

Mt. Hope Community Presbyterian Church

It is our mission to fulfill the Great Commission of Christ! (Matt.28-19-20)

Sunday – February 8, 2009 – 11:00 a.m.

**Those who are able, please stand*

THE PEOPLE GATHER...

Please sign and pass the Ritual of Friendship pad!

If you have a prayer request, fill out a blue card and pass it toward the center aisle!

Silent Preparation for Worship *“Song” by Robert Schumann* Mrs. Montgomery

Bringing in the Light of Christ Acolytes

Welcome/Recognition of Visitors/Special Events Pastor Carmen

Moment-for-Mission Mrs. Rebecca Asper, Young Lives, Dir.

***Call to Worship** (Psalm 147.1,3-5,10) Trustee Bill Haley

L: *“Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for He is gracious and a song of praise is fitting.*

P: *He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds. He determines the number of the stars; He gives to all of them their names.*

L: *Great is Our Lord, and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure.*

All: *His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor His pleasure in the speed of a runner; but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear Him, in those who hope in His steadfast love.” Amen!*

***Hymn of Praise** *“How Firm a Foundation”* Page 361

***Invocation** Trustee Haley

In the sacredness of this hour, Holy Spirit, fall on us so that we might worship the Lord the way that the Lord requires: in spirit and in truth. Settle our hearts and minds to receive what the Lord has for His church and for us, His people. We come grateful, joyful, broken, and in great need. We come expecting to encounter the Holy God in ways we least expect because He is *“Our Father...”*

(You may be seated)

TO CONFESS OUR SIN...

Call to Confession (Matthew 6.12-14-15) Trustee Haley
Jesus taught us to seek God’s forgiveness in this way: “...forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors...For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.” ***In silence***, let us confess our sin and seek to forgive others so that our sin can be forgiven...

Kyrie **“Holy Spirit, Truth Divine, vs.1”** Page 321

Assurance of Pardon **Psalm 103.8-12** Pastor Carmen

TO PRESENT OUR OFFERINGS WITH GRATITUDE...

Offering Call (Numbers 18.25,28-29) Trustee Haley
The Bible says that, “*then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying...set apart an offering to the Lord from all the tithes that you receive from the Israelites...out of all the gifts to you, you shall set apart every offering due to the Lord; the best of all of them is the part to be consecrated.*” Let us offer the best of our tithes to the Lord our God!

Offertory **“Alleluia, Praise”** The Choir

****Doxology*** **“Glory Be to the Father”** Page 577

****Prayer of Dedication*** Trustee Haley

TO TEACH OUR CHILDREN...

The Children’s Chat Mr. Denny Chisnell

TO HEAR THE WORD...

Hymn of Preparation **“All in All”** Page 7 of Bulletin
(please pass your Prayer Request cards toward the center aisle)

New Testament **Mark 1.29-34** Pastor Carmen

The Sermon **“If They See It, They Will Come!”** Pastor Carmen

The Pugh Family is asking that prayers and cards of support be sent to the parents of Kaden: Brandon and Ashley Pugh.

Tuesday's Together will meet this Tuesday at 530p. This week's theme is Valentines for the Shut-Ins. Wear red and white and join the fun!

A new **Fellowship Schedule 2009** has been created to start in Feb. A copy of the schedule can be found on the bulletin board and in the office. The follow ministries are responsible for a Fellowship Sunday: Fellowship, Trustees, Youth (7th-12th gr), Children (1st-6th gr), Worship & Music, Nominating, Personnel, Christian Education, Health, Mission, Stewardship & Finance, Men's Softball Team, Deacons, Session, Technology, and Evangelism. –Thank you! Elder Eric Schramm, chair

The Penn Hills High School Choral Members & Choral Parent Assoc. invites you to their **Cabaret, Chocolate and Roses** performance on **Fri. Feb. 13th – 7p – Penn Hills High Auditorium**. Chocolate buffet to follow. For tickets, contact Kala Lorey at 793-7000 x59. –Thank you!

Continue to bring your non-perishable food items to the church every 4th Sunday, so that we can help “*feed the hungry*” as Jesus commanded every day of the year!
-Pastor Carmen

Time to Think Spring! Our annual **Pirate Skyblast Game** will be held on **Sat. May 30th**. We have reserved 80 tickets (\$8; tailgate \$5-adults, \$3-children 10 & under), and we have a tailgate at the PNC parking lot. To reserve your tickets, please **contact Elder Eric Schramm**.

The Flower Chart Notebook for 2009 is now in the Narthex. Please consider signing up for a Sunday. 1 arrangement - \$15.00; 2 - \$30.00. **Dates available are March 1,8,15 and 22nd**. If you have any questions contact Elder Doris Kuhn.

Our worship services are recorded and are available on our web site: **<http://www.mthopechurch.org/Welcome.html>**. Click on **recordings**. Thank you!
Elder Eric Schramm.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Penn Hills Chamber of Commerce is hosting a *spaghetti dinner at Morgan's Restaurant* (204 Rodi Rd) on Mon, Feb. 23rd from 6-8p. Cost: \$10 per person, including tax & gratuity). For reservations, please contact Jo Luncher at 412-372-3411. Checks payable and sent to: PH Chamber of Commerce-13049 Frankstown Rd., 15235. Thank you!

The Presbyterian Association of Musicians (PAM)-Pgh Chapter is holding a special afternoon concert by *Afro Blue, a capella* jazz ensemble from Howard University, on Sun. Mar. 1st at 3p at The Presbyterian Church, Sewickley (414 Grant St.). Please call 412-741-4550 for more information.

World Day of Prayer is being hosted this year by *St. Bartholomew Parish*-111 Erhardt Dr. (off Frankstown Rd.), on Fri. Mar. 6th. We will begin with a breakfast fellowship at 10am, followed by the service at 11am. Please plan to attend to pray for self, others, and God's world!

There is a basket in the narthex to collect toiletry items for the **Men's and Women's Shelter!** Thank you for your continued support!

Penn Hills Service Association is in dire need of canned vegetables! -The Mission Ministry

THIS WEEK AT MT. HOPE

Tue.	Feb. 10 th	530p	Tuesdays Together	All over!
		7p	Trustees Meeting	MP Rm
Wed.	Feb. 11 th	10a	The Morning Word Study	MP Rm
		630p	The Evening Word Study	Conference Rm
		8p	Narcotics Anonymous	JK Hall
Thu.	Feb. 12 th	7:30p	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Sat.	Feb. 14 th	2p	Gamblers Anonymous	JK Hall

LOOKING AHEAD IN 2 WEEKS...

Mon.	Feb. 16 th	630p	Session Meeting	MP Rm
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LOOKING AHEAD IN THE NEW YEAR...

Wed.	Feb. 25 th	7p	Ash Wednesday Worship Service	Sanctuary
Wed.	Mar. 4 th	630p	Weekly Lenten Studies Begin	JK Hall
Sat.	Mar. 7 th		Snow Ball Dance	JK Hall

Please pray for, call, or send a card to our sick/shut-in members:

Virginia Ayres, Ernie Baur, Margie Baur, Irene & Larry Bender, May Bourne, Pearl Frazier, Lois Getkin, Hilda Kerr, Jack McGinn, Bob McKnight, Doris Philippi, Lou Sanabor, Annabelle Scott, Melba Seaman

For additional member information such as phone numbers, e-mail or addresses please contact the church office.

Our vision for fulfilling Christ's Great Commission is that, by praying without ceasing, God will enable us to: **develop** relevant studies of God's Word; **go out & reach out** to our neighbors in the spirit of service & Christ-like hospitality; **model** the blessings that come when we cheerfully give our tithes & offerings; **celebrate** often our life together in Christ, and; **worship & give thanks** to God as we witness our children & their families loving & serving God & His people!

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