

HYMN NOTES: "God of Love and God of Power"

The middle hymn today (8:15 and 11) was written about 1939 and originally had a tune best described as a rousing turn of the century (20th century that is) Sunday School march in 4/4 time. The hymn has not been included in major hymnals except the two most recent Methodist books (1966, 1989). The composer of the tune, Joachim Neander, was most renowned for his hymn texts and poetry. This tune, from 1680, was frequently sung in alternation by various combinations in gathering: male and female voices, choir and congregation, left side/right side, etc. As a youth, Neander had a rather dramatic conversion to the faith after having gone to church to make fun of the pastor. Several years later he was appointed a non-ordained assistant to the same pastor. He has been called the most important Reformed hymn writer of the 17th century. After his death from tuberculosis at age 30, the valley of the Düssel where he used to take long walks, was named Neanderthal in his honor. Here was where the skeleton of *Homo neanderthalensis* (Neanderthal man) was discovered in 1856. His most famous surviving hymn is "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" #1 in *The Hymnal*, 1955.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO....

- Sunday, May 5th:** Juanita Hickey, Laura Hortobagyi, Bob Moler
- Monday, May 6th:** Trish Cole, Joyce Curvin, Hannah Sacco
- Tuesday, May 7th:** Sarah Birch, Jenny Carlstedt, Taylor Lyons
- Wednesday, May 8th:** Pat Jackson, Bill Rimmler, Barbara Thompson
- Thursday, May 9th:** Carol Pyrek, Jane Sutton, Hilary Tonelis, Lauren Warren
- Friday, May 10th:** H.M. Long, Marquette McManus



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



*Stephanie Carson
In Memory of
Jim Carson*



Friends of Northwood

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2013 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.

FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

ACOLYTES:

- (8:15) Aly Tobiassen
- (11:00) Emily Pursley

GREETERS:

- (8:15) Jim McGordy
- (11:00) Barbara Henry

USHERS:

- (8:15) Bill & Margaret Lewis
Fred & Charlotte McQuown
- (9:30) Bill & Louise Mylin
- (11:00)



VAN DRIVER: Ed Puschmann

EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES

8:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 yrs. old – 1st Grade Room 1
Teacher: Barbara Englehart

9:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3-5 Yr. Olds Room 3
Teacher: Hallie Pelham & Pat Cheek

1st & 2nd Grades Room 16
Teacher: Bill Sutton & Jean Swintek

3rd – 5th Grades Room 8
Teacher: Anne Lanning & Terri Youngblood

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Children over three may remain with their parents in worship.

Middle & High School Christian Education

9:30 am Youth Room
11:00 am Youth Room

9:30 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SERENDIPITY– Rooms 13 & 15

TODAY: Join us as we study chapter 2 of I Peter. We will learn that we must live in a pagan society. How do we do that? Is our society pagan? Are we facing persecution? What does God's word in this chapter tell us? Class starts at 9:45, but come a little early to chat and have a cup of coffee. Doug Shierling is our teacher today.

TCI (Today's Christian Issues): Rooms 9 and 11

Today: We'll welcome our own Wolf family - Shaun, Christine, and Ally - to share perspectives on prior mission trips to Honduras and what the goals are for this year's trip. This promises to be an exciting update and reflection of Northwood's continuous commitment to mission! Please plan to be part of the discussion while enjoying coffee and cookies.

11:00 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

EXPERIENCING GOD – Rooms 13 & 15

If you are interested in joining our class, stop by! Please contact Vicki Krueger if you have any questions.

DEADLINES FOR ALL PUBLICATIONS

THE MONITOR—Usually the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month
This publication is emailed to those providing email addresses.

SUNDAY BULLETIN—Info due 5/10 for 5/19 bulletin
(Please limit articles/announcements to no more than 4 lines)

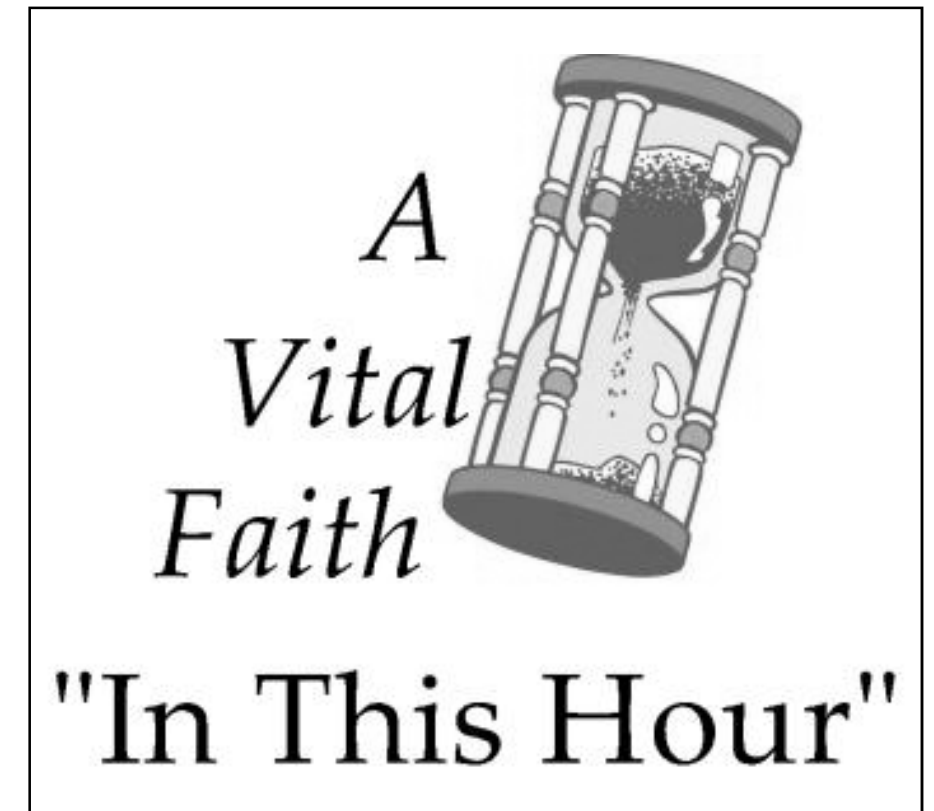
THE WINDOW-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:
Deadline: Thursday before the 3rd Tuesday of the month
Mailing: 3rd Tuesday of the month

Please send articles to Katie Pacana at Katie@northwoodpc.org.

**Welcome To
Northwood Presbyterian
Church**

A Stephen Ministry Church

May 5, 2013



Ministers: All Members of the Church

E. Chris Curvin, Pastor
Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

Northwood Presbyterian Church

2875 State Road 580, Clearwater, FL 33761
(727) 796-8090 Fax (727) 797-8276
www.northwoodpc.org



Like us on Facebook!
[facebook.com/npc.clearwater](https://www.facebook.com/npc.clearwater)

**Order for the Public Worship of God
May 5, 2013
6th Sunday of Easter
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services**

WE GATHER

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

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

OPENING VOLUNTARY arr. Dan R. Edwards
“Come, Worship the King”
Celebration 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 place it in the offering plate later in the service.)

***HYMN #15 “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”** MIT FREUDEN ZART

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

Merciful God, we confess our weaknesses before you. Too many times we have been so consumed with our own needs, we failed to see the needs of others. Too many times we have not believed, even though the truth was here among us. Open our eyes to see the suffering and opportunities around us. Open our hearts to receive the truth of your presence in the world. Forgive us, we pray, and strengthen us to live more faithfully. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Together)**

“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.”

***APOSTLES’ CREED** (page 12, opposite hymn #1 – The Hymnbook)

ANTHEM “You Shall Go Out With Joy” Craig Courtney

*You shall go out with joy, be led forth with peace;
And the mountains and hills will burst into shouts of joy before you.*

*And the trees of the field will clap their hands, will clap their hands,
will clap their hands,
And the trees of the field will clap their hands as you go out with joy.*

FAITH SHARING WITH THE CHILDREN (8:15 am: Children age 3 (by 9/12) through first grade may go to Room 1 for Children’s Worship. 11:00 am: Children over three may remain with their parents in worship.)

WE SHARE

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING Jack C. Goode
“Meditation on UNSER HERRSCHER”
(based on the tune of the next hymn)

***DOXOLOGY—#544**

OLD HUNDRETH

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 465) **Psalm 73:1-11, 15-17, 21-28 (NIV)**

SERMON **A Vital Faith: #1 “In This Hour”** Chris Curvin, Pastor

HYMN **“God of Love and God of Power”** UNSER HERRSCHER
(Please remain seated.)

God of love and God of power, grant us in this burning hour
grace to ask these gifts of thee, daring hearts and spirits free.
God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

We are not the first to be banished by our fears from thee;
give us courage, let us hear heaven’s trumpets ringing clear.
God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

God of love and God of power, make us worthy of this hour;
off ring lives if it’s thy will, keeping free our spirits still.
God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

--Text by Gerald H. Kennedy, 1939

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND 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.”

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE CUP; THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(To symbolize our unity in Christ, we hold the bread until the Elders and Deacons are served and then all partake as one Body. To symbolize our personal relationship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit leads.)

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

“Postlude for the Office of Compline” Jehan Alain (1911-1940)

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***SAMPLER HYMN #20**

OLD HUNDRETH

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Chaconne” Louis Couperin (1626-1661)

(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 9:30 that delivers the message of Jesus Christ through Powerful Music, Media & Scripture Based Sermons.

LET THE COUNTDOWN BEGIN

“Meet With Me”

**MEET & GREET
PRAISE SONG**

“You Are All I’m After”

“Your Grace Is Enough”

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP CONTINUES

“Waiting Here For You”

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

**CALL TO OFFERING
OFFERTORY**

“Lord, I Need You”

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 73:1-11, 15-17, 21-28 (NIV)

MESSAGE

A Vital Faith: #1 “In This Hour”

Chris Curvin, Pastor

**COMMUNION
MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

“Jesus, Savior, Lord I Adore You”

Martin/Stevens

Westminster Youth Choir

SONG OF DEDICATION

“In Christ Alone”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

Sermon notes...

that Ignite Action!