



Northmont United Presbyterian Church

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

WORSHIP SERVICE Sunday, March 1, 2009 8:30 & 11:00a

AS YOU ENTER WORSHIP: Read Psalm 25.1-10. As Jesus 'took on' the Cross for us, what is He asking you to 'take on' this Lenten season (IE. daily prayer and scripture reading, a mission project, reconciliation with family or friends)?

PRELUDE	" Heartily I Love Thee, O Lord"	J. S. Bach
	"O Lamb of God Most Holy"	J. S. Bach
	"Jesu, My Life's Joy"	J. S. Bach

[11:00a] "God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" arr. Mokolbust
Northmont Belles

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: From the mountain tops of glory;

All: To the valleys of human need;

One: God bids us come to worship and to serve.

All: In the glory of God's revelation, we know God's promises are true;

One: In the shadowed valleys, the resilience of our faith is tested;

All: In all times we know God's presence and seek to live God's will.

*HYMN

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

No. 84

***PRAYER OF CELEBRATION**

O Lord of mountain and valley, you are grace, love and joy. In your grace we find forgiveness beyond measure; in your love we find acceptance and welcome beyond our wildest hopes; in your joy we find abundant life beyond our deserving. In our worship, by Your Spirit, magnify our praise and thanksgiving to You, our Lord, our Savior, our Redeemer. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" [vs. 4] No. 84

***[8:30] HYMN** "The First Song of Isaiah" [sing twice] No. 2030
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [Litany of Silent Prayer]

Almighty provider and protector, we come seeking forgiveness, reconciliation and peace. We pray this day for...

-ways we have pushed you to the margins of our lives...

-times we have succumbed to temptation...

-places where we have not acted with love or compassion toward others...

-moments when anger has flared...

Forgive us for this and other sins that separates us from You, and in your forgiveness bridge the distance between us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Our God awaits the prayers of His people.

All: God is quick to forgive and steadfast in His love, through which we have renewed life.

[11:00] KID'S CORNER

Anne Linaberger

After Kids' Corner children ages 4 thru 3rd grade may go to Steps of Faith with Sarah Jane Beorn

ANTHEM

"Do Lord"
Northmont Belles

Spiritual arr. Stephenson

NEW TESTAMENT

Luke 11:1-9

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SERMON "Practicing Our Faith: Prayer"

Rev. Dr. Donald R. Ewing

***APOSTLES' CREED** [traditional] **AND GLORIA PATRI**

No. 579

***HYMN**

"Jesus, Tempted in the Desert"
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

No. 2105

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

[Lord's Prayer Sung responsively Cantor, Glen Wissner]

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS – PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

[8:30] "God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" arr. Mokolbust
Northmont Belles

[11:00] "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Mozart/Halpin
Text: Presbyterian Hymnal No. 101
Solo: Leah Boccardi

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation
Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer
Distribution of the Bread & Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving

***HYMN** "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less" No. 379

***CHARGE & BLESSING**

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

POSTLUDE "Preserve Us, Lord, By Thy Word" 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 Stultz; at the 11:00a service Sylvia Campbell 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	Wayde Zeitler, Ed Scullion
	11:00	Tom Snaman, Bill English
ELDERS	8:30	Anne Linaberger
	11:00	Helen Traynor
USHERS	8:30	Tom Englert Head usher), Dick Krotzer, Jim Nicola, Dave Stanton
	11:00	Bill English (head usher), Jean McClymonds, Larry Wichterman, Tara Stoufflet

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 11:00a WORSHIP please join us for Fellowship Time in Polley Fellowship Hall hosted by the Facilities Management Committee.

CHILDREN WHO ARE BAPTIZED and are being nurtured in the Christian faith are welcome at the Lord's Table.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Kathi and Bob Patterson in loving memory of parents Art and Betty Wirtz; by Glen and Kathy Wissner in honor of their grandson, Justin Wenger's 6th birthday; and in loving memory of Dolores Gable by her children.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available in the Narthex.

THE KIDS OF THE KINGDOM will tour the pipe organ rooms and get a chance to play the pipe organ on Wednesday, March 4th. Photos of the children will be taken at the console and certificates will be given to commemorate the event. Kids of the Kingdom begins at 6:15p in Polley Fellowship Hall, and is open to all Northmont children, grades 1-5 and their friends.

PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY has called a Special Meeting to consider the Overtures to the General Assembly. That meeting will be at Northmont on Saturday, March 14th from 9 – noon. Please be in prayer for the Presbytery. Greeters are needed and may sign up in the church office.

BREAKFAST FINGER FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE SPECIAL PRESBYTERY MEETING are needed. Contact Mary Lou English at 412-487-6619 if you are willing to donate any of the following: sweet breads, donut holes, or muffins. Donations are needed by March 12th.

DINAH'S BOOK CLUB will be held on Saturday, March 28, in the Malawi Room. The focus book is The Wednesday Letters by Jason F. Wright and on Saturday, April 25 we will discuss People of the Book by Geraldine Brooks. 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.

"LEARN ABOUT BEING A PRESBYTERIAN" is a booklet that gives the highlights of Presbyterian beliefs, history and mission. Dr. Ewing distributed this booklet last week in the Topics Class and has made copies available to everyone. They will be found in the back of the Sanctuary and the Welcome Centers.

OUR STUDENT, Nadia Mullen is on vacation until March 7th.

THE DEACONS announce their officers for the year: Kim Englert, Moderator; Marlene Yoest, Secretary; Darleen Noah, Treasurer. We look forward to their leadership in the many Deacon's ministries.

COMMITTEES AND TEAMS of the Session are up and running for the year. If you have a calling or interest in the ministries of these teams please contact the chairs. CE chair, Tom Mazula; Facilities Management chair, Larry Anderson; Mission co-chairs, Dianna Hollo & Ted Mills; Staff Relations, Lee Karayusuf; Stewardship & Finance, Lee Karayusuf; Worship & Music, Kathy Wissner. The Reach Out Committee awaits interested members to step forward for this work.

VBS NEEDS YOU! The Christian Education team is currently looking for a director for Vacation Bible School. 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.

THE PITTSBURGH CONCERT CHORALE presents "The French Masters: Faure *Requiem* and Poulenc *Gloria*" at Ingomar United Methodist Church on Sat. March 7th at 8:00p and Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church on March 8th at 4:00p. Purchase tickets in advance from Leah Boccardi or Sue Swick. Further info is available at www.pccsing.org.

STEPHEN MINISTER Sylvia Campbell will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call her 412-364-2869. If you need extra caring support from a Stephen Minister contact Nancy Garver at 724-935-2194.

IF YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE THAT CANNOT ATTEND CHURCH, but would like to receive communion, please contact Helen Traynor at 412-364-2287 and she will arrange for a Stephen Minister to take communion to them.

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: Linda Anderson, Emily Lewis, Gierzynskis family, Bernie Kersting, Nancy Carlson

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Mercedes Monjan – 351 Overlook Drive, Verona, PA 15147
Shawn Russell, 581 Jackson Blvd., Freedom, PA 15042
Warren Johnson, Wexford House
Bob Vandeval, Passavant Hospital
Ruth Ann Knaus, Presbyterian Hospital

THE DEACONS WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU that next Sunday they will be collecting items to send to our military personnel. Please bring your items to church and deposit them in the boxes located at the tower entrance or in the Library.

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

PRODUCT OF THE MONTH FOR NORTH HILLS FOOD BANK – Macaroni & Cheese. All items are very much appreciated.

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: Lauren Broyles of Second Presbyterian Church of Wilkinsburg joins us to discuss partnering opportunities with our local neighbors. Northmont is beginning a partnership with Second Presbyterian of Wilkinsburg. This very active congregation is able to do a great deal with very little resources. Dr Jim Withers is a member of Second's congregation. Please bring white athletic socks on March 1st to support his ministry.

NEXT WEEK: Nancy Belz of Samaritan Counseling will join us for the 1st of 3 classes on Midlife Transitions and dealing with the challenges, changes, and uncertainties that adults often face during the middle phases of their lives.

Week of March 1, 2009

Sunday, March 1 *Jer. 9:23-24*

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

Monday, March 2 *Deut. 8:1-20*

9:30a PW Board Meeting - MR
10:00a Staff Meeting - Library
7:00p Boy Scouts - FH
7:00p Christian Education Committee - BSR
7:00p CNC - Library

Tuesday, March 3 *Heb. 3:1-11*

8:30a NBC - FH
7:00p Worship Committee - WR
7:30p Mission Committee - MR

Wednesday, March 4 *Psalms 27*

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

Thursday, March 5 *John 3:16-21*

6:30p Cub Scout Den Meeting - FH

Friday, March 6 *Heb. 4:11-16*

9:30a Project Linus - MR
3:45p Belles - WR

Saturday, March 7 *Psalms 149*

Sunday, March 8 *Jer. 1:1-10*

8:30a Worship
9:30a Sunday School
11:00a Worship
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 – 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.

