



**NORTHWOODS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Matthew 13:53-58

December 24, 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 #34

Q. What is adoption?

A. Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges, of the sons of God.

Welcome

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:6-7a

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker. For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand.

Hymn 214*

Angels We Have Heard on High

Invocation*

The Law of God

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not bear false witness," "You shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.

Confession of Sins

The Promise of the Gospel

John 3:16-17

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

Hymn 9*

All You That Fear Jehovah's Name

Tithes and Offerings

Supporting the Work of the Church

Hymn 731*

Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon Text*

Matthew 13:53-58

Sermon

The Stubbornness of Unbelief

Hymn 208*

O Come, All Ye Faithful

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.

Serving in the House of the Lord Today

December 24, 2023

Ushers – Ken Tunnicliff, Justin Manning, Alex Davison, Harry Nemetz, Seth Gildemaster

Serving Next Week (December 31, 2023):

Ushers – Ken Tunnicliff, Justin Manning, Alex Davison, Harry Nemetz, Seth Gildemaster

Cry Room/Nursery

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.

Visitors

We are glad you joined us today. Please tell us about you by scanning this QR code and filling out a visitor card or go online -

<https://northwoodspca.org/visitor-card>



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