HYMN NOTES: Amazing Grace (649)

This hymn was written for the author's church in 1772. John Newton (1725-1807) was born in London and became a sailor in the British Royal Navy. After serving as a sailor on a slave ship, he became a captain, transporting Africans to port where they could be sold for the best price. In 1748 he was caught in a storm at sea and experienced a spiritual awakening. His experience of a changed life has been duplicated by a host of others who have been saved by the grace of God—some while singing his hymn. At the age of 40 Newton was ordained in the Church of England. He wrote his own epitaph which reads:

John Newton, Clerk—once an infidel and libertine, a servant of slaves in Africa was by the rich mercy of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ preserved, restored, pardoned, and appointed to preach the faith he had long labored to destroy.

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



Lee & Gene Ecker in honor of our 69th Wedding Anniversary

Mark & Ibelise Luther in honor of our son Josh's 15th Birthday



Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2014 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!

PLEASE REMEMBER THE CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO....

Sunday, November 23rd: Steve Fisher, Chris Means

Monday, November 24th: Alice Beck, Jana Davis, Jan Hewlett,

Marian Hill, Pete Towns, Caitlyn Turner

Tuesday, November 25th: Rita Kitenplon

Wednesday, November 26th: Burt Benziger, Eric Briggs, Eric Curkan,

Rik McNeill

Thursday, November 27th: Bree Greff

Friday, November 28th: Fred Archerd, Linda Diamond Will Curvin, Max Gipson

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

ACOLYTES:

(8:15) Nyden Rodewald

(11:00) Aly Tobiassen

GREETERS:

(8:15) Bill Lewis and Don Morrison

(11:00) Martha and Ken Tobiassen

USHERS:

(8:15) Bill & Loisanne Bilka and Dennis & Betty O'Shea

(9:30) Bill & Louise Mylin

(11:00) Rob & Trish Robicheau, Doug & Georgianna Winder

VAN DRIVER: Ed Puschmann

EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES

8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-5th Grade (14/15 School Year), Room 3, join us in the multiage Sunday School worship class after the Children's Message. *Teacher: Nathan Rodewald*

9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-Kindergarten (14/15 School Year)

Teachers: Dan Gipson & Mauricio Estavil

1st & 2nd Grades Room 16

Room 3

Students gather to worship at the beginning of the service with their teachers, in the front Sanctuary rows, closest to the band. After the Prayers of Joys & Concerns, they will move to room 16.

Teachers: Kathleen and Todd Pope

3rd-5th Grades Room 8

Students gather to worship at the beginning of the service with their teachers, in the front Sanctuary rows, closest to the band. After the Prayers of Joys & Concerns, they will move to room 8.

Teachers: Justine Ruisz and Janet George

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds – 5th grade (14/15 school year) join us as we bring the Bible to Action through games and activities in room 3 beginning at 11:00. Should your child like to attend service up until the Children's message, they can join in on the fun in room 3 after the Children's Message or remain in worship with their parents.

Teacher: Barbara Englehart

Middle & High School Christian Education

Come join us for combined middle/high school Sunday school. We will be studying the "Elements" of our faith. Through new and exciting curriculum, we will learn how to grow in our walk with God.

9:30 AM Youth Room 11:00 AM Youth Room

Children Welcome to the Lord's Table

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 (jackieandjerry@verizon.net), Chair of Worship Team. (Communion is normally celebrated on the first Sunday of each month).

9:30 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SERENDIPITY—Rooms 13 & 15

TCI (Today's Christian Issues)—Rooms 9 & 11

TODAY: The TCI class will meet at 9:30 in rooms 9 & 11 today and Sunday, November 30 to continue the discussion on the list of some of the most critical Christian issues facing all of us in today's society. The discussion will be lead by Bill Bitner. Coffee and cookies is an added bonus to the class get together.

11:00 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

EXPERIENCING GOD – Rooms 13 &15

TODAY: Led by Vicki Krueger.

Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church

November 23, 2014



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 Christ the King Sunday

8:15 & 11:00 AM

November 23, 2014

WE GATHER

(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins.

Please silence electronic devices.)

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

OPENING VOLUNTARY

arr. Jason W. Krug

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
Jubilation Ringers

(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00)

Burt Benziger (Full member from Affiliate) Dottie Benziger (Full member from Affiliate)

T.J. Fulkerson (Transfer of letter)

Marti Huff (Affiliate)
Sally Matthews (Reaffirmation)
Ann Turner (Reaffirmation)

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*HYMN #643

"Now Thank We All Our God"

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WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

Gracious Creator, you have given us so much, but too often we take those gifts for granted. Too often we place our wants and needs first, worried that there may not be enough. For all the times when we mistreat and misuse Your gifts, for all the times we assume that we get what we have by ourselves, forgive us and lead us back to the path of wisdom. In Jesus' name we pray. 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

All Thy Gifts of Love"

David Brunner

For food in a world where many walk in hunger,

For peace in a world where many walk in fear,

For friends in a world where many walk alone, we give you thanks, O God.

For health in a world where many walk in sickness,

For joy in a world where many walk in grief,

For friends in a world where many walk alone, we give you thanks, O God.

For love in a world where many walk in anger, For light in a world where many walk in darkness, Friends in a world where many walk alone, we give you thanks, O God.

For these and all the many things unspoken.
For gifts unknown or as of yet, unseen.
For these and all thy gifts of love, we give thee thanks, O God.

FAITH SHARING WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children age 3 (by 9/14) through fifth grade may go to Room 3 for Children's Sunday School.)

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 "Let All Things Now Living" David Cherwien

*DOXOLOGY #606

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, 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 READING (page 479)

Psalm 95:1-11 (NRSV)

*HYMN #354

SERMON

"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" BATTLE HYMN

SCRIPTURE READINGS (page 955)

Philippians 4: 4-9 (NRSV) Proverbs 23:7a (KJV)

(page 528)

"Thinking Precedes Thanking" Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #649

"Amazing Grace"

Proverbs 23:7..."For as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.'

AMAZING GRACE

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Now Thank We All Our God" Paul Manz

(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 is a contemporary worship service at 9:30 that delivers the message of Jesus Christ through Powerful Music, Media & Scripture Based Sermons.

LET THE COUNTDOWN BEGIN

JUBILATON RINGERS

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. Jason W. Krug

MEET & GREET

PRAISE SONGS

"You Are Holy"

"Start a Fire"

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS MINUTE FOR MISSION

Angel Tree

WORSHIP CONTINUES

"Oceans"

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

VIDEO

"Messy Blessings" 1st-5th Grade Children move to Sunday School

CALL TO OFFERING OFFERTORY

"Look What You've Done"

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Philippians 4: 4-9 (NRSV)

Proverbs 23:7a (KJV)

MESSAGE

"Thinking Precedes Thanking" Proverbs 23:7..."For as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." Chris Curvin, Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION

"How Great Is Our God"

GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU

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