Music Notes:
“Earth and All Stars” (26)
Herbert F. Brokering (1926-2009) wrote this text for the 90th anniversary of St. Olaf College, Northfield MN in 1964. The tune by David N. Johnson (1922-1987) was composed expressly for this text. Johnson was head of the music department of St. Olaf and later moved to Syracuse University and then Arizona State University. He published nearly 400 compositions for organ and choir and served on the Lutheran Book of Worship Committee. Brokering was a pastor in the Lutheran Church, later working in the education department of the American Lutheran Church. The author of more than 30 books, Brokering’s hymn now appears in at least 33 different hymnals. We first sang this hymn in October 2013, the first Sunday we used our new hymnal, Glory to God.

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 with Kelly Tighe.
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 #4.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
9:30 A.M. TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Rooms 9,11
TCI offers congregants an opportunity to explore their faith in relation to "today's Christian issues". We welcome young and old alike -- from 19 to 90 and every age in between -- as our age difference informs our attitudes. This week, Garry Justice will complete his four-part series exploring the Ten Commandments as he examines the first and second commandments. Next week, Jim Vander Slik will begin a 2-part series on covenant theology in the Old and New Testament.

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. 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 lucindy1@aol.com. This is a discussion class and is approximately one hour in length. All are welcome! Come join us!

FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY
GREETERS:
(8:15) Anna & Dan Hyden
(11:00) Cookie Roffey & Dee Rivers

USHERS:
(8:15) Tim Beaver & Rocky Davis
Wayne & Nancy Rodewald
(9:30) Candy & Rich Spoonlein
(11:00) Jon Mills, Eleanor Ciccheri, Claudia Alwood

ACOLYTE:
(11:00) Lucas Ruiz

VAN DRIVER: Curtis Krueger
CALL TO WORSHIP
(Please complete the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and pass it toward the center aisle.)

CALL TO CONFESSION
People: Let us worship God as his dearly beloved children, for by God's grace this is who we are!

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Earth and All Stars!” arr. David Cherwien (based on the opening hymn #26)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
INTRODUCTION OF COMPOSER MARK HAYES Stephanie Carson

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

*HYMN #26 “Earth and All Stars!” EARTH AND ALL STARS

CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)
Almighty God of steadfast love and amazing generosity, in humbleness of heart we come to you, confessing our sin and seeking your cleansing and purifying forgiveness in our lives. Only then can our hearts, our minds and souls be refreshed and renewed; so that we may walk in your ways and worship you in truth and holiness. You do not seek from us a mindless response, but rather, you long for us to return to the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

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.

*APOSTLES’ CREED (Together)
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE GROW IN THE WORLD

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Samuel 9:1-8, 11, 13 NRSV (page 219)

SERMON “A Beautiful Picture of God’s Grace” Paul Means, Associate Pastor

*HYMN #507 “Come to the Table of Grace” TABLE OF GRACE

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (Together)
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.

(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 Piano selection by Mark Hayes

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #30 “O God, In a Mysterious Way” DUNDEE

SUNG BLESSING “Lord Most Holy” arr. Mark Hayes

(please be seated) Dick Casper, Soloist

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Arise, My Soul, Arise” Dale Wood

(You are invited to reflect on the worship service during the closing voluntary. If you must leave before the end of the service, please respect those who remain and leave quietly.)

*Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.

Stephanie Carson, Music Director

Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

COUNTDOWN WELCOME

PRAISE SONGS

“My Feet Are on the Rock” "Stand Up"

MEET AND GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PIANO SOLO

Mark Hayes

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

APOSTLES’ CREED I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING OFFERTORY “Jesus”

VIDEO “Pictures of Grace”

SCRIPTURE 2 Samuel 9:1-8, 11, 13

MESSAGE “A Beautiful Picture of God’s Grace” Paul Means, Associate Pastor

COMMUNION COMMUNION MUSIC Piano selection by Mark Hayes

SONG OF DEDICATION “Way Maker”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU