



**\*PRAYER OF CELEBRATION**

We thank you O God, our Father in Heaven, for gathering us from near and far before your magnificent presence. We are grateful for your steadfast love that inspires our hearts! Your works are great before us; your salvation through Christ is our hope! To you be all majesty and praise, now and forever. Amen.

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**      "Let Us Break Bread Together"      No. 513

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Before your presence O Lord, our God, we bow in humble gratitude for your tender mercy and divine love. You are aware of the resistance we have offered you: setting out plans for our lives without consulting your purpose; making daily choices without inquiring whether they align with your will; seeking ambitious goals for ourselves with considering the cost to our faith. We are not worthy of your grace, yet you grant it through our Lord Jesus Christ. May the cleansing of our hearts through the hearing of your Word, lead us to greater paths of holiness, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
[Moment for silent prayer]

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**TEXT**

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

Rev. Dr. John J. Lolla

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

**OLD TESTAMENT**

Genesis 17:1-7

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**ANTHEM**

"Santo, Santo, Santo" Argentine Folk song

arr. Parrish

[Holy, Holy, Holy]

Nothmont Women's Choir

**NEW TESTAMENT**

Colossians 1:15-20

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**SERMON**                    **“One Pastor – One Church”**                    **Rev. Dr. John J. Lolla**

*Colossians 1:18 Text: He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.*

**\*HYMN**                                    “Sheaves of Summer”                                    No. 518

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

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**            “Festival Canticle: Worthy is Christ”                    Hilert

**BLESSING AND DEDICATION OF COMMUNION WARE** [see insert]

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord’s Prayer

Distribution of the Bread & Cup

Communion Response                    “Eat This Bread”                                    Berthier

[To be sung during Communion by the choir and congregation]

Soloists: Glen Wissner, George Pearsall, Leslie Scheuer, Latifu Onaje & Leah Boccardi

***TEXT***

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

**\*HYMN**                                    “In Christ There is No East or West”                                    No. 440

**\*CHARGE & BLESSING**

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

**POSTLUDE** "In Christ There is No East or West" arr. Martin  
\*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 Pat Frank will be in the front of the sanctuary.*

THE CONGREGATION is called into meeting on today, at noon in the sanctuary to hear and act on the report of the Designated Pastor Nominating Committee. Tellers for the meeting are: Jim Nicola and Karen Nootbaar.

***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, and check out our website: [www.northmontchurch.org](http://www.northmontchurch.org)

GREETERS	8:30	Bud Walker, Dave Hawbaker
	11:00	Harry Rittenour, Chuck McClure
ELDER		Nancy Garver
USHERS	8:30	Pat Kelly [head usher], Robyn McMillan, Tim Zeitler, Dick Margerum
	11:00	Dick Spahr [head usher], John Mathe, Rob Butorac, Brian English

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 the Kowalski family in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard C. Kersting.

THE ROSE ON THE COMMUNION TABLE is in honor of the birth of Tyler Matthew Pearsall, infant son of Jill and George Pearsall, Jr., who was born on Friday, September 25th. George and Carolyn Pearsall are Tyler's grandparents.

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

TODAY OUR CHURCH IS DEDICATING a beautiful, new silver Communion set. This has been purchased through memorial funds of our congregation. The former set will be packed and sent to our sister church in Malawi.

THE 2009 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN is a group activity! We ask that every member consider the impact which Northmont has in our local communities and around the world. God is the Source of all our blessings, and we are simply asked to be vessels which will carry God's blessings to others. Let our Lord make you His instrument for good! Be generous in your commitment to Northmont for the coming year. *Consider the Source!* He wants to use *you!*

THE PER CAPITA LINE IN THIS YEAR'S BUDGET is running behind. If you have not had a chance to submit your payment please do so, and if you can make an extra payment to cover a member who can not, that would be a great way to spread the blessings you have received. (\$23.15)

NBC'S GUEST SPEAKER THIS TUESDAY is Alan "Mac" McCullough speaking on "Pennsylvania's Forests, Their Make-Up and Conservation." Fellowship begins at 8:30a; the program at 9:00a; golf and bowling at 10:00a.

GRIEF IS A DIFFICULT EMOTION to handle at the time of the death of a loved one. We can help. We are Phil Jameson, M.Div. Bereavement Counselor and Jan Baty, Stephen Minister. We are offering a six-week program beginning on Wednesday, October 7 and running through Wednesday, November 11. It will meet in the Berean Room at Northmont at 7:00p. To sign up for this program please contact Jan Baty at 412-367-7973.

A NEW MINISTRY, NORTHMONT DELIVERS, will meet this Thursday, October 8, in the kitchen. Everyone interested is invited. We will cook and assemble a nutritious meal, to be delivered to those members who have recently suffered illness or surgery or have an immediate special need. We need volunteers to cook, assemble and deliver those meals. Monetary contributions are welcome. If you have an abundance of fresh fruits and/or vegetables from your garden, they will be more than welcome contributions. To volunteer or to receive more information, contact Liz Bowers, Kathy Spitz or Sharon Walston.

PIPER DEADLINE is October 9 for the November 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.

JOIN THE LUNCH BUNCH at Foxburg Inn and the Allegheny Grill on Wednesday, Oct 14<sup>th</sup>. Meet in the parking lot at 9:30a to carpool. If you wish to meet us there, reservations are at 11:30a. Afterwards, there's a great shopping area, or you can walk around and see the sights of this charming town. Please call or e-mail Betty Harris by October 12 to RSVP or for more information: (412) 367-3586 or [bwharris56@hotmail.com](mailto:bwharris56@hotmail.com).

DINAH'S BOOK CLUB will be held Saturday, October 17 in the Malawi Room. The book is An Irish Country Doctor by Patrick Taylor. Join us for fellowship at 9:00a; discussion begins 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 or [bettyfraley@gmail.com](mailto:bettyfraley@gmail.com).

SUPPORT CUB SCOUT PACK 335 and their annual Popcorn Sale. Place an order for popcorn in the hallway outside the narthex Sunday, October 11th.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU. The men at Pleasant Valley Shelter and the staff wish to express their sincere appreciation for the donation of 43 white towels. It was greatly appreciated and Northmont is to be commended for their generosity.

PRODUCTS OF THE MONTH FOR NORTH HILLS FOOD BANK – Cereal. All items are very much appreciated.

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 board outside Kelly's office.

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THERE IS STILL TIME TO SIGN UP FOR DINNER'S FOR EIGHT. Fill out the information below and place in the offering plate. For additional information please contact Bill or Cheryl English at 412/ 366-1713.

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

STEPHEN MINISTER Alick Kennedy will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call him at 724-935-6556. 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, shared with the staff and published here. Prayers are requested for: Annette Curtis, Tom Merriman, Linda Sabina, Ernie Frederick, Ben Fisher – grandson of Sallie Fisher

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Becky Peters, 112 Lillian Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237  
Judy Marshall, Passavant Hospital

ADULT OPPORTUNITIES

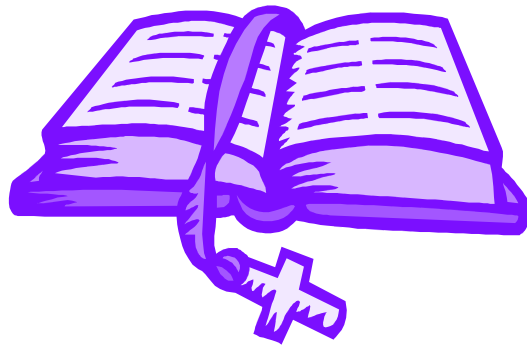
ADULT BIBLE STUDY – 9:45a Sunday

Malawi Room

ADULT TOPICS CLASS – 9:45a Sunday

Fellowship Hall

The class will discuss the topic of medical ethics to set the stage for the following weeks with Father O'Brien.



## Week of October 4, 2009

### **Sunday, Oct. 4** *Luke 7:11-17*

8:30a Worship - Sanctuary  
9:45a Sunday School  
11:00a Worship - Sanctuary  
12:00p Congregational Meeting -  
Sanctuary  
6:30p AA - FH

### **Monday, Oct. 5** *Matt. 8:28-34*

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

### **Tuesday, Oct. 6** *Psalm 102*

8:30a NBC - FH  
10:00a Northmont Homemakers - MR  
7:00p Worship Committee - WR  
7:30p Mission Committee - MR

### **Wednesday, Oct. 7** *Matt. 9:9-17*

9:15a Knitters - MR  
5:30p Kids of the Kingdom - FH  
7:00p Grief Support - Berean Room  
7:30p Choir - WR  
Pleasant Valley Shelter - Deacons

### **Thursday, Oct. 8** *Psalm 16*

7:00p Stewardship & Finance  
Committee - Library  
7:15p Stephen Ministry - BR  
7:30p Dixieland Band Practice - WR

### **Friday, Oct. 9** *Matt. 9:27-34*

3:45a Belles - WR  
Piper Deadline - Noon

### **Saturday, Oct. 10** *Jer. 35:1-19*

### **Sunday, Oct. 11** *Luke 7:36-50*

8:30a Worship - Sanctuary  
9:45a Sunday School  
11:00a Worship - Sanctuary  
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



BLESSING AND DEDICATION  
Northmont UP Church

O come, let us sing to the Lord  
***And shout with joy to the rock of our salvation.***

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving  
***Singing joyful songs of praise.***

The Lord says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock;  
***"If those who hear my voice open the door I will come in to them and eat with them and they with me."***

On this World Communion day the bread and wine is shared. In the Mangochi Church, the faithful receive the gifts of God on trays we once used and new communion ware given in honor and memory of Joseph Gama. At Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church the elements are being received from trays I and my family used. Bread and wine are being served today from plates and gobbles used by generations, handled by scores of saints. In the passing and receiving folks share the Body of Christ with others who are the mortal Body of Christ on earth. Some who have handled the trays used throughout the world today now share with you at the banquet feast in heaven. These trays are signs of God's gift to us in Christ, of Christ's gift to us of life and life eternal, of our bond with one another in the family of faith and our bond with all Christians in the Body of Christ.

***These new trays we bless and dedicate today, handed from person to person, generation to generation, convey the gift of God in Christ to all people now and in the future. Bless not only the gifts they contain, but also the saints who share them. In the name of Christ, whose body and blood are for us and for life. Amen.***

## ELDERS

### CLASS – 2010

Betty Fraley  
Dorothy Phillis  
Cindy Sardon  
George Pearsall

### 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

Glen Wissner  
Kim Englert  
Rhonda Horton  
Carolyn Perry  
Scott Reckless

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  
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).*