



## *This week at North Church..*

This weekly bulletin insert contains service announcements, church calendar and items of interest. Your news contributions are welcome.

**January 17, 2010**

### **Let's not miss the boat!**

- Pastor Erwin

There's an old story about a man who was caught in a sudden flood. Being a man of great faith, he prayed that God would deliver him. As the waters steadily rose he declined the help of a neighbor in a pick up truck, told the rescue crew in a boat that God would take care of him, and finally, clinging to the chimney as the roof was sinking below the swirling water, he waved off a National Guard helicopter. He drowned. And when he appeared before God in heaven, he asked, "Lord, what happened? I trusted you to save me!" And God said, "What did you want? I sent you a truck, a boat and a helicopter!"

We've been praying for ways we can connect and reach out to our neighborhood, and if you open this bulletin insert to page 2, I have a feeling God is saying, "What do you want? I've sent you a whole school full of kids, a couple of hundred visitors a week, people interested in being green and going baroque, and getting whole, and now I'm getting your neighbors to invite *you to dinner in your own house!*"

That's no exaggeration. Our neighbors are not just using our space, taking advantage of our generosity. I'm convinced they are saying to us, "We want to get to know you." This afternoon, we can do that at a potluck and musical celebration or-

ganized by the Urban Appalachian Council. And in February, there's a Northside Community Potluck being planned (by Northside community folks) here in our dining room.

I know it's not easy for some of us to go out and meet new folks. But God is so good and so gracious; he's sending new folks to come and meet us!

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### **PCUSA responds to Haiti earthquake**

The Presbyterian Church (USA) is responding to the earthquake in Haiti through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and its partners. Presbyterian World Mission is gathering information on the safety and status of our mission personnel and ecumenical partners in the area. For updates on the earthquake and the church's response, please visit [www.pcusa.org/pda](http://www.pcusa.org/pda). Initial reports indicate a large number of casualties and widespread damage especially in the capital city of Port-au-Prince.

You, too, can be part of God's answer to prayer for those affected by this disaster. Information on the situation and prayers and worship resources are available through PDA. Funds from One Great Hour of Sharing are already helping with the initial response. You can give to the ongoing relief through PDA account # DR000064.



## Appalachian potluck & celebration today!

Amazing—our neighbors are inviting us to meet and fellowship with them!

The Urban Appalachian Council of Cincinnati is sponsoring a potluck dinner and celebration of Urban Appalachian people and culture. Here. At NPC.

Come join other Northside folks to share your memories and create new ones! Enjoy music, food, square dancing with music by Rabbit Hash String Band, Magnolia Mountain, Green Willow and Farmhand. Crossroads Dance Team will also perform. *Today, 1:30-5PM here in our auditorium. This event is FREE with a dish to share for the potluck.*

## Missional Engagement witnessment Team

—Gary Loomans

We have many people passing through our doors at North. As the Witness Ministry Area Leader, I am looking for a few creative people to strategize and implement creative and fun ways in which to invite them to “check out” more of who we are and what we do at North. I am open to all kinds of ideas, I just need a few of us to brainstorm and put some “experimental” feet under them. I work so much better with a team and I would like you to be part of this team.

If this is you or if you have some great ideas, let me know. See me after church or give me a call at 703-0786.

## Don't miss it!! whiz Kids Training Session!!

*Saturday, January 23  
9am-12pm in the Auditorium*

This training session will equip you to be part of our Whiz Kids team at Chase School where God has given us an open door to share our lives and faith, and make a huge impact on our community and kids.

Training will include understanding issues of poverty and ways of tutoring. Even if you are not sure you can or would like to tutor through Whiz Kids, come anyway!! See how easy and fun it can be. Please let Joann Ashley or Gary Loomans know if you will be able to attend.



## The sweet song of the Baroque oboe

Discover the fantastical creations in sound of the baroque oboe. World-renowned oboe soloist Debra Nagy will be in Cincinnati just for this special concert here at North on Saturday, February 6, 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be available in the church office. Come listen to the sweet song!

# Discovery Hour: HOSEA—God’s Tough Love



How many times have you felt a relationship was too hard for you? How many times have you thought, this is it! I'm done.?" The God of the universe has a love as powerful as He is. The God of the universe cares for you and the people you love. And, the God of the universe cares for us when we are hardest to love because God has a "tough love."

*Class continues today through Feb 28 at 11:30 a.m. in the Foundation Room.*

## Care Packages (College students: DO NOT READ!)



The Deacons would like to invite you to join us in creating care packages for our college students, those serving in the military, and our homebound members. There are 8 young adults in college or in the military and 6 homebound members. We will be collecting items through February 7th. There will be two boxes at the back of the church to place items in. Some possible items for one or both groups may be fast food gift cards, hand sanitizers, facial tissues, lotion, stamps, pens, pencils, tape, Chapstick®, candy, decorated post-its, and individually wrapped goodies. Please don't let this list inhibit your creative ideas. Please join us in showing these special members that we love them and are thinking of them!



## Hymn Sing at Llanfair

Join your friends at Llanfair Retirement Center tonight for an evening of singing at 6:30 p.m. For more information, see Nancy Fletcher.

## Stay healthy

Thursday, Jan. 28th 8:15-5:15p.m. at North. Lifeline will provide health screening services for stroke, abdominal aortic aneurysm, peripheral arterial disease, diabetes, heart disease & osteoporosis. Pricing varies. Contact 1-800-324-1851 for information/registration.



### For This Morning

**Erwin Goedicke**, Pastor  
**Chris Wallhausser**, Music Min.  
**Cheryl Burton, Ed Bowman**, Ushers  
**Pat Callahan**, Lay Reader

**Jenny Loomans**, Worship Leader  
**Tom Beuerlein**, Nursery  
**Grace Loomans**, AV  
**Theresa Beuerlein**, Sign Language

**Ed B., Carol M., Dave W., Ben S.**, Communion Distribution

### For January 24

**Ushers:** Claire Darley, Tom Beuerlein  
**Lay Reader:** Cheryl Burton  
**Nursery:** Sharon Moore  
**Children's Sermon:** Gary Loomans

*January-June 2010 Worship Team Lists are available in the narthex. To make a change, please contact Sandy in the church office.*

# Service Announcements

1. LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE. See ushers Cheryl Burton and Ed Bowman.
2. Signing by Theresa Beuerlein is provided for every service. If other hearing assistance (hearing device) is needed, please see an usher.
3. Nursery care this morning is provided by Tom Beuerlein.



## Sanctuary flowers

Beautify the sanctuary for Sunday Service. The dates of January 24 and 31st are open to any individual or family. Contact the church office to sign-up.

## Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, January 17

- 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:30 a.m. Discovery Hour
- 1:00 p.m. Urban Appalachian Event  
"Ringing in an Appalachian  
New Year"
- 4:00 p.m. Alexander Event

### Monday, January 18 OFFICE CLOSED

### Tuesday, January 19

- 6:00 p.m. Teen Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Session Mtg.
- 7:30 p.m. Organ Recital

### Wednesday, January 20

- 4:00 p.m. NS Farmer's Market
- 6:00 p.m. AA Mtg.
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. AA Mtg.

### Thursday, January 21

- 5:00 p.m. Family Nurturing Program
- 6:30 p.m. Praise Dance Rehearsal

### Friday, January 22

- 4:00 p.m. Phil's Place

### Saturday, January 23

- 9:00 a.m. Whiz Kids Training
- 10:00 a.m. AA Mtg.
- 11:00 a.m. Dance With Me Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. Church of God Event

### Sunday, January 24

- 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:30 a.m. Discovery Hour



## Our Church Family Circle

**BIRTHDAYS:** Parris Moore 1/20      Dave Suttle      1/20  
Erin Callahan 1/20      Grace Loomans      1/21

**DIRECTORY UPDATE:** *Alicia Modarressi* 4309 Beech Hill Ave., 45223

**IN THE HOSPITAL:** *Brenda Kinder*, Bethesda North  
*SuzeAnn Goedicke*, recuperating at home

***Don't forget to use the Prayer Wall for your intentions and thanks!***