

26. CALLING ALL SCRAPBOOKERS! Please make plans to join us in Fellowship Hall for a two day event – Friday, October 3rd (6 p.m. - ????) and Saturday, October 4th (8 a.m. to 8 p.m.) We will have fellowship, food, fun and even a little scrapbooking! The cost is \$20 with meals included. Please bring your own beverages as well as a snack to share. Payment is due by Tuesday, September 30th. For more details, contact Stephanie Tegtmeier – teggie2@gmail.com or 412-551-5664. We hope you can join us!

27. MEN'S BREAKFAST! You are invited to attend a breakfast for the men of Elfinwild on Saturday, October 11 at 8:00AM in Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy some good food, fun, and fellowship and learn about some future opportunities to explore how God is working in each of our lives and how we can be the men that God wants us to be.

COMMUNITY NEWS

28. NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH WINTER COAT DRIVE is underway. New and gently used winter coats will be accepted for families in need through October 24th. All sizes are appreciated; children's and adult XL are especially needed. Donations can be dropped off at NHCO, 1975 Ferguson Road, Allison Park, PA 15101 from 9 AM – 4 PM, Monday through Friday. For additional information, please contact Vicki at vdburst@nhco.org or 412-487-6316 Option 1.

29. ANCHORPOINT COUNSELING MINISTRY will be sponsoring a series of parenting classes at various churches in the community. Elfinwild will be hosting a class on November 9th on *5 Parenting Tips to Avoid Overindulgence*. For more information and locations, please see the goldenrod flyers on the tables outside of the Sanctuary.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 9-21-14

TODAY 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM – Worship Service – SA
 9:45 AM – Sunday School
 12:00 PM – Confirmation Meeting w/ parents & students – KL
 12:15 PM – Deacons' Meeting – CCR
 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Club – YH

MONDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM –Preschool – CE
 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act I – FrH
 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM – Perspectives Class – UGR
 7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH

TUESDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM –Preschool – CE
 10:00 AM – Staff Mtg. – KL
 1:00 PM – Caring Hands – FH
 6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose
 7:00 PM – AARP Board Meeting – FH

WEDNESDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – TR, PR
 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Bible Stories – UGR
 6:00 PM – Children's Ministry Meeting – KL
 7:00 PM – Confirmation Class – YH
 7:00 PM – Nominating Committee Meeting – CCR
 7:00 PM – Chancel Choir – CR
 8:05 PM – Music Ministry Bible Study – SA
 8:25 PM – Praise Team – SA

THURSDAY 7:00 AM – Men's Bible Study – PS
 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – TR, PR
 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Bible Stories – UGR
 9:15 AM – 11:30 AM – Women's Stretch & Study – YH
 10:30 AM – Grace Manor Service
 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM – Girl Scouts – FrH, PR, Purple Room
 7:00 PM – Lions Club – FH
 7:15 PM – Youth Choir – CR

FRIDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – TR, PR
 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Bible Stories – UGR
 4:15 PM – 6:45 PM – Act I – FrH
 7:00 PM – Webelos II – PR

SATURDAY 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Act I – FrH
 9:00 AM – Vision Planning Seminar – FH

SUNDAY (9-28-14) 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM – Worship Service – SA
 9:45 AM – Sunday School
 12:30 PM – Sacrament Education Class – YH
 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM – All Church Retreat Team Meeting - KL
 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Club – YH

THE FLOWERS THIS MORNING are given in memory of Evie Weisenstein by her family.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Henry Tomer.

HEARING ENHANCING EQUIPMENT: If you have difficulty hearing during the worship service, please let one of the ushers know prior to the service, and you'll be given a hearing enhancer to use during the service.

8:30 AM USHERS

Mike Radich
 John Hart
 Ron Park
 Dwight & Joanne Pearson

11:10 AM USHERS

Don Pritchard
 Chris Sutton
 Jim Giel
 Dick Friedline

SOUND TECHNICIANS

8:30 AM – Michael Beal
 11:10 AM – Mike Dolan

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday, September 28, 2014
 Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY

Birth – 6th Grade

For more information on these ministries, please contact Jeanine Arrigo, Interim Director of Children's Ministries at jeanine@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400.

1. CRADLE ROLL ROOM FOR AGES BIRTH THROUGH 2 1/2. The Cradle Roll room is located past the church offices and choir room.

2. TODDLER/PRESCHOOL ROOM is open during the Sunday School time and 11:10 worship hour. This is a class for children who are 2 1/2 to 4yrs. of age.

3. SUNDAY SCHOOL –Our classes will begin @ 9:45 and end at 10:45 a.m. Children 4 years old (Pre-K) through 2nd grade will meet in the RED room of the C.E. for Kids of the Kingdom Music to start class at 9:45. Children in 3rd grade through 6th will meet in their classrooms. Thank you to the teachers for ministering to all of our children.

4. YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP – For ages Pre-K through 2nd grade during the 11:10 service. This week's lesson will be *Creation* taught by Carolyn Hervey, Nicole Graco, Barb Harms, and Linda Barto.

5. MESSIAH AND ME – This is a youth group for children in grades 3rd – 5th grade. Our next meeting is Wednesday, October 15th from 6:30-8:00 PM.

6. SACRAMENT EDUCATION CLASS –Sunday, September 28th after the 11:10 service. This is a class for children who are in 3rd and 4th grade and a parent. We will provide lunch. Reservation deadline is Wednesday, September 24th. Email Jeanine at: jeanine@elfinwildchurch.org or call the church office.

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Financial Statement August 31, 2014		
Proposed Budget	(Y.T.D.)	\$ 377,508
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$425,247
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$ 420,308
Favorable	(Y.T.D.)	\$ 4,939

Please use this form to register for church events. After filling it out, you may tear it off and place into the offering plate. Thank you!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Event: _____

Number of Registrants: Adults _____ Children _____

Ages of Children: _____

Other applicable information: _____

7. NEW! MOM'S BIBLE STUDY: Join us once a month on Monday morning from 9:15-11:15 in the Peach Room. Child care will be provided in the Toddler Room. We will be doing *Value Packed Parenting: Raising Rock Solid Kids in a Pleasure-Driven World* by Dr. Kevin Lehman. For more information, contact Jeanine Arrigo at 412-486-5400 ext. 106 or by email to: jeanine@elfinwildchurch.org. Our first meeting is October 20th.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

For more information on these ministries, please contact Jennifer Clayton at jennifer@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400.

8. EVER WANTED TO PLAY THE HANDBELLS? Handbell practice will be held for four weeks in November for adults and students in 6th grade and older. If you are interested, please contact Jennifer.

9. JAM MUSIC IS GETTING A MAKEOVER! JAM (Jesus and Me) Music for pre-K through 6th grade will look different this year! Join us for workshop-style events throughout the year – no weekly rehearsals! The dates of the workshops are November 1, December 20, February 21 and April 25 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 noon. The kids will offer what they learn in worship the following day at the 11:10 service. Lunch will be included. There is no cost to attend the workshops, but your child(ren) will need to have a red JAM polo shirt (\$8) to wear when they use what they learn to participate in worship. Sample sizes are available. Please contact Jennifer Clayton ASAP to order your shirts, and if you have any questions!

STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12

For more information on these ministries, please contact Rev. Jason Rea at jason@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400.

10. JR. & SR. HIGH CLUB – Jr. High (grades 6-8) from 4:30 – 6:00 PM and Sr. High (grades 9-12) from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. This club is a wonderful time for fellowship with other students. We meet in the Youth House and play different games, have some good food and spend time in worship and study together. Please join us!

11. CONFIRMATION CLASS – This class is for those in 8th grade or above who would like to take the step of joining Elfinwild. There will be an **information meeting for students and parents on September 21st following the 11:10 AM service in the Kennedy Library.** Classes begin Wednesday, September 24th and will take place every other Wednesday at the Youth House.

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

12. JOB OPENING FOR PART-TIME ACCOUNTANT / BUSINESS MANAGER - The Church is in need of a high performing individual to efficiently manage all accounting and business functions. The position interacts with the pastors and staff; the Board of Trustees;

the congregation; and the community. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, processing cash disbursements (vendor, payroll, and tax); maintaining accurate accounting records using CCIS software; preparing and presenting monthly financial reports to the Board of Trustees; and answering the office phone. Hours are primarily afternoon-based. For more information on the position or how to apply, please visit www.elfinwildchurch.org.

13. WOMEN'S EVENING CONNECTION class will be starting on Monday, September 29th from 6:30 to 8 PM. We will be using the book, *Children of the Day* by Beth Moore. This is a nine week study on 1 & 2 Thessalonians. Workbooks will be needed so pre-registration is required in order to obtain a workbook. The cost of the workbook is \$20.00. For more information, please contact Jennifer Clayton.

14. ELFINWILD MEALS MINISTRY DRIVERS AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: If you have a couple of hours during the week to assist in the kitchen or can assist in delivery of the meals, please contact Marion Berberich at 412-486-8000. Any time that you can provide would be greatly appreciated for this important ministry. Please contact Marion Berberich at 412-486-8000.

15. USHERS URGENTLY NEEDED! – We are in need of ushers for the 11:10 service to serve in the upcoming months. If you are interested, please contact Curtis Neil, chairperson of the Ushering Committee at: jneil87@gmail.com. Thank you!

16. SAVE THE DATE! The Elfinwild All-Church Retreat will be held at Ligonier Camp and Conference Center on January 23-25, 2015. Reserve the weekend now!

17. ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS – We would like to compile a list of all of our students working on a post-secondary education. This includes commuter students as well as students living on campus. Please see the green flyer on the tables outside of the Sanctuary for more information.

18. WOMEN'S STRETCH AND STUDY – Please join us for Elfinwild's Women's Bible Study from 9:15- 11:30 AM at the Youth House. We start with a brief time of light yoga, and then dive right into God's Word. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat. Childcare is available. For more information, please call the church office at 412-486-5400.

19. FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY is a 9 week biblically based course teaching us God's ways in managing our financial affairs. No matter what you know about finances, you don't know enough! This course, created and conducted by nationally syndicated radio host and bestselling author Dave Ramsey, has **helped over 2 million families!** Subjects include: how to save, dumping debt, budgeting, real estate, mortgages, the role of insurance, college planning, retirement and much more. The course will help you set goals that you can achieve. You will be challenged and motivated to make a plan for your money and change your family tree forever! Classes will meet on Tuesdays, beginning Oct. 21 from 7 to 9 P.M. in the Youth House. Cost for the

course materials is \$77.50. You can order the materials through the church. Go to www.daveramsey.com for further program details. Please call Henry Tomer with any questions: 412-487-4437.

20. ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - All adults who are interested in learning more about God's word as well as God's plan for our lives are encouraged to attend Adult Sunday School each week from 10:00 to 11:00. The following classes will be offered from September 14 through November 23:

Mike Radich will lead a class about the concept of work as described in the Bible. Ethics and honesty in the business world will be emphasized. This class will meet in the Cornerstone Room.

Rick Dayton will be teaching the Wired Word, a class which will focus on current events from a Biblical perspective. This class will meet in Fellowship Hall.

Roy John – BYCAE This class meets weekly in the first floor chapel and studies *This Present Word*, a PCUSA curriculum. Teachers rotate each week, and the class supports various ministries. All ages are welcome to benefit from the collective life experience and mature faith of this group of "senior achievers".

21. WOMEN'S RETREAT – Ladies, mark your calendars! We will be holding a women's retreat at the Kearns Spirituality Center on the campus of LaRoche College from October 17th to 19th. Women of all ages are warmly invited and encouraged to attend. The facilities are easy to find, easy to access, and there are no stairs! Registration forms are located on the table outside of the chapel.

22. P.R.I.S.M. PROJECT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for the preparation and serving of a meal to approximately 80 international students on Sunday, November 30th at Bellefield Church in Oakland from approximately 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. You do not need to be there to help - you can bake cookies or prepare part of the meal at home that will be picked up and delivered to Bellefield Church. Contact Beth Meyer at froggypond.meyer@gmail.com or at 412-781-0207 for more information if interested!

23. INQUIRERS' CLASS - If you are interested in learning more about the Christian faith, what it means to follow Christ, or how to become a member of Elfinwild Presbyterian Church, this class is for you. We will meet for seven weeks, beginning October 5th at 9:45 AM, during the Sunday school hour, in the Peach Room. While being present for each session is most helpful, we understand that schedules may not permit your attendance at every session. Please call the church office with any questions. 412-486-5400.

24. CALLING ALL MEN FOR HAMMER DAY! Help knock out a house and grounds chore list for a church family on Saturday, October 4th. Meet at Church Ave. parking lot at 7:00 AM. Instructions will be provided by team leaders. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. Location is at a local residence.

25. ALL CHURCH RETREAT TEAM MEETING – will be held on Sunday, September 28th from 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM in the Kennedy Library. A light lunch will be provided.

Dear Friends,

The Session received a letter of resignation from Ron Bernhardt this past Sunday so that he could fulfill the call of the Sharon Community Church to be their next Director of Music. It is an exciting opportunity for Ron and that congregation will benefit from his gifts and abilities. And while we are sad for ourselves we also need to rejoice for Ron and the Sharon Church.

We will have a prayer of sending for Ron and his family on Sunday, October 12th, which will be his last Sunday with us. Please plan on being here to pray for the Bernhardt's and send them off with love and purpose.

I have been thinking ... it is not uncommon for us to consider that while this is "good for Ron" it is not so good for us. After all, we love Ron and appreciate his contribution to the ministry of Christ here in this place. And while we can affirm God's call for Ron to minister with the Sharon congregation we don't often make the application that if it is God's good will for one, and God is sovereign over all, then it is also God's will for others to seek what is next.

We trust that the same God who is calling and sending Ron is the God who will be with us in our process as we move forward. This same understanding can be applied to many situations where change is hard. If it is right and good for your child to go off to school then it is also God's good will for you to move forward into what will be new. If it is right that your child is getting married and entering a new chapter then it is right for you to let go and enter the next season God has for you.

If God is God and we trust God to be sovereign and good ... I was just thinking.

Dirk

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CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

8:30 and 11:10 A.M.

Cradle Roll (infants)

Location – end of hall from sanctuary.

11:10 AM ONLY

Toddlers (ages 2 - 4) are welcomed in the Toddler Room
located on the 1st floor of church building

Discipleship for Children

(ages 4 - 2nd grade) Location – Green Room, 1st floor C.E. Building
Children 3rd grade and up worship with their families.



WELCOME TO ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We offer a warm welcome to every worshipper,
and a way to serve for all who are willing.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY September 21, 2014 8:30 & 11:10 AM Worship

*You are invited to use the following Scripture for reflection
as you prepare your hearts for worship.*

Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name;
make known among the nations what he has done.
Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always.
Remember the wonders he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,
you his servants, the descendants of Abraham,
his chosen ones, the children of Jacob.
He is the LORD our God;
his judgments are in all the earth.

Psalm 105

PRELUDE "His Presence Brings Peace" Ron Bernhardt

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Please sign the blue Friendship Pad in the pew near the center aisle.

**All: O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.
Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.**

Leader: Let us worship the LORD!

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 262

“God of the Ages”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

LITANY OF CONFESSION

Leader: Paul’s letter to the Romans tells us that we are servants of Christ Jesus, and called into God’s work on earth.

**All: In our everyday lives,
we forget our identity in Christ,
and don’t always live like children of God.
Forgive us, Lord, we pray.**

Leader: We have been set apart for the Gospel, to be messengers of the Good News that Jesus has come to save the world.

**All: In our everyday lives,
we forget that we are participants with God’s work
on earth to tell the world about Jesus.
Forgive us, Lord, we pray.**

Leader: We have been brought into God’s family through Christ, no longer outsiders, but brought into full belonging.

**All: In our everyday lives,
we forget that we are not alone,
and make choices that are outside God’s ways.
Forgive us, Lord, we pray.
Give us courage and conviction to claim our identity
as your children, and to live it every day.
In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE

8:30 “Nothing But the Blood”

**What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

Refrain

**Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**Nothing can for sin atone,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
Naught of good that I have done,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)**

Refrain

**Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

**Nothing can for sin atone,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
Naught of good that I have done,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)**

11:10 “Nothing But the Blood” Chancel Choir

Oh! precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**You are invited to sing the chorus printed above along with the choir*

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

8:30 “Come to Jesus” Jennifer Clayton

11:10 “Timeless One” Chancel Choir

Morning breaks, evening falls,
rivers end where the sea begins.
Autumn leaves give way to winter wind,
but the spring waits to warm the earth again.

You are Alpha, Omega, Lord of all.
Every season is guided by Your hand.
From beginning to ending, You are God.
Dust to dust, we will trust You, Timeless One.

You were there in the void.
By Your word, gave the earth its form.
Now You’re here, You dwell in my heart.
Filled with wonder and awe of who You are.

We will wait for You in our anxious hour.
We will trust in You, God of majesty and power.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory forever,
Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 1:1-7
(page 1053 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“The Outsiders”

Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Galatians 3:26-29

**So in Christ Jesus we are all children of God through faith,
for all of us who were baptized into Christ
have clothed ourselves with Christ.
There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free,
nor is there male and female,
for we are all one in Christ Jesus.
If we belong to Christ, then we are Abraham’s seed,
and heirs according to the promise.**

*HYMN No. 439

“In Christ There is No East or West”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Be Joyful in the Lord”

Ron Bernhardt

*Special thanks to our liturgists:
8:30 – Rev. Bethany Harbaugh and Bob Lindeman
11:10 – Rev. Jason Rea and Sharon Griffin*