

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

**\*(8:30) HYMN NO. 437**      *"Our Cities Cry to You, O God"*      Salvation

**\*(11:10) MIDDLE SONG**      *"Draw Me Close"*      (see music insert)  
Praise Team with Congregation

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**      Revelation 22: 6-21  
(Page 1170 in the pew Bible)

**SERMON**      *"A Convert with a Cause"*      Dr. Dirk Lesnett

**\*(8:30) HYMN NO. 384**      *"O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go"*      St. Margaret

**\*(11:10) CLOSING SONG**      *"The Wonderful Cross"*      (see music insert)  
Praise Team with Congregation

**WE GO IN GOD'S NAME**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**      *"Echo Alleluia"*      arr. L. Smith

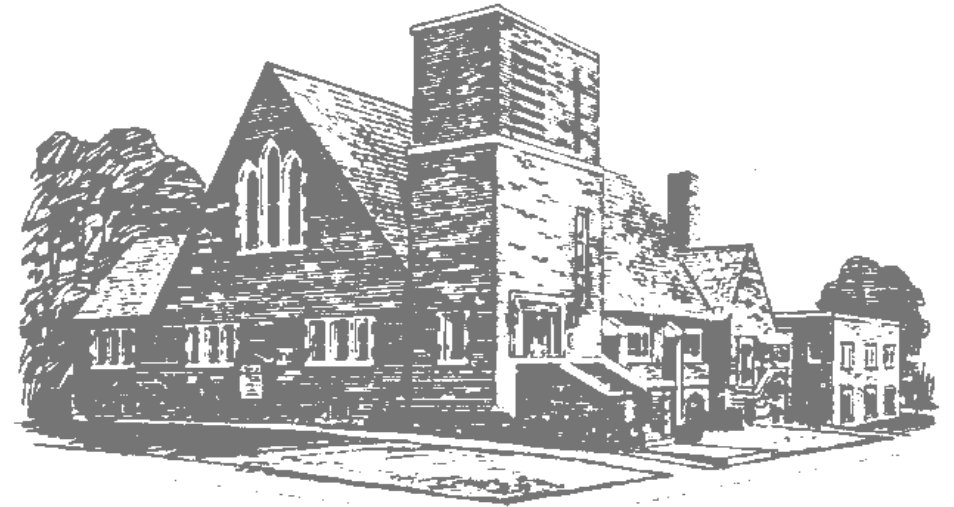
**THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:**

<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>11:10 am</b>
Pat Graham	Henry Tomer
Mark Connelly	Margaret Hartley
Len Colaizzi	Don Duncan
Marilyn Colaizzi	Dave Jenkins
Clay Riegel	Becky Winek

**UPCOMING SERVICES**

Sunday, April 29, 2012  
8:30 and 11:10 am  
*"Paul's Final Days"*  
Dr. Lesnett preaching  
Acts 20-23; 27-28; Ephesian 1-6; 2 Timothy 1-4

**PRAYER FOLLOWING EACH WORSHIP SERVICE:** Any person who desires to make a commitment, has a personal need, or a concern for someone, will be able to meet with Elder Bethann Dolan in the chapel.



**Welcome to  
Elfinwild Presbyterian Church**

***We are pleased that you have chosen to be with us  
on this day that the Lord has made.***

***Please relax and enjoy the music before the service starts.  
Quiet your heart before God.  
Ask Him to meet with you and teach you today.***

***Inside you will find our order of service and the activities  
of the church.***

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

**We believe in a Triune God – Father, Son and 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**  
**Order of Worship for the Lord's Day**

**April 22, 2012**

**Eight-thirty and Eleven Ten O'clock**

To prepare for worship, you may want to reflect on Scripture or pray.

"O God, you pour out the Spirit of grace and love. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and truth. Amen."

**WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

**PRELUDE (8:30)**      *"Come Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire"*      E. Broughton

**GATHERING MUSIC (11:10)**      *"In the Secret"*      Andy Park

**WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH**

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

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us and we are his;

**People: we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

**People: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

**\*(8:30) HYMN NO. 115**      *"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"*      St. Kevin

**\*(11:10) OPENING SONG**      *"Forever"*      (see music insert)  
Praise Team with Congregation

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:10)**

Words of Introduction

Questions to the Parents – Amanda Sachek and Craig Anderson

Questions to the Congregation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Baptism of Alyssa Anderson

Hymn No. 492

*"Baptized in Water"*

Bunessan

**ANTHEM (8:30)**

*"Alleluia! All Glory Be To God"*

Gordon Young

Chancel Choir

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

When we come into the holy presence of God, our own humanity is laid bare. When we stand in the living presence of truth, our own falsehood is revealed. People of God, let us acknowledge who we are and ask our ever-present God to forgive us.

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Our Father in heaven, we thank you that you have led us into the light. We thank you for sending the Savior to call us from death to life. We confess that we were dead in sin before we heard his call, but when we heard him, like Lazarus, we arose. But, O Father, the grave clothes bind us still. Old habits that we cannot throw off, old customs that are so much a part of our lives that we are helpless to live the new life that Christ calls us to live. Give us strength, O Father, to break the bonds; give us courage to live a new life in you; give us faith to believe that with your help we cannot fail. All this we ask in the name of the Savior who has taught us to come to you. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we are assured that there is no sin so terrible that God cannot forgive, no hurt so terrible that God cannot heal. God accepts, God forgives, and God sets free. Receive the forgiving love of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY (8:30)**      *"Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing"*      Gordon Young

**OFFERTORY (11:10)**      *"Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble"*      Martin Smith  
Praise Team

**\*DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostle's Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION**

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#### **CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP**

**8:30 and 11:10 A.M.**

Cradle Roll (infants – 1<sup>st</sup> grade)

Location – end of hall from sanctuary.

**9:45 - 10:45 A.M.**

Classes for Young Disciples

**11:10 A.M. ONLY**

Toddlers (ages 2 - 4) are welcomed in the Toddler Room

Location – 1<sup>st</sup> floor of church building

Preschool (age 4 - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade) will be in Young Child & Worship

Location – Green Room, 1st floor C.E. Building

Children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up worship with their families.

1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Bethann Dolan.
  2. **THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** this morning are given with gratitude to the church staff, preschool staff and families, and members of Elfinwild by Mary Ellen Hoyt.
  3. **THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT IN FRONT OF THE COMMUNION TABLE** is in celebration of Sharyl and Jim Giel's 35<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and is given by Jim and Maggie Giel.
  4. **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.
  5. **YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP (ages 4 - 2nd grade)** provides an opportunity for children to experience God through an age appropriate and multi-sensory worship service. The wooden figures, desert box and other materials create a visual representation of the Bible. The lighting of candles and discussion of other church traditions introduce children to the meaning of the many symbols seen in the sanctuary. The hands-on experience of the children retelling the stories by manipulating the figures helps the Bible lessons take shape in their minds and hearts. Today's lesson, "The Ascension" is being taught by Debbie Piel, Patti Toomey, Beth Interthal, and Bethann Dolan.
- #### **CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY, Birth-5th Grade**
6. **KIDS OF THE KINGDOM.** The Pre-school through 6<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday school classes will sing at the 11:10 service on Sunday, May 13.
  7. **M & ms "MESSIAH & ME"** Join us and bring a friend for Messiah & me – a youth group for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders! We meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month from 6:30-8pm in Fellowship Hall. Our last meeting before the summer will be on Wednesday, May 16. For more information, please contact Bethany Harbaugh.

8. **SONRISE NATIONAL PARK VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** This summer from June 18 through June 22, journey with us as we explore God's wonderful creation and learn to rely on our guide, Jesus. As we learn to trust God, this week of fun will keep us active and growing in faith. To sign up your child or to volunteer, please fill out a registration or volunteer form, which you will find on the tables in the Narthex or the table outside of the chapel, or contact Bethany Harbaugh.

### **STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12**

9. **SPRING PLANT SALE BENEFITING STUDENT MINISTRY SUMMER MISSION TRIPS.** Bartsch Nursery 10" hanging baskets will be on sale for \$15.00 by students in the Narthex by the Chapel after each service until May 6th. Choose from Geraniums, Impatiens or Petunias in various colors. Delivery the Saturday before Mothers' Day. Deck out your home while you help our students raise funds for their summer missions.
10. **YOUTH SUNDAY: MAY 20** As we plan for this year's youth Sunday, we ask all students to consider how they would like to participate and share their gifts as we lead worship. We are looking for students to do every part of the service from music, to the sermon to ushering. Let Jason know of your interest and we hope to see all our students involved in some aspect of the service!
11. **JR. HIGH CLUB 4:30-6PM SR. HIGH CLUB 6:30-8PM TONIGHT.** Come join us for a great time of fellowship, learning and praising God. Jr. High is for students in grades 6-8, and Sr. High is for students in grades 9-12. We play games, have good snacks and have a time of worship and learning. We hope you will come out and join us.
12. **30-HOUR FAMINE: APRIL 27-28** Students wishing to participate in the 30 Hour famine should let Jason know no later than today, April 22. Students will raise money by fasting for 30 hours (from noon Friday until 6pm on Saturday). This money will go to World Vision, a worldwide hunger ministry. The program will begin at 6pm on Friday and conclude at 6:30pm on Saturday following dinner. Students need to have their parent's permission to fast. There is no cost for the event but all who participate are encouraged to try to raise \$30 toward the effort. We encourage Elfinwild members to participate by sponsoring a student who will be fasting. For more information contact Jason or check out the 30 Hour Famine website at [www.30hourfamine.org](http://www.30hourfamine.org).

### **ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS**

13. **THE MEN'S LUNCHEON** will be held on Tuesday, May 1 at 12:00 noon in Fellowship Hall. Be sure to make your reservation. You can use the Response cards found in the pews or call the church office at 412-486-5400.
14. **PLEASE NOTE:** Dr. John Huffman will be peaching here on Sunday, July 1. Anyone who traveled with him to Israel, please invite non-church travelers to worship with us on that date.

### **THIS WEEK**

SUNDAY	9:45 am 4:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Deacons Meeting – Corner Conf. Room Jr. High Club – Youth House Sr. High Club – Youth House Session Meeting – Corner Conf. Room
MONDAY	7:00 am 6-9:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Pre-School – C.E. Act 1 – Friendship Hall & C.E. CLC #5 – Youth House Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY	7:00 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm 6-9:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Pre-School – C.E. Staff Meeting – Kennedy Library Caring Hands – Fellowship Hall Act 1 – Friendship Hall & C.E. Search Committee Meeting – Kennedy Library AARP Board Meeting Praise Team – Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY	7:00 am 8:00 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:15 pm	Pre-School – C.E. Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Rooms Cub Scouts – Green Room Elementary Choir – Chapel Chime Choir – Bell Room CLC #2 – Kennedy Library Chancel Choir – Choir Room
THURSDAY	7:00 am 7:00 am 8:00 am 9:15 am 1:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study – Kennedy Library Pre-School – C.E. Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Rooms Women's Bible Study – Youth House Women's Bible Study – Pam McKern's house Lions Club – Corner Conf. Room CLC #3 – Youth House
FRIDAY	7:00 am 8:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Pre-School – C.E. Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Rooms Jr. & Sr. Highs – 30-hour Famine overnight at Youth House Cub Scouts Pack Mtg. – Friendship Hall
SATURDAY	6:00 am 9:00 am – 3:00 pm	CLC #4 – Kennedy Library Act I – Friendship Hall & C.E.

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