

# Newsletter

THE NORTHWEST REMINDER

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A poster for a 'Hymn Sing' event. The background is green with a sunburst pattern. The word 'Hymn' is written in a large, yellow, cursive font, and 'Sing' is in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. Below the title is a red circular logo with a white chalice and the text 'NORTHWEST CHURCH'. To the left is a black and white illustration of a vintage microphone. To the right, the text 'TRADITIONAL CLASSICS' is in red, 'SUBMIT YOUR FAVORITES!' is in black, and 'SUNDAY 04 SEPTEMBER' is in red.

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## September 2022



Serving the congregation and friends of

**Northwest Church**

Disciples of Christ



# A “GENTLE” REMINDER

Dear Northwest members and friends,

Scripture reminds us that we should “make a joyful noise unto the Lord.” Well, that’s exactly what I do every Sunday when I sing. I make “a joyful noise.” In other words, I’m not much of a singer, but I do enjoy singing, especially hymns. Music is an important part of our worship service. In 1761, John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, wrote a list of directions for singing. If you come across a Methodist Hymnal, they are included in the first pages. I won’t share them all with you, but here are some highlights.

III. Sing all. See that you join with the congregation as frequently as you can.

IV. Sing lustily and with good courage. Beware of singing as if you were half dead or half asleep but lift up your voice with strength.

V. Sing modestly. Do not bawl so as to be heard above or distinct from the rest of the congregation that you may not destroy the harmony.

VI. Sing in time. Whatever time is sung, be sure to keep with it.

VII. Above all, sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every word you sing.

I find some of these directions amusing. What do you think? You are invited to “sing lustily” Sunday, September 4, at our “Hymn Sing Service.” Enjoy the good ol’ hymns and maybe some new ones. You can request your favorites by contacting the church office. We will do our best to include as many as we can.

Following the service, we will continue to enjoy each other's company in the fellowship hall as we break bread together. Bring your lunch or snack. The church will provide drinks and cookies. Let's get to know each other once more. Stay a while if you can and reconnect over a cup of coffee or tea. So friends, shall we "make a joyful noise" together? See you Sunday, until then, be well.

Blessings,

*Pastor Miriam*

## **HYMN SING**

Please submit your favorite hymn request to the church office for the Hymn Sing this Labor Day Weekend! (Sunday, September 04).

After the service, we will continue fellowship over lunch at 11:30 AM. Beverages and dessert will be provided by the church. Please bring your own lunch.

## **CELEBRATING LOVE**

The picture to the right shows Ralph and Bea Pohto on their wedding day, and those who have seen these two recently would agree that this couple is just as lovely today!

They will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on September 18<sup>th</sup> this year. Blessings to our good friends!



# 50in25 UPDATE



Wow! Thank you. We are progressing more quickly than expected with our 50in25 capital campaign. That's a good thing. But we still have a long way to go to raise an extra \$50,000 by the end of 2025.

We are about 16% of the way to our goal. But with only 3 months under our belt, that's still very good. Everyone with Northwest Church who's donated so far deserves an enthusiastic "shout out" as do the special donors who set matching fund goals for us to reach.

- John Lawson

## VALDEZ BABY DEDICATION

Join us as we welcome and dedicate baby Ruth Valdez to Northwest Church on Sunday, September 18th.

Following the service we will have a baby shower to meet the guest of honor and share gifts. Refreshments will be served.

For gift ideas, contact the church office.

# JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Many of our Northwest Church friends have grandkids, nieces and nephews in other parts of the country. Children who grew up too quickly and siblings with whom we share fond childhood memories of school days.

The snack drive is an opportunity for the grandmas, grandpas, aunties and uncles at Northwest to take care of another child whose own family members may live hours away.

If you are able, please consider donating a box of your little one's favorite snack to bless a whole class of students in our community!



## UPCOMING SERVICE LIST

Date	Sept 04	Sept 11	Sept 18	Sept 25
<b>Elder</b>	Jennifer J	Onnie A	Joanna F	Mike D
<b>Worship</b>	Dalene Z	Brad B	Joe P	Onnie A
<b>Song</b>	Anna K (?)		Kay H	Sue J
<b>Counters</b>	Jim K Dalene Z	John L Pat C	Nancy D Ron G	Sue J Donna W
<b>Sound</b>	Aaron S	Aaron S	Aaron S	Aaron S
<b>Deacons</b>	Donna W Joe P Kay H Candace	Jim J Dalene Z Valdez Sue J	Jim K Anna K Ralph P Bea P	John L Ron G Debbie G Nancy D

*Happy Birthday!*

16 Joyce Gillman  
21 Dustin Ayres

## WITNESS OF THE SAINTS

<u>Sunday,</u>	<u>AUG 07</u>
<b>In Finance:</b>	
NA Rent (Rush)	\$62.50
TOPS Rent	\$62.50
50in25	\$150.00
General Fund	\$1,745.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,020.00</b>

<u>Sunday,</u>	<u>AUG 14</u>
<b>In Finance:</b>	
Loose Offering	\$5.00
NA Rent (Free S)	\$62.50
NA Rent (MNST)	\$62.50
50in25	\$620.00
Flourish Rent	\$200.00
Snack Drive	\$10.00
General Fund	\$360.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,327.50</b>

## ATTENDANCE

<b>Sunday, AUG 07:</b>	<b>58</b>
Worship	24
Facebook Live	34

<b>Sunday, AUG 14:</b>	<b>85</b>
Worship	28
Facebook Live	57

<b>Thursday, AUG 21:</b>	<b>93</b>
Worship	32
Facebook Live	61

<u>Sunday,</u>	<u>AUG 21</u>
<b>In Finance:</b>	
50in25	\$175.00
General Fund	\$1,570.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,745.00</b>

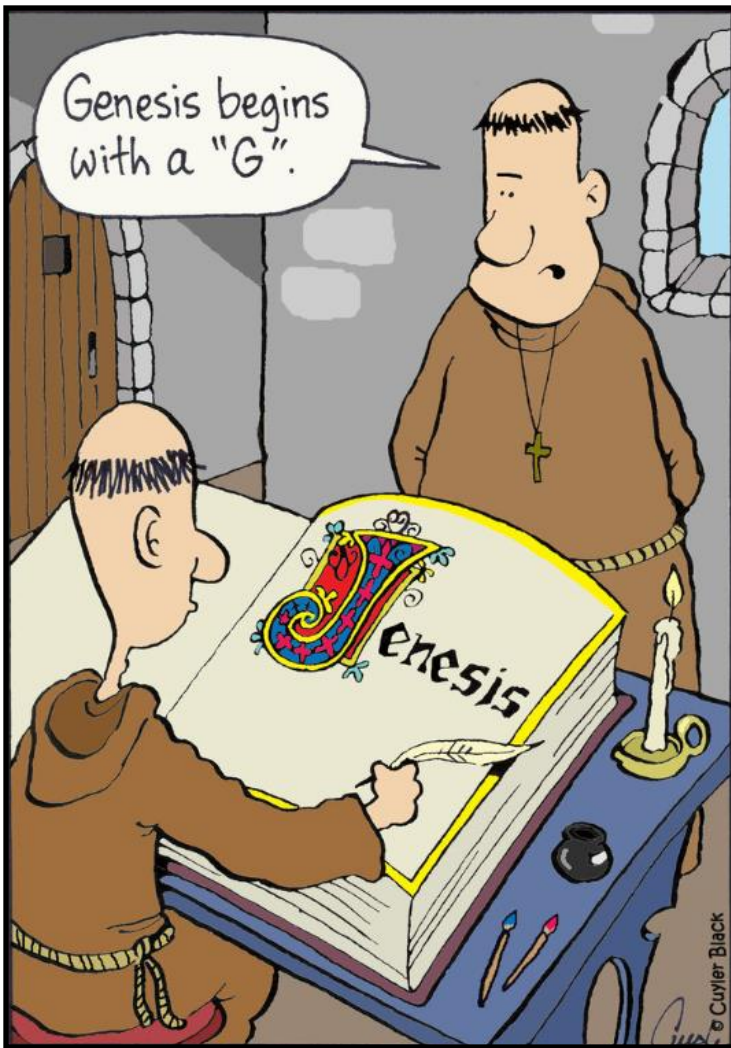
## WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our congregation holds the Neslin Family in prayer as Tammy Neslin and her family said goodbye to her mother, Rayanna, on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. May God ease their hearts in this difficult time.

# September 2022

-  = Fellowship Hall Reserved
-  = Parlor Reserved

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				01	02	03
					Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	
04	05	06	07	08	09	10
HYMN SING 10 AM			ZOOM Bible Study 6:30 PM	Breakfast Bunch 8 AM	Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Worship 10 AM Elder's Meeting			Stewardship 3:30 PM ZOOM Bible Study		Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Worship 10 AM Baby Shower		Board Meeting 5 PM	ZOOM Bible Study 6:30 PM	Breakfast Bunch 8 AM	Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Worship 10 AM	Food 4 Friends 1 PM		ZOOM Bible Study 6:30 PM		Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	



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