

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.

*PRAISE SONG

"Days of Elijah" see insert
Praise Team with Congregation

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Colossians 3:12-13
(Page 189 N.T. in the pew Bible)
James 5:16
(Page 215 N.T. in the pew Bible)

SERMON

"The Place of Confession in Life and Faith" Dr. Dirk Lesnett

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*CLOSING SONG

"Joyful (The One Who Saves)" see insert
Praise Team with Congregation

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSION

POSTLUDE

"Mass for the Convents: Gloria" François Couperin

Liturgist: Bethany Harbaugh

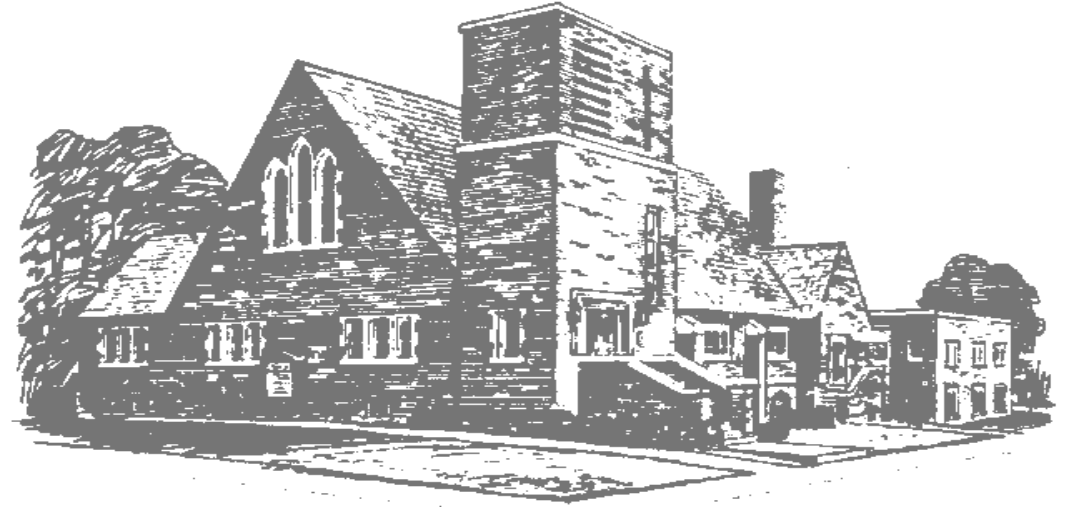
THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:

8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Pat Graham	Henry Tomer
Mark Connolly	Margaret Hartley
Geoff Naylor	Don Duncan
Jane Naylor	Mike Gaydos
Clay Riegel	Becky Winek

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, September 4, 2011
Communion at 8:30 & 11:10 am
Dr. Lesnett preaching
"The Sacred Practice of Work"
Fall Kick-off Fellowship & Breakfast

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
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
Order of Worship for the Lord's Day

August 28, 2011

Eight and Ten O'clock

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

"If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin." 1John 1:7

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *"Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive"* setting, Wayne L. Wold

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lord God, we have come to worship you as sinners in need of your forgiveness.

People: We come tired from our work, in need of refreshment and re-creation.

Leader: We come with worries, in need of your guidance.

People: But first, please lift us out of our preoccupation with our own needs.

Leader: Allow us to see you with the eyes of faith, and to hear with the ears of understanding what you say to us.

People: Make us thankful for all the good we have received from you.

Leader: Awaken in us a longing to do what is right.

People: And make us aware of the great company, past, present, and to come, with whom we join to worship you. Amen.

***OPENING SONGS** "Everlasting God" and "From the Inside Out" see insert
Praise Team with Congregation

***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (8:00)

Words of Introduction

Questions to the Congregation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Baptism of Michael Beal

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 Chronicles 19:10-13 NIV

Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, you do not change. You have revealed yourself to us in your Word. You call us to worship you in spirit and in truth. But we confess that we often worship not your true self but who we wish you to be. We too often ask you to bless what we do rather than seeking to do what you bless. Forgive us for seeking concessions when we should be seeking guidance. Forgive us when our worship shapes you into what we want instead of shaping us into what you want. Help us to meet you here, that we might bow before your unspeakable majesty and so live for you now and ever, in Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalms 103:8-13, NRSV

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.

Leader: Friends believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:00)

"O, My Beloved Father"

Giacomo Puccini

Tori Panza, violoncello

SPECIAL MUSIC (10:00)

"Better Than a Hallelujah"

Hartford and Hart

Heather Heere, soprano

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Largo from the 'New World' Symphony"

Antonín Dvořák

Tori Panza, violoncello

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

8:00 and 10:00 A.M.

Cradle Roll (infants – 1st grade)

Location – end of hall from sanctuary

10:00 A.M. ONLY

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

Location – 1st floor of church building

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

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

Children 3rd grade and up worship with their families

1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Bethann Dolan.
2. **THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** this morning are given in memory of her loved ones by Linda Kaiser.
3. **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.

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY, Birth-5th Grade



4. **M & ms "MESSIAH & ME"** is a youth group designed especially with the 4th through 6th grade student in mind. A scripturally-based curriculum is used to share our faith and the message of God's eternal love, while we enjoy fellowship, games, activities, mission projects, field trips, and fun. We meet on the third Wednesday of each month from 6:30 – 8:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. We'll kick off our fall season on September 21. Plan to join us and bring a friend! Any questions, please call Kristin Coco at 412-767-4539, or Bethann Dolan at 412-492-9991.



YOUTH MINISTRY

5. **YOUTH MINISTRY EVENT TODAY** End of Summer Pool Party from 3 until 6pm at Kelley's Mom's House. Join us for some swimming and a cookout! It will be a great way to celebrate the end of summer!

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

6. **FALL KICK-OFF FELLOWSHIP & BREAKFAST.** As the heat of summer starts to dissipate and our schedules align with that associated with a new school year, we look forward to beginning a new season of regular worship, fellowship and the studying of His Word. Join us on September 4, 2011 for a continental breakfast during the Sunday school hour (10:00am - 11:00am) in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy some fellowship, and catch up with the summer goings-on while kicking-off this new season with our church family. The Sunday school teachers for both children and adults will be introduced on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 9:45 am in the sanctuary and their teachers will take children to their classes. The Sunday school classes will officially begin on Sunday, September 18.
7. **SENIOR ACHIEVERS'**: Next meeting is Thursday, Sept. 15, at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Mark and Peggy Ainey will show and tell us the History of Glenshaw. Bring a bag lunch. Dessert and beverage will be provided. Guests and friends are welcome.
8. **CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS! SAVE THE NIGHT! SEPTEMBER 28**
Elementary Choir (Grades 2-5) and the **Chime Choir (Grades 3-6)** will rehearse on Wednesday evenings this year.
Elementary Choir - 6:30-7:15PM in the Chapel
Chime Choir - 7:30-8:00PM in the Bell Room on the Ground Floor
(* Please note that we will never meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month so that children eligible for our M & m Youth Group may attend.) Questions? Please contact Ruthie Riethmuller at mrdd1@earthlink.net or 412-487-3421. Thank you!
9. **CRADLE ROLL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** (Once a month, on Sunday mornings)
We are looking for adults who enjoy spending time with very young children and babies. Available time slots are 8:30-10:45 (during the early church service and Sunday school) on the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Sundays of the month, or during the 11:10 church service on the 2nd or 4th Sunday. We would love to have you come and care for the young children of the church. To volunteer, please contact Bethany Harbaugh at bethany@elfinwildchurch.org or call the church office at 412-486-5400.
10. **THE MEN'S LUNCHEON** will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 6 at 12 noon in Fellowship Hall. Please be sure to make your reservation using a Response Card or call the church office.
11. **PLEASE NOTE RETURN TO REGULAR HOURS.** Starting next Sunday, Sept. 4, we will return to our regular worship hours of 8:30 and 11:10 am.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

19. **GLENSHAW AARP #3744** will meet Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 7:30 pm at Elfinwild Presbyterian Church. Entertainment will be provided by Kathy Lang. Bring food for the food bank.
20. **DAVE RAMSEY'S FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY.** Would you like to be free of debt and financially secure? St. Thomas Church in the Fields, Gibsonia is proud to offer Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University class beginning on Thursday, September 8 from 7-9 pm. This 13-week class teaches God's way of handling money. Each class begins with Dave Ramsey teaching his program in a video format followed by small-group discussion and interaction. These principles can apply to everyone – whether you are financially secure or are struggling with debt. There will be a free preview on Thursday, September 1 at 7 pm in the fellowship hall at St. Thomas Church. For additional information, please contact class facilitators Glenn or Donna Goss at 412-486-3357 or by email at glenn donnagoss@verizon.net or visit www.stthomaschurchinthefields. If you would be interested in this course and this is not a good time for you to attend, keep in mind that Henry Tomer will be conducting the Dave Ramsey course here at Elfinwild in January of 2012.
21. **LOCAL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS DONATIONS** North Hills Community Outreach is requesting donations of soup (the chunky, more substantial varieties), canned fruit and all types of rice. NHCO operates two food pantries in Hampton and Bellevue. Typically, 200 families are served over a four week period at the Hampton location alone; this month, 195 families have used the pantry in just three weeks. Donations may be dropped off weekdays between 9 AM – 4 PM at 1975 Ferguson Road, Hampton. For more information, to arrange an alternate drop-off time, or for tips on organizing a food drive, contact Brandi at 412-487-6316, option 1.
22. **OPEN YOUR HEART TO A SENIOR** Volunteer trainings are held at various times and locations every month. Call 412-307-0071 to learn more about helping a senior remain safe and independent in his own home.
23. **20 NEW TUTORS NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER AT ANCHORPOINT COUNSELING**
The Anchorpoint tutoring program is seeking volunteer tutors ages 16 years and older. No experience necessary. Work one-on-one with students in grades K-12. Assist with homework; help students study for tests and complete projects. You'll have a wonderful opportunity to mentor and encourage students in need. The tutoring program operates Monday-Thursday 3:30-8:30 pm. Volunteers may tutor one or more hours per week. Training is provided.
Contact Sandy Niekum: tutors@anchorpointcounselingministry.org or 412.366.1300.

- 12. **VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS NEEDED.** We need people to be courteous and helpful to all who call the church office. We need people to answer the phones and to welcome people who stop in. If you can assist for a few hours, any day of the week, we would be glad to train you. Please call the church office at 412-486-5400.
- 13. **THE BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY** for the month of August would especially appreciate receiving canned fruits, salad dressings and paper towels. You can put these in the bins at the north and south entrances to the sanctuary.
- 14. **PARISH NURSES NEEDED.** We would like to revive the Parish Nurse group at Elfinwild Church. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kim Roderick at 412-487-8223 or peakrod@verizon.net. She will be gathering names, contact information, credentials, and skills. Although the committee will be labeled “the Parish Nurses,” all those with a medical background (physicians, pharmacists, physical therapists, etc.) will be welcome to participate. There is nothing more rewarding than sharing your time and talents with those who are in need.
- 15. **DONATE BOOKS!** Daniel Sowa is organizing a senior project to collect books for under-privileged children in southern West Virginia. Please donate gently used books for children in grades K-12. There will be a collection box located in the North Narthex between July 30 and August 28 where you can place the books. This is the last day to donate books. The books will be donated to a library in southern West Virginia.

16. **PITTSBURGH 2011 WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE**

**CONSOL Energy Center
October 7-8, 2011**

Would you like to escape from the everyday at a *Women of Faith* weekend and be refreshed, encouraged, and inspired? The God who loves you can do far more than you can ever imagine.

Tickets are \$89 each for a group of 10 or more, \$99 each for 1-9. Price includes all sessions (Friday 10:00 am – 3:30 pm; Friday 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm; Saturday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm) plus a box lunch both days.

To reserve a ticket, please fill out the tear slip and place in the offering plate. Deadline for reserving tickets is Sept. 4, 2011. You will be contacted with ticket price and payment information. For more information, contact Cheryl Saraceno at 412-486-8270, or Saraceno@duq.edu.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number of Tickets: _____

- 17. **THE COLUMBARIUM.** Elfinwild Presbyterian Church has established a special facility for the care and safekeeping of cremated remains. By establishing a columbarium at our church, it is possible to once again return to the tradition of making one's final resting place on the grounds of the church. Applications are now being accepted for reserving a niche in the Columbarium. Niches can be purchased for both burial and tribute. Brochures and applications are available through the church office. If you would like to speak with someone about the Columbarium and purchasing a niche, please feel free to contact Jack Ritenbaugh at 412-486-5400. The cost of a niche through December 31, 2011 is \$800.00. As of January 1, 2012, the cost will increase to \$900 per niche.
- 18. **NEW CIRCLE FORMING.** The Presbyterian Women of Elfinwild Church used to be a missionary society-oriented group of 2 circles, Naomi and Esther. We are now forming one large circle which will be called the Mary Circle. We will be meeting the 2nd Monday of the month at 12:30 pm in the upper Gathering Room. You are to bring a sandwich and coffee and tea will be served. We have devotions and then a missionary report from letters received from missionaries in different parts of the world. This is an important part of our cause. Then we have our Bible study. This year it will be about the Beatitudes. ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH ARE INVITED TO COME AND JOIN US. If you are interested, contact Ruth Lee at 412-486-5258 or Marge Cain at 412-487-2402.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:15 am	Sunday school teachers meet – Fellowship Hall
	9:30 am	Special Session Meeting – Kennedy Library
	11:05 am	Trustees Meeting – Corner Conf. Room
	11:15 am	Family Retreat Meeting – Kennedy Library
	3:00 pm	Jr. & Sr. Highs Pool Party – Kelly’s mom’s house
	7:00 pm	Deacons Meeting – Corner Conf. Room
MONDAY	7:00 pm	Technology Meeting – Kennedy Library
TUESDAY	11:00 am	Staff Meeting – Kennedy Library
	6:30 pm	TOPS
	7:30 pm	Praise Team – Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY	7:00 pm	CLC #2 – Kennedy Library
	7:15 pm	Chancel Choir – Choir Room
THURSDAY	7:00 pm	CLC #3 – Youth House
FRIDAY	7:00 pm	Cub Scouts – C.E.
SATURDAY	6:00-8:00 am	CLC #4 – Kennedy Library