

**HYMN NOTES:** "Fight the Good Fight" (Sampler #43)  
 This hymn, based on I Timothy 6:12 and Hebrews 12:1-2, was written in 1863 by the Irishman John S.B. Monsell. He published eleven books of poetry which included his more than three hundred hymns. He became an Anglican priest in 1835 and later died of injuries received when he fell off the roof of his church which was in the process of being rebuilt. The hymn was introduced to Americans in *The Episcopal Hymnal 1889* and the *Presbyterian Hymnal (1895)*. The tune (DUKE STREET) was composed by the Presbyterian, John Hatton, about 70 years earlier. He lived in Lancaster, England in the village of St. Helen's on Duke Street.

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



Jon & Vickie Mills  
 In Honor of  
 Our 49th Wedding Anniversary



Melissa & Steve Schultz  
 In Honor of  
 Our 30th Wedding Anniversary

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.**

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO....**

- Sunday, August 18th:** Atticus Ulrich
- Monday, August 19th:** Irene Dewitt, Tommy Donnelly, Barbara Henry, Jim McGordy, Kathleen O'Leary, Omar Valdes
- Tuesday, August 20th:** Brad Hanway, Laddie Irion, Isabella Latorre, Dennis Rasmussen, Suzanne Rimmmler, Nicholas Smith
- Wednesday, August 21st:** Catherine Brinkman, Dominic Fuoco, Margaret Gott, Yolanda Hauer
- Thursday, August 22nd:** Keegan Lapham
- Friday, August 23rd:** Mary Duffey, Jim Roberts
- Saturday, August 24th:** Dylan Cantin, Rachelle Cox, Nancy Ericson, Violet Lawrence



**FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY**

**ACOLYTES:**

- (8:15) Kurt Kemerer
- (11:00) Aly Tobiassen

**GREETERS:**

- (8:15) Barbara Schlerf
- (11:00) Carol Rathmell

**USHERS:**

- (8:15) Ray & JoAnne Spigarelli  
Loisanne Bilka & Janet George
- (9:30) Kim, Morgan & Lindsey Peterson
- (11:00) Nancy Johnson, Carol Rathmell  
Sue Miskiewicz, & Steve Winder

**VAN DRIVER:** Cynthia Lawrence



**Greeters & Ushers**

**EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES**

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

Children's Church is taking a break through August. Children over three may remain with their parents in worship.

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

3 Yr. Olds-Kindergarten (12/13 School Year) Room 3  
 Teachers: Joyce & Ben Curvin

1<sup>st</sup>—5th Grades Rooms 4 & 6

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 4.  
 Teachers: Martha & Joan Tobiassen

**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**

John's Gospel is unlike the 3 synoptic Gospels in that he includes from his eye witness scenes and events that the other Gospels do not have. His writing teaches me about the importance of the Word made flesh. We welcome you to our class no matter of your experience of getting into the Word. You'll feel comfortable whether you simply listen or participate. Bibles are provided or bring your own. We also offer coffee and cookies. -Jeanette Holloway, one of the team leaders.

**TCI (Today's Christian Issues)**

TCI Class is on summer break. We'll resume our always engaging and lively discussions, fueled by coffee and cookies, on Sunday, September 1. We look forward to welcoming you then!

**11:00 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**EXPERIENCING GOD – Rooms 13 & 15**

We are on Summer Break. We'll resume in the fall!

**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 8/16 for 8/25 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*

**August 18, 2013**



**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**  
**August 18, 2013**  
**13th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**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** David Cherwien  
“O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be”

*O what their joy and their glory must be, those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see;  
Crown for the valiant, to weary ones rest; God shall be all, and in all ever blest.*

*(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 #369 (second tune)** FOUNDATION  
“How Firm a Foundation”

**WE CONFESS**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)**

We confess on this Sabbath, Lord, that we have not always been as faithful as we might have been, nor have we been willing in all opportunities to risk being faithful. Far too often we have played it safe. You have called us, like those in scripture, to be persons willing to go where you show us and when you call us. Sometimes—too often—our pride gets in the way of our seeing and hearing. Forgive us and put us back on the path that leads to you, in Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Together)**

God “does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far He removes our transgressions from us.” Thanks be to God.

**\*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.”

**SOLO** “Devotion” John Ness Beck  
Gale Dufresne, Soprano

**FAITH SHARING WITH THE CHILDREN** (8:15 am & 11:00 am: Children’s church is taking a break through August. Children over three may remain with their parents in 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** Flor Peeters  
“O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be”

**\*DOXOLOGY—#544** 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 172) **Joshua 6:1-21; 25 (NRSV)**

**HYMN** “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight” AZMON  
*(Please remain seated.)*

We walk by faith and not by sight; no gracious words we hear  
From Christ, who spoke as none e’er spoke; but we believe Him near.

We may not touch His hands and side, nor follow where He trod;  
But in His promise we rejoice, and cry, “My Lord and God!”

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound  
To call on You when You are near and seek where You are found.

That, when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light  
We may behold You as You are, with full and endless sight.  
--Henry Alford, 1844

**SCRIPTURE READING** (page 978) **Hebrews 11:29-12:2 (NRSV)**

**SERMON** “Living By Faith” Chris Curvin, Pastor

**WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**\*SAMPLER HYMN #43** DUKE STREET  
“Fight the Good Fight”

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** Michael Burkhardt  
“Improvisation on DUKE STREET”

*(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**

**PRAISE SONG**

“Trading My Sorrows”

“Rising”

**MEET & GREET**

“Whom Shall I Fear (God of Angel Armies)”

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WORSHIP CONTINUES**

“Waiting Here For You”

**SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER**

**CALL TO OFFERING  
OFFERTORY**

“That’s Why I Pray”

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Hebrews 11:29-12:2 (NRSV)

**MESSAGE**

“Living By Faith”

Chris Curvin, Pastor

**SONG OF DEDICATION**

“Live Like That”

**GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU**

*Sermon notes...*

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