

The tea light candles we light on the altar each Sunday reminds us of our ministry of prayer to the military service personnel and their families within our congregation.

Gavin Day, nephew of Dan & Beth Belden, grandson of Dennis & Julie Day stationed in Fort Leonard Wood, MO.

Alex Lammi, Son of Ted & Barb Lammi, serving in Memphis.

Kevin Jensen, cousin to Daisy Rose and Holly Compo, deployed to Japan.

Check out www.northwoodesko.com for pictures and upcoming events!

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(include ESKO MN in the address) for the most current information and event albums.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, January 15th 5:30 pm ~ The Lay Leadership Ministry at Northwood UMC is hosting a spaghetti dinner for the Leadership Ministries (formerly called Committees) within our church. After the dinner the Ministry you are serving with will meet for a short meeting.

Wednesday, January 15th, 6:30 pm ~ Worship Meeting following the Leadership Dinner.

Thursday, January 16th, 9 am to 2 m ~ Sewing for Mission. All volunteer help appreciated. There are many jobs for all skill levels!

Sunday, January 19th ~ HUMAN RELATIONS DAY! Through your generous gift you strengthen community outreach and empower at-risk youth. "Now is the time to make justice a reality for all of God's children." - *The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., "I Have a Dream," 1963*

Wednesday, January 22nd, 5:30 pm ~ Ladies Lunch Bunch meets at Carmen's! Please let Ann or Jo know if you are planning to attend.

Saturday, February 22nd, 9 am to 3 pm ~ Save the date! Retreat to be held at the McCabe Renewal Center. More information will be coming soon.

January 2020 Scouting Meetings at Northwood UMC~

Boys Esko Troop 152 - To be announced

Girl Scout Troop 4139 - January 20th, 5:30 pm

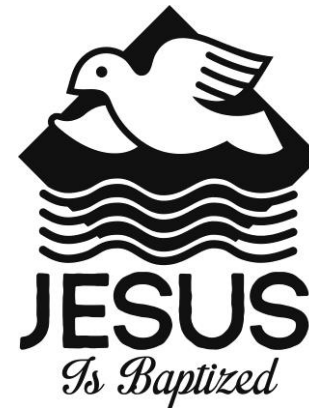
Please check the message center board in the Narthex for upcoming events offered by area churches or other organizations. Direct your announcements to Shirley Brandt for the bulletin (deadline is Tuesday by 5:00 pm) or newsletter (deadline is Monday afternoon) to her at: shirleybob15@gmail.com.

Also cc to Ann Butler at: annonpond@yahoo.com.

January 19, 2020

Liturgist/Greeter: Holly Compo

Usher(s): John Thierer



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Baptism of the Lord

1st Sunday After Epiphany - January 12, 2020

Liturgist/Scripture Reader/Greeter(s): Cavanaugh Family

Usher(s): Dave & Daisy Rose

Memory Quote of the Week

"And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." *Matthew 3:17*

We Gather to Praise God!

**Please stand where indicated if you are able.*

Prelude ~

Welcome ~

Checking In ~ Where Do You . . . See God? Need God? Feel Joy? Feel Gratitude?

Greeting & Praise Hymn

*Responsive Greeting ~

L: Welcome to worship this day!

P: We have come seeking God's blessings and love.

L: They shall be given to you.

P: We have come seeking forgiveness and healing.

L: These will be offered to you. Open your hearts to receive God's Good News.

P: We open our hearts to all of God's words and ways for us. AMEN.

*Hymn of Praise ~ "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" vs 1,2

CH #11

*Sharing the Peace of Christ ~

Opening Prayers & Praise

*Unison Prayer ~

Most wonderful God,
foolish and flawed though we are,
we too delight in your beloved Son.
As in his name we gather in the
house of many praises,
may the heavens
be opened for us,
that we may catch
a glimpse of that
Light and Love
that transforms our common days
with a beauty not of our making.
Through Christ Jesus our Lord. AMEN!

*Hymn ~ "Spirit Song" vs 1,2

UMH #347

*Responsive Call To Worship ~

L: God says: Look! See my chosen servant,
the One in whom I utterly delight;
P: I have placed my Spirit on him,
he will bring true justice
to the nations.
L: When Jesus was baptized,
the heavens opened up,
and the Spirit came down like a dove;
and there was a voice from heaven saying:
P: "This is my dearly loved Son,
with whom I am delighted."
L: The joy of the Lord be with you all.
P: And also with you. AMEN.

Hear God's Word

Kingdom Time ~

Pastor Brian

New Year Jesus Play List ~ "Make You Feel My Love" vs 1 (See Power Point Slides)

Scripture Lesson~ Matthew 3:13-17; Isaiah 42:1-9

New Year Jesus Play List ~ "Make You Feel My Love" vs 2-6 (See Power Point Slides)

Message ~ "Feel God's Love" Pastor Brian Cornell

Respond In Faith

*Hymn ~ "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" vs 1,4 CH #710

Prayers of the People/Invitation for Personal Reflection & Prayer/
Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer ~

Invitation to Give to the Living Christ ~ Ourselves, Our Love and Our Gifts
Presentation of our Gifts and Offerings

*Doxology "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" CH #814

*Prayer of Dedication ~

Celebrating Congregational Life ~ Announcements

Go Forth To Serve

*Sending Forth Hymn ~ "Love Lifted Me" vs 1,2 W&S #3101

*Benediction

*Dismissal

*Postlude ~

WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS TODAY!

Please join us for coffee & fellowship following the service.

~CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT~

Spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and follow His example through
fostering fellowship and acceptance, reaching out to those in need,
and engaging in social justice and stewardship.