

Mt. Hope Community Presbyterian Church

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

Sunday — October 18, 2009 – 11:00 a.m.

**Those who are able, please stand*

Please be respectful of those worshiping 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 “There’s Something About That Name”

Min. Geibel

Bringing In the Light of Christ

The Acolytes

Welcome/Recognition of Visitors/Special Events

Pastor Carmen

(Please stand)

***Call to Worship** (Psalm 86.8-13)

Elder Nan Currington

L: “There is none like You among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like Yours.

P: **All the nations You have made shall come and bow down before You, O Lord, and shall glorify Your name.**

L: *For You are great and do wondrous things; You alone are God.*

P: **Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere Your name.**

L: [We] give thanks to You, O Lord [our] God, with [our] whole heart, and [we] will glorify Your name forever.

All: For great is Your steadfast love toward [us]; You have delivered [our] soul from the depths of Sheol.” Amen!

***Hymn of Praise**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

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***Invocation**

Elder Currington

Holy Spirit of God, You have prepared this time of worship for us, and we have come to celebrate together Your goodness in our lives. Speak words of life and love and peace and joy; convict us of our sin and lead us to repentance...

Teach us, through the preached Word, Your will for our lives, and lead us out into Your world, where we will spread Your Word and Your love as “**Our Father...**”
(*You may be seated*)

TO CONFESS OUR SIN...

Call to Confession (*Romans 10.11-13*)

Mr. Christopher Dick

“The Scripture says, ‘No one who believes in Me 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.’” ***In silence***, let us call on the name of the Lord and confess our sin so that we will not be put to shame.

Kyrie

“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”

Let me at a throne of mercy / find a sweet relief / kneeling there in deep contrition / help my unbelief. / Savior, Savior / hear my humble cry / while on others Thou art calling / do not pass me by.

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 38.17-19a

Pastor Carmen

TO TEACH OUR CHILDREN...

The Children’s Chat

Mr. Denny Chisnell

(*Following the Chat, all children 7 & under may leave to attend*

“Children in Worship” downstairs)

TO PRESENT OUR FINANCIAL OFFERINGS WITH GRATITUDE...

Offering Call (*Proverbs 3.9-10*)

Mr. Dick

As we learn to put all of our trust in the Lord, Proverbs tells us to “*Honor the Lord with [our] substance and with the first fruits of all [our] produce; then [our] barns will be filled with plenty, and [our] vats will be bursting with wine.*” Let us honor the Lord by returning to Him a portion of His financial blessings to us!

Offertory

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

The Chancel Choir

(*Please stand*)

***Doxology**

“Glory Be to the Father”

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***Prayer of Dedication**

Elder Currington

(*You may be seated*)

TO HEAR THE WORD...

Hymn of Preparation **“He Touched Me”** See Insert
(Please pass your Prayer Request cards toward the center aisle)

New Testament *Acts 3.1-10* Pastor Carmen

The Sermon **“Remarkable Things Happen!”** Pastor Carmen

A Moment for Reflection **“I’d Rather Have Jesus”** Min. Geibel

Prayers of the People Pastor Carmen

AND TAKE THE WORD OUT IN PEACE!

(Please stand)

Hymn of Departure* **“Hold to God’s Unchanging Hand” See Insert

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

Postlude* **“Praise to the Lord” Min. Geibel

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.

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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Mrs. Jennifer Geibel, Min. of Music

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The sanctuary flowers are given by Len and Pat Houser in celebration of their grandchildren's birthdays.

Our Weekly Financial Stewardship: needed each week=\$4,058; received last week=\$3,967; difference=(\$91.00).

Today's Young Children in Worship story is "Joseph's Early Life", led by Betty Ann Tis and assisted by Jan Chisnell and Corey Williams.

Birthday Wishes to Amy Williams (10.18), Ralph Boyd (10.19), Suzanne Columbus (10.23), and Lauryn Harwell (10.23).

Thanks to the Trustees Ministry for providing for fellowship time today! Fellowship for next Sunday will be provided by the 7-12 grade Youth.

TODAY IS THE DAY! – Blood Pressure Sunday! It is really easy! Simply stop and register across from the office immediately after worship. Have a seat and get your blood pressure checked by one of our Health Ministry Nurses.

Mt. Hope 50th Anniversary Book needed! If you have one that you could temporarily share please contact the church office at 412-793-0227.

Gregory Newby would love to hear from his Mt. Hope family during his year in Switzerland! Please let him know we're thinking and praying for him by sending a note to: Greg Newby – Bulachhof 2/03 – Zurich, 8057 – Switzerland. Or send him an email to**. He'd love to hear from us!

Elizabeth Cutruzzula would like to thank her Mt. Hope family for the prayers and get well wishes during her recent surgery. She especially thanks our Lord for His comfort and grace shown to her and her family.

Tuesday's Together will meet this Tuesday at 5:30p. This week's theme is a "Special Event" with our own Mr. Science, Joe Racchine!

Save the Date! Saturday, Dec. 12th 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 4th 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. 29th -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.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Light of Life Rescue Mission is one of our mission partners, and we are all invited to their Miracles of Love Open House on Sun. Nov. 1st from 1-4p. Guests will tour both the Mission, where the men’s ministry and Samaritan Ministries take place, as well as the Western Ave. facility where women and children receive recovery services. A shuttle will be provided to both locations. If you can join us, please call Beth Healey at 412-803-4138. Thank you!

West Penn Hospital in Bloomfield is looking for “**Baby Coddlers**” in our Pediatric Unit. Infants need the love and support of a loving person willing to rock and feed these babies; some of which are left behind and some have parents who live far away and can’t always be with them. It doesn’t matter what day and time the volunteers are available, we will work out a schedule. Free parking and a meal ticket will be provided, and a criminal background check, child abuse clearances, and a TB test will be administered. If you are interested, please contact Vicki Nesta at 412-578-5313.

Career Development Assistance: Third Presbyterian Church-5701 Fifth Ave – 412-661-4710, provides free one-on-one job hunting/career development assistance. Please contact them for more info.

VITAS Innovative Hospice Care is seeking volunteers to experience the blessing of giving hope and comfort to hospice patients. Training and assignments are done locally. Please contact Vanessa Everette (412-799-2152 or 1-800-620-8582) for more info.

Choral Workshop with Composer Joseph M. Martin on Sun. Oct. 25th at the Glenshaw PC. For more info, check out www.pghpresbytery.org.

What is going on in Penn Hills? To find out, log on to www.pennhills.org.

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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!

THIS WEEK AT MT. HOPE

Mon.	Oct. 19	630p	Session Meeting	MP Room
Tue.	Oct. 20	530p	Tuesdays Together	All over!
Wed.	Oct. 21	6a	Youth Prayer Breakfast	Eat-n-Park
		10a	The Morning Word Study	MP Room
		7p	Zumba Dance Class	MP Room
		8p	Narcotics Anonymous	JK Hall
Thu.	Oct. 22	7:30p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Fri.	Oct. 23	11a	Y Seniors	JK Hall
Sat.	Oct. 24	2p	Gamblers Anonymous	JK Hall

LOOKING AHEAD IN 2 WEEKS...

Tue.	Oct. 27	530p	Tuesdays Together	All over!
Sat.	Oct. 31		<u>Fall Back!! Set clocks back one hour!!</u>	
		1p	Hallman-Cordero Wedding Rehearsal	Sanctuary
		2p	Gamblers Anonymous	JK Hall
Sun.	Nov. 1	3p	Hallman-Cordero Wedding	Sanctuary

LOOKING AHEAD IN THE YEAR...

Sat.	Nov. 14	9a	Trustee Work Day	All over!
Sun.	Nov. 22	1230p	<u>Hanging-of-the-Greens</u>	All over!
Sun.	Nov. 29		<u>Advent Begins!!</u>	
Sat.	Dec. 12	1p	Holiday Tea	JK Hall
Sun.	Dec. 13	after worship	All Officers Dinner	MP Room

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

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