

# Revelations

Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon ~ Pittsburgh, PA 15202

## Rev. Carol Divens Roth Hired as Interim Pastor Beginning February 1

Dear Friends,

I thank God for you and remember you daily in prayer.

If nothing else sticks from this brief introduction to you, let that simple message be a permanent post-it. It's the way the Apostle Paul begins almost all of his epistles to let churches know they are in his heart, and it is the way I promise to start every day of our time together during this interim pastorate.

We have met before now. During those anxious, awful days at the beginning of November, when all our concern was focused on your pastor, Brent Dugan, I was with your leaders and with you the congregation as an interim staff member of Pittsburgh Presbytery, while we all hoped and prayed together for the good outcome that did not happen. You are awesome in your strength and compassion in the midst of tragedy.

Starting on the first Sunday in February, I will be privileged to serve as your interim minister through the time of transition to new, installed pastoral leadership. It may take a year, possibly two. During that time, we'll share the tasks of coming to terms with the past and discerning the next steps on the path of ministry to which God is calling the Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon.



Along the way we'll get to know each other as friends in Christ and continue to heal and live into renewed hope.

A very few words about me:

I'm a native of Level Green, Pa., in Westmoreland

County. I was in fourth grade before I learned the shocking truth that not all people of faith are Presbyterian. (I had assumed that my friends simply went to the other Presbyterian church in the area.)

Mark, my husband of 38 years, and I met in college where he had such a profound sense of call to journalism that he carried his portable typewriter with him wherever he went. Those of you who are under 40 should consult an on-line reference to discover what a typewriter is. Mark is a staff writer for the *Post-Gazette* and also an elder.

We have two daughters. Kristin is married to Carl Brown and they are parents to our four grandchildren ranging from three to thirteen years old. Ask to see pictures if you dare. Anna is an RN working in neuro-trauma at UPMC Presbyterian. She is a new elder at Waverly PC.

Having lived in Connecticut and Ohio, we moved to the 'burgh more than 20 years ago so I could attend Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, after I perceived a call away from the news business to the Good News business. We had joined a mid-size church in Dayton, because we thought a small church would ask us to do things and we didn't want to get too involved. You may have heard that old line: if you want to make God laugh, just tell him your plans.

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**(Carol Divens Roth letter continued from page 1)**

I was ordained as associate pastor in 1986 at Covenant-Community PC in Scott Twp. After taking interim training, I served the Beechview and Waverly PCs. More recently I have been an interim pastor on the staff of the presbytery and just finished a year as presbytery moderator.

We'll have time to get to know each other better in these months to come. I am so looking forward to our ministry together as congregation, leaders, staff and pastor. I also pray for the successful completion of our ministry, the calling of a new installed pastor. This "hello to you" comes with a built-in, necessary "good-bye," all part of our work.

Because our home is near the zoo (yes, sometimes it seems like we are an annex when all the grandchildren are here) and not in Ben Avon, I will keep office hours to be available to you. I'll know best what those are after I see what the most sensible rhythms are for church life here. The Session has charged me with the pastor's responsibility for leadership in the church's mission and ministry, which includes worship, moderating Session and serving as head of staff, among others.

Part of the process of moving forward in ministry will involve us developing relationships of trust and understanding. I will want to be with you to celebrate, console and just to talk –and see pictures of your grandchildren. So I'll be here for you and will gladly come to your homes and hospital bedsides. For those times when I'm not at the church, you should always feel free to call me at home 412-441-6004. My cell is 412-414-1017.

You've been blessed to have Jean Henderson's pastoral leadership in this crucial time. She is a shining light. Now comes another transition as she assumes the role of pastor of visitation on a part-time basis – continuing her care for you -- and gets an opportunity to do some retirement travel.

This church has experienced a huge trauma, but even through tears you offer a huge witness to the hope to which we have been called. I continue to thank God for the church that you are and for the future God has prepared and will pray daily for our mutual ministry of the heart.

Shalom,

Carol Divens Roth

The Christian Education committee is sponsoring a "Get-to-know-the-Pastor" hour on Sunday, February 18 at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

## *My View on Church Avenue*

by Pastor Jean Henderson

Dear friends,

When you read this, I'll be leaving for a month in Florida visiting with family and old friends. But the truth is, my heart is always divided between West Virginia and Ben Avon, no matter where I am in the world. These few months as your interim pastor have bonded our hearts together even stronger.

Among the myriad of documents I've found in Brent's offices is a copy of remarks made by Judge Thomas Pomeroy Jr. to the congregation during the 1993 stewardship campaign. How I needed to hear his words! And I pass some on to you.

"What have I learned from a lifetime of blessed exposure to the Christian environment offered by this church?

- We are all vulnerable in this world. We need help in many ways. The church gives us support, sympathy, and strength.
- Church is not just for 'good' people. It is for sinners who constantly fall short. We must never be ashamed to go to church, nor feel any self-satisfaction for doing so. All we need to do is to be grateful that the church is here as an instrument of God's mercy.
- Do we not sometimes doubt the existence of God of the Son-ship of Jesus? There may be some who have never had such misgivings...not so me. (But) these doubts are in many cases an expression of self-centeredness. Forget your questions and go out and do good! We will never fully understand spiritual things with our minds. But we can love God and be a good neighbor.
- So teach us to count our days, that we may gain a wise heart."

Thanks be to God for the Judge, for each of you, and for the grace God gives us!

### **Grief Support to Continue Monday, February 5th at 7:30 p.m.**

On Monday evening, February 5th at 7:30 p.m. counselors Hetz and Barbara Marsh will meet with anyone interested in talking with a grief support group. Previous attendance is not a requirement. All are welcome. Meet in the Fellowship Hall.

# SESSION CORNER

by Peter Herchenroether  
Clerk of Session

## Session Calls Interim Pastor Rev. Carol Divens Roth

At its first meeting of the year, Session formally called Carol Divens Roth as our Interim Pastor. Session also called Jean Henderson as Pastor of Visitation on a part time basis. We are fortunate to have both of these very capable women to provide our pastoral leadership.

## Pastor Nominating Committee Selection Process to Begin

Further, Session directed the Nominating Committee to begin the process of developing a slate of candidates for a Pastor Nominating Committee, or 'PNC' as we will come to know it. The PNC is elected by the congregation and will guide us through the process of discerning our Mission as a congregation and the search of a pastor who is best able to lead us in our Mission. While we will all need to work together on this transition, these individuals will provide the "lead the way".

## 2007 Budget Approved

In addition, Session adopted a budget for 2007, which, with the help of the stewardship of our members, will sustain our programs and allow for continuing Outreach to a variety of good works. Again, we thank you for your support through your offerings without which this could not be accomplished.

## Additional Dates to Be Noted:

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held after worship services on February 18. Finally, an All Church Retreat has been scheduled for April 14-15 at a location to be determined. Please 'save this date' so that you may be able to attend this annual event.



by Deacon Austin DeSimone

For the deacons, the beginning of a new year is the time to reluctantly say goodbye to our retiring members (I should say, those taking a sabbatical from active deaconship), and to heartily welcome our incoming members.

Thank you, class of 2006, for your dedication and hard work. We were blessed by your presence, found great joy in our work together, and were supported by your strength and love especially during these past few months, as we have dealt with the tragic death of our pastor Brent.

Class of 2006:

Susan Dismukes, Moderator	Jennifer Gould
Bob Hedglin	Beth Joyce
Heather Tracy	Jim Russell
Katie Cuneo	Ben Herchenroether

To those of you just joining us, we look forward to your energy, new ideas and enthusiasm. I promise you, you will receive great rewards for your service to our congregation.

Class of 2009:

Woody Cunningham	Lynn Evans
Daryl Johnson	Betty Richardson
Dorothy Rohall	Patti Timpani
Laura Cranville	R.J. White

## Deacons Host Blood Drive

### Sunday, February 11—8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> is the date of the next CPCBA Blood Drive, sponsored by the deacons. The drive will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The Central Blood Bank is currently at critical levels for type O blood and platelets. As always, maintaining the blood supply for our community is critical, so if you are in good health, please take the time to give – your donation may save a life! Please help us beat our number of 25 donors from last year. You may sign up in the Narthex before or after the worship services.

## Annual Meeting to be Held Sunday, February 18 Following the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

The 2006 Annual Report will be coming in the mail soon. Please watch for it and take a few minutes to read the reports from all of the staff and committee chairs and reflect upon all of the things God has done through us in just one year!

Then bring your copy to the Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 18 following the 10:30 am. service.

## Youth Invites Congregation to Participate in "Souper" Bowl Sunday—February 4

On February 4<sup>th</sup> (Super Bowl Sunday) the youth will be sponsoring the Souper Bowl of Caring. Following both services, Youth group members will be standing at the doors collecting money in big soup pots. The money they collect will be used to help fight hunger in our area. Please plan to bring a few extra dollars that morning to help the youth in this mission project.

**Who Are You?  
The Fellowship & Evangelism Committee  
Makes a Special Request to Find Out!**

If you are a fan of CSI, you may recognize the song at the beginning of that TV show. Well at CPCBA, the question of “*who are you*” may be solved by every member wearing a nametag. Do you know where yours is??? Not to worry. The Fellowship and Evangelism committee is offering you another chance to have a nametag to wear each Sunday so visitors and members have the opportunity to know your name. There will be a table set up in the Narthex on Sundays in February where you can pick up your nametag or you may stop in the church during the week.

Not only is wearing a nametag helpful for those of us who can’t seem to come up with the name of the person we greet, it will be extremely helpful for Carol Divens Roth, our new Interim Pastor, to put a name with a face.

If you have trouble keeping track of your nametag, here’s a little tip. Take it off and put it in the car that you ride in to church each Sunday. The trick is to remember to put it on before you get out of the car! We look forward to the enthusiastic cooperation of our congregation in this fellowship and evangelism effort.

**New Seminary President, Dr. William Carl  
To Preach February 11 at Both Services**

We are pleased to welcome The Rev. Dr. William J. Carl III, the newly installed President and professor of homiletics at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, who will preach at both morning worship services on February 11.

Bill served for 22 years at the 1700-member First Presbyterian Church in Dallas TX. Ordained in 1973, he has degrees from University of Tulsa, Louisville Seminary, and his Ph.D. from Pitt. He’s taught at Union Seminary in Virginia and also at Austin Seminary in Texas.

His lecturing and leading conferences have taken him around the world, including Oxford, Princeton, Boston, Moscow, India and Beijing. Bill has published six books, his latest on the Lord’s Prayer.

Bill and his wife Jane have two adult sons: Jeremy who works in the Office of Appointments and Scheduling in the White House; and David, an actor in New York City.

Bill will also be teaching during the adult education hour between our worship services on the subject, “The Marks of an Alive, Active, and Growing Church.”

Our congregation has had a long and galant connection with Pittsburgh seminary, providing it with presidents, faculty, Board members, and students. Don’t miss hearing our colleague in ministry, President Bill Carl!

**High School Youth Group to  
Participate in Mission Trip to  
New Orleans in April**

Members of the High School Youth group will be participating in a spring break mission trip to New Orleans, April 1-6. The city of New Orleans is still in great need due to the destruction caused by Hurricane Katrina.

If you know of a high school student who would be interested in using their spring break to serve in this way, please refer them to Todd Tracy.

If you would like to support this trip, checks can be made payable to CPCBA with “New Orleans Youth Trip” noted in the memo line. Also, please keep your eyes and ears open for special Youth-to-New Orleans fundraisers.



**A Statement of Faith--Thanks to You!  
2007 Stewardship Campaign a Success**

The Stewardship results for the 2007 campaign were reported in church on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.

In case you missed them, the recently updated and corrected highlights are:

	2007	2006	increase
Total number of pledges	<b>178</b>	146	22%
Amount pledged	<b>\$396,479</b>	\$333,805	19%
New pledges	<b>38</b>	11	245%
Increased pledges	<b>71</b>	49	45%

Some of us like to slice and dice numbers and 2007’s results make it fun to do that, but the **real bottom line** is the statement of faith these returns make. We asked you to “Step Out In Faith” during the campaign and that you did. In the midst of grief and turmoil, these returns indicate that our faith is strong. Our stewardship is the reflection of how we have been graced by God and how we want His work to be carried out through our church. This faith will carry us through the current crisis as it has all the others. Kim Cuneo, Ross Dillon, Ed Butcher and I are grateful beyond words for your faith at this critical time.

Lastly, we want to thank Gene and Laurie McBride and their daughter and former member of this congregation, Barbara Hudson for suggesting this new method of travel cases. Barbara’s experience and guidance have been invaluable.

Mary Witul

**CPCBA Family Retreat, April 14-15, 2007**

Laurelville...A peaceful, natural setting for you to enjoy God's gifts, to grow in God's love, to explore God's meaning for your life...

Sound's good, doesn't it? Well, you can experience all of that by coming to the CPCBA Family Retreat at Laurelville, a 250-acre conference and retreat center nestled in the Laurel Mountains. Those members who have been to Laurelville will agree how lovely it is. As an extra bonus, a trout streams meanders through the woods right next to our lodge and trout season opens April 14! (A PA fishing license is required.)

The tentative program will be: *You CAN Get There From Here!* Since we're on a journey between pastors, we'll look at the route we're traveling – where we've been, where we are now, where we're going. It'll be a great time to get your 2 cents worth in and gather up all our ideas and dreams for CPCBA.

More detailed information about costs, directions and program, etc. will be in March *Revelations* and a Reservation Card will be mailed to all members in late February. More information about Laurelville can be found on their website, [www.laurelville.org](http://www.laurelville.org).

We will be staying in the Solarhouse where all 32 rooms have private baths. Check out the Fellowship and Evangelism bulletin board in the Narthex for additional information. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Hamilton, [bigdog1@nauticom](mailto:bigdog1@nauticom) or 724-935-1754.



**PEACE: The Lenten 2007 Theme  
Weekly Wednesday Dinners and Worship  
Beginning February 21 at 6:00 p.m.**

Advent 2006 challenged us to address peace issues personally and collectively as we prepared for the coming of the Prince of Peace. Now Lent is coming - so quickly, can you believe it? Together, we'll continue the theme of peace as we walk with Jesus on his journey to the Cross, listening to his words as he addressed peace issues in a world full of unrest.

Join us on Wednesday evenings for a simple supper and then a worship service for all ages, led by your staff. The first dinner will be on February 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 with the Ash Wednesday service beginning at 7:00 p.m. All other evenings will consist of the dinner at 6:00 p.m. with the service beginning at 6:45 p.m. and ending no later than 7:30 p.m. Families are encouraged to spend this time in worship together. Lent is a time for discipline, prayer, and meditation. Come join us at Community Church!

**P E A C E**

- P - Praying for Peace
- E - Experiencing Peace
- A - Accomplishing Peace
- C - Creating Peace
- E - Exclaiming Peace



**February 21 - ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**

7:00 p.m. – Service with imposition of ashes

**February 28 - PRAYING FOR PEACE**

6:45 p.m. Led by David Anderson, Barbara McKelway, and the Chancel Choir

**March 7 - EXPERIENCING PEACE**

6:45 p.m. Led by Melanie Hughes-Holcomb

**March 14 - ACCOMPLISHING PEACE**

6:45 p.m. Led by Jean Henderson

**March 21 - CREATING PEACE**

6:45 p.m. Led by Carol Divens Roth

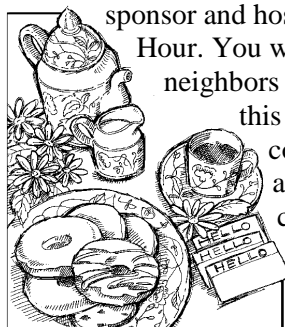
**March 28 - EXCLAIMING PEACE**

6:45 p.m. Led by Todd Tracy



**Stepping out in Faithful Service  
Hosts Needed for Sunday Fellowship Hours**

You have “Stepped Out In Faith” with your 2007 pledge to the ministry and mission of Jesus Christ. Now you can “Step Out” in faithful service. Neighborhood groups from the Stewardship Campaign are asked to sponsor and host a Sunday morning Fellowship Hour. You will find working with your neighbors fun and rewarding as you provide this service that is vital to our continued support of each other and to our growth as a congregation. Volunteer your team now and serve when called. For more information, call Judy Fockler, 412-766-0841.



**Confirmation Class Activities**

On February 16 & 17 the 8th Grade confirmation class will be attending a Presbytery retreat with other Confirmands from around the Pittsburgh area. The retreat is at Camp Crestfield, near Slippery Rock.

This new retreat will focus on the Sacraments and will, of course, have time for fun camp activities as well. Please remember to pray for our Confirmation class as they make this journey of faith.



*Our Family News*

☞ *Deaths* ☞

Andrew W. Forsyth  
January 20, 2007

☞ *New Members* ☞

What are WINGS?

No! Who are WINGS?

A person who Welcomes Invites, Nurtures, Guides and Supports a new member during their first year at Community Church.

Fellowship and Evangelism is initiating this program with the January 2007 new members' class.

As WINGS you will be asked to keep in touch with the new member/family during the year, ideally forming a friendship through God's love and church that will last a lifetime. If you are asked to be part of WINGS, please say YES! Questions about this program can be directed to Gail Buchanan at 412-734-2050.

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**Monthly Craft and Scrapbooking Nights!  
Next Class on February 15<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30 p.m.**

Join us in Fellowship Hall for monthly Craft Nights! Have a project you've been meaning to work on? Bring your knitting, scrapbooking, needle point, or whatever you 'craft' for a night of fellowship and fun.



And if you don't craft, feel free to bring any project you need to get done (you could organize your purse, do your bills, whatever!). Feel free to bring guests!

Please RSVP to Susan Houser at 412-732-9599 or gandycat@comcast.net It is optional to bring an appetizer or dessert to share, soda will be provided. If you have a talent you'd be willing to share for a 'beginner's class', please contact Susan so you can be added to the schedule!

Mark these upcoming dates on your calendar so that you don't miss out on the fun!

- Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 - 10:30 p.m.
- Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 - 10:30 p.m.
- Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 - 10:30 p.m.
- Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>  
4:00 - 11:00 p.m.

**The True Meaning of Evangelism**

- by Laurie McBride for the Fellowship & Evangelism Committee

Over the years, I've kept a copy of a powerful sermon on evangelism. It was never preached from a pulpit; rather it was published in the June 1988 issue of *Revelations*. It was the work product of the Rev. Jean H. Henderson, one of our co-pastors as we awaited the selection of Brent as our pastor. I would like to share it again with you now.

“The church, in today’s fragmented society, has a unique opportunity to provide its members purpose and fulfillment. No other institution offers this opportunity to children as well as to the oldest members of society.

The members of the Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon have a relationship with each other that is described best in the familiar benediction, ‘May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.’

Grace is a theological term that means divine acceptance. Because Christ accepts us - we can accept ourselves. When we accept ourselves - we are capable of accepting others.

We then know that the love of God really means we are able to love and be loved, which is the fellowship -of the Holy Spirit.

Two of our most basic needs are love and acceptance. We become involved in Christ’s ministry because we are loved and accepted by Him as we are.

When members have this feeling, their church becomes part of their world. The worship services, activities, the sharing, the annual traditions and celebrations - all become part of our life experience.

We are eager to reach out and share this experience with others in the community.

We want as many people as possible to know - ‘the GRACE of the Lord Jesus Christ, the LOVE of God, and the FELLOWSHIP of the Holy Spirit.’”

**Youth Sponsor the 4th Annual Sweethearts Spaghetti Dinner Saturday, February 10th, 6:30 pm.**

On Saturday , February 10th, the Youth of Community Church will sponsor the fourth annual Sweethearts Spaghetti Dinner in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will be used to fund the Youth’s summer mission trips. A minimum donation of \$10 per person is requested. Bring your Valentine and enjoy a romantic dinner followed by a movie.



Wondering what to do with your children? No problem—the youth have got that covered, too! Plans are underway for a dinner, crafts and a movie for them in the Sunday School classrooms. A donation of \$5 per child would be appreciated.

Tickets will be on sale at the church following the worship services on January 28 and February 4. All are welcome to come celebrate Valentines Day with their church family. If you have any questions, please call TODD TRACY at 412-761-1233.

**Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon Directory**

Interim Pastor.....	Carol Divens Roth
Pastor of Visitation.....	Jean H. Henderson
Christian Education Director.....	Melanie Hughes-Holcomb
Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries.....	Todd Tracy
Director of Music/Choir Director.....	David Anderson
Associate Music Director/Organist.....	Barbara McKelway
Administrative Assistant.....	Mary Susan Anderson
Hostess.....	Claire Wilwohl
Maintenance Manager.....	Don Enochko
Clerk of Session.....	Peter Herchenroether
Treasurer.....	Barbara Barcousky
Trustees, President.....	Doug Simmons
Deacons, Chair.....	Kerry Crilley
Junior Church, Coordinator.....	Jan Davis
Wooden Ladder Preschool.....	Brenda Mellon
Financial Secretaries:.....	John Ferguson
.....	Royce Rice
.....	Deb Sadowski
.....	Dick Schneider
Web Masters.....	Susan and Marty Houser

**Committee Chairs:**

Christian Education.....	Clair Cranville
Fellowship & Evangelism.....	Nancy Hamilton
Nominating Committee.....	Judy Fockler
Outreach.....	Judy Hay
Property.....	Andy Kolenda
Stewardship & Finance.....	Ross Dillon
Worship.....	June Weletz

**Deacon Comfort and Joy Contacts**

(for meal assistance, transportation, grief support, etc.)  
Sue Herchenroether (412-761-0479) or Mary Witul (412-734-2772)

**Deacons Visitation Ministry**

Frank Somerville at 412-931-6584

(Please help the Deacons share the concern of our community by letting us know whether you, or a friend or family member, would welcome a visit. Requests can be made to any Deacon.)

**Church Office Hours are Monday-Friday—9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

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Chapel is open daily from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for prayer and meditation.

**Community Presbyterian  
Church of Ben Avon  
Mission Statement:**

Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon aspires to a greater service of God through a ministry mindful of the needs of our congregants, neighbors and, through the Presbyterian Church (USA), the world community.

We actively bind together this community of Jesus Christ through warm fellowship, inspiring worship, nurture, learning and a long, rich tradition.

We are led by the Holy Spirit to use our abundant blessings and diverse talents progressively for evangelism, discipleship, stewardship and mission.

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"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen." Revelation 22:21



**Sunday Adult Education Classes Expanded for the New Year**  
Classes to meet at 9:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall and Conference Room

**Newspaper Fellowship —  
Bagels, Bibles, Coffee, Paper and Prayers  
In the Fellowship Hall**

C.S. Lewis said that Christians should pray with the Bible in one hand and the newspaper in the other.

It keeps us mindful of the needs of the world around us as we go to God. Our new Newspaper Fellowship will do just that.

Join us in the Fellowship Hall anytime between 9:15 and 10:15 a.m. We'll provide the Sunday paper, good coffee and bagels. You bring a willing heart, your reading glasses, and some time to read, talk and pray together.

All are welcome.



**Conversations with Mr. Cunningham**  
Elder and Deacon Woody Cunningham offers an hour for adults of conversation, prayer, and inspiration on a variety of topics of interest.

Join Mr. Cunningham at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the upstairs Conference Room. All are welcome.