

MUSIC NOTES:

“Open My Eyes, that I May See” (#451)

Both the words and music of this hymn were written in 1895 by Clara H. Scott (1841-1897). As we know, the music for most of our hymns is written independently of the text and coupled together later. Much of her life was spent teaching music in the Ladies’ Seminary at Lyons, Iowa. She was also noted for publishing *The Royal Anthem Book* (1882) which was the first collection of anthems published by a woman. Scott died tragically in a carriage accident as she was returning from a friend’s funeral. She never knew the great popularity of her hymn.

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



Jean Swintek
In Memory of
My Beloved Husband, John



Daughter’s Family
In Honor of
Doug & Georgianna Winder’s Anniversary



The rose on the font this morning is in celebration of the birth of Lucas Alexander Jahosky, infant son of first time parents Michael & Sarah Jahosky, born March 26, 2014 at 2:59 a.m. weighing 8 lbs 9 oz, and 22 inches long.

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, March 30th:** Samantha Speer, Joshua Youngblood
- Monday, March 31st:** Sam Musgrave, Lyn Propst, Ruth Teal
- Wednesday, April 2nd:** Charline Snow
- Thursday, April 3rd:** William Jeffrey, Colin Means, Janice Ridgway, Bernetta Williams
- Friday, April 4th:** Jack Mattson, Jim Speer, Sue Walker
- Saturday, April 5th:** Barbara Smith, Owen Smith



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) Nadia Rodewald
- (11:00) Ethan Crossley



GREETERS:

- (8:15) David Hamilton, Heather Wood, Shaun Flaherty, Sarah Flaherty
- (11:00) Ally Wolf, Zach Smith, Sydney Blackmore, Carissa Johnston

USHERS:

- (8:15) David Hamilton, Heather Wood, Shaun Flaherty, Sarah Flaherty
- (9:30) Mitchell Johnston, William Warren, Carissa Johnston
- (11:00) Ally Wolf, Zach Smith, Sydney Blackmore, Carissa Johnston

VAN DRIVER: Jerry Koski

EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-5th 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: Laura Gajentan & Hayley Parker

1st & 2nd Grades Room 16
Teachers: Mr. Bill Sutton & Janet George

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: Todd & Tanya Adkisson

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-5th Grade (13/14 School Year) Room 3, dismissed to the multi-age Sunday School class after the Children’s Message.
Teachers: Joyce Curvin & 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), Chair of the Worship Team.

9:30 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SERENDIPITY—Rooms 13 & 15

TODAY: We witness the arrest of our Lord in chapter 18 of John. Join us as we consider the details of the legal system and Jesus’ response. Class starts at 9:45 but come a little early to chat and have coffee. Today’s leader is Doug Shierling.

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

TODAY: Caitlin Higgins-Joy, the Pres. and C.E.O. from RCS will present our TCI class with information about all the various programs run by RCS. There are many new and exciting offerings available and we should all be informed about them as we are one of the sponsoring churches. Come and join us! We’ll have coffee and cookies, too.

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

March 30, 2014



We are to **COME** to Christ and be active in worship and fellowship together...
We are to **GROW** spiritually as we commit our time, talents and finances to Him...
We are to **GO** out in mission and service in the name of Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit...

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Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission



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Order for the Public Worship of God
March 30, 2014
4th Sunday in Lent
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 Wayne L. Wold
“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”
(based on the opening hymn #377)

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Curvin, Pastor

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

***HYMN #377 “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”** HOUSTON

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together) Paul Means, Associate Pastor
God of Wholeness, we confess our lives are fractured and scattered. You call us to have childlike trust in You, but instead we act childish. We perceive others as less than ourselves. We look down on those whom we think do not work hard enough. We do not see our neighbors as our brothers and sisters. Forgive us. Forgive us for not viewing others the way You view all of us, as Your children. In the name of Christ, who forgives and restores us, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #551** LAND OF REST
“Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.”

ANTHEM “What Wondrous Love Is This” arr. Lloyd Larson

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul:
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.*

*When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down;
When I was sinking down beneath God’s righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul!*

*To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great “I AM,”
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing!*

*When from death I’m free, I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on,
And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity I’ll sing on!*

FAITH SHARING WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children age 3 (by 9/13) 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 Dale Wood
“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

***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 (pages 226-227) 1 Samuel 16:1-13 (NRSV)

HYMN #451 “Open My Eyes, That I May See” OPEN MY EYES
(Please Remain Seated.)

SCRIPTURE READING (page 951) Ephesians 4:11-16 (NRSV)

SERMON “Lent: A Time to Grow Up!” Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN #300** THEY’LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS
“They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love”

***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “O Day of Peace” Charles Callahan

(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

“Live Like That”

MEET & GREET

“Forever”

“Let Everything That Has Breath”

“Nothing Ever Could Separate Us”

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP CONTINUES

“Lord, I Need You”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“At the Cross”

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ephesians 4:11-16 (NRSV)

MESSAGE

“Lent: A Time to Grow Up!”

Chris Curvin, Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION

“The Wonderful Cross”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Sermon notes...

that Ignite Action!