

**HYMN NOTES: "God Is Here!" (409)**

The text of our opening hymn today was written by the English pastor and hymnwriter, Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000). Written for the University United Methodist Church, Austin, Texas in 1978, it was a commission with the request it center on the themes of worship, music and the arts and that it be in the metre of the tune ABBOT'S LEIGH. The hymn appears now in at least 26 different hymnals along with dozens of others he wrote, primarily after retirement from parish ministry. Many of his hymns reflect his rejection of fundamentalism and show his concern with social issues. They include many that were written to supply obvious liturgical needs of the modern church, speaking to topics or appropriate for events for which there were few traditional hymns available.

The tune, ABBOT'S LEIGH was composed in 1941 for the hymn "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" in Abbot's Leigh, a village near Bristol, where the composer was serving in the wartime headquarters of the Religious Broadcasting Department of the BBC. "Glorious Things..." was generally sung to the AUSTRIAN HYMN which the Germans had adopted as their 'anthem.' Cyril Taylor was asked to compose a different tune in response to the feelings of disgust expressed in some letters to the BBC regarding the use of the German tune.

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



*Barb Schlerf  
In Loving Memory of  
Bob Schlerf*



*Friends of Northwood*

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2015 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, May 31st:* Anne Lanning
- Monday, June 1st:* Richard Kolesar, Lindsey Peterson
- Tuesday, June 2nd:* Penny Shore
- Wednesday, June 3rd:* Marla Laufenberg, David Lawrence
- Thursday, June 4th:* Marcia Hopkins, Walter Rather
- Friday, June 5th:* Susan Curry
- Saturday, June 6th:* Mary Bunch, Cara Marsh



*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**

**ACOLYTE:** Ethan Crossley

**GREETERS:**

- (9:00) Youth
- (10:30) Youth

**USHERS:**

- (9:00) Youth
- (10:30) Youth

**VAN DRIVER:** Ed Puschnann



**Greeters & Ushers**

**SUMMER EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES**

**9:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**3 Yr. Olds-Kindergarten (14/15 School Year), Room 16**

Join us in the multi-age Sunday School in Room 16 at 9:00 AM.  
*Teachers: Aimee McDermott & Laura Gajentan*

**1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grades, Rooms 8 & 10**

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 rooms 8 & 10.

*Teachers: Justine Ruisz & Kayla McDermott*

**10:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Children of NPC have the opportunity to worship with their parent or guardian. Regular Sunday school class is during the 9:00 hour, see above schedule. Nursery is available for children ages birth – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade if needed.

**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 Dawn Winder, Chair of Worship Team. (Communion is normally celebrated on the first Sunday of each month).*

**Middle & High School Christian Education**

There will be no Sunday School for Middle and High School throughout the summer! See you in the Fall at Rally Day!

**ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Serendipity, TCI and Experiencing God are on Summer break. Come to Rally Day in September to learn more about these classes including start dates and topics.

**"CHEW ON THAT!"**

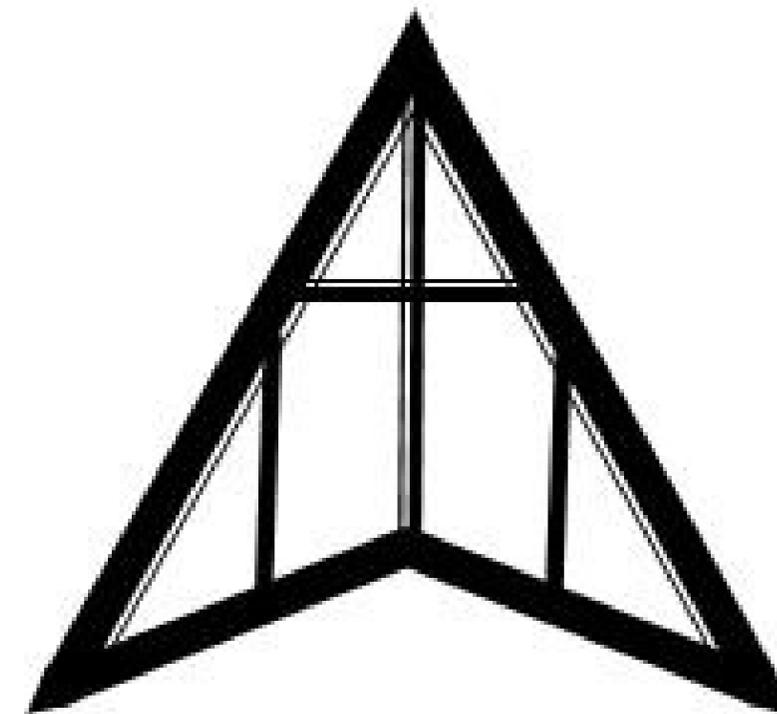
**Adult Summer Fellowship/  
Conversation Opportunity**

"CHEW ON THAT!" provides a time and place to love each other, eat and have scripture driven "Chew" on some out-of-the-ordinary topics. We will be meeting from 9:45 AM – 10:25 AM on June 14, June 28, July 12, July 26, August 9 and August 23. Join us as we share love and concern, delicious nibbles, and thoughts on such things as angels, remembrance, miracles - to name just 3 topics. Our conversations will be guided and/or nudged along by Carol Justice.

**Welcome To  
Northwood Presbyterian  
Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Church*

**May 31, 2015**



**Come, Grow, Go!**

**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  
May 31, 2015  
Trinity Sunday  
10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service**

**WE GATHER**

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

**PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** arr. Martha Lynn Thompson  
"Joy In the Morning"  
Jubilation Ringers

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

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**\*HYMN #409** "God Is Here!" ABBOT'S LEIGH  
*(organ introduction by Paul Manz)*

**WE CONFESS**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)**  
Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth. In Jesus' name, 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** "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" arr. Robert Lau

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

*Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shall be.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see.  
Only thou art holy: there is none beside thee,  
perfect in power, in love and purity.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity! Amen.*

**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**

"Will You Come and Follow Me" arr. Jeffrey Honore  
(based on the tune of the next hymn, #726)

**\*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 34-35) Genesis 42:1-23 (NRSV)

**\*HYMN #726** "Will You Come and Follow Me" KELVINGROVE  
*(Please Stand. Omit stanza 3)*

**SCRIPTURE READING** (page 882) John 19:38-41 (NRSV)

**SERMON** "Are You A Secret Disciple of Jesus?" Chris Curvin, Pastor

**WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**\*HYMN #720** "Jesus Calls Us" GALILEE

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

"Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire" David Cherwien  
from *Pentecost Suite*

*(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

ignite is a contemporary worship service at 9:00 that delivers the message of Jesus Christ through Powerful Music, Media & Scripture Based Sermons.

**COUNTDOWN**

"Joy In the Morning"  
arr. Martha Lynn Thompson  
Jubilation Ringers

**MEET & GREET  
PRAISE SONGS**

"Thrive"

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS  
GRADUATE RECOGNITION**

**VIDEO—** "Graduation: Your Story"

"Toward the Light"  
arr. Jeanne Stephen  
Larry & Jeanne Stephen

**SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER**  
*(1st-5th Grade Children move to Sunday School)*

**CALL TO OFFERING  
OFFERTORY**

"Holy Spirit"

**SCRIPTURE**  
John 19:38-41 (NRSV)

**MESSAGE**  
"Are You A Secret Disciple of Jesus?"  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

**SONG OF DEDICATION**  
"Stand Up"

**GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU**

*Sermon notes...*

*that Ignite Action!*