

26. SIGHT AND SOUND MILLENNIUM THEATER PRESENTS

‘MOSES’ on April 10th and 11th at the Sight and Sound Millennium Theater in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. An invitation is being extended to our congregation from Glenshaw Presbyterian Church to join them on this trip.

The trip includes transportation by deluxe motor coach, one night lodging at the Holiday Inn Express (Rockvale, Lancaster, PA), one expanded continental breakfast, one traditional family-style dinner at Plain and Fancy Restaurant, reserved seating for “Moses”, shopping opportunities at Kitchen Kettle Village and Bird in Hand Farmers Market, meal gratuities, driver gratuity, baggage handling and taxes.

Departure from Glenshaw Presbyterian Church will be 7:30 AM on April 10th. Approximate return time is 6:00 PM on April 11th. Cost per person:

- Adult: \$253.00 Double Occupancy
- Children 3-12 with 2 paying adults: \$148.00
- Children 13-18 with 2 paying adults: \$168.00

A \$50.00 deposit is due by February 22, 2015. For more information, please contact Debbie Vita at 412-487-3633 or dvita86@verizon.net.

27. SHALER AREA HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS THE MUSICAL

“MARY POPPINS” Friday and Saturday, March 6th & 7th at Shaler Area High School .

Friday and Saturday, March 6th & 7th @ 7:00PM, Sunday March 8th @ 2:00PM

Friday and Saturday, March 13th & 14th @ 7:00PM

Also, there will be a senior citizen FREE performance on Thursday, March 5th @ 5 PM.

Tickets are \$10 for reserve seating or \$7 for general admission. Residents with a Silver Titan Pass receive general admission tickets for free. Tickets will be sold in advance (at Activities Office during school hours) and at the door. For more information, contact the high school activities office at 412-492-1200 Press 8 and ext. 1530.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 2-22-15

TODAY (2-22-15) Communion
8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA
9:45 AM –Sunday School- CE
12:15 PM – Deacons’ Meeting – CCR
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Youth Group – YH

MONDAY
7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Preschool Pictures – KL
9:00 AM – 11:15 AM – Mom’s Bible Study – PR, TR
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM – 6th Grd. Girls’ Bible Study @Harbaughs
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act I – FrH
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH

TUESDAY
7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Preschool Pictures – KL
10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – PS
5:30 PM – North Branch Meeting – FH
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act I – FrH
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Planning Meeting – KL
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose – CCR

WEDNESDAY
7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Preschool Pictures – KL
5:45 PM – Lenten Dinner – FH
6:30 PM – Lenten Study – FH
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir – CR
8:15 PM – Praise Team – SA

THURSDAY
7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
7:00 AM – Men’s Bible Study – PS
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Preschool Pictures – KL
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM – Women’s Bible Study – YH
10:30 AM – Grace Manor Service
6:00 PM – Lions’ Club – FH
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM – Bear Den 157 – PR
7:15 PM – Youth Choir – CR

FRIDAY
7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Preschool Pictures – KL
7:00 PM – Webelos II – PR
7:30 PM – Cornerstone University Concert- SA

SATURDAY
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Act I – FrH

SUNDAY (3-1-15)
8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA
9:45 AM –Sunday School- CE
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Youth Group – YH

THE FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL THIS MORNING are given in loving memory of Mary Lou Blose by the Callahan family.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Nancy Kriek.

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.

8:30 AM USHERS

Donna Thompson
Len Anderson
Jim Young
Tim Keenan
Jim Thompson

11:10 AM USHERS

Scott Muszynski
Kelly Simile
Don Grau
Jennifer Callahan
Shane Callahan

SOUND TECHNICIANS

8:30 AM – Marge Cain
11:10 AM – Jerry Nist

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday, March 1, 2015
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

CHILDREN’S & FAMILY MINISTRY

Birth – 6th Grade

For more information on these ministries, please contact Bethann Dolan, Elder for Children’s Ministries at: mbergd@verizon.net or 412-492-9991

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 11:10 worship hour. This is a class for children who are 2 ½ to 4yrs. of age.

2. SUNDAY SCHOOL –Our classes will begin at 9:45 and end at 10:45 AM. Children 4 years old (Pre-K) through 2nd grade will meet in the RED room of the C.E. for Kids of the Kingdom Music to start class at 9:45. Children in 3rd grade through 6th will meet in their classrooms.

3. YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP – For ages Pre-K through 2nd grade during the 11:10 service. This week’s lesson will be *Jesus and the Children* by Donna Rea Thompson, Sue Anderson, Elaine Jans, Carolyn Hervey and Beverly Friedline.

4. CHILDREN’S WORSHIP BULLETINS are with the regular bulletins at the entrances to the Sanctuary. If your child would like one, please see one of the ushers.

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.

5. JR. & SR. HIGH CLUB – Jr. High (grades 6-8) from 4:30 – 6:00 PM and Sr. High (grades 9-12) from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. This club is a wonderful time for fellowship with other students. We play different games, have some good food and spend time in worship and study together.

Please use this form to register for church events. After filling it out, you may tear it off and place into the offering plate. Thank you!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Event: _____

Number of Registrants: Adults _____ Children _____

Ages of Children: _____

Other applicable information: _____

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

6. BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Over the past years a faithful group of individuals has provided a light luncheon, at a small cost, for the family and friends of a deceased individual following the funeral service. This group has dwindled in size. We need your help and assistance in creating a new group of folks who can help with this ministry. If you are interested in assisting in or leading this ministry, please contact the church office at 412-486-5400 or Jim Giel, Jr. at 412-486-2774.

7. DID YOU KNOW that you can listen to the sermons on our website? Please go to www.elfinwildchurch.org and click on the link.

8. ATTENTION MEN: There is an opportunity to strengthen your relationship with God as well as be His ambassador in the community. * A new CLC group will be starting soon and will be meeting from 6:00 to 8:00 AM on Saturdays. Mike Gaydos and Mark Connelly will be the co-facilitators. If you are interested, please contact Mike Gaydos at 724-272-6951 or projecteng@hotmail.com.

9. ELFINWILD MEALS MINISTRY DRIVERS AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – As our snowbirds go south for the winter, we have a need for additional drivers and volunteers during the winter months. If you have a couple of hours during the week to assist in the kitchen or can assist in delivery of the meals, please contact Marion Berberich at 412-486-8000. Any time that you can provide would be greatly appreciated for this important ministry.

10. THE 2015 FLOWER CHART is now available! The cost for flowers in 2015 is \$44.00. Please contact the church office with any questions or sign up on the chart located in the north narthex.

11. YOUR 2015 OFFERING ENVELOPES AND 2015 YEAR END GIVING STATEMENTS are available on the tables at the rear of the Sanctuary. **ATTENTION!** If you are making direct payments via a financial institution and do not use nor wish to have envelopes, please notify the church office. In this case, you will be assigned a 600 account number. Pew envelopes remain for other giving.

12. COFFEE HOUR HELP is needed! If you are interested in helping on Sunday mornings in the Upper Gathering Room, please contact Tessa Connelly at: conthree07@gmail.com.

13. THE CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY CHORALE from Grand Rapids, Michigan will appear in concert at Elfinwild Presbyterian Church on Friday, February 27, 2015 at 7:30 pm. The Chorale, conducted by Dr. Kent Walters, is a select choral ensemble of 36 singers who perform a variety of choral literature from Renaissance to contemporary genres including gospel and spirituals. The Chorale focuses on the expression of beauty in choral artistry, combining musicianship and servant hearts for the glory of God and the consequent joy of both singer and audience. The concert will also feature the 8-voice a cappella ensemble, Credo. The concert is open to the public. An offering will be received.

***HOST FAMILIES ARE STILL NEEDED** to house 18 students on Friday, February 27th as well as on their return trip to Michigan on March 8th.

If you can provide housing for two or more students, please contact the church office at (412) 486-5400 as soon as possible.

14. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – All women are invited to join a new study on Thursday mornings from 9:30-11 am in the youth house. We will be reading *Love Speaks* by Annie Downs and talking about the positive and negative impact that our words have on others and ourselves and how we can allow God to speak through us to the world. Childcare is provided.

15. WOMEN OF ELFINWILD MEETING – The Mary Circle meeting for Monday, March 9, will be on *The Mothers of Moses*, p. 86 in our book, *Women Of The Bible*.

16. LOST AND FOUND ITEMS FROM THE ALL CHURCH RETREAT are in a box on the pew near the ladies room outside of the chapel. If you are missing snow pants or other winter apparel, please check the box.

17. WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN A SHORT TERM “MISSION” PROJECT? Join the Women’s Ministry Team in sprucing up our church! We will gather Saturday morning, March 21st, from 8:00 AM - noon, for a Service Day! Everyone is welcome! We will work together on some cleaning projects, so if you are interested, please fill out the tear off in the Sunday Worship Bulletin or call the church office.

18. ELFINWILD’S SECOND ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP TEA will be held April 18, 2015 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM. Tickets are \$5.00. All ladies are invited to attend. You can come as a guest and enjoy great conversation and fellowship, or you can act as a hostess, decorating a table and welcoming guests! Either way, you will experience some wonderful friendship and some yummy treats! Let the Women’s Ministry Team know you will be coming by filling out the tear-off in the Sunday Worship Bulletin or by contacting Tessa Connelly through the church office.

19. MEN’S LUNCHEON – Please join us for our monthly Men’s Luncheon. In March, we will meet on Tuesday, March 3rd at 12:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Please fill out the form in this insert to make your reservation.

COMMUNITY NEWS

20. ELFINWILD VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY is in need of new members. If you’re looking for a way to give something back to the community, this is a great opportunity! All training and equipment are provided either in-house or through local fire academies and schools. By making a commitment to the fire service, you can earn a FREE college degree through the FireVest program of the Community College of Allegheny County. For degrees offered or for more details, call 412-931-3158, ext. 5. Stop by the fire hall at 2807 Mt. Royal Blvd. on any Monday evening at 7:30 PM or call Dan at 412-377-5986.

21. NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH offers free tax prep for low-income individuals through March 31 at its sites in Bellevue and Millvale as part of the United Way Money in Your Pocket coalition.

Appointments in the **NHCO North Boroughs** location, AGH-Suburban Campus, 100 S. Jackson Ave., Bellevue, are available Mondays and Tuesdays from 4:30 – 7:30pm.

Appointments in the **NHCO Millvale** location, 416 Lincoln Ave are available Saturdays only from 9:00 am to noon.

Appointments must be made by calling United Way helpline 2-1-1 or 888-553-5778, beginning January 14.

22. NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH’S IN SERVICE OF SENIORS PROGRAM is partnering with the Stay at Home Mission Camp of Christ Lutheran Church in Millvale to provide minor home repairs during the last full week of June to **qualified** seniors and low-income adults with physical disabilities. The repair projects will be completed by supervised groups of youth. Applications for home repair are now being accepted. Please note that materials must be provided at the expense of the repair recipient, but there is no charge for the volunteer labor.

Seniors or low-income adults with physical disabilities who wish to receive home repairs should:

- Own and reside in a home in northern Allegheny County, outside of city limits.
- Require assistance with small projects such as painting, insulating, minor roofing or concrete repairs, etc.
- Be able to provide materials to be used in the home repair, if doing so does not present a hardship. **There is no charge for the volunteer labor.**

There will be a limited number of homes repaired. Applicants should contact Cathy Pschirer, In Service of Seniors Coordinator, North Hills Community Outreach, at clpschirer@nhco.org or 412-307-0069 ext. 3313 as soon as possible. Spaces will go fast and registration ends in late February.

23. HOSANNA INDUSTRIES 5 K RUN/WALK – Come run/walk the HI-5K in North Park on Saturday, April 18th! Proceeds benefit Hosanna Industries, a local charity that helps our needy neighbors with home repairs, provides volunteer opportunities, and trains young people to be builders. Each runner receives a tech t-shirt, goodie bag, and refreshments before and after the race. Awards are given to the top time in each age bracket, as well as the top team. Teams (4 or more people) also have the option to compete in a fundraising challenge. For more information, please contact Bob Whitaker at 412-487-0663.

24. RAGING RABBITS OF THE SHALER NORTH HILLS LIBRARY – Saturday, March 21st from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM. Seek out what candy is hidden in the darkened rooms of the library, but beware the Raging Rabbit who is out to steal your loot! Work in teams to search the library and keep the candy you find. Bring a flashlight or use the app on your phone.

25. NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH is collecting baskets, basket covers, plastic grass, candy, granola bars, juice boxes, new small toys, and new small stuffed animals for Spring Share, an NHCO sharing project that will help approximately 300 local families in hardship. Donations are accepted through March 25th weekdays from 9 AM to 4 PM at 1975 Ferguson Road, Allison Park, PA. For more information, please contact Vicki at vdburst@nhc.org or 412-487-6316, option 1.

2015 LENTEN STUDY

WEDNESDAYS BEGINNING

FEBRUARY 18, 2015

THROUGH MARCH 25, 2015

6:30 PM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

THE REASON FOR GOD

BELIEF IN AN AGE OF SKEPTICISM

BY

TIM KELLER

“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.” 2 Peter 3:15

A pot luck dinner will begin at 5:45 pm. Please bring a dish to share. Drinks will be provided.

Dr. Lesnett will facilitate this conversation covering topics that are some of today’s most challenging questions to our faith, such as: “Why does God allow suffering?” “How can you say there is only one way to God?” “Why is the Church responsible for so much injustice?” and more.

STAFF

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**Elfinwild Presbyterian Church
Financial Statement
December 31, 2014**

Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$640,302
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$637,989
Favorable	(Y.T.D.)	\$2,313



**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
February 22, 2015
First Sunday in Lent
8:30 & 11:10 AM Worship**

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

***Search me, O god, and know my heart;
try me and know my thoughts!
See if there is any wicked way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.
Psalm 139:23-24***

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 43:19-21

Leader: Let us worship God, who has done great things.
All: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.
 Leader: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.
All: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him and we rejoice!
 Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and truth.
All: We praise God for the grace that has saved us. We rejoice!

(8:30)
*SONG OF PRAISE

“The Revelation Song”

Verse 1
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain. Holy holy is He. Sing a new song to Him Who sits on Heaven's mercy seat. (Repeat)

Verse 2
Clothed in rainbows of living color, Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder. Blessing and honor strength and glory, And power be to You the only wise King.

Chorus
Holy holy holy Is the Lord God Almighty. Who was and is and is to come. With all creation I sing. Praise to the King of kings. You are my ev'rything And I will adore You.

Verse 3
Filled with wonder awestruck wonder At the mention of Your name. Jesus Your name is power breath and living water. Such a marv'lous mystery yeah.

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(11:10)
*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 77

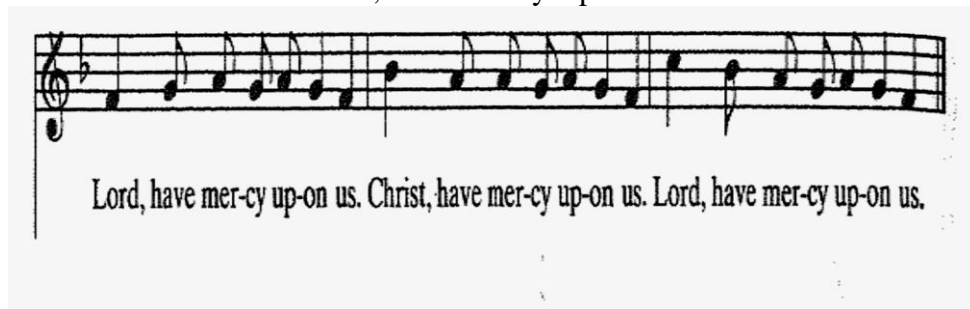
“Forty Days and Forty Nights”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

ANTHEM

(11:10) “Thy Perfect Love” Chancel Choir

CHORAL CALL TO CONFESSION Hymn 572
Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us



UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.
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.

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:30) “This is Amazing Grace” Praise Team

(11:10) “Lamb of God” Chancel Choir

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.

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 3:21-31 (page 1055 in the pew Bible)

SERMON “Getting Right with God” Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*STATEMENT OF FAITH

“The Westminster Confession of Justification”

Those whom God effectually calls, he also freely justifies: not by infusing righteousness into them, but by pardoning their sins, and by accounting and accepting their persons as righteous; not for anything wrought in them, or done by them, but for Christ’s sake alone; not by imputing faith itself, the act of believing, or any other evangelical obedience to them, as their righteousness; but by imputing the obedience and satisfaction of Christ unto them, they receiving and resting on him and his righteousness by faith; which faith they have not of themselves, it is the gift of God.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Words of Invitation
 Prayer of Consecration
 Words of Institution
 Receiving the Bread+
 Receiving the Cup+
 Prayer of Thanksgiving
+(please hold each element until all are served)

(8:30)
*SONG OF COMMITMENT “You Have Won Me”

Verse 1
Grace, You've shown me grace You've lifted my shame Drawn me with loving kindness Washed whiter than snow You have redeemed and made me whole
Chorus
Jesus You have won me You have broken every chain with love and mercy You have triumphed over death And You are worthy of glory and praise

Verse 2
Love You've shown me love By leaving Your throne By bleeding and dying on a cross That wonderful cross That took all my guilt and sin away

Bridge
Shout it out and lift up one voice in worship Sing it out until all the earth can hear it Jesus is alive and He saves He rescues and saves (REPEAT)

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*HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 223(1-4) “O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Special thanks to our liturgist:
 8:30 – Kristin Coco 11:10 – Steve Heere