

**Mt. Hope Community Presbyterian Church**

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

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**Worldwide Communion Sunday — October 4, 2009 – 11:00 a.m.**

*\*Those who are able, please stand*

*Please be respectful of those worshipping around you! If you must talk, exit to the narthex!*

**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**                      **“Holy, Holy, Holy”**                      Min. Geibel

**Welcome/Recognition of Visitors/Special Events**                      Pastor Carmen

*(Please stand)*

**\*Call to Worship**    Mr. Bill & Mrs. Nancy Hammond

B: Come, those who are hungry! Behold the bread! But...

N: Behind the bread is the baker, and...

B: Behind the baker is the flour, and...

N: Behind the flour is the mill, and...

B: Behind the mill is the harvest, and...

N: Behind the harvest is the grain, and...

B: Behind the grain is the sun and rain, and...

N: Behind the sun and rain is the seed and soil, and...

B: Behind the seed and soil is the farmer, and...

N: Behind the farmer is the One who created farmer and field, seed and soil, sun and rain, grain and harvest, mill and flour, baker and bread! With grateful hearts, let us worship God!

**\*Hymn of Praise**                      **“Come Sing, O Church, in Joy”**                      Page 430

**\*Invocation**    Miss Sydney Nury

God, we have gathered as Your people because You have commanded us to do so, and because we need to do so. As Your Holy Spirit moves around us, move us to welcome It’s presence in every area of our lives. Teach us to love You and serve You and worship You as **“Our Father...”**

*(You may be seated)*

TO CONFESS OUR SIN...

**Call to Confession** (Romans 10.9-13)

Elder Schramm

God tells us through Paul that, “if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The Scripture says, ‘No one who believes in Him will be put to shame.’ For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on Him. For, ‘Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’” Let us confess, **in silence**, our sin and call on the name of the Lord so that we also may be saved.

**Kyrie**

**“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”**

*Thou hast promised to receive us / poor and sinful though we be; /  
Thou hast mercy to relieve us / grace to cleanse, and pow’r to free /  
Blessed Jesus / blessed Jesus / early let us turn to Thee /  
Blessed Jesus / blessed Jesus / early let us turn to Thee.*

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Luke 23.42-43**

Pastor Carmen

TO TEACH OUR CHILDREN...

**The Children’s Chat**

Pastor Carmen

*Following the Chat, all children age 7 and under may leave to attend Children in Worship downstairs!*

TO PRESENT OUR FINANCIAL OFFERINGS WITH GRATITUDE...

**Offering Call** (Matthew 2.11)

Miss Nury

“On entering the house, [the wise men] saw the child with Mary His mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” Let us also be wise, and present to Christ our tithes and offerings out of our own treasure chests!

**Offertory**

The Chancel Choir

*(Please stand)*

**\*Doxology**

**“Thank You, Lord”**

*Thank You, Lord / Thank You, Lord / Thank You, Lord/*

*I just want to thank You, Lord*

*Been so good / been so good / been so good / I just want to thank You, Lord*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**  
*(You may be seated)*

Elder Schramm

**TO CELEBRATE WITH THE WORLD**  
**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION...**

*Presentation of the Breads*  
*Welcome to the Table*  
*The Words of the Institution*  
*The Consecration of the Elements*  
*The Distribution of the Elements*  
*The Prayer of Thanksgiving*

**TO HEAR THE WORD...**

***Hymn of Preparation***      ***“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”***      Page 438  
*(Please pass your Prayer Request cards toward the center aisle)*

**New Testament**      **John 10.14-16**      Pastor Carmen

***The Sermon***      ***“The World’s Common Union”***      Pastor Carmen

***A Moment for Reflection***      ***“The Church’s One Foundation”***      Min. Geibel

***Prayers of the People***      Pastor Carmen

**AND TAKE THE WORD OUT IN PEACE!**

*(Please stand)*

**\*Hymn of Departure**      ***“In Christ There Is No East or West”***      Page 439

**\*Charge & Benediction**      Pastor Carmen  
*(Please do not leave the sanctuary until the worship leaders have recessed!)*

**\*Postlude**      Min. Geibel

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**Welcome to Mt. Hope!** We are blessed by your presence this morning! We invite you to come and worship with us as often as you can, and join us in ministry! Please know that the doors of God’s church and the hearts of His people here are always open to you!

**Your children are loved and welcomed at Mt. Hope!** We provide a nursery for infants and toddlers up to age 4. Please ask an usher for directions to the nursery. Also a cry room is located at the rear of the Sanctuary for your convenience.

**Worship kits** are available in the *Kids' Korner* of the Narthex and must be returned following worship.

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## **A N N O U N C E M E N T S**

**The sanctuary flowers** are given by Bill, Joyce, and Millie Bichsel, the children of Mildred Bichsel, in honor of her birthday today.

**The rosebud** is in celebration of the birth of Alexander Patrick Bolbat, born August 3rd. Proud grandparents are Gary and Debra Bolbat.

**Our Weekly Financial Stewardship:** needed each week=\$4,058; received last week=\$; difference=(\$543.00)

**Today's "Young Children in Worship" story** is "A Feast" led by Alaina Napolitana and assisted by Laurie Napolitana and Chris Dick.

**Birthday Wishes** to Mildred Bichsel (10.4); Hilda Kerr (10.6); Allie Dick (10.8); Diana Dawson (10.9) and Jan Chisnell (10.11).

**Thanks to the Men's Softball Ministry** for providing for fellowship time today! Fellowship for next Sunday will be provided by the Deacons.

**Tuesday's Together** will meet this Tuesday at 5:30p. This week's them is "Mismatched Shoe Day".

**Directory Correction:** Myrna Hiller's email should be: \*\*.

**The Health Ministry Team** cordially invites you to join us for Tea on Saturday, October 17 at 2:00 p.m. in John Knox Hall. It is a "Carol Nakles" event with tea, tiny sandwiches, savories and sweets. The program features Elizabeth Cutruzzula, Alyce Duffus and Barb Isett presenting information concerning Breast Cancer Awareness. Bring your friends, neighbors and relatives. Reservations are a must so sign up in the Narthex right after worship today and next Sunday!

**Save the Date! Saturday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> 1-3p** is our Annual Holiday Tea. For more information contact Elder Doris Kuhn\*\*.

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

**The Flower Chart Notebook for 2009 is in the Narthex.** 1 arrangement - \$15.00; 2 - \$30.00. Dates available: Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> -2. If you have any questions contact Elder Doris Kuhn\*\*.

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

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**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**The Penn Hills Community Prayer Service:** Sat. Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> at our church!!! Come and hear leaders from our community lift up and pray for our community.

**Choral Workshop with Composer Joseph M. Martin** on Sun. Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> at the Glenshaw PC. For more info, check out [www.pghpresbytery.org](http://www.pghpresbytery.org).

**What is going on in Penn Hills?** To find out, log on to [www.pennhills.org](http://www.pennhills.org)!

**What is going on in our Presbytery?** Log on to [www.pghpresbytery.org](http://www.pghpresbytery.org) to find out!

**Men’s and Women’s Shelter** basket in the narthex for contributions! Thank you!

**The Penn Hills Service Assoc.** continues to be thankful for your generous support!

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**THIS WEEK AT MT. HOPE**

Mon.	Oct. 5	630p	Music and Worship	Conf. Rm
Tue.	Oct. 6	530p	Tuesdays Together	All over!
Wed.	Oct. 7	6a	Youth Prayer Breakfast	Eat-n-Park
		1030a	The Morning Word Study	MP Room
		7p	Zumba Dance Class	MP Room
		8p	Narcotics Anonymous	MP Room
Thu.	Oct. 8	7p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Fri.	Oct. 9	11a	Y Seniors	JK Hall
Sat.	Oct. 10	10a	<u>Penn Hills Cnty. Prayer Service</u>	Sanctuary
		2p	Gamblers Anonymous	JK Hall

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**LOOKING AHEAD IN 2 WEEKS...**

Tue.	Oct. 13	530p	Tuesdays Together	All over!
Wed.	Oct. 14	6a	Youth Prayer Breakfast	Eat-n-Park
		1030a	The Morning Word Study	MP Room
		7p	Zumba Dance Class	MP Room
		8p	Narcotics Anonymous	JK Hall
Thu.	Oct. 15	1p	Presbytery Meeting	Bethany PC
		7p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Sat.	Oct. 17	2p	Gamblers Anonymous	S.S. Suite
Sun.	Oct. 18	after worship	Blood Pressure Checks	Near the Office

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**LOOKING AHEAD IN THE YEAR...**

Sun.	Nov. 1	3p	Hallman-Cordero Wedding	Sanctuary
Sun.	Nov. 22	1230p	Hanging-of-the-Greens	All over!
Thu.	Nov. 26	9a	Thanksgiving Day Worship	Sanctuary

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**Please pray for, call, and send a card to our sick & shut-in members\*\*:**

Virginia Ayres, Ernie & Margie Baur, Irene Bender, May Bourne, Carolyn Griffith, **Helen Faye\***, Hilda Kerr, Betty McKelvey, Bob McKnight, Lou Sanabor, Annabell Scott, Melba Seaman

**\*Recently added**

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

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**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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