



Northmont United Presbyterian Church
8169 Perry Highway Pittsburgh, PA 15237 www.northmontchurch.org

WORSHIP SERVICE Sunday, February 15, 2009 8:30 & 11:00a

AS YOU ENTER WORSHIP: Read Psalm 30 and offer a prayer of thanksgiving for the gifts of God you have experienced this week, and those gifts you may have missed.

PRELUDE

“Voluntary in C Major” G.F. Handel
“Dearest Jesus, We Are Here to Bless Thy Name” J. S. Bach

“Give Me Jesus” arr. Hogan
David Hughey, baritone

11:00a “Walk Together Children” arr. Hogan
David Hughey, baritone

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: You are the creating, illuminating, uniting and moving Spirit;

All: Descend upon our hearts this day.

One: You take us where we need to go to be the people we were meant to be in Christ.

All: Move us from our center to being centered in Christ.

One: In this time of worship we pray the Spirit would fall afresh on us.

All: Fill us with faith and hope, bring light into our darkness and pour out your Spirit among us.

***HYMN**

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”

No. 476

***PRAYER OF CELEBRATION**

Lord, we give ourselves to you in worship. We give you our concerns; we gratefully share our joys with you; we come with our fears; we come with our trust. We bring you laughter and tears. We seek your peace, serenity and strength flowing through us as we worship this day. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above" [vs. 5] No. 476

*[8:30] **HYMN** "Bind Us Together" No. 2226
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, forgive us for plodding along in our discipleship, calculating with great effort every move we make. Forgive us for our concern, usually focused on self and not on others. Free us by your grace for the surprises of your Spirit. May we respond to others out of the abundance of life you have given us, through Christ. Amen.
[Moment for Silent Prayer]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Mercies of God are everlasting, freely flowing from the heart of God.

All: In reaching out for God's forgiveness we are not disappointed – we find peace.

[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 Amy & Emma Phelps

OLD TESTAMENT

2 Kings 5:1-14

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ANTHEM

"On Eagle's Wings"
David Hughey, baritone

arr. Schrader

NEW TESTAMENT

Mark 1:40-45

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SERMON

"The Spark That Ignites A Fire"

Rev. Alick Kennedy

***HYMN**

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

No. 404

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM [8:30] "Walk Together Children" arr. Hogan
David Hughey, baritone

[11:00] "So Art Thou to Me" K. Lee Scott

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 Ye the Lord" No. 258

***CHARGE & BLESSING**

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

POSTLUDE "Praise to the Almighty God" J.S. Bach

*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 Jean Eckert; at the 11:00a service Helen Traynor 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	Jim Dickson, Dick Fisher
ELDERS	8:30	Doris Marko
	11:00	Dianna Hollo
USHERS	8:30	Patrick Kelly (head usher), Robyn McMillan, Timothy Zeitler, Dick Margerum
	11:00	Rob Butorac (head usher), Fred Beorn, Bill English, Brian English

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.

TODAY WE WELCOME DAVID HUGHEY, guest soloist to our church. David studied voice at Oberlin School of Music and most recently received a master's degree in voice at the Manhattan School of Music. He has sung in the Lyric Opera of Chicago and is in town to sing with the Opera Theater of Pittsburgh. Welcome David!

FOLLOWING 11:00a WORSHIP please join us for Fellowship Time in Polley Fellowship Hall hosted by the Northmont Brotherhood Club.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Pat Krotzer to celebrate Dick's birthday.

THE SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION goes out to Jane Paul in the death of her husband, Chuck Paul who died Monday, February 9th.

PRESBYTERY CONVOCATION on **Our Freedom of Religion at Risk: A Presbyterian Crisis** will be held this Thursday at Beulah Church (on the parkway east) at 2:00p. All are invited.

PRESBYTERY-WIDE FOOD DRIVE WILL BE HELD IN FEBRUARY. Every congregation in the Pittsburgh Presbytery is being asked to participate in this major food drive. Hunger in our presbytery is on the rise and the food pantries that we support are in need of help. To address this growth in demand the Hunger Fund Ministry Team is asking for your support. Items needed: corn and cereal.

DINAH'S BOOK CLUB will be held on Saturday, February 21, in the Malawi Room. The focus book is The Shack by William Paul Young. Join us for fellowship 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.

THE CONGREGATIONAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE (CNC) is beginning its search for candidates for the Designated Pastor Nominating Committee (DPNC). If you would like to submit a name of someone you feel is qualified, please fill out the tear-off below and place it in the offering plate or leave it in the church office.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

ASH WEDNESDAY POTLUCK DINNER will be held in Fellowship Hall on February 25th at 6:30p followed by worship, communion, and anointing. Please bring your own place setting, and a dish to share: A-G dessert; H-O main dish; P-Z salad. Presbyterian Women will provide the rolls and beverages.

PREACHING IN LENT will focus on "Practicing Our Faith" and ways we grow closer to Christ. We will look at, among other things, prayer, Sabbath keeping, forgiveness and service. Dr. Ewing is seeking those who regularly 'practice their faith' through these and other spiritual disciplines to share in this series.

I WISH THEY'D CALL is the comment we often hear from folks who want to become involved in mission, committee work and programs of the church. Drop a hint that you'd like be involved by contacting Dr. Ewing or any of the elders.

VBS NEEDS YOU! The Christian Education team is currently looking for a director for Vacation Bible School. No experience necessary. Tentative dates are June 22 – 26. We are looking for one (or two) people to help us plan and coordinate the wonderful youth activities for that week. Please contact Tom Mazula or the CE team if you are interested.

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE DEACONS for a great Chili Cook-Off fellowship time last Sunday. Great fun was had by all, AND we received about \$350 to help our Northmont families.

STEPHEN MINISTER Pat Frank will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call her 412-364-2063. 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: family of Dan Stern, Emily Lewis, Jessica Gierzynski, Bernie Kersting, Helen Milsom

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Jean Higby, 9300 David Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237
Shawn Russell, 581 Jackson Blvd., Freedom, PA 15042
Warren Johnson, Wexford House
Paul Conrad, Shadyside Hospital
Dick Spahr, St. Margaret's 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 – Canned fruit. All items are very much appreciated. Please see the announcement of the Presbytery wide food drive.

PIPER DEADLINE is March 13th for the April 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) Mark your email: *Request Read Receipt* to be sure the Piper Editor received your article.

ADULT OPPORTUNITIES

ADULT BIBLE STUDY - 9:45a Sunday Malawi Room

ADULT TOPICS CLASS - 9:45a Sunday Fellowship Hall
TODAY: We will discuss the challenges of raising children in the world today.

NEXT WEEK: Discuss the *Joy of Being Presbyterian*

Week of February 15, 2009

Sunday, February 15 *Gen. 40:1-23*
8:30a Worship
9:30a Sunday School
11:00a Worship
6:30p AA - FH

Monday, February 16 *Gen. 40:1-23*
10:00a Staff Meeting - Library
7:00p Boy Scouts - FH
7:00p CNC - Library
Psalm 43, 149

Tuesday, February 17 *Rom 6:3-14*
8:30a NBC - FH
7:00p Deacons - Library
7:30p Session - FH

Wednesday, February 18 *Mark 3:7-19a*
7:30a 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, February 19 *1 Cor. 5:1-8*
11:00a AARP - FH
6:30p Cub Scout Den Meetings - FH
7:00p Facilities Management - Library

Friday, February 20 *Gen. 42:18-28*
9:30a Project Linus - MR
3:45p Belles - WR

Saturday, February 21 *Mark 4:21-34*
9:00a Dinah's Book Club - MR

Sunday, February 22 *Gen. 43:1-15*
8:30a Worship
9:30a Sunday School
11:00a Worship
6:30p AA - FH

ELDERS

CLASS – 2010

Bill Baierl
Betty Fraley
Dorothy Phillis
Cindy Sardon

CLASS – 2011

Larry Anderson
Tom Mazula
Judith Shifrin
Kathy Wissner

CLASS - 2012

Dianna Hollo
Jennifer Irvin
Lee Karayusuf
Jeff Morris

DEACONS

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

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

Sarah Gable
Kevin Greenleaf
Lori Holloway
Jeanne Russell
Ken Yoest
Marlene Yoest

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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.

