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MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP: PLANNED GIVING – BY WILL, TRUST, OR BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

We are all wise to have a will in place, regardless of our family situation or our financial circumstances. A will and other estate plan documents can assure that our personal and charitable wishes are carried out after we die. Over the years, our church has benefitted greatly from donations received from members who named Elfinwild as one of the beneficiaries in their will. Bequests can easily be made in a will, but they can also be made through a trust. Funds remaining in a retirement plan or a life insurance benefit can be designated to one's church or other charity, as well as to family members. In this way, the donor does not part with asset while living and can make changes if their circumstances change. Portions of an estate donated to charity may pass tax free. A financial advisor or an attorney could advise you regarding your options. In addition, it is often a good idea to let your family and heirs know your wishes. *If you choose to do so*, please let the church office know if you have decided to include Elfinwild in your will or estate planning.

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Financial Statement June 30, 2017

Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$331,681
Total Expenses (Y.T.D.)		\$333,371
Unfavorable (Y.T.D.)		- \$1,690



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

August 13, 2017

8:00 and 10:00 AM Worship

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

**“Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s
will for you in Christ Jesus.” 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18**

PRELUDE

“Surrender”
Praise Team

Dave Lubben

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

*OPENING PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Come Now Is the Time to Worship

Chorus

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come

Verse

One day every tongue
will confess you are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose you now

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Here I Am to Worship

Chorus

So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Verse 2

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

Verse 1

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus

Bridge

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross

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Chorus

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Agnus Dei”
Praise Team

Michael W. Smith

*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.**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 11:1-13 (page 972 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“Why Do We Pray?”

Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*SONG OF COMMITMENT

“Build Your Kingdom Here”

Rend Collective

Verse 1

**Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are Your church
We need Your pow'r in us**

Chorus

**Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here we pray**

Verse 2

**We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize
To see the captives' hearts released
The hurt the sick the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause
We are Your church
We pray revive this earth**

Verse 3

**Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r
Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this
Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ
We are Your church
We are the hope on earth**

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*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Galatians 5:22-23

**The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.**

POSTLUDE

“Everyday”

Joel Houston

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

23. BOOK STUDY: Ladies please join us for a 6-week book study on Tuesday nights 9/25 through 10/30. "A Woman Overwhelmed" by Hayley Di Marco is based on the life of Mary, Mother of Jesus. We will walk through the story of Mary, a woman who knew what it was like to be overwhelmed. Along the way we'll learn how to let go of control, fear, and doubt and grab onto more faith, confidence, and trust in our God.

24. WOMEN'S MINISTRY MEETINGS: We will be meeting on the third Tuesday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Library.

COMMUNITY NEWS

25. SHALER AREA VETERAN MEMORIAL PATHWAY – A path to the Shaler American Legion Post 785 Memorial is being made. The inscribed bricks will be woven together like pieces of a quilt into a brick walkway leading a path to the Memorial site. The bricks will be a permanent commemoration of our veterans. Individuals will have an opportunity to purchase a 4 x 8 inch brick. The goal is to memorialize and honor all veterans and those currently serving who are associated with our community, as well as to enhance and beautify the Memorial site. For more information, please contact Ken Volle at 412-576-6835 or 412-487-8183.

26. THE TENTH ANNUAL SHALER AREA ALUMNI SOCCER GAME will be held on Saturday, September 10th at 2 PM at the Biles Turf Field at Shaler Area High School, Wible Run Road in Shaler Township. Tickets are free. The event benefits the Scott Alexander Memorial Scholarship Fund, which was established in 2007 to honor the memory of 1989 Shaler graduate and standout athlete Scott Alexander, who lost a 22 day battle to brain cancer in 2007 at age 36. Scott is the son of George Alexander Sr. and the brother of George Alexander, Jr. and Lora Weinman.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 8-13-17

TODAY (8-13-17)	8:00 AM & 10:00 AM – Worship Services – SA 9:00 AM – PRISM Gathering – UGR 12:15 PM – Deacons' Meeting – CCR 7:00 PM – Session Meeting – CCR
MONDAY	7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH 7:00 PM – Personnel Committee Meeting – KL 7:00 PM – Walking at Hartwood 8:00 PM – Pack 157 Committee Meeting – CCR
TUESDAY	10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL 6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM – Family Ministry Committee Meeting – KL
THURSDAY	7:00 PM – Pittsburgh Pirate's Faith Night Game
FRIDAY	
SATURDAY	8:00 AM – CLC Next Steps #1 – KL
SUNDAY (8-20-17)	8:00 AM & 10:00 AM – Worship Services – SA 9:00 AM – The Church Has Left the Building Meeting – KL 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM – All Church Picnic at Kiwanis Park 7:00 PM – Back to School Prayer Service – SA

Special thanks to our liturgist:

8:00 – Mark Riethmuller

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Charlie Randolph by Louise and family.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Steve Heere.

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.

8:00 USHERS

Mark Connelly
Curt Neil
Len Colaizzi
Marilyn Colaizzi

10:00 USHERS

Henry Tomer
Becky Winek
Dave Jenkins
Jerry Nist
Nicole Graco

SOUND TECHNICIANS

8:00 – Michael Beal
10:00 – Skip Young

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday August 20, 2017
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY

Birth – 6th Grade

1. CRADLE ROLL ROOM FOR AGES BIRTH THROUGH 2 1/2. The Cradle Roll room is located past the church offices and choir room. The **TODDLER/PRESCHOOL ROOM** is open during the Sunday School time and the 10:00 worship hour. This is a class for children who are 2 ½ to 4yrs. of age.

2. 10 AM GREEN ROOM FOR AGES 4 THROUGH GRADE 2 - Each week throughout the summer, we will meet and do an activity during the 10:00 service. If you are interested in teaching a lesson or for more information, please contact the church office.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

For more information on these ministries, please contact

Ron Bernhardt at: ron@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400.

3. JOIN US! – You are invited to join our music ministry ensembles. Everyone is welcome so please come out to a rehearsal and give it a try! Rehearsals begin soon so mark your calendars:

Chancel Choir - Wednesday, August 30, 7-8:30 PM *Praise Team* - Tuesday, September 5, 6-7:30 PM
Handbell Choir – Wednesday, September 6, 6-7 PM *Youth Choir* – Thurs, September 7, 7:15-8:30 PM
Elementary Choir – Thursday, September 7, 6-7 PM

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.

4. REGULAR CLUBS – We will not meet during the summer, but look for special events throughout the summer!

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

5. **2017 CHANCEL FLOWERS** – Flowers for the Chancel are \$48 per week for two vases, or \$25 per week for a single table arrangement. Please call the church office to place an order or sign up on the flower chart in the back narthex. **If a table arrangement is desired, you MUST notify the church office prior to the week you have chosen** as the weekly standing flower order is for two vases.

6. **PRAY WITHOUT CEASING...** Our Wednesday Night Prayer Gatherings will be **taking a break for the summer. We will resume at 7 PM on Wednesday, September 6th in the chapel.**

7. **BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY** – The Bread of Life Food Pantry is located at Calvert Memorial Presbyterian Church in Etna, PA. The pantry is open the first three Wednesdays of each month - with stocking of the shelves the 1st three Tuesdays. Volunteers are always welcome to assist with stocking, sorting and assisting our clients with shopping. Bread of Life serves over 120 families each month. If you or any group to which you belong are interested in the outreach ministry of Calvert (supported by Elfinwild and our neighboring churches at Glenshaw, Parkwood, Fox Chapel and Glenshaw Valley), please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Vickey Trader at 412-782-5742 for more information. Items the Pantry is in need of are: side dishes with noodles (no rice), side dishes with potatoes, jelly - any flavor, canned whole potatoes, boxed meals like Hamburger Helper, boxed mac & cheese, jars of spaghetti sauce, canned chili or stew, broth & gravy - chicken, turkey & beef, large bottles of juice, pudding & Jello premade or to be made, Cake & brownie mixes, Pancake mix & syrup, Bags of flour & sugar, cooking oil, boxes of crackers, salad dressing & ketchup, napkins & tissues, paper towels, and baby diapers.

8. **ELFINWILD PRESCHOOL** is now accepting applications for the 2017-18 school year. For information about the weekday preschool or to register for next year, please call the school office at 412-486-2322. We love to share information about the program. Learning and growing in God's love provides a wonderful opportunity for us to share Christ's love and welcome families in the community.

9. **SUMMER WALKS IN THE PARK** – Mondays in June, July & August at 7:00 PM at Hartwood Acres. All are welcome. Please speak with Kristin Coco if you have any questions.

10. **HOSPITALITY MEAL MINISTRY** – Did you know that members of your Elfinwild Family will provide a meal for you and your family if you are in need? For example, perhaps you or a family member are recovering from surgery, just had a baby or are too ill to prepare dinner for a few days. We sign up and deliver meals to you. Do you need a meal? Would you like to prepare and deliver a meal? Contact: Tessa Connelly, at connthree07@gmail.com or by phone at 412-600-1452.

11. **STEPHEN MINISTRY** informational brochures have been moved to the "Stephen Corner" in the library! There you will also find the August Article of the Month: "Talking with My Kids About Death". It contains healthy ideas to walk through the valley of death, with kids. Pick up a copy today! If you have any questions about Stephen Ministry, please contact Ruthie Riethmuller, Stephen Leader at 412-487-3421 or mrdd1@comcast.net.

VERSE OF THE MONTH-"Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn." Romans 12:15

12. **ELFINWILD HOME MEALS MINISTRY** –The Meals Ministry serves over 70 clients each day with nutritious, well-balanced meals. Volunteers are needed for this important ministry everyday either to

assist in the delivery of the meals to our clients or to assist in the preparation of the meals. If you have any time during the hours of 8:30 AM - 12 noon to assist, please contact Dick Friedline at 412-486-8000.

13. **THE MEALS MINISTRY** often has leftover bread and rolls that cannot be used before they spoil. If you would like some, please help yourself to items located on a table in Fellowship Hall.

14. **SUMMER WORSHIP AND OFFICE HOURS** Our summer worship hours are at 8:00 and 10:00 AM through the end of August. The church office hours through August 18th will be from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

15. **A PRAYER TEAM IS NEEDED FOR THE** search committee who has begun the task of seeking the right person to serve Christ with us as Director of Children and Family Ministries. The search committee members are: Kristin Coco, Elizabeth Dolan, Nicole Graco, Scott Hughes, Bob Siar, Charline Tomer and Bob Wegner. If you are interested in being part of the prayer team, please contact the church office.

16. **TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!** Please join us for Faith Night on Thursday, August 17th as the Pirates and Cardinals take the field. Tickets are limited and are \$25 each. The price includes a Pittsburgh Pirate hat! Please contact the church office to purchase tickets or for more information.

17. **PASTOR EVA TROUT TO VISIT ELFINWILD TODAY** Please come to meet and greet Pastor Eva Trout in the Upper Gathering Room at 9AM. Pastor Eva is from the Covenant Church of Pittsburgh and serves as the church mobilizer with P.R.I.S.M., the Pittsburgh International Student Ministry. She will teach us how we can reach out to international students that are new to living in Pittsburgh. It is called 'Friendship Partnering'. The Lord has blessed us with such an opportunity to do mission work without leaving home. There are over 10,000 international students in Pittsburgh and most of them never get invited to have a meal at an American home. *The P.R.I.S.M. ministry is part of the Bellefield Presbyterian Church in Oakland.*

18. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO COMPLETE** a "Workday Blitz" on Saturday, August 26th from 9 AM to 5 PM at a home in Shaler. The Presbyterian Project will provide all the tools and food needed to complete the work. Help us be the hands and feet of Jesus. Please contact Becky Winek at rswinek@gmail.com or (412) 443-3419 to sign up or if you have any questions.

19. **THE ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC** will be held on Sunday, August 20th from 2:00 – 6:00 PM at the Kiwanis Park pavilion in Shaler. Dinner will be served at 3:00 PM. Chicken, hamburgers, hotdogs & beverages will be provided by the Deacons. Please bring the item next to the first letter of your last name for all to enjoy: A-H – dessert; I-R – salad; S-Z – side dish. We hope to see you all there!

20. **BACK-TO SCHOOL PRAYER SERVICE** – Got the new pencils, markers, glue sticks and notebooks...But are the kids ready? Let's add prayer to those back to school supplies! As many are preparing for the start of a new school year, a prayer service will be held Sunday, August 20, 2017, in the Sanctuary at 7:00 PM. Please join us as we take this special time to pray for our schools...students, teachers, administrations, bus drivers & communities! As we pray for safety, learning and growth, we will also ask God to work in the lives of all involved, that His presence is felt and His works become evident to all. "Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and forever!"

21. **ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS** – Your membership certificates and offering envelopes are on the counter in the library. Please be sure to stop and get yours.

22. **If you care to send a card, following is the address of Eric Spryn:** 1031 Pittsburgh St., Apt. 202, Springdale, Pa., 15044.