

25. FOOD PANTRY – MANAGER’S ASSISTANT – The Bread of Life Food Pantry, located in Etna Borough is seeking resumes for the position of MANAGER’S ASSISTANT. A full job description may be found on the Bread of Life website: www.boletna.org Resumes and letters of interest (outlining background and experience) should be sent to: Bread of Life Food Pantry, Manager’s Assistant Position, 94 Locust Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15223. **NO TELEPHONE CALLS PLEASE!** *Candidates of interest will be contacted for additional interviews.*

26. SHALER AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSICAL – “Once On This Island, Jr.” will be presented on March 14th and 15th at 7 PM and on March 16th at 2 PM. Tickets at the door are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and seniors.

27. GLENSHAW AARP#3744 will meet on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 7 PM at Elfinwild Church. The meeting will be followed by refreshments and entertainment by Callan Celtic Band. For more information, contact Patty Padden at 412-781-2379.

28. ELFINWILD LIONS’ CLUB DANCE – March 29, 2014 at St. Bonaventure Church from 7:30 – 11:30 PM. Music will be from the 50s, 60s and 70s. Refreshments will be provided. Tickets are \$10.00 if purchased before March 29th or \$12 at the door. For more information, please contact Mike Quinn at 412-487-1888.

29. 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 600 local families in hardship. Donations are accepted through April 11 weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on a special donation Saturday, March 22 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at NHCO, 1975 Ferguson Road, in Allison Park. For more information, contact Vicki at vdburst@nhco.org or 412-487-6316, opt. 1.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 3-9-14

TODAY 9:45 AM – Sunday School- Spring Term Begins
6:00 PM – Session Meeting – CCR
7:00 PM – Hymn Sing – SA
8:00 PM – Refreshments following Hymn Sing

MONDAY 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM – Preschool –CE
12:00 PM – Mary Circle – CCR
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM – 5th Grade Girls’ Bible Study @Harbaughs
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act I- FrH
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Financial Peace – YH

TUESDAY 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM- Preschool – CE
8:00 AM – Prayer & Communion Service – CH
10:00 AM – Staff Mtg. – CR
1:00 PM – Caring Hands – FH
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act 1 –FrH
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose
7:00 PM – Trustees Meeting – CCR
7:00 PM – AARP Meeting – FH
7:00 PM – Praise Team – SA

WEDNESDAY 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM – Preschool – CE
12:00 PM – Ministerium Lunch – FH
5:30 PM – Lenten Dinner- FH
6:30 PM – Adult Lenten Study
6:30 PM – Kids’ Workshop Catechism
7:00 PM – Den 2 – Red Room
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir – CR

THURSDAY 7:00 AM – Men’s Bible Study – PS
7:30 AM – 4:30 PM – Preschool – CE
9:15 AM – 11:30 AM- Women’s Stretch & Study – YH
6:00 PM – Lions’ Club – FH
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Financial Peace – YH
7:00 PM – Scripture Team – CR

FRIDAY 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM- Preschool – CE

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

THE FLOWERS THIS MORNING are given to the Glory of God.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Becky Winek.

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

Paul Braddock
Max Smith
Kim Szymoniak
Bob Szymoniak
Ron Tiedeman

11:10 AM USHERS

Mel Stoker
Jennifer Muszynski
Jack Ritenbaugh
Patti Zahnhausen
Bill Sausser

SOUND TECHNICIANS

8:30 AM – Zach Hughes
11:10 AM – Marge Cain

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday, March 16, 2014
Second Sunday in Lent
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

CHILDREN’S & FAMILY MINISTRY

Birth – 6th Grade

For more information on these ministries, please contact Jeanine Arrigo, Interim Director of Children’s Ministries at jeanine@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400.

1. YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP (ages 4 to 2nd grade) meeting at 11:10 AM in the Green Room provides an opportunity for children to experience God through an age-appropriate and multi-sensory worship service. Today’s lesson, “The Good Samaritan” is being taught by Elaine Jans, Bonnie DeMatteo, and Carolyn Hervey.

2. SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR PRESCHOOL – GRADE 6: The Sunday School hour begins at 9:45 AM for all ages. Children in preschool-2nd grade meet in the **GREEN ROOM (main floor of C.E. building)** to begin with a time of music. Others meet in their classroom for a lesson, activities, art and more! All are welcome!

3. NURSERY VOLUNTEERS: Providing a loving environment for babies and infants is a vital part of Elfinwild’s ministry, as well as allowing time for parents to fully participate in worship. If you are interested in serving in the nursery for a week or two, there is a sign-up sheet in the nursery. If you have not filled out our Safe Sanctuary Clearances, please see Kristin Coco.

4. M&M’s “MESSIAH & ME” Join us and bring a friend for Messiah & me – a youth group for 4th-6th graders! We meet once a month from 6:30-8pm in Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars for March 19, 2014. See you there!!

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 Presbyterian Church
Financial Statement
January 31, 2014**

Proposed Budget	(Y.T.D.)	\$ 54,261
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$ 49,264
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	76,114
Unfavorable	(Y.T.D.)	\$ -26,850

5. KID'S WORSHIP CATECHISM DURING LENT – Ages 4 (preK) – 6th grade! Join us for a special Lenten class, designed just for you, while the grown-ups attend their own class. The class began on Wednesday, March 5 and will go for six weeks, ending Wednesday, April 9. The classes build upon each other, so please do your best to attend all of them. The class will finish with a special worship service on Palm Sunday, April 13 (11:10 service) FOR kids and LED BY kids! You don't want to miss it! There will be music, games, art projects, and lots of fun activities. Please register with Jeanine or Jennifer. Kids meet in the Peach Room to begin at 6:30 PM.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

*For more information on these ministries,
please contact Jennifer Clayton at
jennifer@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400.*

6. HYMN SING – Please join us in the Sanctuary TONIGHT at 7:00 PM for a hymn sing celebrating the hymns of Lent and Easter. We will share cookies and punch in the Upper Gathering Room afterwards!

7. THANK YOU for allowing me to be away this Sunday to attend the funeral of my “Aunt” Kay, who died last Saturday in Traverse City, Michigan. She was a significant part of my life since birth, and while not a blood relative, she was truly part of my family. Please keep her family in your prayers as they grieve her loss. Special thanks to Ruthie Riethmuller for assisting the choir in my place.

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.*

8. JR. & SR. HIGH CLUB – No Club tonight. We will resume next Sunday, March 16th at 4:30 – 6:00 for Jr. High and 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM for Sr. High. Hope to see you there!

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

9. READERS AND ACTORS NEEDED – We need people who would like to participate in drama and Scripture reading for our upcoming Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services. Non-speaking parts also available. All are welcome—no experience required! We will be working with the Gospel of Mark as our text. We need all ages, men, women and children 4th grade and older. Please see Jennifer if you are interested! We will rehearse together on Thursday nights, beginning March 6th at 7 PM in the Choir Room, for 6 weeks.

10. SAVE THE DATE! We have the unique privilege to host Brad Sherrill on Sunday, April 6th. He will present the Gospel of John in its entirety from memory. I (Jennifer) had the pleasure of seeing his performance at my previous church in Florida, and you do NOT want

to miss it! It will be an experience of God's Word that you will never forget. Tickets are \$10. The show starts at 4:00 PM and there will be a dinner following in the Fellowship Hall where you can meet Brad. Contact Jennifer with any questions!

11. COFFEE HOUR – Please join us for coffee, donuts and fellowship in the Upper Gathering Room immediately following the 8:30 AM service. Anyone interested in volunteering to help with Coffee Hour in the future is encouraged to contact Tessa Connelly for more information: connthree07@gmail.com or 724-939-7665.

12. DEACONS' HOSPITALITY – If you would be able to provide a dinner once in a while for an Elfinwild family in need, the Deacons' Hospitality would like to hear from you. Please contact Marilyn Colaizzi at 412- 487-6071 or mgcolaizzi@hotmail.com

13. 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.

14. WOMEN'S STRETCH AND STUDY – Please join us for Elfinwild's Women's Bible Study which meets on Thursday mornings from 9:15- 11:30 AM at the Youth House. We start with a brief time of light yoga, and then dive right into God's Word. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat. Childcare is available. For more information, please call Kara Rea at 412-328-5367.

15. SPRING ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES – 9:45 AM – 10:45 AM, March 9th – May 25th. Please see the insert for more information.

*Trekkin' with the Rabbi (Cornerstone Conference Room, Basement)
*Laughing Your Way to a Better Marriage (Fellowship Hall)
*Inquirers' Class March 9th – April 13th (Peach Room, Basement)
*Disciple Bible Class (Kennedy Library, Main Floor)
*BYCAE (Chapel, Main Floor)

16. FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL – Anyone wishing to purchase memorial flowers for the chancel is encouraged to call the church office to place their order. The flowers are \$42 per week. Many Sundays in 2014 are available for flower purchase including March 23rd; and 30th, April 27th, and July 6th.

17. WOMEN OF ELFINWILD – The Mary Circle welcomes all women of Elfinwild Church to our meeting on Monday, March 10th at 12 Noon in the Cornerstone Conference Room. Our lesson this month is on the Queen of Sheba, page 206 in our book.

18. TRIPLE O'S LUNCHEON Our luncheons have been a great success! Please join us on Wednesday, March 19th at 12 noon. Please make a reservation by completing the form in the bulletin or by calling the church office. Come and join this great fellowship!

19. 2013 YEAR END GIVING STATEMENTS AND 2014 OFFERING ENVELOPES – are now located in the office. Please call or stop by to pick up yours!

20. ELFINWILD CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP FUND – The Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Scholarship Fund annually grants scholarships to students enrolled in a college or other post-high school education program. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of service to the Church, financial need and community service/extracurricular activities. Applications are available in the Church office or from Jason, and the deadline for submission is Tuesday, April 15, 2014. For information about applying for a scholarship or about making contributions to the Scholarship Fund, please contact Jason or the Church office.

21. EASTER MEMORIALS 2014 – It's time to order Easter Lilies to beautify the church on Easter. The cost for each plant is \$10.00. Place your money for a lily, the Pastor's Fund, or the Bread of Life Food Pantry in the special envelopes located in the pews. Mark the outside of the envelope with the memorial name and your own name. Make all checks payable to Elfinwild Church. **Sunday, April 6th** will be the last day to place your order for flowers. Any orders received after this date will be applied to the Food Pantry. The flowers can be taken from the sanctuary after the 1:10 service on Easter morning. **Please see the insert for additional information.**

22. SAN JOSE DEL NEGRITO MISSION TRIP – June 14-21, 2014. We are excited to be able to participate in a community wide construction project working on the Kindergarten Grounds and Playground. We will be helping to finish the playground and likely add a tool / playground shed, and work on the gardens of the area. Please see the green insert for more information including the cost of the trip.

COMMUNITY NEWS

23. LIGHT OF LIFE MISSION thanks the congregation for their donations of cold weather children's clothing. Many children benefited from your generosity!

24. BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY would appreciate all kinds of non-perishable foods. Thank you for your faithful donations to your neighbors in Etna. They are always looking for volunteers who have a couple of hours a month to help sort and stock our shelves for our clients or can assist our clients when using the Pantry. If you are interested in this volunteer opportunity, please contact Marlene Stack at 412-781-3056.

THE JOURNEY OF LENT
THROUGH THE PSALMS

Lent is a time of reflecting on the journey of faith, to remember that we must choose daily to follow the path that Jesus chose to take: the hard road that led to the hard wood of the cross. The Psalms have been a source of prayer and reflection for God's people for centuries. Their honesty encourages us to be open and honest with God, and reminds us that his faithfulness will continue to all generations.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
PSALM 32

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.
Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
While I kept silence,
my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.
For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.
Ps. 32:1-5

*All people must necessarily be either in miserable torment,
or, which is worse, forgetting themselves and God,
must continue in deadly lethargy,
until they are fully persuaded
that God is reconciled towards them.*
John Calvin

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
Psalm 121
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
Psalm 95
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
Psalm 23
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
Psalm 130
PALM SUNDAY
Psalm 118

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CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

8:30 and 11:10 A.M.

Cradle Roll (infants)

Location – end of hall from sanctuary.

11:10 AM ONLY

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



LENT

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

March 9, 2014

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.

*I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.*

*Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;
at a time of distress,*

the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

*You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.*

Psalm 32

PRELUDE "One Bread, One Body" Ron Bernhardt, Organist

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHURCH
(Please sign the friendship pad that is located
near the center aisle of each pew.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 32

Leader: Come to the Lord, who is rich in grace;
approach our God, who is full of mercy.

**All: We will praise God with all our heart
and glorify the name of the Most High forever.**

Leader: For our God has covered the shame and guilt of our
sin with his loving arms stretched out on the cross.

All: He hears the prayers of the faithful.

Leader: He is a safe place in the midst of chaos and stress.

**All: Let us worship the One who is our hiding
place and our refuge in times of trouble.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 507

“I Come With Joy”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Isaiah 55:6-7

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Psalm 51

**Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.
Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
in your great compassion, blot out my offense.
For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.
Against you have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.**

~ Silent Confession ~

**Wash me through and through from my wickedness,
and cleanse me from my sin.
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 32:1-5

Leader: Friends, this is the Good News of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

8:30

“Give Thanks”

Ron Bernhardt

11:10

“In Remembrance

Chancel Choir

In remembrance of Me, eat this bread.

In remembrance of Me, drink this cup.

In remembrance of Me, pray for the time when God’s own will is done.

In remembrance of Me, heal the sick.

In remembrance of Me, feed the poor.

In remembrance of Me, open the door and let your brother in.

Take, eat and be comforted. Drink, and remember, too,

that this is my body and precious blood shed for you.

In remembrance of Me, search for truth.

In remembrance of Me, always love.

In remembrance of Me, don’t look above, but in your heart for God.

Do this in remembrance of Me.

*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.**

*STATEMENT 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;
On 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 life everlasting.
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

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
(page 2-3 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“Our Limited Freedom”

Dr. Dirk Lesnett

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

(11:10) Anthem of Invitation “Come, Be Fed” Chancel Choir

This is my body, broken for you. This is the blood I shed.

Come to my table humbly; take this cup, break this bread;

Come, be filled; come, be fed.

When you break this bread, remember me.

When you take this cup, remember me.

No one need go hungry, no one need thirst again.

Come, be filled; come, be fed.

This is my body, broken for you – I am the bread of life.

This is the blood I shed – God’s new covenant.

Do this in remembrance; take this cup, break this bread;

Come, be filled; come, be fed.

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

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Go With Us, Lord”

**We give you thanks, O Lord Most High,
for heav’nly food that you provide
To nourish us in earthly place
Until we see you face to face.**

**For your grace shown in the bread,
and love shown in the blood you shed,
We praise the name of Jesus Christ,
our perfect, holy sacrifice.**

**Your Holy Spirit, sacred fire,
rekindle wholly our desire
To be your people sure and true,
Our lives an offering to You. Amen.**

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“The Clarion Call”

Ron Bernhardt

*Many thanks to our liturgists this morning:
8:30 Jeanine Arrigo and Matt Harbaugh
11:10 Tori Panza and Steve Heere*

***Our Lenten Potluck and Study continues
on Wednesday at 5:30 and 6:30PM.
Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for this
special all-church tradition. All are invited! See
the pink insert for more information and details.***