

God forgive us. For those times when we have been selfish rather than generous with our love and our resources, God forgive us. For those times we have stifled the movement of Your Spirit rather than to trust You and try something new, God forgive us. Lord, in Your mercy, hear the prayers of Your people. [Moment for silent prayer]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God does not leave us buried in sin and shame, but by His gift of grace to us in Christ Jesus, God raises us up. We are forgiven, filled with hope, and granted wisdom to live a new life in Christ by the power of the Spirit.

All: **Thanks be to God. Let us praise Him forevermore.**

ANTHEM "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" Bach
The Kids of the Kingdom Choirchimes

[11:00] **KID'S CORNER** Anne Linaberger
[After Kids' Corner children ages 4 thru 5th grade may go to Steps of Faith]

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 17:1-7 [OT P 64] [8:30] Betty Fraley
[11:00] Brian English

***HYMN** "Sunday's Palms Are Wednesday's Ashes" No. 2138
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

SCRIPTURE John 4:4-26 N.T. Page 94

SERMON "Are You Thirsty?" The Rev. LaVerne Davenport

***APOSTLES' CREED** [traditional] **AND GLORIA PATRI** No. 579

***HYMN** "As the Deer" No. 2025
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER Amanda H. Richey

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Betty Fraley

OFFERTORY ANTHEM [8:30] "Holy, Holy, Holy" Dykes
The Kids of the Kingdom Choirchimes

[11:00]

"O Lamb of God"

Wichmann

O Lamb of God, Who takest the sin of life away O Jesus, in Thy mercy Forgive, we humbly pray; Thy will is ever best. O come to us, Lord Jesus, And lead us unto rest! O Lamb of God, Who givest the peace of God above, O by Thy cross and passion Redeem us by Thy love. Thy table now is spread, O come to us, Lord Jesus, thou true and Living Bread.

***OFFERTORY PRAISE & PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

***HYMN**

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

No. 343

***CHARGE & BLESSING**

CHOIR RESPONSE

***POSTLUDE**

"Praise to God Almighty"

J.S. Bach

*All Who Are Able May Stand

If you have a joy or concern, Stephen Ministers are available to pray with you. At the 8:30a service John Russell; at the 11:00a service Nancy Garver will be in the front of the sanctuary after the service.

GREETERS	8:30	Don Tanner, Don Richards
	11:00	Bob Platts, Dick Fisher
ELDER		Betty Fraley
USHERS	8:30	Pat Kelly (head usher), Robyn McMillan, Tim Zeitler, Dick Margerum
	11:00	Dick Spahr (head usher), Rob Butorac, Larry Anderson, Christy Wenger

WELCOME VISITORS

WE ARE GLAD you have chosen to worship with us. We invite visitors to sign the red friendship register pad in the pew racks. To learn more about Northmont Church:
 Take a visitor packet located in the back of the sanctuary,
 Attend Fellowship Time after the 11:00a service and
 Check out our website: www.northmontchurch.org

NORTHMONT OFFERS a well-equipped nursery that is supervised by permanent staff.

Families are welcome to use the nursery for infants and preschoolers for all or a portion of each service. When exiting the rear doors of the sanctuary, turn right and continue through the double wooden doors.

FELLOWSHIP TIME will be held today following the 11:00a service in Polley Fellowship Hall (lower level) hosted by the Youth Ministry Committee.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Steve and Irene Glanco, and Mary and Wilbert Frank from Judie and Larry Glanco.

HOLY COMMUNION will be observed next Sunday at the 8:30 and 11:00a services.

VESPERS SERVICE will be held next Sunday at 6:00p. See you there!

WORSHIP IN THE WIRED WORLD will host the Covenant Players Drama Team on March 9th at 6:00p. The excitement and impact of Christian drama is coming to Northmont! Founded by Charles M. Tanner in 1963, Covenant Players challenge people to take a closer look at themselves and the practice of their faith. Come and be transformed by this Lenten-themed drama!!

LOOKING AHEAD:

Palm Sunday, March 16th. At 8:30 and 11:00a we will observe Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The Chancel Choir and Northmont Belles will sing and play at both services. The passing out of the palm branches will occur.

Maundy Thursday, March 20th at 7:30p we will celebrate Christ's Last Supper with the disciples.

Good Friday, March 21st the Tenebrae Service will be held at 7:30p. We will observe Christ's final hours on earth.

Easter Saturday, March 22nd. Rehearsals in the sanctuary: 8:30a Brass ensemble; 9:30a Chancel Choir and Northmont Belles

Easter Sunday, March 23rd. [Please note there is no sunrise service this year.]
8:30 and 11:00a Festival services with Chancel Choir, Northmont Belles, brass ensemble. Kids of the Kingdom will sing at 11:00a. Breakfast in Polley Fellowship Hall at 9:30a hosted by troop 335. Games will be provided by Christian Education for younger children and the Easter egg hunt will occur. No Sunday School classes will be held.

CRESTFIELD CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER has many exciting opportunities coming up for children of all ages including retreats for women, married couples, youth leaders and senior adults, summer camps and camp counselor positions. Interested? See Mandi Richey for more information.

THE MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM AND GWEN SPAHR thank everyone that baked desserts in January. Great job!

PIPER DEADLINE is March 14 for the April Piper! Email your article to the editor by *noon*. (piper@northmontchurch.org)

STEPHEN MINISTRY. You're new in town. You miss your old friends and there aren't any new ones yet. But you have found the Church. Contact Nancy Garver at 724-935-2194. Helen Traynor will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call her at 412-364-2287.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are in each pew rack as well as on the table in the back of the church. If you have a prayer request, please fill out the card and place it in the offering plate. If so requested your prayer will be placed on the prayer chain and shared with the staff. Recent requests: Huck Reel, Sandy Guckert, Tom and Lois Giehl, Chris, Marie Kowalski, Shaun Walker, and Janet Hoegel.

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Gloria Barger – 7500 Ross Park Drive, Apt. 313, Pittsburgh, PA 15237
Helen Bell – Wexford House

THE SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION goes out to Jane Nicola and family in the death of Jane's mother, Olive Plymire, who died on Wednesday. Her service of resurrection was held yesterday. We also extend our sympathy to Bob Holtgraver and family upon the death of Bob's father, Robert J. Holtgraver, who died Thursday. His service was held Saturday.

IN THE MILITARY – REMEMBER WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

MA3 Moreland, Patrick J., PSC 451 BOX 700/SEC, FPO AE 09840 [son of Jan Morland, Assistant Director of Northmont's Daycare Center]
AIC Marion Cory J., 1382 Nevada Ave., Unit 017, Vandenberg AFB, CA 93437-6026 [Susie Kiehl's son]
PFC Walker, Shaun, MACS-2 MT/UT, PSCBOX 8073, Cherry Point, NC 28533
PFC Martinez, Jessica, 56th MP CO, COB Speicher Iraq, APO AE 09393
Timothy McIsaac, CSTC-A, CJ1, APO, AE 09356 [Jill Kelly's brother]
Sgt. Glen Archey, Task Force Destiny, HHC 101 CAB, FOB Bagram, APO AE 09354 [Ed Scullion's nephew]

THE PITTSBURGH CONCERT CHORALE presents "The German Romantics" on Sat.,
March 1st at 8:00p, Ingomar United Methodist Church. Tickets are available at the
door. See www.PCCsing.org for information and directions, or speak with Sue Swick
or Leah Boccardi.

PRODUCT OF THE MONTH FOR NORTH HILLS FOOD BANK – Canned Fruit. All items are
very much appreciated.

MCKNIGHT AREA MEALS ON WHEELS is in desperate need of volunteer drivers, even
one day a month would help. Call Vince at 412-487-4088.

ADULT OPPORTUNITIES – 9:45a Sunday

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

NEXT WEEK: 1 Sam. 16:1-13; Ps. 23; Eph. 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

Malawi Room

ADULT TOPICS CLASS

Polley Hall

EVERY WEDNESDAY

6:15 – 7:15. George and Barb Schweiger are leading a study on angels.



Week of February 24, 2008

Sunday, February 24 *Psalm 43*

8:30a Worship
9:45a Sunday School
11:00a Worship
6:30p AA - FH
6:45p PNC - BR

Monday, February 25 *Mark 2:18-22*

7:00p Boy Scouts - FH

Tuesday, February 26 *Heb. 2:11-18*

9:30a NBC - FH
1:30p Staff Meeting - Library
6:30p Longvue Garden Club - FH

Wednesday, February 27 *John 2:13-22*

9:30a Knitters - MR
6:15p Small Group - Library
6:15p Kids of the Kingdom - WR & FH
7:30p Choir - WR

Thursday, February 28 *Psalm 27*

Friday, February 29 *Psalm 102*

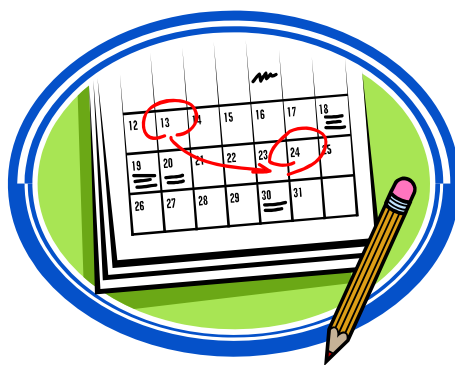
3:45p Belles - WR

Saturday, March 1 *Mark 7:1-23*

Sunday, March 2 *Gen. 48:8-22*

8:30a Worship
9:45a Sunday School
11:00a Worship
6:00p Third Service - Vespers
6:30p AA - FH
6:45p PNC - BR

For the latest information, see www.my.calendars.net/northmontchurch. Contact Linda Allerton at (412) 364-0105 to add entries to church calendar. Meeting locations: FH = Fellowship Hall, SANC = Sanctuary, Library, KIT = Kitchen, MR = Malawi Room, BR = Berean Room, YL = Youth Lounge, WR = Westminster Room, PS = Pastor's Study, BSR = Bible Study Room



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Youth News

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Cookie Sale

What better way to tell someone you love them over the holidays than with a batch of homemade cookies?

Sale Dates: Today and December 2nd

Pickup will be the week of December 9th

Laurelville pics are now on the web page!

www.northmontchurch.org/youth

Movie Night

Tonight!

Jr. & Sr. High are invited

6:00 - 9:00p at Northmont UP Church

Remember to invite all your friends!

J Town

Jumonville 2007

Anyone in grades 9th – 12th

ELDERS

CLASS – 2009

Kip Campbell
Lee Karayusuf
Ken Yoest
Larry Wichterman

CLASS – 2010

Bill Baierl
Betty Fraley
Dorothy Phillis
Cindy Sardon

CLASS – 2011

Larry Anderson
Tom Mazula
Judith Shifrin
Kathy Wissner

Jean Eckert – Clerk of Session

DEACONS

Jessica Molnar
Peggy Grinager
Marlene Yoest
Patty Scullion
Jeanne Russell
John Russell

Carol Concelman
Bill McGaffick
Helen Traynor
Tim Zeitler
Pat Krotzer
Darleen Noah

Kim Englert
Rhonda Horton
Glen Wissner
Carolyn Perry
Jason Cooper
Scott Reckless

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Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Donald R. Ewing
Director of Family Ministries and Contemporary Worship: Amanda H. Richey
Organist and Director of Music: C. William Goff
Youth Director: Sean Kelly
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Stephen L. Polley
Parish Associates: Rev. Alick Kennedy and Rev. Dr. Robert Forsythe
Office Manager: Linda Allerton
Secretary: Rose Dragan
Treasurer: Lynn Merriman
Custodian: Colin Baldwin, Jr.
Global Mission Partnerships with:
Our Mission Family currently serving in the Middle East
Michael & Rachel Weller Family serving in Ethiopia
Northmont Child Development and Preschool Center
Director: Margot Plant
Assistant Director: Jan Moreland

Current announcements, bulletins, Piper monthly newsletters, church group information, and the up-to-date church calendar can be found online at www.northmontchurch.org.

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

One: There are different gifts,

All: But it is the same Spirit who gives them.

One: There are different ways of serving God.

All: But it is the same Lord who is served.

One: God works through different men and women in different ways.

All: But it is the same God who achieves God's purpose through them all.

One: Each one is given a gift by the Spirit,

All: To use it for the common good.

One: Together we are the Body of Christ,

All: And individual members of him.

PRESENTED FOR ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

ELDER Class of 2011
Judith Shifrin

DEACON Class of 2011
Jason Cooper

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS AND COVENANT

1. Do you trust in Jesus Christ, your savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?
2. Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ and the Church universal, and God's word to you?
3. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by these confessions as you lead the people of God?
4. Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture and continually be guided by our confessions?
5. Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

6. Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?
7. Do you promise to further the peace, unity and purity of the church?
8. Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?
9. [For Elder] Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?
10. [For Deacon] Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

CONGREGATIONAL COVENANT

1. Do we, the members of Northmont Church, accept these men and women as (elders/deacons) chosen through the voice of this congregation, to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?
2. Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is head of the church?

ORDINATION PRAYER

WELCOME TO THIS MINISTRY

