



## Northmont United Presbyterian Church

8169 Perry Highway Pittsburgh, PA 15237 [www.northmontchurch.org](http://www.northmontchurch.org)

### **WORSHIP SERVICE**                      **Sunday, March 29, 2009**                      **8:30 & 11:00a**

<b>PRELUDE</b>	"Prelude and Fugue in e minor"	J.S. Bach
	"Adagio from Chorale in a minor" Glen Wissner, organ	Franck
	[11:00] "God Is Spirit" Leslie Scheuer, soprano	J.S. Bach

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Moment for Mission

Tom Snaman

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion;

**All: We were like those who dream.**

One: It has been said among the nations;

**All: The Lord has done great things for them.**

One: The Lord has done great things for us!

**All: Let us rejoice and worship our God.**

### **\*HYMN**

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

No. 84

### **\*PRAYER OF CELEBRATION**

God of grace and glory, we come to worship you, to offer our praise and to speak our thanksgiving. By your mercy and in your love you have done great things for us. You have poured upon us blessings beyond number. You have given us life and promised life eternal. Open our hearts and loosen our lips, that the world might hear our praise and worship. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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

**\*[8:30] HYMN** "More Like You" No. 2167  
[Found in *Sing the Faith*]

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God who makes all things new, you have given us every good and perfect gift. Yet, Lord we do not trust you with our whole heart. We fail to follow you with all of our strength. In mercy, forgive us and give us a new heart. May we rest in your love and enjoy your goodness. Empower us by your spirit. [Moment for silent prayer]

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: The good news of your reign is forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

**All: In and through Christ we are healed, restored and forgiven.**

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

[11:00] **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** Rev. Dr. Donald R. Ewing

Opening Scripture

Questions to the Parents and the Congregation

Kathy Wissner

\*The Apostle's Creed [traditional]

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Prayer and Baptism

Congregational Blessing

Faithful God, we thank you for this sign and seal of our welcome into the household of faith, and our reminder of your promises to us and to our children. Today we welcome as Christ's own Lindsey Leigh Dunlop. We pray that through your Spirit she would grow strong in faith and love of God. We pray for Brian and Beverly that they continue to be given wisdom as their family grows. Together with all the community, may they grow in wisdom and knowledge of Christ and in service to Him. Amen.

Welcome

"Baptized in Water" [verse 3]

No. 492

**OLD TESTAMENT**

Genesis 22:1-18

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**ANTHEM**

"Calvary"

Carter

Leslie Scheuer, soprano

**NEW TESTAMENT**

Matthew 6:19-34

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**SERMON**

**"Practicing Our Faith: Household Economics"**

**Rev. Dr. Donald R. Ewing**

**\*HYMN** "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone" No. 2112  
[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] "God Is Spirit" J.S. Bach  
Leslie Scheuer, soprano

[11:00] "Wondrous Love" arr. Christiansen  
Latifu Onaje, solo  
Text: The Presbyterian Hymnal, No. 85

**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** "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" No. 80

**\*CHARGE & BLESSING**

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

**POSTLUDE** "Praise to Thee O Christ Who Suffers for Us" 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 John Russell; 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](http://www.northmontchurch.org)

GREETERS	8:30	Dave Hawbaker, Don Tanner
	11:00	Bill English, Alick Kennedy
ELDERS	8:30	Pat Krotzer
	11:00	Kathy Wissner
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.

FOLLOWING 11:00a WORSHIP please join us for Fellowship Time in Polley Fellowship Hall hosted by the Youth Ministry Committee.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Deane and Pat Frank in loving memory of Ethel and William C. Frank, and Florence and Wilbert W. Hammer. Flowers are also given by Hank Wojdyla in loving memory of his wife, Kathryn.

WE WELCOME Lindsey Dunlop to the family of faith through the Sacrament of Baptism this morning. Her parents are Beverly and Brian and her sister is Gwen.

THE DESIGNATED PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE was elected at the congregational meeting. The DNPC includes Jim Dickson, Nancy Garver, Lee Karayusuf, Betty Harris, Anne Linaberger, Daryl Scott and Dave Sartori.

THE REV DOYLE SNYDER has been called to be one of our Parish Associates. We have been blessed through his ministry among us and are pleased to welcome him to this position.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN grades Pre-K through grade 5 are reminded to return their Lenten Banks to the teachers on Palm Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. They will be collected with the regular Sunday School offering.

YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN THE LORD WILL SEND YOU A MESSAGE and you never know when he will bless you with a gift. If God has blessed you with a gift of a refund from the IRS, He may also be sending you a message to give a bit more to the church. Please consider giving 10% of your tax refund to the church.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, next Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> the Chancel Choir and Northmont Belles will participate and palms will be distributed at both the 8:30a and 11:00a services. The Kuyimba Choir sings at 11:00a service.

Maundy Thursday worship on April 9<sup>th</sup> is scheduled at 7:30p.

Good Friday Tenebrae worship will be held on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30p.

Easter Sunday, April 12th, festival worship will be held at 8:30a and 11:00a with brass, Chancel Choir and Northmont Belles. Kids of the Kingdom and Kuyimba Choir sing at 11:00a. An Easter breakfast hosted by Scout Troop #335 will be served between the morning services.

Grief Support Group led by Samaritan Counseling Center, Inc. and Northmont's Stephen Ministry Program, are co-sponsoring a six week Grief Support Group. The sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings beginning Tuesday, April 14 at 7:00p in the Berean Room. This program is co-led by Phil Jamison, M.Div., an experienced Bereavement Counselor, and Gwen Spahr, a Northmont Stephen Minister. The group meets for an hour and a half and will provide participants with information about the grieving process, managing your grief and emotional support. There is no charge for this program, however, registration is a must. To register or if you have any questions, please call Gwen at 412-364-1850.

PIPER DEADLINE is April 17<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:piper@northmontchurch.org)). Mark your email: *Request Read Receipt* to be sure the Piper Editor received your article.

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THE FLEA MARKET/BAKE SALE will be held on Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. Collection of items such as: toys, household items, books, games, costume jewelry, antiques, linens, curtains, CD'S, DVD'S, crafts etc. (no clothing please) began at the far end of Fellowship Hall. 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 \_\_\_\_\_

YOU ARE INVITED to join members of the Mission Ministry Team on Sunday evening, April 5 for the open house dinner for Pittsburgh Region International Student Ministries (PRISM). This one time event provides an opportunity to meet and interact with men and women from many countries, most of whom are doing graduate work in multiple fields of study. Please call Dottie Phillis at 412-366-7456 to RSVP. The group will car pool to Bellefield Presbyterian Church departing Northmont at 5:00p, serve supper, fellowship around the dinner tables and conclude at 8:00p.

The 12th Annual North Hills Interfaith Gathering will be held on Sunday, March 29, from 3:00-5:00p at the Temple Ohav Shalom, located at 8400 Thompson Run Road in McCandless Township. This annual event, sponsored by the Pittsburgh North Anti-Racism Coalition, is intended to provide opportunities to gain a better understanding of our friends and neighbors of other cultures within our community. The theme of this year's gathering is "Working for Change – Celebrating Our Diversity." Participating in the event will be representatives from the Baha'i, Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Jewish, Mormon, Muslim, Unitarian Universalist, and Zoroastrian communities. For more information, please contact Ted Mills (412-364-4002).

The Wellers will continue to live at Pittsburgh Seminary. In the meantime they are searching for a place to rent. The girls are going to school in Pittsburgh and they would like something near for them to get in and out of the city. Should anyone know of a house or apartment (especially one that is in need of long term house sitting) please email them: mswelleret@gmail.com and wellerachel@gmail.com. Amira is studying Industrial Design at The Art Institute of Pittsburgh. Thomas is planning to attend LeTourneau University in TX. Lydia is a sophomore at City Charter High School. Brian attends Geneva College. Rachel is completing her license reinstatement and will be looking for a job and a place to complete her Bachelors degree. Michael continues as Regional Liaison for the Horn of Africa for the Presbyterian Church (USA). You can find more at:  
<http://www.pcusa.org/missionconnections/profiles/wellerm.htm> or  
<http://www.ethiopianetwork.org/NewsfmEthiopia.html>

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.

STEPHEN MINISTER Helen Traynor will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call her 412-364-2287. 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: Bernie Kersting, Emie Frederick, Shawn Russell, Gerri Charles – Sue LeDonne’s sister, Cecilia Maciag, Janet Corsello – Ruth Matthew’s daughter, John Behm, Bud Walker, Elsie Schopper

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Rufus Wysor, Cumberland Crossing, Room 206, 9350 Babcock Blvd., Pgh., PA 15237  
Shawn Russell, 581 Jackson Blvd., Freedom, PA 15042  
Warren Johnson, Cumberland Crossing  
Bob Wilson, Rebecca Residence  
Carl Dorow, Passavant Hospital

*ADULT OPPORTUNITIES*

ADULT BIBLE STUDY - 9:45a Sunday

Malawi Room

ADULT TOPICS CLASS - 9:45a Sunday

Fellowship Hall

Nancy Belz of Samaritan Counseling joins us for the last of 3 classes on Midlife Review, dealing with transitions, challenges, changes, and uncertainties that adults often face during the middle phases of their lives.

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USHERS ARE NEEDED FOR 8:30a AND 11:00a SERVICES. Please consider volunteering as an usher or perhaps even sharing assignments with another person. If you wish to volunteer, please complete the form below and place in the offering plate or in the church office. Any questions please contact Tim Zeitler at 412-367-8376 or email [tcjzb@verizon.net](mailto:tcjzb@verizon.net).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## Week of March 29, 2009

### **Sunday, March 29** *1Cor. 9:19-27*

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

### **Monday, March 30** *Jer. 24:1-10*

7:00p Boy Scouts - FH

### **Tuesday, March 31** *Psalm 34*

8:30a NBC - FH  
10:00a Staff Meeting - Library

### **Wednesday, April 1** *John 10:1-18*

9:00a Flea Market Set-Up - FH  
9:30a Knitters - MR  
6:15p Kids of the Kingdom - FH & MR  
7:00p Youth Group - YL & FL  
7:00p CDPC Board - Library  
7:30p Choir - WR

### **Thursday, April 2** *Rom. 11:1-12*

9:00a Flea Market Set-Up - FH

### **Friday, April 3** *Psalm 22*

9:00a Flea Market Set-Up - FH  
9:30a Project Linus - MR

### **Saturday, April 4** *Jer. 31:27-34*

8:00a Flea Market - FH

### **Sunday, April 5** *Matt. 21:12-17*

8:30a Worship  
9:15a 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

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  
Parish Associate: Rev. Doyle Snyder

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 the PCUSA

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).*

PRACTICING OUR FAITH: HOSPITALITY  
(Fourth in the series)

The God's instructions to Moses were, "You will treat resident *strangers* as though they were native born and love them as yourself" (Leviticus 19.33-34). Jesus' life and teachings were the same as illustrated by His parable of the Good Samaritan, the neighbor in need (Matthew 25.35-40) and Paul instructs the early Christians to 'practice hospitality'.

We can show hospitality by...

-Join with another church family and invite students from the PRISM ministry to a meal or a family activity – web site is <http://www.prismph.org/> or at 4001 Fifth Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15213-3545 Phone: 412-683-0342

-Participating with our partnership church in the mutual activities over the coming year – save the May 17<sup>th</sup> date

-Check out Interfaith Hospitality Network and become part of the existing chapters – web site is [http://www.homelessfamilies.org/about\\_IHN.htm](http://www.homelessfamilies.org/about_IHN.htm)

-Study and pray about attitudes toward strangers seeking to, ourselves, become more welcoming and accepting

-Go up to visitors in our worship and introduce yourself and welcome them to our congregation – invite them to go with you to the fellowship hour