



**\*PRAYER OF CELEBRATION**

Work your miracle of life within our lives, O God, we pray. Touch us in your mercy, that in our weakness we may know your love. Lift us out of the darkness of despair into that place of hope where the dawn is breaking; through Jesus Christ our Lord, risen from the dead and alive forever more. Amen.

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** "Christ Beside Me" [vs. 1] No. 2166  
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

**\*[8:30] HYMN** "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" [vs. 1 & 3] No. 2158  
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Forgive us, O Lord, for our impatience when things are not working out as we think they should; for our failure to remember vows of loyalty made and the gifts of love received; for times when we have betrayed family, friends and strangers. Strengthen us for faithful service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. [Moment for silent prayer]

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Your steadfast love overwhelms us and your grace astounds us.

**All: Through your mercy, love and grace we find forgiveness and your new life in us.**

[11:00] **KID'S CORNER** Kim Englert  
After Kids' Corner children ages 4 thru 3rd grade may go to Steps of Faith with Tara Stoufflet

**OLD TESTAMENT** Genesis 16:4-5, 13-30 Page 12

**ANTHEM** "Saints" arr. S. Eisenreich  
Scott, Lauren and Christina Eisenreich, brass

**NEW TESTAMENT** Mark 2:23-28 Page 36

**SERMON** "Practicing the Faith: Sabbath Keeping"  
Rev. Dr. Donald R. Ewing

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

**\*HYMN** "An Outcast among Outcasts" No. 2104  
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER**

[Lord’s Prayer sung responsively Cantor, Glen Wissner]

**OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** [8:30] “Sleepers Awake” J. S. Bach  
Scott, Lauren and Christina Eisenreich, brass

[11:00] “Who Is Jesus?” Honore  
Sarah Flemming, flute

**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** “Sunday’s Palms Are Wednesday’s Ashes” No. 2138  
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

**\*CHARGE & BLESSING**

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

**POSTLUDE** “All Praise to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ” Pachelbel  
\*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 Betty Fraley; at the 11:00a service Diane Goff 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](http://www.northmontchurch.org)

GREETERS 8:30 Bill Held, Jim Bodfish  
11:00 George Depee, Jim Dickson  
ELDER 11:00 Jennifer Irvin  
USHERS 8:30 Tom Englert (Head usher), Dick Krotzer, Jim Nicola, Dave Stanton



CHILDREN AND FAMILIES are reminded of their Lenten banks given to them several weeks ago. If you did not receive a bank, please see your teacher or pick one up from the literature rack by the office.

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 FLEA MARKET/BAKE SALE will be held on Saturday, April 4th, 8:00a to 1:00p in Polley Fellowship Hall. Collection of items such as: toys, household items, books, games etc. will begin on Sunday, March 22 at the far end of Fellowship Hall. Please hold all donations until this day.

THE PITTSBURGH CONCERT CHORALE presents "The French Masters: Faure *Requiem* and Poulenc *Gloria*" at Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church today at 4:00p.

STEPHEN MINISTER Tom Snaman will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call him 724-935-1169. If you need extra caring support from a Stephen Minister contact Helen Traynor 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: Mike McAleer – Helen Traynor's son-in-law, Kalya Zatezelo, Jill Gable, Alvan Plymire, Beverly Anthony, Ruth Ann Knaus, Bob Vandeval, Isabel Miller

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Becky Peters, 112 Lillian Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237  
Shawn Russell, 581 Jackson Blvd., Freedom, PA 15042  
Warren Johnson, Wexford House  
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 – Macaroni & Cheese. All items are very much appreciated.

PIPER DEADLINE is March 13<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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: Nancy Belz of Samaritan Counseling will join us for the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 8, 2009**

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

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

**Monday, March 9** *Rom. 1:1-15*

6:30p Youth Committee - YL  
7:00p Boy Scouts - FH  
7:00p Partnering Team - off site

**Tuesday, March 10** *John 4:43-54*

8:30a NBC - FH  
9:30a Sarah Circle - MR  
10:00a Staff Meeting - Library  
7:30p Boy Scout Committee Meeting - FH  
7:30p Esther Circle - MR

**Wednesday, March 11** *Jer. 3:6-18*

9:30a Knitters - MR  
6:15p Kids of the Kingdom - FH & MR  
7:00p Youth Group - YL & FL  
7:30p Choir - WR  
Pleasant Valley Shelter - Deacons

**Thursday, March 12** *Psalms 102*

7:00p Stewardship Committee - Library  
7:15p Stephen Ministry - BR

**Friday, March 13** *John 5:30-47*

3:45p Belles - WR  
Piper Deadline - Noon

**Saturday, March 14** *Rom. 3:19-31*

9:00a Pittsburgh Presbytery Meeting

**Sunday, March 15** *Mark 5:1-20*

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

For the latest information, see [www.my.calendars.net/northmontchurch](http://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](http://www.northmontchurch.org).*

