HYMN NOTES:

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian (729) African American spiritual (19th century)

In 1756 a slave in Hanover VA went to the Presbyterian minister, William Davies, with the request: "I come to you, sir, that you may tell me some good things concerning Jesus Christ and my duty to God, for I am resolved not to live any more as I have done." This desire to be a Christian is a universal longing that is voiced in many spirituals—for patience, forbearance, love, faith and hope.

In early printings there was an additional stanza, "I don't want to be like Judas...."which is now generally omitted. The piece was first published in Folk Songs of the American Negro by Frederick J. Work in 1907.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, Oct. 23: Naomi Cline, Vickie Mills

Monday, Oct. 24: Imogene White, Jon Mills, Ed Derkevics Tuesday, Oct. 25: David Daniel, Larry Taylor, Karen McLendon,

Lauran Irion, Jordan Mattheus, Ava Cornillaud

Wednesday, Oct. 26: Sue Gavette, Jody Mattheus, Doug Caccamise Bob Beck, Matt Ruisz, Brianna Preston,

Thursday, Oct. 27: Caitlyn Preston

Friday, Oct. 28: Glenna Stevens

Saturday, Oct. 29: James Baker, Carol Kirkwood, Roger Ulrich,

Shawn Wolf, Tiffany Long



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

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



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FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

ACOLYTES:

(8:15)Kayla Dabbs Jade Johnson (11:00)

GREETERS:

(8:15)Lorrie Janusik & Betty O'Shea Ed Puschmann & Eleanor Cicerchi Acolytes (11:00)



JSHERS: (8:15)Ken & Linda Andreassen

Ushers & Greeters Don & Polly Hamilton Linda Howard & Sally Uhler

(9:30)(11:00)Ken & Martha Tobiassen

Polly Brown & Nancy Johnson

VAN DRIVER: Jane Winne



8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (16/17 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 year olds- 5th Grades, Room 3

We will be having a multi-age Sunday school this morning. Children ages 3yrs-5th Grade will meet in room 3 for Sunday school with Dan Gipson, Mauricio Estavil and Nancy Stevens. If children would like to start in service with their families, they can join us in room 3, after the Joys and Concerns prayer time.

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (16/17 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.

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 during the 9:30am service will meet in the sanctuary to worship together for the first 30 minutes, then move to the youth room for the lesson with Youth Director, Jon Drawdy.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 TCI (Today's Christian Issues) Class-Rooms 9 & 11

Colin Kaepernick, a well known quarterback for the San Francisco 49ers, has, since the beginning of preseason games, chosen not to stand during the playing of the national anthem. He has explained in a very quiet manner that he wants to call attention to for what he perceives as wrongdoings against African-Americans and other minorities by police actions. The TCI Class will weigh the arguments on all sides of the issues. Bunny and Bill Bitner will lead the discussion in rooms 9 & 11 along with coffee and cookies.

9:30 A.M. Serendipity Class in rooms 13 & 15- We are continuing our study of "Being A Presbyterian".

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

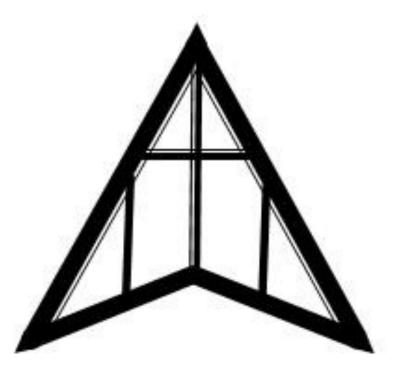
6:30-7:30 P.M. Bible Study in rooms 12 & 14

Bible Study will not meet tonight. Join us next Sunday as we continue studying Paul's life and teachings to see how his call and his decision to accept the call can help us as we grow in Christ. The study book we will use is, "Paul: His Life and Teachings," by Jack Kuhatschek. This is a discussion-based class facilitated by Cindy Huffman. All are welcome to join: males and females, singles and couples. Please contact Cindy at (727) 409-8727 if you have any questions.

Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church

October 23, 2016



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Order for the Public Worship of God October 23, 2016 23rd 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

Leader: Pour out your Spirit, O Lord; **People:** We call upon your name.

Leader: Rain down your mercy, O God; **People:** We depend upon Your grace.

All: Let us worship God!

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Variations on 'Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" Jack W. Jones (based on the tune of the middle hymn, #415)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(Please complete the bulletin insert, "FRIENDSHIP SHEET," and pass it toward the center aisle.)

*HYMN #401

"Here in This Place"

GATHER US IN

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from sin. We celebrate our achievements and look down on our neighbors. We boast about our virtues and deny the worth of others. Forgive us, God of grace. Be merciful to us, for we are indeed sinners in great need of redemption which only you can provide through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

ANTHEM "Light Dawns on a Weary World" arr. Michael Burkhardt

Light dawns on a weary world when eyes begin to see all people's dignity. Light dawns on a weary world: the promised day of justice comes.

Refrain: The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands gush with springs;
The hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!
We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
As all the world in wonder echoes shalom.

Love grows in a weary world when hungry hearts find bread And children's dreams are fed.

Love grows in a weary world: the promised feast of plenty comes. (Refrain)

Hope blooms in a weary world when creatures, once forlorn, Find wilderness reborn.

Hope blooms in a weary world: the promised green of Eden comes. (Refrain)

OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children ages $3yrs - 2^{nd}$ 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

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.

WE SHARE

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Bless the Broken Road" Hummon/Boyd/Hanna Stephanie Carson and Cindy Huffman, Duet

*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

*HYMN #415 "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" RESTORATION

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 18:9-14 (page 853)

SERMON "The Danger of Tooting Your Own Horn"

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #729

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN (stanzas 1,3)

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Trumpet Tune in C Major" Michael McCabe

(The closing voluntary is the final act of worship. If you must leave before the end of the service, please respect those who are listening and leave quietly.)

Stephanie Carson, Music Director Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

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



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COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

PRAISE SONGS

"A New Hallelujah"

"Indescribable"

MEET & GREET

"Grace Wins"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Bless the Broken Road" Stephanie Carson & Cindy Huffman, duet

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

Children's Sunday School for 9:30 Ignite Service

Ages 3 years—5th grade will meet in room 3 today for a multi-age Sunday school class. Children 3rd-5th grade may remain with their families and then join the class in room 3 after the prayer time.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"King of the World"

Janet Winder, solo

VIDEO

"You Are Not a Good Person"

SCRIPTURE

Luke 18:9-14

MESSAGE

"The Danger of Tooting Your Own Horn"
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION

"Cornerstone"

GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU