



**\*PRAYER OF CELEBRATION**

Almighty God, you sent Jesus our good shepherd to gather us together. May we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us; listening for his voice and staying near him until we are safely in your fold, to live with you forever; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**      "Lift High the Cross" [vs. 4]      No. 371

**\*[8:30] HYMN**      "Thine Is the Glory" [vs. 1]      No. 122

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, we confess that our attentions are so often divided. We often fail to notice your work in the world. We attribute power to so many people and things other than you, when we know that there is no other name by which we are saved. Forgive us for not loving you with our whole hearts. Turn our eyes to your power and glory that we might give you praise in all things. Amen.  
[Moment for silent prayer]

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**      "We are Forgiven"      Hopson

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**[11:00] KID'S CORNER**

Nadia Mullin

After Kids' Corner children ages 4 thru 3rd grade may go to Steps of Faith with Anne Linaberger

**OLD TESTAMENT**

Psalm 23

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<b>ANTHEM</b>	"Valediction for Flute and Organ" [based on John 14:1-4, 27] Sarah Flemming, flute	Callahan
<b>NEW TESTAMENT</b>	Acts 4:5-12	Page 3
<b>SERMON</b>	<b>"By What Power?"</b>	<b>Nadia Mullin</b>
<b>*APOSTLES' CREED</b> [traditional]	<b>AND GLORIA PATRI</b>	No. 579
<b>*HYMN</b>	"Christ Has Risen" [Found in <i>Sing the Faith</i> ]	No. 2115

**COMMISSIONING OF DESIGNATED PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

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

**OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS - PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

<b>OFFERTORY ANTHEM</b>	[8:30] "Air and Variation" Sarah Flemming, flute	C. Gluck
	[11:00] "Christ Victorious"	G. Young

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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

<b>*HYMN</b>	"The Strife is O'er"	No. 119
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**\*CHARGE & BLESSING**

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

<b><u>POSTLUDE</u></b>	"O God Beyond All Praising"	Cherwien
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\*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 Jerry Ellis; at the 11:00a service Alick Kennedy 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	Jim Bodfish, Dick Krotzer
	11:00	Ed Weaver, Barry Harris
ELDERS	8:30	Jean Eckert
	11:00	Judith Shifrin
USHERS	8:30	Terry Fahrney (head usher), Larry Frye, John Sebastian, Bryan Frye
	11:00	Jack Swick (head usher), Ron McClymonds, Ken or Marlene Yoest, Carolyn Perry

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 Beacons.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Archie Haberlein by his wife, children and grandchildren.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is called for May 10, at noon in the sanctuary to hear the report of the Congregational Nominating Committee for the purpose of electing a person to fill an unexpired term on Session, Class of 2010.

THE STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE COMMITTEE is asking you celebrate Meatless Mondays during the month of May. Prepare a meatless dinner every Monday and send the money you save to the church to help shore up the 2009 budget. It is a little "sacrifice" we can make that will help the life of the church while not impacting our personal budgets. And if you say a special prayer before digging in you just might feel yourself getting a little closer to God.

THE NORTHMONT BELLES will have their end of year banquet to celebrate another wonderful year of bell ringing-on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at Magoo's restaurant at 6:00p.

YOUR DESIGNATED PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE IS HARD AT WORK

discerning God's will for our church and His choice for our next pastor. If you have questions, concerns or comments about the process you're welcome to contact any member of the committee directly or tear-off this sheet and place it in the offering plate. Give us your name and contact information and we'll get back to you as quickly as we can -- and we may address your question or concern in the Piper, bulletin or in worship.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone or e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Question/comment/concern \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Designated Pastor Nominating Committee: Nancy Garver, chair ([nancygarver@aol.com](mailto:nancygarver@aol.com), 724-935-2194), Jim Dickson (412-364-6244), Betty Harris ([bwharris56@hotmail.com](mailto:bwharris56@hotmail.com), 412-367-3586), Lee Karayusuf ([karayusuf@comcast.net](mailto:karayusuf@comcast.net), 412-364-8929), Anne Linaberger ([alinaberger1@comcast.net](mailto:alinaberger1@comcast.net), 412-364-2547), Dave Sartori ([desartori@comcast.net](mailto:desartori@comcast.net), 412-367-7106), Daryl Scott ([dds@jgcg.com](mailto:dds@jgcg.com), 412-635-8873).

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NBC on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, will feature Jim Withers, M.D. speaking on Operation Safety Net, a Pittsburgh organization ministering to area "street people" and others unable to afford medications or medical services. Dr. Withers works directly with the care receivers of this organization which has an office in Pittsburgh's Hill District. All Northmont and other retired men in the area are invited to join NBC at our weekly Tuesday meetings: coffee, doughnuts and fellowship at 8:30a, program from 9:00a – 10:00a, golf or bowling leagues immediately thereafter.

ALL WOMEN ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN LUNCH BUNCH for a fun end of the year tea party. The Iris and Ivory Tearoom in Indianola will be our destination on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. You may join us there at 1:00p or meet in Northmont's parking lot at 12:30p to carpool. The cost is only \$14.95. Please RSVP to Betty Harris by May 15 (412) 367-3586 or [bwharris56@hotmail.com](mailto:bwharris56@hotmail.com).

THE NORTHSIDE COMMON MINISTRIES FOOD PANTRY is no longer receiving donated eggs that require re-packaging. Therefore, there is no need to continue collecting egg cartons. We appreciate all your help in the past.

NORTHMONT WILL BE CONDUCTING A FOOD DRIVE to help Northside Common Ministries Food Pantry to better meet the needs of the 600 plus families it serves each month. After both services today, grocery bags labeled with needed non-perishable foods and other items will be passed out by the Mission Committee. We ask that you fill each bag with needed provisions and return them to the coatroom across from the church office no later than Sunday, May 10. The pantry has been unable to provide enough items such as Enfamil, Ensure, and diapers for infants, children and adults. The Mission Committee and Northside Common Ministries thank you for your help.

THE PALM PROJECT supported by The Presbyterian Women throughout the Synod of the Trinity is hoping to raise \$20,000 to plant 80 hectares in Congo with palm trees. These trees will generate \$200,000 annually for 30 years to subsidize educational programs, hospitals, and clinics. They will be planted, maintained, and the palm oil will be harvested by women in the Presbyterian community of Congo. Your mission money for this project will help improve the lives of many for years to come. What a great investment! If you'd like to contribute, please make your check payable to Northmont PW and mark Palm Project in the memo line. Or, if you'd like to give cash, use a pew envelop and write Palm Project on it. Our synod would like to have all donations by May 15 so the women can begin planting soon.

PRODUCT OF THE MONTH FOR NORTH HILLS FOOD BANK – Paper Products. All items are very much appreciated.

PIPER DEADLINE is May 15 for the Summer 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.

YOUTH MINISTRY is looking for donations for dessert for the Italian dinner on May 16<sup>th</sup>. If anyone can make something, recipe will be provided, please contact Cheryl English, 412-366-1713.

URGENT NEED FOR CRIBS, HIGHCHAIRS, CHANGING TABLES & STROLLERS! Are there old children's items in your basement or closet that you've needed to get rid of but haven't had the time or motivation to take care of? If so, there's a wonderful opportunity to pass these things on to people desperately in need! Off the Floor - a non-profit organization that helps provide furniture for low income families (primarily single mothers w/children), is in desperate need of the following baby items - cribs, crib bedding, high chairs, changing tables, rocking chairs & strollers. Just call (412) 531-6227 x220 and leave a message for a volunteer to arrange pick-up of your items. Or call Dianna Hollo at (412) 367-3757 & she will be glad to make the arrangements for you.

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

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.

STEPHEN MINISTER George Depee will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call him at 412-364-6266. 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: Warne Borden – Robyn McMillan's father-in-law, Dot Babicka

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Mary Jane Klein, Cumberland Crossing, #216, 9350 Babcock Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Shawn Russell, 581 Jackson Blvd., Freedom, PA 15042

Iris McManus, Wexford House

Bill DeArmit, Allegheny General Hospital

Nancy Melcher, Passavant Hospital

Kathy Zink, Manor Care Health Services, Room 229A, 13881 Eagle Ridge Drive, Ft. Myers, FL 33912

*ADULT OPPORTUNITIES*

ADULT BIBLE STUDY - 9:45a Sunday

Malawi Room

ADULT TOPICS CLASS - 9:45a Sunday

Fellowship Hall

## Week of May 3, 2009

### **Sunday, May 3** *Gen. 18:22-33*

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

### **Monday, May 4** *Jer. 30:1-9*

9:30a PW Board Meeting - MR  
7:00p Christian Education Committee - BSR  
7:00p Boy Scouts - FH  
7:15p DPNC - Library

### **Tuesday, May 5** *Col. 1:15-23*

8:30a NBC - FH  
10:00a Staff Meeting - Library  
7:00p Worship Committee - WR  
7:00p Grief Support - BR  
7:30p Mission Committee - MR

### **Wednesday, May 6** *Luke 6:27-38*

9:30a Knitters - MR  
7:00p Youth Group – YL, FH  
7:00p CDPC Board - Library  
7:30p Choir - WR

### **Thursday, May 7** *Jer. 31:1-14*

6:30p Cub Scout Meeting - FH

### **Friday, May 8** *Luke 7:1-17*

### **Saturday, May 9** *Psalms 92,149*

### **Sunday, May 10** *Isa. 32:1-8*

8:30a Worship  
9:30a Sunday School  
11:00a Worship  
Noon – Congregational Meeting  
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



## **Commissioning of Designated Pastor Nominating Committee Northmont UP Church**

The Church has always recognized and set-apart people for special duties and unique ministries. In the New Testament the Church set-aside men to help with the distribution of food to the widows and orphans; they set-aside disciples to go and preach the Gospel to distant people and parts of the world, and they recognized special ministries and Kingdom work. The act of 'setting-aside' is called 'Commissioning'. In Commissioning the Church and the leaders acknowledge their Call, seek God's blessing on their work, and covenant together to faithfully and joyfully support each other in the completion of the task. We Commission today the Designated Pastor Nominating Committee for their special work.

ONE: As many of you were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

**ALL: There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.**

ONE: How very good and pleasant it is when sisters and brothers live together in unity!

**ALL: It is like the dew of Mount Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. for there the LORD ordained the blessing of life forevermore.**

Will those who have been chosen to serve our community as members of the Designated Pastor Nominating Committee please come forward: Jim Dickson, Nancy Garver, Betty Harris, Lee Karayusuf, Anne Linaberger, Dave Sartori and Daryl Scott.

Each of you has been called from this faith community to serve as a member of the Designated Pastor Nominating Committee. You have been Called by God and affirmed by this congregation: to discern, through study, scripture and prayer a pastor-nominee for this congregation; to follow the leadership of Pittsburgh Presbytery and our Book of Order; to communicate regularly with the Session and the congregation; and to faithfully represent this congregation in your conversations and deliberations humbly relying upon God's grace.

Do you accept the responsibilities of the Designated Pastor Nominating Committee conferred upon you by this Congregation and denomination? **We do.**

Will you strive to be more like Christ so that you will be better able to serve His people? **We will, with God's help.**

May God bless and sustain you in the work you have taken on for this faith community.

To the congregation:

Do you, the members of Northmont UP Church, confirm the call of God to our sisters and brothers to discern God's call to a pastoral leadership-nominee, representing us to pastors, Presbytery and the denomination? **We do.**

Will you support them with your prayers, encourage them in their work, honor them as your elected Committee? **We will!**

Let us pray: Faithful God, in baptism you claimed us as covenant people; and by your Holy Spirit you are working in our lives, empowering us to live a life worthy of our calling. We thank you for leading these people and our congregation to this time and place. Ground them in your truth and guide them by your Holy Spirit, so that in their discernment and search for pastoral leadership, they may abound in faith, hope, and love and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**



## Garden Work Day with Second Presbyterian of Wilkinsburg

Date: Sunday, May 17, 2009  
When: 11:00 – 3:00 or 4:00  
Where: Second Presbyterian of Wilkinsburg

Second UP is located in a small park that is used by the church and the community. There are vegetable beds along one side of the church to supplement their Food Pantry. There are also flowerbeds and a Meditation garden in the park, which are maintained by the church.

Join in for a planting and fellowship day with our partner church. Carpools will leave Northmont at 10:15a and 12:15p. We will attend the 11:00a service at Second UP. Dress casually for work in the gardens. There will be a hot dog lunch after the service. Then we can get to work. You do not have to be a gardener to help. There will be more than enough stuff for everyone to do.

Bring with you –

- Work gloves and hat
- Gardening tools
- Large trash bags
- Perennials to share
- Willing hands and back

Special items needed (call if you are willing to bring or make) –

- Rototiller – to prep a new veggie bed
- Wooden tomato and green bean trellises
- Wooden grape arbor
- Picnic table

Call or e-mail Judith Shifrin with your name  
724-687-0992 or [j.shifrin@zoominternet.net](mailto:j.shifrin@zoominternet.net)

## **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  
Director of Family Ministry: Kellyn LeVasseur  
Youth Director: Sean Kelly  
Seminary Intern: Nadia Buzzelli Mullin  
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Stephen L. Polley  
Parish Associates: Rev. Alick Kennedy and 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).*

