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## **Welcome to Elfinwild Presbyterian Church**



*For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.*  
**Isaiah 9:6-7**

**We believe in a Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. United by our love for God and faith in Jesus Christ, and led by the Holy Spirit, we will serve the Lord through...**

**...joyful worship as we glorify His name  
...committed study and learning of the Word  
...faithful mission to our community and the world.**

**ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CHRISTMAS EVE**

**December 24, 2012  
Seven O'clock**

**WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

**PRELUDE MUSIC** offered by Elfinwild Music Students  
\* Please hold applause

Noah Heere  
Alyssa and Rachel Boody  
Samuel Baird  
Maggie Rea  
Samantha Waldo  
Benjamin Waldo

**INTROIT** "African Noel " Traditional African Carol  
Youth Choir

**WORDS OF WELCOME**  
(Please sign the friendship pad that is located near the center aisle of each pew.)

**\*HYMN NO. 41** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Adeste Fideles

**LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE** The Toomey Family  
Greg, Patti, Madison & Garrett

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 12:44-50 (Page 1008 in pew Bible)

**COLLECT (UNISON PRAYER)**  
Lord God of heaven and earth, you are our strength and salvation. We have come to shout for joy and to give thanks for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. In holy wonder and awe, we say, "Your love endures forever!" You have made your light shine upon us and it is marvelous in our eyes. God of love, you have made a way for us when we were weak and alone. We who were once separated from you are now brought near to you, next to the lowly manger in which the King of glory rests. In humble adoration and exultation, we say, "The Lord's right hand has done mighty things!" through Christ our Lord, Amen.

**ANTHEM OF PRAISE** Elementary Choir Mueller  
"At Christmastime We Celebrate/Happy Hallelujah Christmas Song"

**MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**\*HYMN NO. 22** "Angels from the Realms of Glory" Regent Square

**READING** Luke 1:26-38 (Page 956 in the pew Bible)

**ANTHEM** "Bethlehem Hallelu" Althouse  
Youth Choir

**READING** Matthew 1:18-25 (Page 901-902 in the pew Bible)

**ANTHEM** "Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)" Tomlin  
Youth and Elementary Choirs

**READING** Luke 2:1-8 (Page 958 in the pew Bible)

**\*HYMN NO. 23** "Angels We Have Heard On High" Gloria

**GIVING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS** "Mary, Did You Know?" Lowry/Green  
Jordan Skowron and Natalie Grau, soloists

**READING** Isaiah 9

**SERMON** "We Wonder" Romans 5:1-8  
(Page 1056-1057 in pew Bible)  
The Rev. Dr. Dirk Lesnett

**SPECIAL MUSIC** "O Holy Night" Adam  
Jennifer Clayton, soprano  
Mike Hengelsberg, organ

**\*HYMN NO. 40** "Joy to The World" Antioch

**SPREADING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**  
As the ushers spread the flame of the Christ Candle please be very careful, assist the children who hold candles, and be sure to tip only the unlit candle to avoid dripping wax.

**HYMN** "Silent Night" Stille Nacht  
(See insert)

**BENEDICTION**  
Please extinguish your candles before you begin to exit, and drop them in the boxes at each door.

**\*POSTLUDE** \* Please stand if able