

SERMON "Love One Another" Rev. Jason Rea
***HYMN NO. 376** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Hyfrydol

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

***BENEDICTION**
POSTLUDE

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" reprise

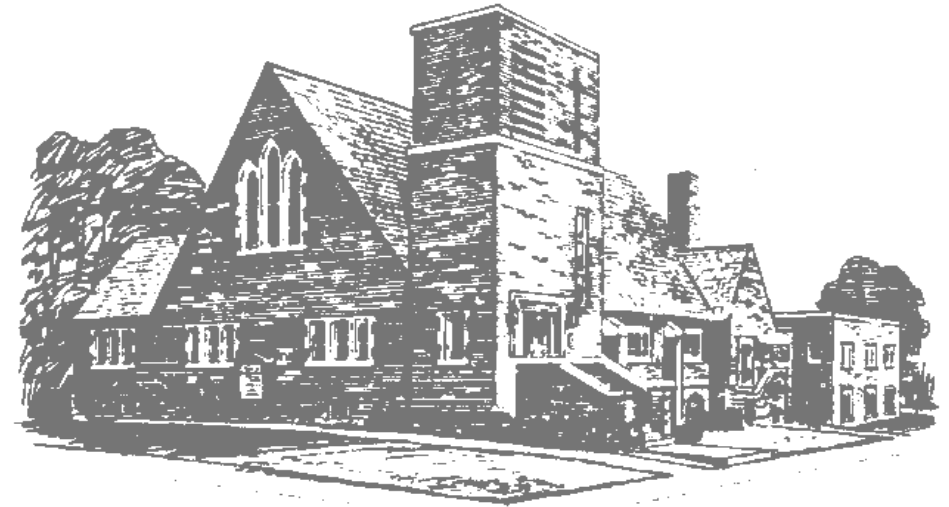
THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:

8:00 am Pat Graham Mark Connelly Len Colaizzi Marilyn Colaizzi Clay Riegel	10:00 am Henry Tomer Margaret Hartley Don Duncan Dave Jenkins Becky Winek
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UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, September 2, 2012
8:30 a.m. and 11:10 a.m.
"An Ethic of Work for Today"
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

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.**

CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

8 and 10 A.M.

Cradle Roll (infants)

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

Discipleship for Children

(ages 4 - 2nd grade)

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

Children 3rd grade and up worship with their families.

***Elfinwild Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship for the Lord's Day***

August 26, 2012

Eight and Ten O'clock

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

“For this is the message you have heard
from the beginning, that we should love one another.”

1 John 3:11

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

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 89

Leader: We will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

People: **We declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

Leader: You said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David: ‘I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations.’”

People: **Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.**

Leader: For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord? Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord?

People: **Let us Worship the Lord!**

***HYMN NO. 430**

“Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!”

Darwall's 148th

***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ participates in the new creation. The old has gone; a new has begun. Friends believe the good news!

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Make My Life an Offering”

G. Thomas

Jennifer Harris Clayton

***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.

PRAYER 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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 John 4:7-21
(Page 1148 in the pew Bible)

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1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Bethann Dolan.
2. **THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** this morning are given in memory of Frank Klebacha by Joanne and Bob Popovich.
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.

STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12

4. **TODAY SUNDAY, AUGUST 26: END OF SUMMER POOL PARTY FOR STUDENT MINISTRIES. 4:30-7PM AT THE FERIS HOME.** Join us for our annual end of summer pool party. This year Mark and Bev Feris have graciously opened their home to us and we look forward to a great time of food, swimming and fellowship. Dinner will be served around 6 pm and we will let you all know what to look forward to this fall. Of course rising 6th graders are invited to this event. The address is: 122 Eade Ave., Glenshaw, PA 15116.

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

5. **HAVE YOU EVER WISHED YOU COULD MEMORIZE SCRIPTURE?** Ever wanted to try something just a little outside your comfort zone? Starting Monday, September 10, please join a new group forming to do just that! Led by Jennifer Harris Clayton, our new Director of Worship and Music, the group will prepare a portion of Scripture to be presented in worship on October 28 to celebrate Commitment Sunday. The time commitment is 7 weekly rehearsals, plus 2 services of worship on October 28th. Come and let's worship God together by honoring His Word together – and have some fun fellowship at the same time! Please see Jennifer for more details, or call the office to confirm your participation! All ages are welcomed and encouraged!
6. **BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY.** The Bread of Life Food Pantry would especially appreciate boxes and packages of potatoes and rice, boxed dinners, and baking items such as cake mixes and cookie mixes. They are grateful for all the food items and monetary donations that Elfinwild Church gives to them.
7. **BEGINNING NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2** our worship hours will return to 8:30 and 11:10 o'clock.

8. **TELL US YOUR ELFINWILD MEMORIES.** Much like your own families, every member of the Elfinwild family has memories and stories about their life as a member at Elfinwild. We would like to hear about those youth group trips, Sunday School classes, church picnics, adult fellowship groups – or whatever memory you would like to share.

Please write them down, in any form – typed or long-hand – and forward them to Jim Giel, Jr. as soon as possible. We will share them throughout the year with the “family” so that the newer members hear the “old” stories and the “older” members hear the stories of the newer members.

9. **ELFINWILD MEMORABILIA NEEDED.** Elfinwild Church will celebrate its 100th year of serving the community during 2012. A special “*Celebration Sunday*” will be held on Sunday, September 16. Details for this event will be coming over the next several weeks. During the months leading up to our celebration, we will be honoring a decade each month with newsletter articles as well as a display in the gathering area. If you have any pictures, Sunday School pins, copies of bulletins, or other memorabilia related to Elfinwild and would like to share those for the various displays, please contact Jim Giel, Jr. at 412-486-2774, or drop them off at the church office. Your items will be returned to you when they are no longer needed.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:15 am	100 th Anniversary Mtg. – Kennedy Library
	12:00 noon	God & Family – Fellowship Hall
	4:00 pm	Jr. & Sr. High Pool Party – Feris Home
MONDAY	6:30 pm	CLC #5 – Youth House
TUESDAY	11:00 am	Staff Meeting – Kennedy Library
	1:00 pm	Caring Hands – Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm	TOPS
WEDNESDAY	7:00 pm	CLC #2 – Kennedy Library
THURSDAY	1:30 pm	Meeting at Presbytery Center – Homewood Renaissance
	7:00 pm	CLC #3 – Youth House
FRIDAY	7:00 pm	Webelos Den 6 – Fellowship Hall
SATURDAY	6:00 am	CLC #4 – Kennedy Library

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

10. **GLENSHAW AARP #3744** will meet Tuesday, September 11, at 7:00 pm at Elfinwild Presbyterian Church in Fellowship Hall. The meeting will be followed by refreshments and entertainment by singer Jordan Luntz.
11. **OPEN YOUR HEART TO A SENIOR.** This group is a signature initiative of the United Way of Allegheny County, with Family Services and North Hills Community Outreach as the two leading partners. Together these two organizations have over 600 volunteers providing non-medical care for seniors to keep them living safely and independently in their own homes for as long as possible. Transportation to medical appointments and grocery shopping, telephone reassurance and friendly visiting, yard work and simple home repair are the most frequently requested and provided services. For more information on volunteering, visit www.openyourhearttoasenior.org, call 412-307-0071 or toll-free at 866-467-0888.
12. **NORTHSIDE COMMON MINISTRIES** is seeking a few adult volunteers who might be interested in covering a 4-hour shift on a Tuesday or Thursday (8 am to noon or noon to 4 pm. Volunteers would act as a greeter for our building – having people sign in and sign out and providing direction. This could be a once a week or once a month volunteer opportunity. If you are interested in learning more, call Jay at 412-323-1163.
13. **LOOKING FOR A FULFILLING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?** Crisis Center North needs volunteers for their 24-hour hotline. All calls can be taken on your home/cell phone. They also have opportunities in community education, fundraising & events, daytime clerical assistant, and board members. If interested, please contact Darla at 412-364-6728 or dbarie@crisiscenternorth.org.
14. **SUBSTITUTE DRIVERS NEEDED** Substitute shuttle drivers and ride-along dispatchers are needed immediately for Free Rides for Seniors, a program of Faith in Action. Free Rides for Seniors offers seniors free shuttle transportation to medical appointments, religious services, grocery stores, hair salons, etc. in Sharpsburg, Aspinwall, Blawnox, and O’Hara. Training is provided! Call Kerry at 412-449-0151 or visit www.nhco.org for more information.
15. **CAR DONATIONS NEEDED** There are nearly 25 low-income families on the waiting list for a car from North Hills Community Outreach’s Community Auto program. The program is looking for vehicle donations that will help low-income individuals get to work and provide transportation for their families. Cars can be donated in any condition and donors may qualify for the maximum possible tax deduction. Call 724-443-8300 or visit www.communityauto.org for more information.