

Mt. Hope Community Presbyterian Church

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

Communion Sunday — November 1, 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!

Procession of Elders

Silent Preparation for Worship

“Bach Chorale”

Min. Geibel

Welcome/Recognition of Visitors/Special Events

Pastor Carmen

Moment for Mission

Stewardship

(Please stand)

***Call to Worship** (Exodus 20.2-3,5a,8-11)

Elder Chuck Schramm

L: The Lord says, “*I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before Me.*”

P: *You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God...*

L: *Remember the Sabbath Day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work.*

P: *But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God...*

All: *For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested on the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath Day and consecrated it.” Let us joyfully worship our Lord on this consecrated Sabbath Day!*

***Hymn of Praise**

“God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens”

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***Invocation**

Elder Schramm

On this beautiful Sabbath morning, Lord, we come with needs and with joy! We come ready to confess, repent, and hear Your comforting words of forgiveness. We come to present our financial offerings, and to sit at Your table. We come to hear Your Word and be encouraged to live Your Word throughout this new week...

Holy Spirit, it is Your presence that we invoke as we attempt to worship You in spirit and in truth. You alone have the power to help us do this because You are “***Our Father...***”

(You may be seated)

TO CONFESS OUR SIN...

Call to Confession (*Hosea 5.14b-15*)

Miss Helene Mauser

Concerning sin, through the prophet Hosea, God says, “*I myself will tear and go away; I will carry off; and no one shall rescue. I will return to My place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek My face. In their distress they will beg My favor.*”

Let us acknowledge our guilt and seek God’s face while there is still time to receive God’s favor. Let us, **in silence**, confess and vow to repent of our sin...

Kyrie

“Amazing Grace”

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Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 30.2-5

Pastor Carmen

TO TEACH OUR CHILDREN...

The Children’s Chat

Pastor Carmen

(Following the Chat, all children 7 & under may leave to attend “Children in Worship” downstairs)

TO PRESENT OUR FINANCIAL OFFERINGS WITH GRATITUDE...

Offering Call (*James 1.17*)

Miss Mauser

In James’ short letter to the Jews, he reminds God’s people that, “*every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of Lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.*” Let us model the generous act of God’s financial giving by cheerfully presenting our tithes and offerings!

Offertory

“Sine Nomine”

The Chancel Choir

(Please stand)

****Doxology***

“Glory Be to the Father”

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****Prayer of Dedication***

Elder Schramm

(You may be seated)

TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION...

*The Welcome to Christ's Table
Consecration of the Elements
Distribution of the Elements
Prayer of Thanksgiving*

TO HEAR THE WORD...

*Hymn of Preparation "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" Page 521
(Please pass your Prayer Request cards toward the center aisle)*

New Testament *Deuteronomy 30.15-20* Pastor Carmen

The Sermon *"Your Choice!"* Pastor Carmen

A Moment for Reflection *"I Love to Tell The Story"* Min. Geibel

Prayers of the People Pastor Carmen

AND TAKE THE WORD OUT IN PEACE!

(Please stand)

**Hymn of Departure* *"To God Be the Glory"* Page 485

**Charge & Benediction* Pastor Carmen

Recession of Elders and Worship Leaders
(Please do not leave the sanctuary until the Elders and Worship Leaders have recessed!)

**Postlude* *"Fugue"* 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!

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!

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

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.

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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The sanctuary flowers are given by Bob and Vonda Racchini in celebration of grandson Guistino's 5th birthday.

Our Weekly Financial Stewardship: needed each week=\$4,058; received last week = \$2,890; difference= **(\$1,890)**.

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

Birthday Wishes to Guistino Racchini (11.2), Margie McGinn (11.3), Andy Vitko (11.4) and Cathy Mowery (11.6).

Thanks to the Fellowship Ministry for providing for fellowship time today! Fellowship for next Sunday will be provided by the Session.

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

New Members' Classes!!! If God has placed it on your heart to join us in ministry at Mt. Hope, or if you're just interested in what we "Presbyterians" are all about, come to this class: Tue. Dec. 8th and Tue. Dec. 15th at 630p in the Conference Room! Please contact Rita (412-793-0227) and let her know you'd like to attend!

Tuesday's Together will **not** meet this Tuesday due to Election Day. See you next Tuesday (11.10) at 5:30p.

Save the Date! Saturday, Dec. 12th 1-3p is our Annual Holiday Tea. If you are interested in serving as a hostess for the Tea please sign the list in the Narthex or for more information contact Elder Doris Kuhn**.

Carolyn Griffith wishes to thank her Mt. Hope Family for all of your prayers, cards, and calls during her recent rehabilitation and absence! Her heart is full with love for everyone! Thank you!!

Annabell Scott wishes to thank her church family for the flowers, cards and prayers. She very much appreciates all the love shown her.

Lee Wallace, daughter of former member Helen Wilson, would love to hear from her Mt. Hope Family! Lee's address is: ** _

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!

Christmas Cards for our Troops is underway. Please send cards to Rochelle Fetterley at True Operation Christmas Cards for US Troops **. Deadline is November 30, 2009. For more information, contact Rochelle at **or Michele Irwin at **.

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 **.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Crestfield Camp offers the opportunity for you to obtain firewood for your home while helping us heat Crestfield. Cut and split seasoned wood: you keep 50% and Crestfield has 50%. Contact Mike Little at ** for details and to arrange a time to come out!

TODAY, 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 **. Thank you!

Advent & Christmas Open House at Pgh. Presbytery: Thu. Nov. 12th, 930a-12n. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship, making crafts, talking about the meaning of Advent & Christmas and, of course, eating! If you'd like to attend, please contact Sydney Winter at t412-323-1400 x320, or **.

Children and Worship Workshop at Beulah PC-2500 McCrady Rd., on Sat. Nov. 14th from 930a-1230p. Contact Sharon Stewart for details: 412-323-1400 x303, or **

Quilting Retreat-Dancing with Swords at Crestfield Camp, has been rescheduled for Nov. 20-22. For more info, go to www.crestfield.net/Quilting%20%20Retreat.htm.

Summer Camper Reunion at Crestfield Camp: Dec. 28-29. Did your child(ren) come to Crestfield this summer? Send them back over Christmas break! Cost: \$60-1 nights lodging in cabins, and 5 yummy meals! To download a brochure and info, visit www.crestfield.net/summer_camper_reunion2.htm.

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 **.

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.

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

What is going on in our Presbytery? Log on to 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!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Allegheny Family Network is seeking a Family Support Supervisor. If you are interested, please pick up an application on the Narthex table!

Crestfield Camp has an immediate opening for an Assistant Cook (10 hrs/wk). Please email Betty with your resume at **.

Carnegie Mellon University has 3 job openings: two for Spend Managers, responsible for managing a portfolio of spend categories and organizational stake holders to maximize the value that the University received for the money it spends with outside suppliers; and one for a Finance Director. To apply for the Spend Managers positions, please visit: www.cmu.edu/jobs and apply to Job 6253, and Job 6228. For the Finance Director position, please visit: www.hr.web.cmu.edu/prospective for Job #6383.

THIS WEEK AT MT. HOPE

Sun.	Nov. 1	3p	Hallman-Cordero Wedding	Sanctuary
Mon.	Nov. 2	6:30p	Worship & Music Ministry	Conf. Rm
Wed.	Nov. 4	7p	Zumba Dance Class	MP Room
		8p	Narcotics Anonymous	JK Hall
Thur.	Nov. 5	7:30p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Sat.	Nov. 7	2p	Gamblers Anonymous	JK Hall

LOOKING AHEAD IN 2 WEEKS...

Tue.	Nov. 9	7p	Trustee Meeting	MP Room
Fri.	Nov. 13	5-8p	Eastern Area Youth Chorale Dinner	JK Hall
Sat.	Nov. 14	9a	Trustee Work Day	All over!
		9a-9p	Scrapbooking	JK Hall
Sun.	Nov. 22	1230p	<u>Hanging-of-the-Greens</u>	All over!
Wed.	Nov. 25		<u>Office closes at noon!!</u>	
Thu.	Nov. 26		<u>Office Closed - Holiday!!</u>	
Fri.	Nov. 27		<u>Office Closed!!</u>	

LOOKING AHEAD IN THE YEAR...

Sun.	Nov. 29		<u>Advent Begins!!</u>	
Tue.	Dec. 8	630p	New Members' Class	Conference Room
Sat.	Dec. 12	1p	Holiday Tea	JK Hall
Sun.	Dec. 13	after worship	<u>All Officers Dinner</u>	MP Room
Tue.	Dec. 15	630p	New Members' Class	Conference Room

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