



Northmont United Presbyterian Church

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

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

AS YOU ENTER WORSHIP: Take a moment and write down, or meditate on, the times during the week you have intentionally lived (practiced) your faith.

PRELUDE

“Abide With Us, Lord Jesus Christ”
“Ah Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended?”

Walcha

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[11:00a] “Morning Chimes”
Kids of the Kingdom Choirchimes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moment for Mission – Ethiopia

Michael & Rachel Weller

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O God, we seek you, our souls thirst for you;

All: As in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

One: So we have looked in upon you in the Sanctuary;

All: Beholding your power and glory. Because of your steadfast love we will lift up our hands and call upon your name.

*HYMN

“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

No. 81

***PRAYER OF CELEBRATION**

Lord of all, we celebrate your love in Jesus Christ whose journey to Jerusalem ended in victory over death for us. We rejoice in your love of us, through Christ, poured out by your Holy Spirit into our lives. May this time be one of thanksgiving, as in and through your love we worship you. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" [vs. 4] No. 81

*[8:30] **HYMN** "Into My Heart" No. 2160
(Found in *Sing the Faith*)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Fountain of life, we have drunk from the dusty wells of our own making. We have set our table with the meager fruits of our own labors. We have sought riches in bankrupt storehouses of our own building. Forgive us. Satisfy our hunger with your bounty, that we may seek you wholly and tell of your goodness to all generations.
[Moment for silent prayer]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The Lord is good, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast mercy.
All: In the death and resurrection of our Lord, we find His forgiveness.

ANTHEM "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"
Kids of the Kingdom choirchimes

[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 Kathy Sptiz and Jan Baty

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 20 Page 499

NEW TESTAMENT Matthew 18:21-35 Page 20

SERMON "Practicing our Faith: Forgiveness" Rev. Dr. Donald R. Ewing

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

***HYMN** "Lamb of God" No. 2113
[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] "Morning Chimes"
Kids of the Kingdom Choirchimes

[11:00] "Lord, For Thy Tender Mercies' Sake" Farrant

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** "The Glory of These Forty Days" No. 87

***CHARGE & BLESSING**

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

POSTLUDE "Christ, Thou Art My Life" 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 Joanne Zaletsky; at the 11:00a service Gwen Spahr 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, Don Richards
	11:00	Dick Fisher, Ed Weaver
ELDERS	8:30	Pat Krotzer
	11:00	Dianna Hollo
USHERS	8:30	Tom Englert (head usher), Dick Krotzer, Jim Nicola, Dave Stanton
USHERS	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.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Carol Concelman in loving memory of Marion Concelman and Emma Hager.

THE RUSSELL FAMILY would like to send their heartfelt thanks to the deacons for establishing the Shawn Russell Fund and to everyone who so generously donated to it. God bless you all!

THANKS TO ALL who helped with the special Presbytery meeting yesterday. The Presbytery leadership and members also express their thanks and appreciation.

THE BLOOD DRIVE is being held today from 8:00a – 2:00p in Fellowship Hall. Walk-in donors are welcome.

THE CONGREGATION is called to a Special Meeting on Sunday, March 22 at noon in the Sanctuary. The Call is to hear the report of the Congregational Nominating Committee and the election of the Designated Pastor Nominating Committee, and to Call Rev. Doyle Snyder as a Parish Associate.

LUNCH BUNCH will meet on March 19th at Magoo's for a St. Patrick's Day lunch. Contact Sharon Walston by March 17th (412-366-3917) to make a reservation.

LEADERSHIP CONVOCATION will be held on March 28th beginning at 8:30a. All elders, deacons and committee members past and present are invited. Folks from the Presbytery will be with us as we prepare and plan for the year to come. The event will end at noon.

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.

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.

STEPHEN MINISTER Alick Kennedy will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call him 724-935-6556. 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: Julia Mitchell

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

- Elsie Schopper, The Manor, Room 327, 4842 Rt. 8, Allison Park, PA 15101
- Shawn Russell, 581 Jackson Blvd., Freedom, PA 15042
- Warren Johnson, Wexford House
- Gloria Barger, Good Samaritan Hospice
- Carl Dorow, Passavant Hospital
- Bob Wilson, 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.

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THE FLEA MARKET/BAKE SALE will be held on Saturday, April 4th. Collection of items such as: toys, household items, books, games, costume jewelry, antiques, linens, curtains, CD'S, DVD'S, crafts etc. (no clothing please) will begin on Sunday, March 22 at the far end of Fellowship Hall. Please hold all donations until this day. We also need plastic or brown bags donated.

If you can help set up for an hour or two on April 1, 2, or 3, or help on April 4th sell and/or clean up, call Linda Zmuda at 412-931-6787 or fill out the tear-off below.

Name _____ Phone _____

I can help on April _____ Time _____

PIPER DEADLINE is April 17th for the May 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 welcome back Michael and Rachel Weller, missionaries in Ethiopia, who will provide us an update from Africa.

Next week, Nancy Belz of Samaritan Counseling returns for the second of a 3-part class on Midlife Transitions.

Week of March 15, 2009

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

Monday, March 16 *John 7:14-36*

7:00p Boy Scouts - FH

Tuesday, March 17 *Rom. 4:13-25*

8:30a NBC - FH

10:00a Staff Meeting - Library

7:00p Deacons - Library

7:30p Session - FH

Wednesday, March 18 *Psalms 5*

9:30a Knitters - MR

6:15p Kids of the Kingdom - FH & MR

7:00p Youth Group - YL & FH

7:30p Choir - WR

Thursday, March 19 *Jer. 10:11-24*

11:00a AARP - FH

6:30p Cub Scout Den Meetings - FH

7:00p Facilities Management Committee -
Library

Friday, March 20 *John 8:33-47*

9:30a Project Linus - MR

3:45p Belles - WR

6:00p Triangles - FH

Saturday, March 21 *Psalms 143*

Sunday, March 22 *Mark 8:11-21*

8:30a Worship

9:30a Sunday School

11:00a Worship

12:00p Congregational Meeting

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.

