

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

Isaiah 61:1-2a



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TEXT

ANTHEM "Prayer" Mascagni
Scott Eisenreich, euphonium

KID'S CORNER [8:30] Dr. Lolla [11:00] Kelly von Arx
[11:00] After Kids' Corner children ages 4 thru 3rd grade may go to Steps of Faith
With Kathy Wissner and Cyndie Greenleaf.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 107:1-9 Page 559

NEW TESTAMENT Luke 13:22-27, 29-30 Page 76

SERMON "Praying for Discovery" Rev. Dr. John J. Lolla

Luke:13:24 *Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you,
will try to enter and will not be able.*

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***HYMN** "My Song Is Love Unknown" No. 76

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

[Lord's prayer sung responsively, Cantor Glen Wissner]

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM [8:30] "The Holy City" Adams
Scott Eisenreich, euphonium

[11:00]

"When Jesus Walked the Wilderness"

Larson

When Jesus walked the wilderness he fasted and he prayed. Alone, he battled Pride and Greed as false promises were made. The Temptor's promises were scorned; no bread transformed from stone. "One does not live by bread alone." Then challenged was the Son of God: "O there is naught to fear! Go, cast yourself from pinnacles; God's angels hover near." The Temptor's promises were scorned, the challenge laid to rest: "Do not put the Lord God to the test." When Jesus walked the wilderness for forty days and nights, rebuked were snares in shadows there, authority and might. The Temptor's promises were scorned for God was placed above all Satan's wiles: "One God to serve and love." When Jesus walked the wilderness rejecting Pride and Greed, he lifted up the bitter cup that the will of God decreed.

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

***BENEDICTION**

RESPONSE

A Hymn of Dismissal
[sung to the Welsh tune: *All Through the Night*]
Congregation

J. Vajda

Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me; Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free. Here my Spirit's power filled you, Here his tender comfort stilled you; Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

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 Joanne Zaletsky at the 11:00 Tom Snaman will be in the front of the sanctuary.*

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.

Elder 8:30 Betty Fraley
 11:00 Jennifer Irvin

GREETERS	8:30	Ed Scullion, Wayde Zeitler Tom Snaman, Bill H. English
USHERS	8:30	Pat Kelly (head usher), Robyn McMillan, Tim Zeitler, Dick Margerum
	11:00	Dick Spahr (head usher), Joe Acker, Rob Butorac, Brian English

ANYONE WHO HAS SPECIAL NEEDS 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.

HEARING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE to aid in hearing the worship services. Please see an usher before worship begins if you are interested.

WELCOME EVERYONE

If you are visiting with us, and you are looking for a caring church...where you will be loved and accepted 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

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Dolores Gable from her children. Flowers are also given by Glen and Kathy Wissner in honor of their grandson, Justin Wenger's 7th birthday.

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.

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

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.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO BE A PART OF KIDS OF THE KINGDOM OR YOUTH GROUP, but there never seems to be enough time to get homework done, eat and get to the church, we would like to help you out! On Wednesday Nights starting at 6:45p we will be serving dinner to those who are involved in Wednesday Night programs and anyone else who wants to join in! We will be taking a 'love offering' to help cover the cost of the dinners. If you would like to help please contact Liz Bowers (412-720-7229).

NORTHMONTERS WHO ORDERED FRUIT from North Hills Community Outreach can pickup their fruit orders on Sunday, March 7th after each service in the Malawi Room.

DURING THIS LENTEN SEASON, Pittsburgh Concert Chorale presents the dramatic psalm "King David" by Arthur Honegger at two local venues: Ingomar United Methodist Church, Saturday, March 6 at 8:00p and Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church, Sunday, March 7 at 4:00p. Tickets are available until Tuesday from Northmont participants Leah Boccardi and Sue Swick. In its 25th season, the PPC is comprised of some ninety voices representing forty area churches. Guest artists for this series include the Academy Chamber Orchestra and narrator Stephen Baum. Further info is available at www.PCCsing.org.

A GROUP OF 6 NORTHMONTERS and 15 from 2nd Presbyterian Church of Wilkinsburg met on Saturday Feb. 13 for the final assembly of hygiene and baby kits for emergency relief in Haiti, this following a pre-assembly gathering at Northmont on the prior Monday. With the help of the congregations of our 2 churches, we were able to complete 511 hygiene kits and 30 baby kits! We were also able to donate over 100 extra washcloths and toothbrushes, and around 20 extra bars of soap that were left over to Dr. Jim Withers and his Operation Safety Net, a mission founded by 2nd and supported by Northmont. We additionally had enough to partially complete another 144 hygiene kits, for which we will need 144 combs, 97 nail clippers, 74 hand towels, 53 bars of soap, and 600 bandaids, so additional donations of these items would be welcome (place in the marked box under the Mission Bulletin Board in lower back stairwell or contact Ted Mills or Ken Yoest). Thank you so much, fellow Northmonters, for your generosity, your effort, and your commitment to helping the people suffering in Haiti.

THE NEXT SESSION OF DINAH'S BOOK CLUB will be held on Saturday morning, March 27th in the Malawi Room. The focus book will be A Reliable Wife by Robert Goolridge. Join us for fellowship and socializing at 9:00; discussion will begin promptly at 9:30. 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.

CCAC NORTH CAMPUS JOB FAIR will be held on Friday, March 5th 9:00a – 12:30p in the gymnasium of the North Campus, 8701 Perry Highway. For more info contact 412-369-3631.

GOD SAYS GO. Please check the bulletin board at the lower level church entrance for details on the WMI Conference to be held at Pittsburgh Seminary on March 19 and 20. Northmont's Mission Ministry has paid the registration fee to make it possible for as many Northmont members who wish to attend to pay only for meals they choose. This is a special opportunity to learn about what the PCUSA is doing and how we at Northmont might become more involved in the mission of the church at home and worldwide. Part time attendance is encouraged if you cannot be there for the entire conference. Any questions call Dianna Hollo 412-367-3757 or Jean Stultz 412-364-7217.

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.

PIPER DEADLINE is March 9 for the April 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). Mark your email: *Request Read Receipt* to be sure the Piper Editor received your article.

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

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, shared with the staff and published here. Recent requests: Don Richards, Chuck and Betty McClure, Sarah Flemming, Marge Sbuscio, Uncle Rob, Tami Dixon, Bob Guckert

TO BE REMEMBERED WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

Jean Higby, 9300 David Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Kathy Zink, Manor Care, 1105 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Art Groweg, St. John's Specialty Care

Warren Johnson, Wexford House

Ed Weaver, Passavant Hospital

Bill Held, Passavant Hospital

Peggy Gray, Shadyside Hospital

Helen Haberlein, Allegheny General Hospital

ADULT OPPORTUNITIES

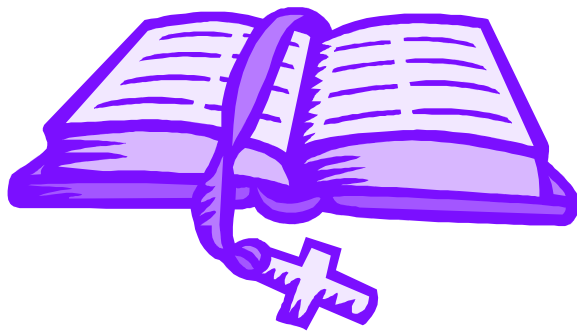
ADULT BIBLE STUDY – 9:45a Sunday

Malawi Room

ADULT TOPICS CLASS – 9:45a Sunday

Berean Room

Today, Carl Baughman of Samaritan Counseling joins us for the second of a 3 week series on Dreams in the Bible and Today.



February 28, 2010

Sunday, Feb. 28 *Deut. 7:17-26*

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

Monday, March 1 *Jer. 9:23-24*

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

Tuesday, March 2 *Deut. 8:1-20*

8:30a NBC - FH
9:30a Staff Meeting - Library
10:00a Northmont Homemakers - MR
7:00p Worship Committee - WR
7:30p Mission Committee - MR

Wednesday, March 3 *John 2:13-22*

9:30a Knitters - MR
6:00p Kids of the Kingdom - FH
6:30p Book Study - BR
7:00p CDPC Board - Library
7:00p Youth Group – YL, FH
7:30p Choir – WR

Thursday, March 4 *Heb. 3:12-19*

6:30p Cub Scout Den Meetings - FH

Friday, March 5 *Psalm 27*

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

Saturday, March 6 *John 3:22-36*

Sunday, March 7 *Deut. 11:18-28*

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. 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 – 2011

Larry Anderson
Tom Mazula
Judith Shifrin
Kathy Wissner

CLASS – 2012

Dianna Holla
Jennifer Irvin
Lee Karayusuf
Jeff Morris

CLASS - 2013

Bill H. English
Betty Fraley
George Pearsall
Joanne Zaletsky

DEACONS

Glen Wissner
Kim Englert
Cyndie Greenleaf
Rhonda Horton
Carolyn Perry
John Russell

Kevin Greenleaf
Lori Holloway
Linda Richard
Jeanne Russell
Ken Yoest
Marlene Yoest

Duane Bowers
Liz Bowers
Sylvia Campbell
Craig Garver
Pat Krotzer
Ruthanne Springer

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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.

