

The Newtown Presbyterian Church

February 28, 2010

9:00 and 10:45 am

~ Second Sunday in Lent ~

Welcome Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad **

Prelude "O Divine Redeemer" Charles Gounod
Chloe Moore

Children's Sermon (9:00) "Who Made You?"

Call to Worship (Leader, *People*, ALL)

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is
your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the
moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

***What is man that you are mindful of him, and the son
of man that you care for him?***

You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and
crowned him with glory and honor.

***You made him ruler over the works of your hands;
you put everything under his feet***

**O LORD, OUR LORD, HOW MAJESTIC IS
YOUR NAME IN ALL THE EARTH!**

* **Hymn** No. 162 "O Lord, Our God, How Excellent" **

* **Prayers of Confession** (Unison)

O Lord, our Lord, how we have sinned in your presence. We
know deep in our hearts who it is that has made us and yet
we hold your creation in contempt and act as if we have made
it all ourselves. We act as if we have even made our own
souls. O Lord, our Lord, forgive us our egocentric insanity.

(Silent prayers)

* **Assurance of Pardon**

* **Gloria Patri**

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 18:1-6

The Sacrament of Baptism (10:45) Stephen Lawrence Archer
Congregational Response (Unison)

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's church;
for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and
support you, to share the good news of the gospel with you, and
to help you know and follow Christ.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Response (Unison)

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" G.W. Cassler

* **Doxology** Hymn No. 592

New Testament Reading: Romans 9:14-21

Anthem "Lamb of God" Twila Paris
Psalmsters

Sermon "Old Ymir's Clay Pot" by Norman Dietz
Bill & Jean Brenner

* **Hymn** No. 319 "Spirit"

* **Benediction**

Postlude "Allegretto" Antonio Vivaldi

*All who are able may stand **Late comers seated

~~~~~

Leading the service: Rev. G. W. "Blake" Blakesley, III, Pastor

Assisting: Rev. Wonjae Choi, Associate Pastor  
Bob Lambert, Elder

Director of Music: Jason Moore

Organist: Nancy Gibbs

**In preparation for worship, take the opportunity to speak to God, respecting each other's desire to meditate. At the close of the service, greet one another with joy.**

**Welcome to the Newtown Presbyterian Church!**

We are happy to have you share our service of worship. Whether you are a visitor or a newcomer to the area, we ask that you sign the Ritual of Friendship Pad with your name, full address, (please print) and phone number so we may contact you personally. Infant and Toddler Nursery are provided during the 9:00 and 10:45 a.m. services. Please see an usher for details.

~ ~ ~ ~ ~

The chancel flowers are given by Michael and Jill Ortman in loving memory of their son, "Baby Michael" Bruce Michael Ortman. The **sacrament of infant baptism** is celebrated at the 10:45 a.m. service for **Stephen Lawrence Archer**, son of Amanada Lee (Miller) and Stephen William Archer. A rose has been placed on the organ for Stephen.

**Confidential Prayer Chain** – If you would like to request prayer for a special concern, the Prayer Chain is always ready to join in prayer with you. Call Marcia Scull at 215-968-2489 or the church office.

**Sunday Morning Bible Study** - Please join us at 9:00 a.m. every Sunday morning in Pastor Blakesley's office to study the word of God and share with one another as we pursue our spiritual journeys. We encourage you to join other seekers of the word gathered around the table to offer your thoughts during this study. Coffee will be served and new insights will be gained.

**Girl Scout Sunday Volunteers Needed** - Girl Scout Sunday is March 7. Any interested Girl Scout, at any level, is welcome to take part in the 9:00 and/or 10:45 service. It is my hope that we will have enough girls to greet, hand out bulletins, collect offering and do readings in the services. Even if you do not want to actively participate, wear your uniform in honor of the day. Please contact Adele Minton at [afminton@verizon.net](mailto:afminton@verizon.net). Let me know which service(s) you can attend and what job you can do. We especially need readers for the service and offering collection. Thank you for helping on this special day.

**February Concert this Afternoon** – "The Jubilant Brass," in their 24th season, is a crowd favorite throughout the Greater Philadelphia region. On today, February 28, at 4:00, join us for an afternoon of traditional brass music, a full plate of original sacred pieces, and more! There will be a free-will offering and refreshments after the music.

**NPC Dinner and Game Night** - Join us on Sunday March 14, 5:00 dinner, 6:00 games in Ettenger Hall. Enjoy a yummy dinner prepared by the 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade youth group as they raise funds for their summer mission trip to VA . After that, it's BYOD2S (**Bring Your Own Dessert 2 Share**) along with fun and games. (drinks provided). We'll have a variety of "gaming" areas set up – come wow us with your Pictionary talent, join in a dazzling game of Bunco or amaze us with your acting talent during charades. These are just a few of the many games we have planned!! Have a favorite game? Bring it! To help us plan for food, please sign up on the *Sign Up Sheet* located on the Congregational Life Bulletin board in the hallway outside the Pre-K classrooms. Questions? Contact Kathy Denlinger [kathyd0528@yahoo.com](mailto:kathyd0528@yahoo.com) or Laurie Skoroda [lauriebu@comcast.net](mailto:lauriebu@comcast.net) .

**Women's Heart Health Program** – Penn Cardiac Care, at Mercer Bucks, introduces the Women's Heart Health Program. Deirdre Walsh, MD, FACC, will discuss women's unique risk factors for heart disease and the free screening program that her practice provides. The practice offers comprehensive assessment of cardiac risk factors, individualized plans for prevention, early detection, and treatment of cardiovascular disease, and on on-going education to foster healthy lifestyles. Please join us on **this morning at 10:15 A.M. in room B1**. All are welcome.

**World Day of Prayer** – The PW of Newtown Presbyterian Church will be sponsoring this year's World Day of Prayer. The World Day of Prayer worship service, which was written by the women of Cameroon, will be held on Friday evening, March 5, at 7:00 in Ettenger Hall. Please speak with Mazie Bingham or any PW members for further information.

**March WEBS** – The Women's Evening Bible Study will be held on Wednesday, March 24, following the Lenten service, in Ettenger Hall. All women are invited. If you have any questions about WEBS, call Lynn Blakesley at 215-579-3399.

**NPC Career Networking Group** – The purpose of the group is to assist those who have been down-sized or laid-off, or think they might be! We talk about the common challenges and how to maximize opportunities to land the next job. Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 2**. The Career Networking Group is NOT limited to our congregation! If you have a friend or neighbor they are absolutely WELCOME! We meet the **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays** of each month **at 7:00 p.m/ at the church**. Please join us! If you have information about possible job opportunities, please send information to or contact:

Mike Bishop – 215-595-4216 [mbishop43@comcast.net](mailto:mbishop43@comcast.net)

Ed Johnson – 215-968-6284 [etj1@comcast.net](mailto:etj1@comcast.net)

**Cremorial Information Meeting** - A cremorial was installed 5 years ago in the rear of the cemetery at our Old Historic Church on Sycamore St. Twenty seven families from our congregation have purchased space in this cremorial, and there is very little remaining. We are making plans to install a second cremorial by the first unit. Many newer members in our congregation may be unfamiliar with what a cremorial is and that our church has one. Our committee of Walt Jamison, Ed Cunfer and Caron Williams thought it would be appropriate to have a short informational meeting about cremorials, and our plans. We will meet on Sunday, March 7 at 10:15 a.m. in room 211. Anyone with interest in this is welcome. If you have questions please call Walt Jamison at 215-968-4070

**Blood Drive** – While Team USA is about done representing us proudly, the games are just over a week away for Team Blood Drive, and everyone is invited to be part of the team! The big day is Tuesday,, March 9, and the drive will be held from 1:30 until 7:30 in Ettenger Hall. For more information, please call Ed Ketterer at 215-757-7248 or email him at [supercodexvi@yahoo.com](mailto:supercodexvi@yahoo.com). Come out and proudly represent NPC for this great event!

**Apportionment** – The apportionment for each confirmed church member is \$21.00. If you have not paid your apportionment, please remember to include it in your offering.

**Stephen Ministry**

is grounded in Jesus' command to love one another. Through one-to-one caring relationships, those who are hurting receive the love and care needed to support them. *Newtown Presbyterian Church is a Stephen Ministry congregation.*

Call Rev. Wonjae @ 215-968-3861 or [revwonjae@newtownpres.org](mailto:revwonjae@newtownpres.org).

**Calendars**

**Today, Sunday, February 28, 2010**

|            |                                    |
|------------|------------------------------------|
| 8:00 a.m.  | Worship (Sanctuary)                |
| 9:00 a.m.  | Worship (Sanctuary)                |
| 9:00 a.m.  | Adult Bible Study (PO)             |
| 9:00 a.m.  | Sunday School                      |
| 10:00 a.m. | Fellowship Hour (EH)               |
| 10:15 a.m. | Women's Heart Health Seminar (B-1) |
| 10:45 a.m. | Worship (Sanctuary)                |
| 11:45 a.m. | Personnel Committee Meeting (211)  |
| 4:00 p.m.  | Concert Series (Sanc)              |
| 5:00 p.m.  | Youth Groups                       |

**Weekly Calendar: March 1 - 6, 2010**

|           |            |                                    |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------------|
| Monday    | 7:30 p.m.  | Monday Night Bible Study (B-1)     |
| Tuesday   | 6:30 a.m.  | Men's Bible Study                  |
|           | 9:45 a.m.  | PW Exec Board Meeting (211)        |
|           | 10:30 a.m. | Staff Meeting (PO)                 |
|           | 7:00 p.m.  | Networking (211)                   |
|           | 7:30 p.m.  | Session (EH)                       |
| Wednesday | 8:00 a.m.  | Aid For Friends (K)                |
|           | 10:00 a.m. | Book Club (211)                    |
|           | 7:00 p.m.  | Lenten Service (Sanc)              |
|           | 7:30 p.m.  | Flying Solo (211)                  |
|           | 7:30 p.m.  | A.A. (B-1)                         |
|           | 7:45 p.m.  | Stephen Ministry (208)             |
| Thursday  | 6:45 p.m.  | Canon Ringers (B-2)                |
|           | 7:00 p.m.  | ICMEP (211)                        |
|           | 8:00 p.m.  | Chancel Choir (EH)                 |
| Friday    | 9:30 a.m.  | Historic Church Meeting            |
|           | 10:00 a.m. | Stephen Ministry Supervisors (210) |
| Saturday  | 8:30 a.m.  | Special Worship Comm (EH)          |

**Next Sunday, March 7, 2010 – Girl Scout Sunday - Communion**

|            |                                     |
|------------|-------------------------------------|
| 8:00 a.m.  | Worship (Sanctuary) - Communion     |
| 9:00 a.m.  | Worship (Sanctuary) - Communion     |
| 9:00 a.m.  | Adult Bible Discussion (PO)         |
| 9:00 a.m.  | Sunday School                       |
| 10:00 a.m. | Fellowship Hour (EH)                |
| 10:15 a.m. | Cremorial Information Meeting (211) |
| 10:45 a.m. | Worship (Sanctuary) - Communion     |

**Assisting with worship today:**

**Greeters: (9:00)** Kevin & Betsy Kruse **(10:45)** Faith McManimon

**Ushers: (9:00) Team C** Tom Beresford, Captain; Sue Beresford, Harry Labold, Peggy Rowlett, Robert and Janet Schimek

**(10:45) Team D** Claude Donaldson, Captain; Bryan Eshelman, Chuck and June Fulton, Dan Hagenbuch, Russ Scotti, Russ Waddell

**Deacon Flower Delivery:** Anaruth Hynson and Cathy Lambert

Speak to an usher if you  
need hearing assistance or  
need a large print hymnal

**Our Staff:**

Rev. G. W. Blakesley, III, Pastor (off Friday)

E-Mail – [revbanjo@newtownpres.org](mailto:revbanjo@newtownpres.org)

Rev. Wonjae Choi, Assoc. Pastor (off Monday)

E-Mail – [revwonjae@newtownpres.org](mailto:revwonjae@newtownpres.org)

Rev. Dr. Robert E. Canon, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Richard Kauffman, Visitation Parish Associate

Ellie Horan, Office Administrator

Deborah Heine, Director of Handbells, Staff Secretary

Jason Moore, Director of Music

Nancy Gibbs, Organist

Ragip Kasgur, Sexton

Marjorie Torongo, Treasurer

Randa Becker, Parish Nurse

LeAnn Birky, Children's Music

Office Phone 215-968-3861

E-mail Address [npcoffice@newtownpres.org](mailto:npcoffice@newtownpres.org)

Web Page Address [www.newtownpres.org](http://www.newtownpres.org)

Office Hours.....Mon – Fri, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Today's Presentation** - *Old Ymir's Clay Pot* is a fable/allegory about creation, destruction and reconciliation featuring Ymir, the potter. The story was invented and written in 1965 by Norman D. Dietz, a friend of Bill and Jean Brenner, members of NPC. Jean directed this "play" at two different high schools where her theater students won state competitions performing it. Jean and Bill's family at NPC includes their daughter, Laura Brenner-Scotti, her husband, Russ, and granddaughters Olivia and Isabella Scotti.

### **Personal Hygiene Kits for Haiti**

What people need at this moment in time are the very basic items of life – a washcloth, a towel, a bar of soap, a comb, diapers for the baby, a sweater and a baby blanket. Because these essential items are needed so often and in so many different parts of the world, Church World Service (of which the PC(USA) is a major member) stockpiles hundreds of thousands of these kits (Hygiene and Baby) in their warehouse in Maryland. Almost all of the kits went out the door the first week. There is a desperate need for more to replace them and to continue to supply the people in Haiti. The NPC PW is collecting Hygiene Kits. The instructions are below. Please bring your kits to the church office or room 211. **The last day for collection is Monday, March 1.**

#### **Hygiene Kits:**

- 1- hand towel (approximately 16" x 28", no fingertip or bath towels)
- 1 - washcloth
- 1 - wide-tooth comb
- 1 - nail clipper (no metal files or emery boards)
- 1 - bar of soap (bath size in wrapper)
- 1 - toothbrush (in original packaging)
- 6 - Band-Aids or other adhesive bandage strips

Please do not add toothpaste to the kit. Toothpaste, which has an extended expiration date, will be added to Hygiene Kit shipments just prior to shipment. **Seal all items in a one-gallon plastic bag with a zipper closure.**