



Northmont United Presbyterian Church

8169 Perry Highway Pittsburgh, PA 15237 www.northmontchurch.org

WORSHIP SERVICE Sunday, January 18, 2009 8:30 & 11:00a

AS YOU ENTER WORSHIP: Read Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18. Meditate on what it means for God to know us in such a powerful and intimate way that even our thoughts can not be hidden from Him. Take some time to praise God that we are known and loved even down to the very hairs on our heads!

PRELUDE

“Andante”
“Dearest Jesus, at Your Word”

Rheinberger
arr. Burkhardt

[11:00] “For the Beauty of the Earth”
Sue Swick, piano

arr. Hustad

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Among the poor, among the proud, among the persecuted, among the privileged,

All: Christ has come to make all things new.

One: In the private house, in the public place, in the wedding feast, in the judgment hall,

All: Christ has come to make all things new.

One: In this place, in every place, for this time, for all time,

All: Christ has come to make all things new.

***HYMN**

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

No. 464

***PRAYER OF CELEBRATION**

Almighty God, we celebrate that by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. We pray that you would strengthen us by your Spirit. Help us hear your voice. Make us worthy of your call. Through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***HYMN**

"Bind Us Together"
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

No. 2226

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that so often we live with our ears plugged. We fill our lives, eyes, minds, ears, and hands with things that distract us from you. We have forgotten that you still speak. Forgive us for not listening to your voice. Open our ears and hearts to receive you. Teach us what it means to hear you, to serve you, and to love you. [Moment for silent prayer]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Change My Heart, O God"
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

No. 2152

[11:00] **KID'S CORNER**

Rev. Dr. Donald R. Ewing

After Kids' Corner children ages 4 thru 3rd grade may go to Steps of Faith with Anne Linaberger

NEW TESTAMENT

John 1:43-51

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ANTHEM

"The Mountain of the Lord's House"
Aaron Reckless, piano

Faber

OLD TESTAMENT

1 Samuel 3:1-10

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SERMON

"Are We Listening?"

Nadia Buzzelli

***HYMN**

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

No. 326

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM [8:30] "For the Beauty of the Earth" arr. Hustad
Sue Swick, piano

[11:00] "Sing for Joy" Purcell/Hopson

Sing for joy, all earth, sing for joy. Praise the Lord, bless His name; come before Him with a song; for He is God, and we are His, the sheep of His own flock. Go with songs, and enter His courts. Go with thanksgiving, O come before Him with a song; for He is God, and we are His, the sheep of His own flock.

SONG OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER

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** "Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet" No. 2020
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

***CHARGE & BLESSING**

***[11:00] CHOIR RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE "Promenade" Marsh
*All Who Are Able May Stand

If you have a joy or concern, a Stephen Minister is available to pray with you. At the 8:30a service Jerry Ellis at the 11:00a service Tom Snaman will be in the front of the sanctuary after the service.

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 please 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

GREETERS	8:30	Ed Scullion, Dave Hawbaker
	11:00	Alick Kennedy, Bill English
ELDERS	8:30	Jean Stultz
	11:00	Kathy Wissner
USHERS	8:30	Terry Fahrney (head usher), Larry Frye, John Sebastian, Bryan Frye
	11:00	Jack Swick (head usher), Ron McClymonds, Ken or Marlene Yoenst, Carolyn Perry

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.

FOLLOWING WORSHIP please join us for Fellowship Time following the 11:00a service in Polley Fellowship Hall hosted by the Chancel Choir.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God by the Deacons.

THE SHAWN RUSSELL FUND being collected today has been established by the Session at the request of our Deacons. Shawn, son of John & Jeanne Russell, grandson of Ed and Patty Scullion lost the use of his legs in a 2-story fall last month. Obviously, this life changing accident has had a tremendous impact on Shawn and his wife and son (4 years old). Donors to the fund will not be identified to the family. Donation may be made any time.

16 DOZEN HOMEMADE COOKIES ARE NEEDED on January 22nd for the Presbytery Amendment Review Committee Meeting hosted by Northmont. Please contact Mary Lou English at 412-487-6619 if you are willing to donate cookies.

PRESBYTERY GA REVIEW COMMITTEE will be holding one of their 6 Presbytery wide information and listening sessions at Northmont on Thursday evening, January 22 at 7:00p in our Fellowship Hall. The Committee will hold discussions on the proposed General Assembly overtures on ordination standards, certified CE persons and other issues. This is our opportunity to speak directly to these concerns.

DINAH'S BOOK CLUB will be held on Saturday morning, January 24 in the Malawi Room. There will not be a particular focus book this time around. Everyone will have the chance to give a short report on their chosen book. We will choose one particular book again after the holidays. Join us for fellowship and socializing at 9:00a; discussion will begin promptly at 9:30a. BYOC (Bring Your Own Coffee, or tea, or water, or whatever you prefer!) For more information, contact Betty Fraley at 412-417-3522 or bettyfraley@hotmail.com.

THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held following the 11:00a worship on Sunday, January 25, 2009. The Agenda for the meeting includes: proposed ByLaw changes to Article 15 regarding the composition of the Congregational Nominating Committee; changes in Article 13 permitting Deacons to serve two consecutive terms; election of Elders and Deacons to the Class of 2012; election of Corporate Officers; report of the Finance and Stewardship Committee and other business properly coming before the body. Copies of the proposed ByLaw changes are in the Narthex.

THE DEACONS INVITE YOU TO AN AFTENOON OF FUN at the *First Annual Chili Cook-off on Sunday, February 8th* after the 11:00a service in Fellowship Hall. Dig out your favorite chili recipe and get ready for competition. Each cook will have his/her dish tasted by all who attend and voting will be by monetary donation. All funds collected will be used to support Northmont families in need. The cook getting the most donations will win a prize and more importantly, the coveted title of Northmont Chili King/Queen. The menu includes tacos and sandwiches and we ask those attending to bring a dish to share: A-G dessert; H-R appetizer; S-Z salad. After lunch we are planning fun and games. Casual dress is suggested.

NORTHMONT CHURCH is helping to support the mission of North Hills Community Outreach by participating in their 2009 Citrus Sale. Help a neighbor in need and treat yourself by purchasing fresh, high quality citrus fruit. Large and small boxes of Florida temple oranges, ruby red Indian River grapefruit, and Honey Tangerines are being sold in various combinations. Order forms are available from the church office.

STEPHEN MINISTER Jo Shore will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call her 724-772-7042. If you need extra caring support from a Stephen Minister contact Nancy Garver at 724-935-2194.

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: Shawn Russell, Patty Scullion, Randy Stowe, Marlene Forsythe, Julie Huskey, Bernie Kersting, Lisa Behm, Wendy Brumbaugh, Dillman Family, Dan Stearn, Kian Kooros

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Martha Ackerman, Room D-8, North Hills Health Rehabilitation, 194 Swinderman Road, Wexford, PA 5090

Shawn Russell, 581 Jackson Blvd., Freedom, PA 15042

Helen Milsom, St. John's Specialty Care, Mars

Warren Johnson, Wexford House

Marlene Held, Passavant Hospital

Carl Dorow, Passavant Hospital

THE MILITARY LIST is available on the bulletin board outside the Associate Pastor's office.

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

PIPER DEADLINE is February 13 for the March 2009 Piper! We need to hold to the deadline date in order to produce and mail the Piper in a timely manner. Email your article to the editor by *noon*. (piper@northmontchurch.org)

ADULT OPPORTUNITIES

ADULT BIBLE STUDY - 9:45a Sunday Malawi Room

ADULT TOPICS CLASS - 9:45a Sunday Fellowship Hall
Rev. Ewing and session will be discussing the concept and process as we move toward calling a Designated Pastor.

Week of January 18, 2009

Sunday, January 18 *Gen. 6:1-8*

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

Monday, January 19 *John 2:13-22*

7:00p Boy Scouts - FH
Office Closed

Tuesday, January 20 *Mark 3:7-19*

8:30a NBC - FH
7:00p Deacons - Library
7:30p Session - FH

Wednesday, January 21 *Gen. 8:6-22*

8:00a Men's Bible Study - off site
9:30a Knitters - MR
6:15p Kids of the Kingdom - FH, MR
7:00p Youth Group - FH
7:30p Choir - WR

Thursday, January 22 *John 3:16-21*

7:00p Presby. Amendment Review
Committee - FH

Friday, January 23 *John 3:22-36*

3:45p Belles - WR

Saturday, January 24 *Heb. 6:13-20*

8:00a Cub Scout Pinewood Derby - FH
9:00a Dinah's Book Club - MR

Sunday, January 25 *Psalms 130, 148*

8:15a Worship
9:30a Sunday School
11:00a Worship
12:00p Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary
6:30p AA - FH

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

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
Organist and Director of Music: C. William Goff
Youth Director: Sean Kelly
Seminary Intern: Nadia Buzzelli Mullin
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Stephen L. Polley
Parish Associate: Rev. Alick Kennedy
Office Manager: Linda Allerton
Secretary: Rose Dragan
Treasurer: Lynn Merriman
Custodian: James Gable
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

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

NORTHMONT 2009 ORDAINED LEADER NOMINEES

ELDERS

Dianna Hollo and her husband Joe have been members of Northmont for 7 years. They live in the Brook Park Manor section of the North Hills with their children Jacob (2nd grade), Jennie (Kindergarten), and toddler Anthony.

Jennifer Irvin and her husband David joined Northmont in the fall of 2006. They live in Allison Park with their sons Matthew (age 3 ½) and Samuel (age 2). Jennifer is an attorney and on the Board of the CDPC.

Lee Karayusuf and his wife Ann are long-time members of Northmont whose sons grew up in the church. Lee has served on a number of committees, including Stewardship and Finance, and is returning to service on Session.

Jeff Morris and his wife, Gerrienne, are long-time members of Northmont. They live in Wexford and have a son, Brian. Many members will recognize Jeff as one of our dedicated ushers.

DEACONS

Sarah Gable grew up at Northmont, the daughter of Jill, our long-time nursery co-teacher, and Jim, our custodian. Sarah is pursuing a career in church youth ministry.

Kevin Greenleaf grew up at Northmont (his parents are Ken and Cyndi). Kevin's children Connor (2nd grade) and Corrin (Kindergarten) are active in our Sunday School.

Lori Holloway and husband Ray joined Northmont three years ago. They live right down the street from Northmont with their son Raymond, who is in 3rd grade.

Pat Krotzer and husband Dick are long-time members of Northmont. Pat is returning to the Board of Deacons. Their daughter Kim Englert and her family are also very involved at Northmont.

Jeanne Russell is returning to the Board of Deacons for a second term. Her husband John is also a member of Northmont, as are their son Shawn and daughter-in-law Julie.

Marlene Yoest is returning to the Board of Deacons for a second term. She and husband Ken are long-time member of Northmont. Their daughter and son-in-law Tara and Scott Stoufflet are members and attend with their children Emma and Scott.