

24. 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

25. 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.

26. 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.*

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

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.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 3-16-14

TODAY 9:45 AM – Sunday School
12:10 PM – Deacon’s Meeting – CCR
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Club – YH

MONDAY 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM – Preschool –CE, UGR
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM – 5th Grade Girls’ Bible Study @Harbaughs
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act I- FrH
7:00 PM – Women’s Ministry Meeting – KL
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Financial Peace – YH

TUESDAY 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM- Preschool – CE, UGR
10:00 AM – Staff Mtg. – KL
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act 1 –FrH
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose
7:00 PM – Student Ministries Support Team Meeting – YH
7:00 PM – Praise Team – SA

WEDNESDAY 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM – Preschool – CE, UGR
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
12:00 PM – Triple O’s Lunch – FH
5:30 PM – Lenten Dinner- FH
6:30 PM – Adult Lenten Study
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Messiah & Me – FH
6:30 PM – Kids’ Workshop Catechism
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Confirmation Class – YH
7:00 PM – Den 2 – Red Room
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir – CR
7:30 PM – Israel Trip Meeting – FH

THURSDAY 7:00 AM – Men’s Bible Study – PS
7:30 AM – 4:30 PM – Preschool – CE, UGR
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
9:15 AM – 11:30 AM- Women’s Stretch & Study – YH
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM – Girl Scouts – FH, PR, FrH
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Bear Den 7 – Red Room
7:00 PM – Student Ministries Leaders’ Meeting – YH
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Financial Peace – YH
7:00 PM – Scripture Team – CR

FRIDAY 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM- Preschool – CE
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
6:00 PM – Pack 157 Prep for Blue and Gold Dinner – FH
7:00 PM – Couples’ Bible Study – YH

SATURDAY 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Act I – FrH
8:00 AM – 9:00 PM – Pack 157 Blue & Gold Dinner – FH

THE FLOWERS THIS MORNING are given in memory of her loved ones by Peg McNeil.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Bob Lindeman.

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 – Michael Beal
11:10 AM – Mike Dolan

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday, March 23, 2014
Third Sunday in Lent
Young Child Sunday
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 Lenten Puzzle” 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.

6. CHILDREN'S MINISTRY HAS SOME NEWS! Mrs. Holly Schreiber, a 13 year veteran of the toddler room is moving to the Cradle Roll Room. Miss Dana Duff who has been in the Cradle Roll Room for the past six weeks will be moving to the Toddler Room. Both are very excited about this transition. Both, Miss Dana and "Miss" Holly will be in their rooms from 9:30-12:30 a.m. on Sundays. Please say hello as they get adjusted to their new surroundings. Also, we are asking for a little help in the Cradle Roll Room during the 8:30 service. If you are able to volunteer on the second and/or fourth Sunday of the month or can be a substitute, please contact Jeanine Arrigo at 412-486-5400 ext. 106.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

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

7. WANT TO TRY THE CHOIR? Lent is a great time to try singing with the choir for the first time. Consider joining us now until Easter and experience a fun, family-like environment. We meet at 7:30 during Lent, immediately following the Lenten potluck and study.

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 – 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 meet in the Youth House and play different games, have some good food and spend time in worship and study together. Please join us!

9. JR. AND SR. HIGH COMBINED CLUB ON MARCH 30TH FROM 6-8PM – Join us for a night of games, pizza and worship time with both our Jr. and Sr. High meeting together. It will be a great time of fellowship and learning together and the pizza will be on us. Invite a friend and we hope to see you there for this special combined club event!

10. PIE AUCTION: APRIL 5TH FROM 6-8:30PM – Mark your calendar for our annual Pie Auction and be sure to contact Kyle Pinta about what items or pies you might like to donate this year. You may call Kyle: 412-487-6162 or email her at: kjpinta@aol.com. This is a wonderful and energizing event that supports our students' future trips; so invite a friend and join us for some delicious pie!

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

11. LADIES – SAVE THE DATE! The Women's Ministry Committee will be hosting a Friendship Tea in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, May 3 from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. All ladies and girls 4th grade and older are warmly invited to gather together for fellowship over a spot of tea. Tickets are \$5, and extra monies will go into the Women's Ministry fund to help offer scholarships for upcoming retreats. Please see Jennifer with any questions!

12. 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. 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.

13. 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. 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. Dinner is a \$5 donation per family. Contact Jennifer with any questions!

14. 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.

15. 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

16. 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.

17. 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.

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

*Trekkin' with the Rabbi (Cornerstone Conference Room, Basement)

*Laughing Your Way to a Better Marriage (Fellowship Hall)

*Disciple Bible Class (Kennedy Library, Main Floor)

*BYCAE (Chapel, Main Floor)

19. 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.

20. 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!

21. 2013 YEAR END GIVING STATEMENTS AND 2014 OFFERING ENVELOPES – are now located in the office. Please call or stop by to pick up yours!

22. 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.

23. 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 11:10 service on Easter morning. **Please see the insert for additional information.**

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT PSALM 121

The Lord watches over you—
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
the sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.
The Lord will keep you from all harm—
he will watch over your life;
the Lord will watch over your coming and going
both now and forevermore.

Ps. 121:5-8

How few are to be found who yield to God the honor of being a keeper, in order to their being thence assured of their safety, and led to call upon him in the midst of their perils! On the contrary, even when we seem to have largely experienced what this protection of God implies, we yet instantly tremble at the noise of a leaf falling from a tree, as if God had quite forgotten us. Being then entangled in so many unholy misgivings, and so much inclined to distrust, we are taught from the passage that if a sentence couched in a few words does not suffice us, we should gather together whatever may be found throughout the whole Scriptures concerning the providence of God, until this doctrine — “That God always keeps watch for us” — is deeply rooted in our hearts; so that depending upon his guardianship alone we may bid adieu to all the vain confidences of the world.

John Calvin

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
Psalm 32
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 16, 2014

Second 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 lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?*

*My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.*

Psalm 121

PRELUDE “This Little Light of Mine”
Bethany Harbaugh, Ruthie Riethmuller, Flutists
Ron Bernhardt, Organist

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Romans 4

Leader: Friends, we are invited to journey through this season of Lent

All: towards the One who calls us each by a new name.

Leader: Disciples, we walk with Jesus wherever he leads us,

All: in the promise that comes by grace through faith.

Leader: Believers, we come to grow in trust toward our God,

All: whose gift of grace has freed us from sin.

Leader: Let us worship God.

(8:30)

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 142 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

(11:10)

*SONG OF PRAISE

"How Great is Our God"

Verse 1

**The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty,
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice**

Chorus

How great is our God!

**Sing with me, how great is our God,
And all will see how great, how great is our God.**

Verse 2

**And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands,
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one, Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb**

Chorus

Bridge

**Name above all names, worthy of all praise
My heart will sing, "How great is our God!"**

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Psalm 130:1-4

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Psalm 51

Refrain:



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Unison Spoken Prayer:

**For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before me.
Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are right in your verdict
and justified when you judge.**

**Surely I was sinful at birth,
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.
Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb;
you taught me wisdom in that secret place.**

**Cleanse me with hyssop,
and I will be clean;**

wash me,

and I will be whiter than snow.

(Refrain)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 121

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

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

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Matt Kolodziej

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Thailand Mission Trip Slide Show

*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.**

ANTHEM

8:30

"Prayer and Alleluia"

Chancel Choir

*Create in me a clean heart, renew my spirit as from the start.
And keep me close, right by your side,
take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Alleluia, Amen.*

11:10

"Speak, O Lord"

Bethany Harbaugh, Ruthie Riethmuller, Flutists
Ron Bernhardt, Organist

SCRIPTURE READING

John 3:1-17

(page 994 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

"Born Anew"

Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 316

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Sound the Trumpet"

Ron Bernhardt

*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!*