

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

Isaiah 6:8



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## TEXT

**ANTHEM** [8:30] "O Love That will Not Let Me Go" Mitchell  
Glen Wissner, baritone

[11:00] "The Gift of Love" arr. Hopson  
Glen Wissner, baritone, Dianna Hollo, soprano

**KID'S CORNER** [8:30] Dr. Lolla [11:00] Anne Linaberger  
[11:00] After Kids' Corner children ages 4 thru 3rd grade may go to Steps of Faith  
with Jeannie Schott and Dianna Hollo.

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**OLD TESTAMENT** Isaiah 13:4-9 Page 642

**NEW TESTAMENT** I Thessalonians 5:1-11 Page 205

**SERMON** "The Gift that Uplifts!" Rev. Dr. John J. Lolla

I Thess. 5:11 *Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.*

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

**\*HYMN** "Open My Eyes That I May See" No. 324

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

## OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** [8:30] "Just Before the Dawn Appears" Carter  
Glen Wissner, baritone

[11:00]

"Almighty God of Our Fathers"

James

**SONG OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER**

**\*HYMN**

"Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!"

No. 341

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CHOIR RESPONSE [11:00]**

**POSTLUDE**

"Maestoso"

Schroeder

\*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 Jean Stultz will be in the front of the sanctuary.*

ELDERS	8:30	Jeff Morris
	11:00	Larry Anderson
GREETERS	8:30	Wayde Zeitler, Jim Bodfish
	11:00	George Depee, Dick Fisher
USHERS	8:30	Terry Fahrney (head usher), Larry Frye, John Sebastian, Bryan Frye
	11:00	Jack Swick (head usher), Ron McClymonds, Ken Yoest, 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.

ANYONE WHO HAS SPECIAL NEEEDS during worship and has suggestions on how to make worship more effective, contact the church office with your suggestions for improvement at 412-364-0105.

### ***WELCOME EVERYONE***

If you are visiting with us, and you are looking for a caring church...where you will be loved and accepted regardless of your age, class, race, or ethnicity...where you will be encouraged to reflect on your beliefs, ask your questions, and grow in your faith...where God's desire for compassion, healing, reconciliation and joy is preached...where you have the opportunity to put your faith into action through Christ's mission...then we look forward to knowing you as a new friend. No matter who you are, or where you are in your life journey, you are welcome here.

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

CHANCEL FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God by the Deacons.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ED WEAVER who celebrated his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday on Wednesday, January 27th.

PLEASE NOTE: We ask everyone when signing the Friendship Pads at the 11:00a worship service to sign on the same sheet that the congregation signed on at the 8:30a worship service when possible. We will continue this practice every week.

THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING to be held today, following the 11:00a service in the Sanctuary.

THE NORTHMONT BROTHERHOOD CLUB invites all men of the church to join them each Tuesday morning at 8:30a for a social time in the kitchen followed by a program at 9:00a in Fellowship Hall. This week The Rev. Eugene Blackwell will be our guest. His topic will be, "Bringing Christ Outside the Church Walls."

HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated next Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at the 8:30a and 11:00a services. Scout Sunday is February 14<sup>th</sup>.

DEACONS' FEBRUARY EVENT "Heart Burn" Sunday. Mark your calendar for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Northmont Chili Cook-off to be held on Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup> (Valentine's Day). Chili tasting will be from 12:00p – 1:00p. Members of the congregation will choose the winner by dropping a dollar in the donation box of their favorite pot of chili. Donations will go to the Second Presbyterian Church of Wilkinsburg's food bank. The Deacons will provide hot ham sandwiches and hot dogs, as well as drinks. We ask everyone to bring a dish to share: A - G dessert; H - R salad; S - Z appetizer.

NORTHMONT DELIVERS will be cooking on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00a in the church kitchen. They need help cooking, assembling and delivering meals. All donations of food or monetary gifts are greatly appreciated. Contact Liz Bowers if you are willing to help or if you have any questions at 412-720-7229.

ALL ELDERS AND DEACONS are reminded to pickup their books in the church office for Officer Training which is next Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00a.

OUR PARTNER CHURCH, Second United Presbyterian of Wilkinsburg, will be sending homemade cookies to their military, and they will be including Northmont's military as well. To support their mission we can help by providing cookies. Please consider helping by baking and bringing cookies to the kitchen on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. Keep in mind that the type of cookies needs to be conducive to shrink wrapping and overseas shipping. Contact Ken Yoest for details.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE AND POT LUCK DINNER, February 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00p in Polley Fellowship Hall hosted by PW. All are welcome to come to this covered dish dinner and communion service. Table service will be provided along with soup, hot dogs and drinks. Please bring a dish to share: A - F main dish; G - J vegetable dish; K - Q salad; R - Z dessert. Everyone come and get the Lenten Season started in this meaningful way.

DINAH'S BOOK CLUB will be held on Saturday morning, February 20<sup>th</sup> in the Malawi Room. The focus book will be Until We Reach Home by Lynn Austin. This is a Bethany House book. Join us for fellowship and socializing at 9:00a; discussion will begin 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).

Lenten Book Study This Lenten season we will be reading through 'The Prodigal God' by Timothy Keller. Every Wednesday in Lent, starting February 24 from 6:30p to 7:30p we will meet to discuss the chapter reading of the week (reading schedule will be posted on the bulletin board outside Kelly's office). Kelly will be placing an order for books on Monday, February 8, the cost of the book will be \$12. Please contact Kelly von Arx ([kelly@northmontchurch.org](mailto:kelly@northmontchurch.org)) if you'd like to be part of the book study and if you need a book ordered for you.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN wishes to thank the 10 women who cleaned the kitchen last Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

PLEASE PICKUP DISHES YOU MAY HAVE LEFT in the church kitchen after a church function. Thank you!

LANDSCAPING HELP WANTED! We all want to be proud of the way our church and grounds appear to us and to others. There is a constant need to not only preserve what we have but also there is the need to further upgrade and enhance our "curb appeal." The Facilities Management Committee therefore needs your help. There is so much to do outside between the warm months of May through October. If you feel that you can volunteer a bit of your time to help out and want additional information, please call Glenn Matthews at 724-687-0886.

THE WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE is short handed and looking for new members to help with the work that the committee does. There is a strong need for help. The committee meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00p. Call Kathy Wissner at 412-766-8948 or Betty Fraley at 412-417-3522 to offer your help. The Committee is responsible for Communion set-up, decorating the church during Lent and Advent, and at other times when appropriate. We also host Fellowship Time three or four times each year, serve Breakfast to the Choir on Cantata Sunday and serve Dinner to the Choir in appreciation to their hard work at the end of the choir season; as well as serving dinner to the residents of the Pleasant Valley Shelter once a year. If the Lord is nudging you to get involved in the work at Northmont, don't hesitate. You will be received with open hands and glad hearts.

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

DEACONS ARE COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR OUR TROOPS. Items needed include: cotton crew socks – black or white, beef jerky, pillow cases, rug samples and flip flops. The collection box is located at the lower tower entrance.

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE is looking for a live Christmas Tree 12-14 ft. tall or perhaps 2 smaller trees about 10 ft. tall to be used to make a cross for Good Friday. Please contact the church office at 412-364-0105 if you have a tree to donate.

PIPER DEADLINE is February 12 for the March 2010 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.

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

STEPHEN MINISTER Cathy Koehler will be making hospital calls this week. If you have a special request, please call her at 412-366-9930. 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. Recent requests: Chuck Zebley, Rose Dragan, Betty Bodfish, Laura Leigh Watson – Sue LeDonne’s cousin, Baby Miranda, Karen Storm

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Elsie Schopper, Elmcroft of Saxonburg, 100 Bella court, Saxonburg, PA 16056  
Annette Curtis, Pristine Pines, 125 Brown Road, Wexford, PA 15090  
Kathy Zink, Passavant Hospital

**ADULT OPPORTUNITIES**

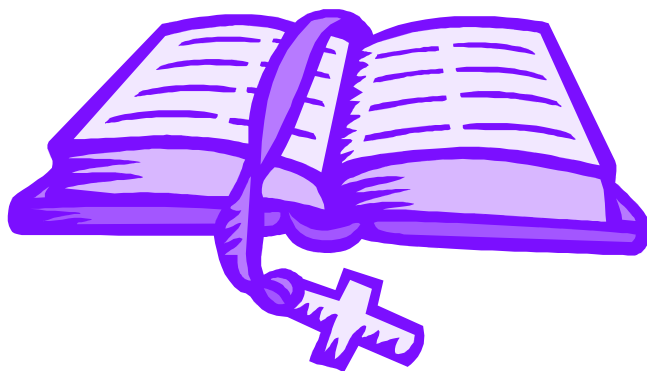
ADULT BIBLE STUDY – 9:45a Sunday

Malawi Room

ADULT TOPICS CLASS – 9:45a Sunday

Berean Room

Please join today’s class as Dr. Lolla provides us with insight into his history, his thoughts, and his plans for the future at Northmont.



## January 31, 2010

### **Sunday, Jan. 31** *Isa. 51:1-8*

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

### **Monday, Feb. 1** *John 7:14-31*

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

### **Tuesday, Feb. 2** *Gal. 4:1-11*

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

### **Wednesday, Feb. 3** *Mark 8:1-10*

9:30a Knitters - MR  
6:00p Kids of the Kingdom - FH  
7:00p Youth Group - YL  
7:30p Choir - WR

### **Thursday, Feb. 4** *Psalms 134*

9:00a Northmont Delivers - Kitchen  
6:30p Cub Scout Den Meeting - FH

### **Friday, Feb. 5** *Gal. 5:1-15*

9:30a Project Linus - MR  
3:45p Belles - WR

### **Saturday, Feb. 6** *Isa. 55:1-13*

9:00a Officer Training - FH

### **Sunday, Feb. 7** *Isa. 56:1-8*

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



## **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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Pastor: Rev. Dr. John J. Lolla  
Organist and Director of Music: C. William Goff  
Director of Family Ministry: Kellyn von Arx  
Youth Director: Sean Kelly  
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Stephen L. Polley  
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).*

