

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!

Like us on Facebook @ Northwood United Methodist Church, Esko MN

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

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY, 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.

Thursday, January 23rd, 9:30 am – Outreach meeting at Perkins in Cloquet.

Wednesday, January 29th, 5 to 7:30 pm ~ Youth outing to the Theatrical Escape Room at Mt Royal Library in Duluth. Meet at the church at 4:40 pm if needing a ride.

January 2020 Scouting Meetings at Northwood UMC~

Boys Esko Troop 152 – To be announced

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

Sunday, February 2nd, 1:30 pm ~ TPUMM (Twin Ports United Methodist Ministry) meeting at Northwood UMC.

Wednesday, February 12th, 7 pm ~ Administrative Council Meeting in the Fireside Room.

Thursday, February 20th, 9 am to 2 pm ~ Sewing for Mission. All volunteer help appreciated. There are many jobs for all skill levels!

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.

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 26, 2020
Liturgist/Greeter: Jo Dunajski
Usher(s): John Thierer



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2nd Sunday After Epiphany

Human Relations Day – January 19, 2020

Liturgist/Scripture Reader/Greeter(s): Holly Compo

Usher(s): Tom & Ann Butler

Memory Quote of the Week

"I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart." *Psalms 40:8*

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: We gather today with a new song in our mouth.

P: A song of freedom and relationship.

L: We gather today with feet set on solid rock.

P: A rock of justice and peace.

L: We gather today to praise God for wondrous deeds.

P: We delight to do God's will, with God's law within our hearts. AMEN.

*Hymn of Praise ~ "I Will Delight In the Law of the Lord" (See Power Point Slides.)

*Sharing the Peace of Christ ~

Opening Prayers & Praise

*Gathering Unison Prayer ~

Creator of beloved community,
Thank you for gathering us together
on this Human Relations Day.

Open our ears to the instructions
of your prophets.

Open our eyes to needs of your people.

Open our hearts to one another
in Christian love.

In Jesus' name, we pray. AMEN.

*Hymn ~ "We Are Called" vs 1,2

FWS #2172

*Responsive Call To Worship ~

L: Come and see, come and see!

P: We come to see for ourselves
who this Jesus person is.

L: Come and see, come and see!

P: We come with open hearts
to experience Jesus

L: Come and see, come and see!

P: We come to follow Jesus
We come to deepen our relationship with God.

L: Come and see, come and see!

P: Yes, Lord we come to follow you! AMEN.

Ministry of Grace ~ "I Will Follow Him"

Liz Sinisalo

Hear God's Word

Kingdom Time ~

Pastor Brian

Scripture Lesson ~ John 1:29-42; Psalm 40:1-11

New Year Jesus Play List ~ "I Will Follow Him" (See Power Point Slides)

Message ~ "I Will Follow" Pastor Brian Cornell

Respond In Faith

*Hymn ~ "Would I Have Answered When You Called?" vs 1,2,4 FWS #2137

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 ~

Apostles Creed ~ (See Power Point Slides.)

Celebrating Congregational Life ~ Announcements

Go Forth To Serve

*Sending Forth Hymn ~ "We Will Follow" vs 1,2 (sing twice) W&S #3160

*Benediction ~ Following services, Pastor Brian will have a 5 minute conversation
about our national church and the coming General Conference.

*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.