Birthday

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**FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY**

**GREETERS:**

- (8:15) Scouts
- (11:00) Scouts

**USHERS:**

- (8:15) Myrl & Dot Chronicle
- (9:30) Dennis & Betty O’Shea
- (11:00) Polly Brown & Ed Puschmann

Sharon Card & Claudia Alwood

**VAN DRIVER:** John Makal

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WE COME TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)
Leader: Jesus said: You are the light of the world.
People: Let our light shine, giving glory to God.
Leader: Do all things for the sake of the gospel.
People: So may we share in the blessings of God.
Leader: The Lord called out: Whom shall I send?
People: I am here. Here I am, send me.

OPENING VOLUNTARY
"All Creatures of Our God and King" Sandra Eithun
Hallelujah Ringers

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PASSENGING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

CALL TO CONFESSION

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG**

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

Proclamation of the U.S. Flag & Christian Flag

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING
"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" Donald Busarow

DOXOLOGY — #606

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

OUR MINISTRY WITH 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.)

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SCRIPTURE READINGS
Joshua 14:6-13 (page 180)
Luke 2:52 (page 834)
2 Corinthians 4:16-18 (page 939)

SERMON SERIES
The Time of Your Life
Sermon 2 "Growing Old Gracefully"
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

HYMN #687 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" ST. ANNE

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581 GREATOREX

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
"Teach Me Your Way, O Lord" Lloyd Larson

Our guiding grace afford, teach me Your way.
Help me to walk aright, more by faith and less by sight;
Lead me in heaven’s light, teach me Your way.
When I am sad at heart, teach me Your way;
When earthly joys depart, teach me Your way.

In hours of loneliness, in times of dire distress,
In failure or success, teach me Your way.
When doubts and fear arise, teach me Your way.
When storms clouds fill the skies, teach me Your way.
Shine through the wind and rain, through sorrow grief and pain,
Make now my pathway plain, teach me Your way.
Long as my life shall last, teach me Your way.
Where’er my feet are cast, teach me Your way.
Unto the race is run, until the journey’s done,
Until the crown is won, teach me Your way.
Lord, teach me Your way.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
In the likeness; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

PRAISE SONG
"In the River"

MEET AND GREET

COUNTDOWN

HANDBELLS
"All Creatures of Our God and King" Hallelujah Ringers

PROCESSION OF THE U.S. FLAG & CHRISTIAN FLAG
Michael Tauchnitz

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SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

MAILING ADDRESS

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"Never Gonna Stop the Singing"

OFFERTORY
"You Say"

SCRIPTURES
Joshua 14:6-13
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2 Corinthians 4:16-18

MESSAGE
Sermon Series: The Time of Your Life
"Growing Old Gracefully"
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SONG OF DEDICATION
"You Lead"

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU