



**NORTHWOODS  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**John 15:1-11**

**September 17, 2023**

**Prelude** - *The prelude is a call of consecration for the worship of the Almighty God. During this time, let us prepare our hearts in reverence and silent prayer.*

*As you prepare for worship, consider:*

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Question #23

Q. What offices doth Christ execute as our Redeemer?

A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation

**Welcome**

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 107:1-3; 35-37; & 43

Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy, and gathered out of the lands, from the east and from the west, From the north and from the south. . . He turns a wilderness into pools of water, and dry land into watersprings. There He makes the hungry dwell, that they may establish a city for a dwelling place, and sow fields and plant vineyards, that they may yield a fruitful harvest. . . Whoever is wise will observe these things, and they will understand the lovingkindness of the Lord.

**Hymn 457\***

*Come, Thou fount of Every Blessing*

**Invocation\***

**The Law of God**

Galatians 5:16-26

I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

## **Confession of Sins**

### **The Promise of the Gospel**

Philippians 1:6

Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.

### **Hymn 583\***

*Take My Life, and Let It Be*

### **Tithes and Offerings**

Supporting the Work of the Church

### **Hymn 731\***

*Doxology*

## **Pastoral Prayer**

### **Sermon Text\***

John 15:1-11

### **Sermon**

Jesus Christ the Fruitful Vine

### **Hymn 528\***

*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

## **Benediction\***

## **Postlude**

\*Indicates Congregation Standing

### **Our Traditional Worship**

Northwoods believes that a traditional worship service reflects the reverence suggested by Scripture. You will notice that we differ from many evangelical churches who practice a contemporary form of worship, because of our simple accompaniment and use of the historic hymns of the faith. We believe that “worship” includes the entire service, not just the music, and therefore we distribute our hymns of praise throughout the service. May God bless us as we worship Him together.

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## Serving in the House of the Lord Today

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**September 17, 2023**

**Ushers** – Ken Tunnickliff, Justin Manning, Alex Davison, Harry Nemetz, Micah Gildemaster

**Serving Next Week (September 24, 2023):**

**Ushers** – Ken Tunnickliff, Justin Manning, Alex Davison, Harry Nemetz, Micah Gildemaster

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## Cry Room/Nursery

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We desire children to join us in worship, and do not mind their sounds. However, as a parent, if you feel the need to step out with your child we have both a cry room (upstairs near the main doors) and a nursery (downstairs) available. Both are unattended. The sermon is broadcast into both as well.

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To submit prayer requests or announcements for the email chain or the bulletin email [prayer@northwoodspca.org](mailto:prayer@northwoodspca.org).

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## **Church Leadership**

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