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“MONDAY SPEAKER SERIES” AT HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CRANBERRY FEATURES THIEL COLLEGE FACULTY

DEC. 28, 2009 – CRANBERRY TOWNSHIP: Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, Cranberry Township, is sponsoring a free lecture series for three consecutive Mondays beginning Jan. 11, 2010, at the church on Rowan Road. Each session begins at 7:30 p.m. Faculty from Thiel College will present timely topics related to religion in today’s society through the “Monday Speaker Series.”

The Jan. 11 presentation is “**A Look at the Changing Face of the Church.**” This talk will answer questions such as: Whose religion is Christianity? Who are the world’s Christians today, and where are they found? What are their lives like? How do they practice the Christian faith? This presentation will explore the shift of Christianity from its traditional strongholds in the Western world to the non-Western, global South and East. The presenter, *Thiel Campus Pastor The Rev. Dr. Andrea M. Ng’weshemi*, also will discuss some of the implications and importance of this change for the future of Christianity.

For more information on this program and the Jan. 18 and 25 presentations, people should contact the Hope Lutheran Church office at 724-776-3141. Details also are on the church’s website at www.hopelutherancranberry.org. Hope Lutheran Church is located at 8070 Rowan Road, just off Route 19, in Cranberry Township.