CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (18/19 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 Yr. Olds-1st Grade, Room 3
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Melissa Long & Joyce Curvin.
2nd-5th Grade, Room 4
Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 4 with Justine Ruiz & Sydney Blackmore.

11:00 AM CHILDRENS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (18/19 School Year)
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11:00 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
The Middle & High Schoolers (6th-12th graders) are meeting this week for Sunday School. All youth are welcome to worship together in the center-right-side of the Sanctuary at the 9:30 Ignite service. After the service, youth will meet in the City at 11:00am for Sunday School where we are currently studying the Book of Exodus.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
9:30 A.M. TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11
This week, the T.C.I. class will be led by Dr. Bob Redpath and will be a discussion of Islam. Please join us in rooms 9-11 at 9:30. As always, coffee and cookies will be available.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class Room 15, led by Vicki Krueger, each day brings new questions. Should I stay? Should I go? Buy it? Sell it? Start it? Stop it? There is one question you can ask that makes it easy to determine the answer to all the other questions. In our video and discussion series, we will learn how asking this question has the potential to save us time, money and tears. All we have to do is ask it. Come join us!

11:00 A.M. Journey Through Room 4, led by Vanessa Celotto. Journey Through is an adult Sunday school class in room 4 from 11:00-11:45 that coincides with the youth Sunday School class. It is an awesome opportunity for you and your family to study the Bible cover to cover and grow together in a way that is relevant to each of your lives. Don’t have a child in the Youth Ministry program? That’s okay! The class is open to everyone and it’s the perfect place to study the Bible while building relationships with other members of Northwood. If you are in need of childcare, please sign your child/children in at the nursery.

6:30 P.M. Sunday Evening Bible Study
This Bible study meets at 6:30pm on Sunday evenings in the Parlor. We are studying the Book of Isaiah, using the study guide Isaiah: Trusting God in Troubled Times by Howard Peskett. This is a discussion study where we use the ancient writings of Isaiah, discuss his prophecy regarding the future coming of Christ and learn the meaning to us today. Please contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 for more information. Come join us!
Order for the Public Worship of God
October 28, 2018
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

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

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)  Paul Means, Associate Pastor
Leader: The Lord is our eternal dwelling place.
People: From age to age, the Lord is our God.
Leader: God has done great things for us.
People: Therefore we rejoice in the Lord.
Leader: Be glad and rejoice in the Lord.
People: God pours down grace in abundance.

OPENING VOLUNTARY  
“Festival Celebration”  Michael Helman
Halleujah Ringers
(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION  Brandon Strelcheck, Youth

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP  Lou Weislogel, Church Treasurer

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

*HYMN #275  “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”  EIN FESTE BURG

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

Turn us away from evil thoughts and deeds, O God of light and salvation.
Put down in us falsehood and boasting, jealousy and selfish ambition.
We confess that we aspire to power and recognition, while you call us to service.
We would like to be first, even when you counsel us to accept more humble roles.
Grant us childlike trust and a willing spirit as we seek to embody your purposes for us.
In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE  SCHRUMANN

We give thee but Thine own, what’er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.
O Christ, Your bounty flows from richness we can see,
Poor You became for love alone, a gift, O Lord, from Thee.

ANTHEM  “All Creatures of Our God and King”  arr. Molly Ijames

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia.
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
So clouds that sail in Heaven’s along,
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice;
Ye lights of evening find a voice,
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him, O praise Him, praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit three in One, O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia.

OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN
(Children ages 3yrs – 2nd Grade, are welcome to remain in service with their parents or join us in room 3 for Children’s Church.)

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.

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING
“Built on the Rock”  Michael Ware
Westminster Youth Choir

*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.

*HYMN #157  “O God, Be Merciful to Me”  ST. PETER
(see front cover)

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Psalm 51:1-12 NRSV (page 452)
2 Corinthians 9:1-8 NRSV (page 942)

SERMON  Chris Curvin, Pastor
A Generous Undertaking! #2: “A Willing Spirit”
“Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me in a willing spirit.”
Psalm 51:12

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #714  “God of the Fertile Fields”  ITALIAN HYMN

*BENEDICTION

SUNG BLESSING  “What Does the Lord Require of You?”  Hal Hopson
(please be seated)
Stephanie Carson, Soloist
Joyce Worley and Sarah Worley, Handbells

“Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me in a willing spirit.”
Psalm 51:12

CLOSING VOLUNTARY
“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”  David Cherwien
(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.)
Stephanie Carson, Music Director
Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

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

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME  “Festival Celebration”  by Michael Helman
Hallelujah Ringers

MEET AND GREET

PRAYER OF DEDICATION  Lou Weislogel, Church Treasurer

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP  Brandon Strelcheck, Youth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PRAISE SONGS
“Jesus”
“Nothing Ever (Could Separate Us)”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

SUNGS
	“Jesus”  Veggie Tales

MESSAGE

Stewardship Series
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CHRIS CURVIN, PASTOR

SONG OF DEDICATION
“God’s Blessing To You”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

IGNITE

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