

BUSH HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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Andrew Carnegie said, "Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. It is the ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results."

And Paul McCartney referred to choral teamwork by saying, "I love to hear a choir. I love the humanity ... to see the faces of real people devoting themselves to a piece of music. I like the teamwork. It makes me feel optimistic about the human race when I see them cooperating like that."

I have always believed churches were meant to be the most inclusive places on earth. Church is a place where you can feel the joy of being involved in something significant. We who see Bush Hill Presbyterian Church as this kind of a place are excited when others come and experience this pleasure. Can you remember a time in your life when being accepted on a team was fulfilling for you? Teams play together, accomplish together, and yes, even go through painful time together. We are a team when we believe John 15:16-17 "You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

We are a team when we remember the lectionary passage from Jan 17, I Cor. 12: 3, "...no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit." We have been chosen to serve together as a team of disciples. Trusting this fact can make all the difference in what we achieve together.

Grace and Peace,

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
February 17

The Bush Hill family will have the opportunity to reflect on the approaching season of Lent by participating in an Ash Wednesday service on February 17 at 7:30 PM. Ashes used in this service are collected from the burned remains of last year's palms. Mixed with a light oil, parishioners can choose to have the ashes placed on the forehead or the back of the hand, or elect to refrain from receiving them altogether. The service concludes with the celebration of Communion.

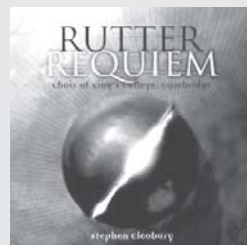
The Bush Hill Sanctuary Choir
 accompanied by
flute, oboe, harp, tympani, and organ

present the musical work

REQUIEM
 by
John Rutter

Palm Sunday, March 28
8:30 & 11:00 AM

Singers are invited to join the choir in rehearsal on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-8:30 PM.



**ANNUAL
 CONGREGATIONAL
 MEETING**
February 11 – 7:30 PM





It is the start of a new decade. I took a lot of time, as I'm sure many of you did, to reflect upon the first decade of the millennium as the hours ticked away on 2009. It was hard to turn on the television without seeing the highlights from the decade. In my own personal and professional life, it has been a whirlwind and a rollercoaster—one that has left me in a new career and engaged to a wonderful man. The past decade was not the journey I had planned for myself upon graduation from college in the early months of 2000; and yet, it is something more beautiful than I expected.

I look at our congregation and the changes that have come about in the last decade (although I confess I missed the first year!). We grieved the loss of Jack Kurtz under Dick Neff's faithful leadership. The PNC called Carl Rush into our family, and we have been blessed by his vision and care. We prayerfully entered into a building campaign and are on the horizon of ground breaking. We grew in ministry to our children, youth, and college-age young adults. The book of life has turned its pages as we have said goodbye to many beloved members, while at the same time have celebrated a number of births and marriages. We've reached out through work in Liberia and responded to disaster in New Orleans.

We have called out in the depths of the valleys and shouted praises on the mountaintops. What will the next decade bring? What are your hopes, dreams, and prayers for our church family? Our world and our community needs Bush Hill Presbyterian. How will we respond this decade?

Jen Reiff, Director of Family & Adult Ministries

I'd like to give a shout out to Thomas James. You have been God's greatest gift of the last decade. Can't wait to see what the next decade brings!



SESSION NOTES

Dave Stumbaugh

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING IS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11 at 7:30 PM.

The year 2010 promises to be an exciting and eventful one for Bush Hill Church. Events actually got off to a great start with the wonderful Christmas Eve Services. The 7:00 PM joint service with the Korean congregation was especially meaningful, hopefully with other joint activities coming in the near future.

Another major development took place on January 12, when our Building Committee hosted a meeting with prospective bidders for the construction project. Neil Sampson, Chair of the Building Committee, reported to Session on January 19 that bids had been sent out to six regional bidders, each of whom have significant local experience with church projects. Bids are due back on January 27 where they will be initially reviewed by the Building Committee. A financing plan will then begin to be developed associated with the bid that appeared most likely to be accepted, including some scenarios of possible future conditions and requirements. These scenarios will be presented to Session and then to the congrega-

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BOOK OF LIFE

Death:

December 9 Nancy Reinke

Births:

November 23 Leah Grace Horwath, child of Scott & Dorothy Horwath; granddaughter of Karen & Jeff Horwath

December 11 Madeleine Elise Goodrich, child of Brad & Melissa Goodrich; granddaughter of Kent & Connie Goodrich

Baptism:

December 6 Cayden Kelley Parker, child of Matt Parker & Kayla Errandi; grandson of Andrea Parker & Gary Waitschies

Affirmation of Baptism:

December 27 Evan Amory & Lucas Hayden Faure, children of Olivier & Shannon Faure; grandsons of Rick & Margaret Wergley

tion, together with a recommendation from the Building Committee. Upon approval, the committee will work with Presbytery and the local bank to secure the necessary financing. In excess of one million dollars is currently on hand in the Building Fund; however, we will need to negotiate a construction loan and mortgage to cover remaining needs. The bids will only be good for 90 days, so all necessary approvals must be obtained by then for us to enter into a contract with the successful bidder. Things will now be moving more quickly, and the committee will keep the congregation aware of the progress.

Another major development and opportunity has arisen for Bush Hill Church to again demonstrate its compassion and Christian charity by offering prayers and financial support to Haiti, where an earthquake on January 12 caused major structural damage and resulted in the deaths of tens of thousands of persons in what is one of the poorest nations in the Western hemisphere. There are many opportunities for offering support; one perhaps closest to us is the Presbyterian Church (USA) which has set a goal of \$1,000,000 for assistance to Haiti. To be a part of this effort, checks can be made out to Bush Hill Presbyterian Church, with DR000064 in the memo line, or by visiting the denomination's website, www.pcusa.org/pda. This page on the website will also provide information on what the Presbyterian Church is doing to help. Malawi also suffered earthquakes and needs to be remembered in our prayers. See more on page 4 in this issue of TEMPO.

During its January 19 meeting, Session approved the church budget for 2010. The *Book of Order* requires that Session approve the budget, with the exception of items concerning Changes in Terms of Call for the Pastor, which must be approved by the congregation. The budget will be presented at the Annual Congregational Meeting on February 11. Also during the Session meeting, a motion was approved that communion, scheduled for February 14 be moved to February 21, as February 14 is Presbyterian Women's Sunday and February 21 is the first Sunday in Lent. Steve Trickey noted that for approximately two years we have been selling *Fair Trade* coffee, tea, chocolate bars, and cocoa through the *Presbyterian Coffee Project—Equal Exchange* program which helps farmers in Latin America, Africa, and Asia stay on their land and support their families. This program needs to be re-energized, and more exposure will be given to it. See Mary Szymanski's article on page 5.

Kelly Andrews reminded Session that Mardi Gras Night (see page 5) is on February 16 in preparation for Ash Wednesday and Lent. Althea Huggins gave a detail accounting which showed total giving to be more than \$15,000 from the Alternate Giving Fair in support of various missions, an increase from last year! Thanks to all of you.

Upcoming Dates:

- Jan. 30 Presbyterian Women's Prayer Breakfast at NPC
- Jan. 31 "Open Choir Sunday"; Minute for Mission – Homeless Kits
- Feb. 6–7 Church Retreat – Herrington Harbour Inn
- Feb. 7 One Service Sunday (11:00); Koinonia Sharing Sunday
- Feb. 11 Annual Congregational Meeting and Fellowship
- Feb. 14 Presbyterian Women Sunday
- Feb. 16 Mardi Gras Night
- Feb. 17 Ash Wednesday Service, Communion
- Apr. 24 Rebuilding Together
- Apr. 25 "Sound Waves" Performance from Rose Hill Elementary
- Jun. 5 Race for the Cure
- Jul. 10–13 Presbyterian Youth Triennium at Purdue University

**The office will be closed
February 15 for the
Presidents' Day Holiday.**

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PC(USA) responds to Haitian earthquake:

As the whole world knows by now, a powerful earthquake hit Haiti on Jan. 12, resulting in catastrophic damage and thousands of deaths in an already very vulnerable country. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) has long had ties to Haiti and is responding to the disaster in several ways. We ask for your support: please give, act and pray.

GIVE

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is rushing \$100,000 from the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering and designated funds to provide immediate emergency relief. These funds will be sent through our ecumenical and local partners in Haiti. On Jan. 14, a PDA staff worker from Central America will join an international team to establish sanitary water systems in Haiti and assess the initial damage.

While immediate assistance and relief are critical right now, this will be a very long recovery effort and funds are needed to help in both the long-term and short-term.

Gifts are gratefully accepted online through the PDA Web site. Funds can be given to support the overall work of PDA or specifically to support work in Haiti (account number "Haiti — DR000064"). PresbyTel, at (800) 872-3283, is accepting credit card donations by phone from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Eastern). Donors can also send checks to: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, P.O. 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15624-3700.

ACT

Congregations and individuals can put together baby kits and hygiene kits to be distributed through our ecumenical partner, Church World Service. See details online. For church bulletin inserts, videos and other tools, see the resource section of the PDA Web site.

PRAY

The people of Haiti and those trying to assist them need your prayers. A prayer adapted from the Book of Common Worship can be found on the PC(USA) Web site, but all prayers are welcomed.

PC(USA) People in the Quake Zone

Presbyterian World Mission has accounted for mission workers in Haiti. The security team has reported that Sharyn Babe and her husband, Rodney, have been located. Sharyn was injured and is receiving medical attention. Mark Hare and his wife, Jenny, have been contacted and are safe. Rob and Donna Martsof, former mission workers, have been heard from and are safe at a hotel.

Mission groups from at least three congregations were in the region during the quake. The groups — from First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta, Ga., from Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church, Lawrenceville, N.J., and from Warrenton Presbyterian Church in Warrenton, Va. — are all accounted for and safe.



For additional information and updates, see Presbyterian News Service and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Web sites.

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ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

February 11

The session of Bush Hill Presbyterian Church has called a congregational meeting for Thursday, February 11, at 7:30 PM (Pie Fellowship at 7:00 PM) in the Sanctuary for the purpose of receiving and approving the annual reports of the committees and organizations of the congregation, electing the Call Discernment/Nominating Committee, electing officers of the Bush Hill Presbyterian Corporation, reviewing and receiving the church budget for 2010, approving changes in terms of call for the pastor, and conducting business related to the proposed Bush Hill Presbyterian Church building renovation plans, securing a mortgage and/or financing. [*Book of Order* G7.0304(4) and G8.0501].

PRESBYTERIAN COFFEE PROJECT

Approximately two years ago Bush Hill Presbyterian Church started selling *Fair Trade* coffee, tea, chocolate, and cocoa mix through the *Equal Exchange* program. This is a democratically organized, worker-owned cooperative founded in 1986 to pioneer a new model of trade built upon fairness and stronger relationships between farmers and consumers.

When you purchase *Equal Exchange* coffee and other products, you join a network that enables farmers in Latin America, Africa, and Asia to stay on their land, support their families, plan for the future, and care for the environment.

In order to continue selling these products it is necessary that we first sell some of our inventory. This has not been a self-sustaining project; there is no money budgeted for the products.

Currently, I am selling the products on Sunday from 9:30 AM–12:30 PM, but I am not able to stand by the display and collect money for that entire time. Also, there is no one available before the 8:30 AM service. I am looking for a volunteer to assist me. Please consider this opportunity to serve.

If you are interested, please contact Mary Szymanski.



MARDI GRAS PARTY!

Tuesday, February 16

6:00–7:30 PM

Dickson Room

Tuesday, February 16, we will be celebrating "Fat Tuesday" ... a party to celebrate and prepare for Lent, which begins on February 17, Ash Wednesday. Come for a pancake dinner and fun and fellowship (and a chocolate fountain!).

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Lillian Rooks, Moderator



We are preparing for Women's Sunday, February 14. Women participate in all parts of the worship service. Contact Kay Sondheimer if you would like to take part in the service. The Men's Group will host a reception following the 11:00 AM service.

Our *Issues with Action* Gathering is on Thursday, February 18. We meet in the Dickson Room at 6:30 PM for a pot luck supper. At 7:30 PM, we will welcome our guest speaker from *Doorways for Women and Families*. This is an opportunity to learn more about their work with families dealing with domestic violence and homelessness. *Doorways for Women and Families* is one of Bush Hill Church's missions.

On Friday, March 5, Bush Hill Presbyterian Church is the host for Church Women United *World Day of Prayer*. The service starts at 10:00 AM in the Dickson Room. Please plan to join us.

Start making your plans now to attend the Women's Spring Retreat at Meadowkirk (April 30 through May 2).

This is a busy time of the year for the women of Bush Hill Church. Join us and get to know the many things in which we are involved and enjoy fellowship with other women in the church. Circles meet once a month. Ruth Circle (Pat Bauer, leader) meets Tuesdays at 1:00 PM in the Friendship Room. Joanna Circle (Doris Shannon, leader) meets Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in the Friendship Room. Lydia Circle (Connie Goodrich and Susan Hall, leaders) meets Thursdays at 7:30 PM at a member's home. If you wish to join a circle, please contact one of the circle leaders or Lillian Rooks.

2009 TODEE MISSION REPORT

A message from church members, Carney & Ophelia Johnson: “We thank you Lord for where you have brought Todee Mission from and where you are leading us to. It’s officially the season for thanksgiving, but every day is a Thanksgiving Day!! So thank you—our Todee Devotees, wherever you are—for your commitment to the Ministry that is Todee Mission in Liberia.” There are many folks who support Todee Mission besides our church, and we are grateful for the prayers and support given Todee Mission!

The highlights of 2009 at Todee Mission are as follows:

- May 6 – a 40’ container was loaded with the help of many Todee Devotees collecting and packing the container of school furniture, bunk beds, mattresses, school supplies, medical supplies, typewriters, shoes and other needed supplies. There were numerous donors of these supplies and we appreciate your generosity! The container arrived the third week of June.
- July 5 – the first sixth grade (8) and the second KII (21) classes graduated in the Goba Town Church. The first graduate from Presbyterian Todee Mission School (PTMS) when the school was first founded, Rev. Emmanuel Bowier, gave the graduation address!
- In August, the newly-renovated Kpana Goba Hall School Building was completed and dedicated. Students returned to campus on the 29th.
- There are 99 students of whom 57 are boarding students.

There are efforts to increase the Agri program at the mission, and Todee will continue to work towards self sufficiency in this area. The Stewardship & Global Mission (SGM) team and the Johnsons thank you for your prayers and support of Todee Mission. You can find a complete copy of the 2009 Todee Mission report on our mission bulletin board in the narthex.

Thank you! Dick Szymanski, Stewardship & Global Mission (SGM) Team

FROM THE LIBRARY

Calling all Christian Educators, Presbyterian Women circle leaders, Wednesday Club, and Wednesday Women’s Bible Study facilitators:



Remember that we have a “mini reference section” that may be used only in the library. Included are the following items: *The New Interpreter’s Bible* set, *Barclay’s Commentaries* (New Testament), *The Layman’s Bible Commentary* (Old and New Testaments), an *Atlas*, a *Bible Dictionary*, *Concordance*, *Bible Thesaurus*, and other important books chosen by Pastor Carl Rush, such as those by C.S. Lewis. All our Christian Education materials are also on display. Dot Cosby keeps the copy machine operational for your use.

Horizons, *Presbyterians Today*, and *Pockets* magazines continue to be accessible.

Our library committee invites you to visit your temporary “mini reference library” to browse, read, or investigate its contents!

In Jesus’ renewing love, Donna Olsen

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2010 CENSUS JOBS

The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting temporary, part-time census takers for the 2010 Census. These short-term jobs offer good pay, flexible hours, paid training, and reimbursement for authorized work-related expenses, such as mileage incurred while conducting census work. Best of all, census takers work right in their own communities. Census taker jobs are excellent for people who want to work part-time, those who are between jobs, or just about anyone who wants to earn extra money while performing an important service for their community.

Apply Now! 1-866-861-2010.

2010-11 Day School Registration

It's hard to believe that it is time to be thinking about *next* September at Bush Hill Day School. Registration for the 2010-11 school year will be open to our Day School families and our church families during the month of February. If you have a "rising" preschooler, please call me *now* to place your child's name on our registration list. I will contact you mid/late February regarding the completion of proper paper work and the collection of your registration fee. If your child is presently enrolled at the Day School, a registration form was attached to your February Newsletter. *Church members receive a 10% discount on tuition.*

The registration and tuition fees for 2010-11 are as follows:

Registration Fee: \$150 for one child; \$225 for two or more children.

Monthly Tuition Rates:

- 2 mornings per week ~ \$180
- 3 mornings per week ~ \$240
- 5 mornings per week ~ \$385



Class options:

2-year-olds: Tues/Thurs or Wed/Fri

2½-year-olds: Mon/Wed/Fri

[Note: child must be 2 years old by March 30, 2010, to attend the M/W/F morning class. However, 2½-year-olds may attend two mornings per week.]

3-year-olds: Tues/Thurs or Mon/Wed/Fri

4-year-olds: Mon/Wed/Fri or Mon-Fri

Classes are in session from 9:00 AM until noon. Three-year-olds and four-year-olds must have the appropriate birthday on or before September 30 in keeping with the state of Virginia's policy for entrance into kindergarten. Cut-off birth date for 2-year-olds is **June 30** (vice September 30). In other words, all 2-year-olds must turn two by June 30, 2010, in order to attend our school in the fall. Exceptions to this cut-off date have been made for church families IF openings in classes occurred after the Outside Registration Day. Please call me if you have questions regarding 2-year-old eligibility requirements.

A Registration Day will be held on Wednesday, March 3, for outside registrants. This will be a single-day registration process. This day is for non-church members and for families who would be new to our school—who have had no children attend our school in the past. Please inform your friends of this Registration Day. Former families (families who have had a child attend our school in previous years) and church members may call me now to be put on our registration list for the upcoming 2010-11 school year.

If you have any questions, or if you wish further information, please call me at 703.922.9185.

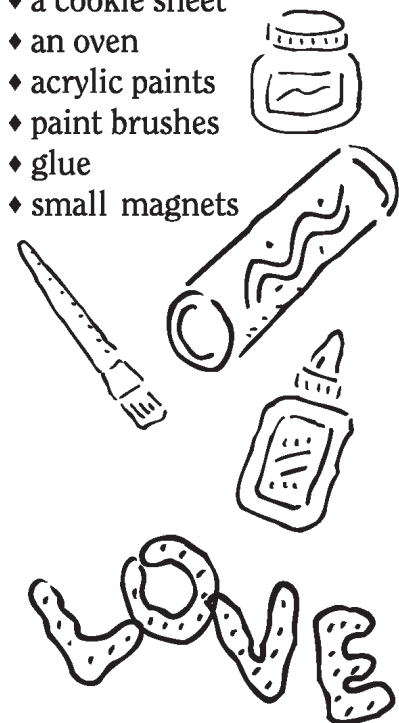
Chris Motley,
Director, Bush Hill Day School



Make Some Magnets

You will need:

- ♦ a tube of refrigerated breadstick dough
- ♦ a cookie sheet
- ♦ an oven
- ♦ acrylic paints
- ♦ paint brushes
- ♦ glue
- ♦ small magnets



How to make:

Stretch out the dough. Shape pieces into letters or shapes. Spell "LOVE" or make heart shapes for Valentine's Day. Bake on ungreased cookie sheet at 300° for 30 minutes.

Cool. Paint.

Glue magnet on back.



College Age Fellowship

PHILLY TRIP

Casey Kilcoyne

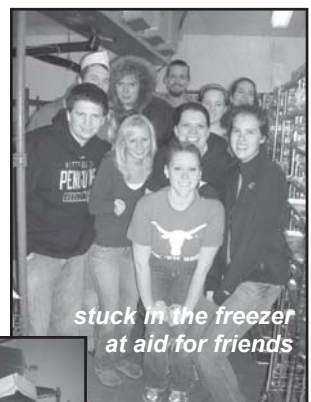
On January 7, we went to Philadelphia. On the ride up, Laura Scott, our lovely church intern informed us of why "We should all go GREEEEEEK," and learned about Rachel Huggins' future hairstyle. Upon arrival to Philadelphia, we went to *Aid for Friends*, an organization that provides meals to needy and isolated shut-ins. We ate hoagies for lunch, and learned a bit about what the organization does. We prepared five different types of meals, totaling around 300 individual plates. After visiting with Aid for Friends, we made a pit stop at Rita's Ice. After dining on our delicious water ice, we went to our "home" for the weekend, Germantown First Presbyterian Church. Rather than the original plan of getting cheese steaks for dinner, we decided to go to Dave and Buster's to watch the college football National Championship. The next morning, we had our devotional time and talked about God's call on our lives in the world. After finishing up, we had lunch at Wendy's, eventually making our way to our next service destination, Philabundance, a food bank that serves the Delaware Valley. Our job while there was to box previously sorted cans. We boxed greens, non-greens, tomatoes, pasta, and soups, totaling around 4 tons of food in just around three hours! After our hard day of work, we took a short visit to downtown Philadelphia. The men in the group made a decision to go get cheese steaks at Pat's, while the girls decided to head back to the church to get in some relaxation time. We had lasagna for dinner (although it was more like a midnight snack), played some games, and ended the trip with a vicious game of Knockout in the church's gym.



casey and rachel making a delicious green bean casserole



philabundance



stuck in the freezer at aid for friends



jen and ashley making their famous dessert



will and david, chefs extraordinaire



downtown philly



will and david run the rocky steps



can relays

CORE



Middle School Ministries

What is at your core?

Friends? Family? School? Sports? Faith?
Relationships? Music? Your Cell Phone?

What matters to you most?

Wednesdays

3:00-4:00 PM

Bush Hill Presbyterian Church

Join your middle school friends each Wednesday after school for games, snacks, discussion, and fellowship. All are welcome--bring your friends!

Fill out the registration form, spread the word, and join us!

For more information, check out our Facebook Group ("Core--Middle School Ministries") or on the web at www.bushhill.org.

Senior High Ministries

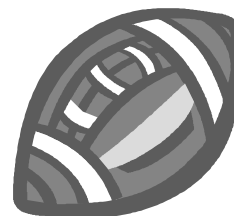
Check the calendar on the Bush Hill Church website (www.bushhill.org), Youth Page, or Facebook for updates on each week's activities. Small Groups will generally be held the first Sunday of the month.

SUPERBOWL PARTY

Sunday, February 7

6:00 – end of game

Jen Reiff's home



Bring \$5 for dinner and a snack/dessert to share. All middle and high school youth are invited. Bring your friends!

Ski Trip

February 19-21

Final payments and forms are due to Jen ASAP!

Lift Only - \$99

Beginner Lift/Rental - \$127

Full Mountain Lift/Rental - \$152



We will be leaving the church parking lot at 4:00 PM on Friday, February 19 and will return to church around 7:00 PM on Sunday.

YOUTH SUNDAY!

March 21

Save the date and mark your calendars for this great Bush Hill Presbyterian Church tradition.

Watch for upcoming information about planning meetings in March and as always, the Youth Sunday Family Celebration in the evening.

Jen is taking suggestions for games now ...

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE CELEBRATING THIS MONTH ...

BIRTHDAYS

- 2/1 Cammy Crane
Michael Kurka
Sue Smith
- 2/2 Quinn Lakey
- 2/3 Neale Cosby
Gordon Roberts
- 2/4 Kelly Williams
- 2/5 Tana Armstrong
- 2/6 Mary Barrow
Joe Chandler
Sergei Cox
Leslie Gallagher
Marlene Lefever
Connie Wood
- 2/8 Leah Griser
- 2/10 Olivia Bayolo
Mary Ann Hoffer
Jeff Willard
- 2/11 Doris Shannon
- 2/12 Dot Cosby
- 2/13 Ananias Brooks
Norm Lambert
Roger Reinke

ANNIVERSARY

- 2/28 Paul & Mary van Son

BIRTHDAYS, Con't.

- 2/14 Vance Penn
- 2/16 Andrew Samuelson
Carrie Whitehurst
Shereen Wootten
- 2/19 Alexx Hall
Diane Howard
Alice Malone
John Ribble
Tom Ryan
June Smith
- 2/20 Laura Ondo
Allison Ribble
- 2/21 Sharon Lambert
- 2/22 Jim Voigt
Debbie Whitehurst
- 2/23 Michael Moehlenkamp
- 2/24 Ashley Felter
Teri Woods
- 2/25 Ben Hall
Rich Sterba
- 2/26 Cindy Santens
- 2/27 Jake Jeffries
Joe Knight
Mitchell Wootten
- 2/28 Anna Chung
Bella Chung
Francis Leslie
Will Woodward



**Birthdays
& Anniversaries**

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

Ron Kampe is home from the Mount Vernon Rehabilitation Center; visitors are welcome ...



Alex Hastings has been accepted to the West Point Summer Leaders Seminar to be held later this spring; she'll spend a week experiencing the life of a cadet and hopes it will give her an advantage in the application process next year; Alex is currently a company commander of Edison's Eagle Battalion ...

Amanda Koons is studying abroad this semester; she is spending a semester at Oxford University (Trinity College) in England, and will be studying British government and history; Amanda has a double major: government/history at William and Mary ...

Laura Murray played her viola in the pit orchestra for Sinfonicon's performance of a Gilbert and Sullivan light opera (Sinfonicon is a completely student-run troupe on campus at William and Mary) ...

Gary Waitschies & Andrea Parker just returned from California where they had a brief visit with former Bush Hill Church friends, Rex and M.J. Buddenberg, in Monterey; they are doing well and send their best.

BANANA-PECAN MUFFINS

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| 4 1/2 cups all-purpose flour | 1/4 cup canola oil |
| 1 3/4 cups sugar | 2 large eggs |
| 5 tsp. baking powder | 1 1/3 cup non-fat milk |
| 1 3/4 tsp. salt | 1 3/4 cup pecan halves (do not chop) |
| 1 3/4 cup mashed ripe bananas | |



A recipe from...

Courtenay Sustrick

Preheat oven to 350. In large bowl, mix flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt; set aside. In another bowl, mix banana, canola oil and eggs. Gradually add dry ingredients to banana mixture, alternating with the milk, adding dry ingredients last. Stir in nuts. Pour mixture into muffin tins.

Bake 25 minutes until muffins are puffed and golden brown. Check with toothpick for doneness. Makes 2 dozen.



The following list is published in each issue of TEMPO, of members, friends and relatives of Bush Hill Church with long-term, ongoing needs. Please refer to this list for use in daily prayer, and notify the church office of changing conditions of persons listed below or to add or delete a name.

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Please Update Your Directories:

Vance & Renee Penn and Will Schmitt have moved. Please contact the office.

**Next TEMPO Deadline
February 18, 2010**

**THANKS to those who assemble
the TEMPO:**

**Mike Broderick, Barbara Jones, Millie Lane,
Betty Miller, & Lillian Rooks
Editors: Courtenay Sustrick & Karen Horwath**

FINANCIAL REPORT as of December 31, 2009

2009 Budget	\$ 500,322.00
Balance on hand, November 1, 2009	1,489.36
Receipts for November 2009	<u>45,016.27</u>
Total funds available through Nov. 2009	46,505.63
Expenditures for November 2009	<u>43,682.82</u>
Balance on hand, December 1, 2009	2,822.81
Receipts for December 2009	<u>50,471.30</u>
Total funds available through Dec. 2009	53,294.11
Expenditures for December 2009	<u>53,294.11</u>
Balance on hand, December 31, 2009	\$0.00