

**HYMN NOTES: "Will You Come and Follow Me" (The Summons) #726**

One of the most important religious communities of the 20th and 21st centuries is Scotland's Iona Community. Founded on the remote Island of Iona in far western Scotland, the community traces its inspiration back to the 6th century, when St. Columba found his way from Ireland and established an outpost from which he evangelized all of Scotland.

John Bell (b. 1949) grew up in Kilmarnock, a rural town south of Glasgow. He was ordained by the Church of Scotland in 1978 and appointed youth coordinator for the Presbytery of Glasgow.

In 1980 he was admitted to membership of the Iona Community. Since then he has become the international troubadour of the Community, guiding its publications in worship and music, preaching at conferences around the world and composing many songs that enumerate the themes of the Community.

"Will you come and follow me" (called "The Summons") is perhaps the most famous of Mr. Bell's hymns. It asks a series of 13 questions, perhaps a record in the annals of hymnody. Characteristic of Mr. Bell's style, the text is prophetic, using many words not usually found in traditional hymns. "The Summons" of Christ is to a radical Christianity. We are challenged to "leave yourself behind" and to "risk the hostile stare" (stanza two), "set the prisoner free" and "kiss the leper clean" (stanza three), and "use the faith you've found to reshape the world around" (stanza four). The tune is a traditional Scottish ballad entitled KELVINGROVE, named after a section of Glasgow.

**EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES**

**8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

3 Yr. Olds-5<sup>th</sup> Grade (13/14 School Year) Room 3, dismissed to the multi-age Sunday School class after the Children's Message.

*Teachers: Nathan Rodewald & Kelsey Propst*

**9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**3 Yr. Olds-Kindergarten (13/14 School Year) Room 3**

*Teachers: Dan Gipson & Mauricio Estavil*

**1<sup>st</sup> & 2nd Grades**

**Room 16**

*Teachers: Mr. Bill Sutton & Jean DeFilippo*

**3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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: Andy & Stephanie Strelcheck*

**11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

3 Yr. Olds-5<sup>th</sup> Grade (13/14 School Year) Room 3, dismissed to the multi-age Sunday School class after the Children's Message.

*Teachers: Dawn Winder & Carissa Johnston*

*Please plan ahead and prepare for the celebration of the Sacrament of Communion on the first Sunday of the month. It is a prayerful time for giving thanks and confessing our sins, renewing our commitment to God, and hearing the Word proclaimed. 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 this process, please contact elder Jackie Koski ([jackieandjerry@verizon.net](mailto:jackieandjerry@verizon.net)), Chair of the Worship Team.*

**9:30 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**SERENDIPITY—Rooms 13 & 15**

**TODAY:** As we continue to move through the book of John, we see more and more examples of how those who should recognize the Savior compare Him to the devil. Study us and see our gentle Savior - our Shepherd who guides us today.

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

**TODAY:** When we give money to help others, how much effort should we extend to learn how effective that charitable group is in using the money donated? Do we have any Christian obligation to peruse such an investigation? Do you think that God intended that all charity involve some work on the part of those it is meant to help? The TCI class meets at 9:30 AM in rooms 9 & 11.

**11:00 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**EXPERIENCING GOD – Rooms 13 & 15**

**TODAY:** "Christian." Ask 100 people to define what it means, and you'll get 100 different answers. In this series, we will explore the truth and fiction behind one of the most famous brands in all of history. Led by Vicki Krueger.

**Welcome To  
Northwood Presbyterian  
Church**

**A Stephen Ministry Church**

**January 26, 2014**

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



*Judy Peterson  
In Memory of  
Minerva Peterson*



*Dick & Connie Evans  
In Honor of  
Our 60th Wedding Anniversary*

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!

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

- Sunday, January 26th:** Mildred Martin, Barbara Musgrave, Westen Patel
- Monday, January 27th:** Linda Feller, Zachary Jones, Katelyn Nelson, David Tobiassen,
- Tuesday, January 28th:** Garrett Grassmann, Rina McGrath, Dean Rabenstine, Nadia Rodewald
- Wednesday, January 29th:** Lisa Grassmann, Vicki Parker, Jeanne Stephen
- Thursday, January 30th:** Etta Cooke, Gary Jones, Maryann McLarty, Lauren Lapham, Andrew Booth
- Friday, January 31st:** Jim Highberger, Nicole McManus, Steve Miskiewicz
- Saturday, February 1st:** Sharon Brown, Becky Sharp, Ralf Wolf

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

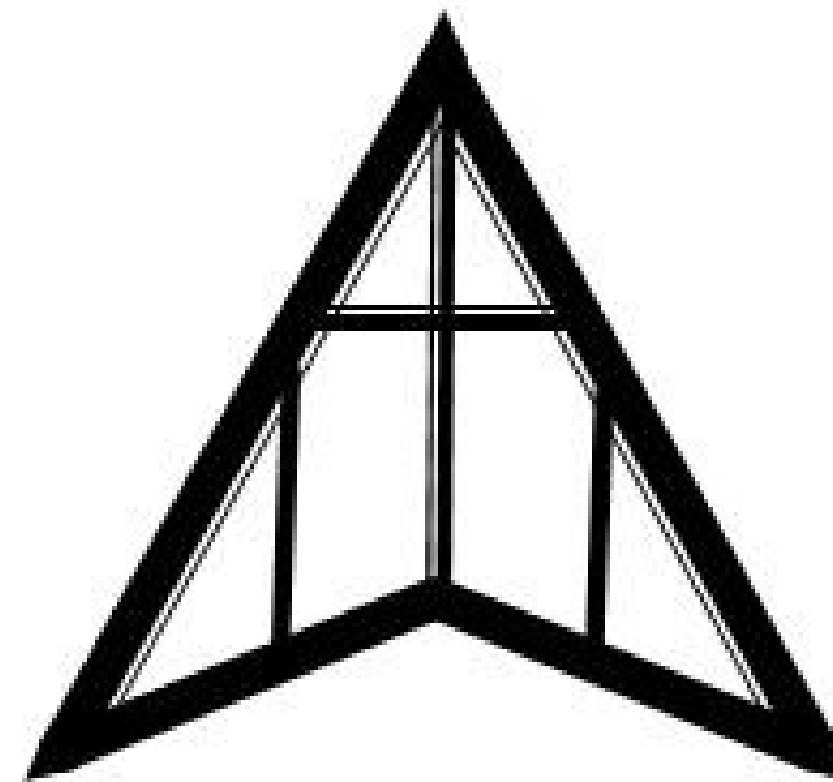
**FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY**

**ACOLYTES:**  
(8:15) Kayla Dabbs (11:00) Bryce Fulford

**GREETERS:**  
(8:15) Ed & Mary Bunch (11:00) Denise Cernankys

**USHERS:**  
(8:15) Norman & Jeanne Smith, Bill Bitner, Don Morrison  
(9:30) Sally Uhler & Billie Nesmith  
(11:00) Dean & Pat Rabenstine, Carol Rathmell

**VAN DRIVER:** Joe Nelson



**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  
January 26, 2014  
3rd Sunday after Epiphany  
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services**

**WE GATHER**

*(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins.  
Please silence cell phones.)*

**PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

**OPENING VOLUNTARY**

“The Summons” arr. Michael Burkhardt  
(Will You Come and Follow Me)  
Based on the tune of the middle hymn, #726

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

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

8:15—Elsie Potts  
11:00—Edward & Elinore Geer, Marcia & Kirk Hopkins,  
Harriet Jackson, Michael & Sarah Jahosky, Charlie & Jane Larson,  
Harry Merker

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*(Please complete the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and place it  
in the offering plate later in the service).*

**\*HYMN #170** WIR LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN  
“You Walk Along Our Shoreline”

**WE CONFESS**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)**

Gracious and forgiving God, we confess we need your help in keeping our lives from becoming unraveled. We stand in danger of accepting the past as the absolute norm for the future without allowing your Spirit to guide us in new directions. God of vision and new beginnings, help us to be open to your leading as we respond to your call to grow where you have planted us. 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** “The Third Song of Isaiah” Jack Noble White  
(Arise, Shine; for Your Light Has Come)  
*Congregation please sing the refrain when cued.*

**Refrain:** Arise! Shine! For your light has come!  
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.  
The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory.

*For behold, darkness covers the land, deep gloom enshrouds the people;  
But over you the Lord will arise, and his glory will appear upon you.  
Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawning.  
Your gates will always be open; by day or night they never will be shut. Refrain.*

*They will call you the City of the Lord, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.  
Violence will no more be heard in your land, or destruction within your borders.  
You will call your walls Salvation, and all your portals Praise.  
The sun will no more be your light by day,  
By night you will not need the brightness of the moon. Refrain*

**FAITH SHARING WITH THE CHILDREN** (Children age 3 (by 9/13)  
through fifth grade may go to Room 3 for Children’s Worship.)

**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** Robert A. Hobby  
“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”

**\*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 8) Genesis 12:1-5a (NRSV)

**HYMN #726** “Will You Come and Follow Me” KELVINGROVE  
(Please Remain Seated.)  
Stanza 1-solo, Robert Wood  
Stanzas 2-5, all singing

**SCRIPTURE READING** (page 796) Matthew 4:18-23 (NRSV)

**SERMON** “The Call of Jesus Christ” Chris Curvin, Pastor

**WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**\*HYMN #738** “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” MARYTON

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** Louis-Nicolas Clérambault  
“Basse et Dessus de Trompette” (1676-1749)

*(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.*

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*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**

**PRAISE SONGS**

“Mighty to Save”  
“You Are Good”

**MEET & GREET**

“Nothing Ever (Could Separate Us)”

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS  
INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Dave & Stacie Cody, Nicole Cody, Kyle  
Cody, Jason Fulford, Jack Mattson,  
Carol Zieres

**WORSHIP CONTINUES**

“Overcome”

**SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER**

*3rd-5th Grade Children dismissed to Sunday School*

**CALL TO OFFERING  
OFFERTORY**

“You Are”

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**  
Matthew 4:18-23 (NRSV)

**MESSAGE**

“The Call of Jesus Christ”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

**SONG OF DEDICATION**

“I Will Follow”

**GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU**

*Sermon notes...*

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*that Ignite Action!*