

**23. ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS AND PARENTS:** As you know, once students graduate from high school, it is difficult to keep in touch with them. We would like the Church to remain an important component in our college students' lives. Therefore, we would like to compile a list of all of our students working on a post-secondary education. This includes commuter students as well as students living on campus. Please complete the form below and place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Neil at 412-487-6226 or at jcncln1@verizon.net. Thank you!

**STUDENT'S NAME:**

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**SCHOOL/INSTITUTION NAME:**

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**HOME ADDRESS:**

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**CAMPUS ADDRESS (IF APPLICABLE):**

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**STUDENT'S E-MAIL ADDRESS:**

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**STUDENT'S BIRTHDATE:**

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**ANY FOOD ALLERGIES:**

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**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

**TODAY** 9:45 AM – Sunday School  
 9:45 AM – Inquirers' Class  
 12:15 PM - Student Min. Parent Mtg. – CR  
 12:15 PM –Christmas Pageant Mtg. – KL  
 5:00-700 PM – Student Ministry Kickoff – YH  
 7:00 PM– Session Mtg. - CCR

**MONDAY** 7:30 AM-4:30 PM– Preschool – CE  
 12:00-3:00 PM – Mary Circle – FH  
 6:30 PM – CLC#5 – YH  
 7:00 PM – Boy Scouts - FH  
 7:00 PM – Pack 157 Comm. Mtg. - PR

**TUESDAY** 7:30 AM-4:30 PM – Preschool – CE  
 8:00 AM - Prayer & Communion Service - CH  
 10 AM – Staff Mtg. – KL  
 11 AM – Support Staff Joins – KL  
 1 PM – Caring Hands - FH  
 6:30 PM – Weigh To Lose  
 7 PM – AARP Mtg. - FH  
 7 PM – Trustees Mtg. – CCR  
 7 PM – Women's Retreat Mtg. - KL

**WEDNESDAY** 7:30-4:30 – Preschool – CE (first day of classes)  
 7 PM – Chancel Choir – CR  
 8:05 PM – Music Min. Bible Study – SA  
 8:25 PM – Praise Team - SA

**THURSDAY** 7 AM – Men's Bible Study – KL  
 7:30 AM-4:30 PM– Preschool - CE  
 6 PM – Lions Club - FH  
 7:15 PM – Youth Choir - CR

**FRIDAY** 7:30 AM-4:30 PM – Preschool – CE  
 6-9 PM – Pack 157 Mtg. – FH/PR  
 6:30 PM – Women's Retreat (LaRoche)

**SATURDAY** Women's Retreat (LaRoche)  
 8 AM-2 PM – Act One – FRH/CE

**8:00 AM USHERS**

Mike Radich  
 John Hart  
 Bob/Eileen Hughes  
 Dwight/Joanne Pearson

**10:00 AM USHERS**

Don Pritchard  
 Chris Sutton  
 Jim Giel  
 Dick Friedline

**SOUND TECHNICIANS**

8:00 AM - Dan Clayton  
 10:00 AM - Natalie Grau

**UPCOMING SERVICES**

Sunday, September 15, 2013  
 Dr. Lesnett preaching

**THE FLOWERS THIS MORNING** are given by Beth Dawson in loving memory of her parents, Paul Dawson and Clare Dawson-Reed.

**THE ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Dave Interthal.

**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.

**CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY**

**Birth-6th Grade**

*For more information on these ministries, please contact Rev. Bethany Harbaugh at bethany@elfinwildchurch.org or 412-486-5400.*

**1. YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP (ages 4 to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)** provides an opportunity for children to experience God through an age-appropriate and multi-sensory worship service. Today's lesson, "Creation 1", is being taught by Barb Harms, Suzanne Whitaker and Nicole Greco.

**2. SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR PRESCHOOL – GRADE 6:** The Sunday School hour begins at 9:45 with music in Friendship Hall (ground floor of the C.E. building). At 10:00, teachers will take their children to the classroom for a lesson, activities, art, and more! All are welcome!

**3. CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:** Children in Preschool-2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to meet in the Green Room each week at 11:10 to listen to a Bible story and experience interactive, age-appropriate worship. We look forward to having you!

**MUSIC MINISTRIES**

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

**4. CHILDREN'S MUSIC** - We will be kicking off children's choir, bells and chimes the end of September. There will be easy "in and out" dates so that your child\children can try things out without committing to the entire year. Please attend our organizational meeting for all the details and to sign up! Sunday, September 22, following the 11:10 service in the Choir Room.

## **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 FALL KICK OFF**– Tonight from 5:00-7:00pm at the Youth House. This kickoff event is for both Jr. and Sr. High students. It will be a fun evening of games, food and fellowship. Dinner will be served and then we'll talk about the fall and all that will be going on in our student ministries. We hope to see all students, grades 6-12, there!

**6. STUDENT MINISTRIES PARENT MEETING TODAY**- We will have a brief parent information meeting today following the second service in the Choir Room (around 12:15pm). This will be an opportunity for you to ask Jason any questions you might have about the Fall and beyond, as well as give feedback about our student ministry program.

**7. CONFIRMATION CLASS** - This class is for those in 8<sup>th</sup> grade or above who would like to take the step of joining Elfinwild. There will be an information meeting for students and parents on September 22<sup>nd</sup> following the 11:10am service in the Chapel. Classes begin Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> and will take place every other Wednesday at the Youth House.

## **ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS**

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

**9. MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JIM STOECKEL** – Please join us for a celebration of the life of Jim Stoeckel on Thursday, September 26, 2013 at 1:30 PM here at Elfinwild.

**10. ELFINWILD WOMEN'S RETREAT** will take place this Friday, Saturday and Sunday at LaRoche. Thirty women will be in attendance. Please keep them in your prayers.

**11. "TRIPLE O's" LUNCHEON** – "On Our Own," our Widow's Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon in Fellowship Hall. **Please make a reservation by calling the church office.** You do not need to be alone.

**12. INQUIRERS' CLASS TODAY** If you are interested in learning more about the Christian faith, what it means to follow Christ, or how to become a member of Elfinwild Presbyterian

Church, this class is for you. We will meet for six consecutive weeks, beginning TODAY at 9:45 a.m., during the Sunday school hour, in the Peach Room. While being present for each session is most helpful, we understand that schedules may not permit your attendance at every session. Please call Dr. Lesnett at the church office with any questions. 412-486-5400

**13. MID-WEEK PRAYER AND COMMUNION SERVICE** - Beginning this month, we will have a prayer and communion service in the Chapel on the second Tuesday of every month. Please join us for the inaugural service on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM in the Chapel. The service will last no more than 30 minutes.

**14. MARY CIRCLE** We welcome all women who enjoy Christian fellowship and missions. We meet the second Monday of each month, starting September 9. The new time is NOON TO 3:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Our first lesson will be from our book WOMEN OF THE BIBLE, about Abigail [I Samuel 25], p. 161-168. If you have any questions, please call Marge Cain, 412-487-2402.

**15. FLOWERS** – Anyone wishing to purchase memorial flowers for the chancel is encouraged to call the church office to place their order. The flowers are \$45 per week. The following Sundays are available for flower purchase: September 15, October 6, 13, 20 & 27, November 17 & 24, and December 8 & 15.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

**16. FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY** is a 9-week biblically based course teaching us practical ways to manage our financial affairs. No matter what you know about finances, you don't know enough! This course, written and conducted by nationally syndicated radio host (8-11 PM M-F 104.7 FM) and best-selling author Dave Ramsey, has helped over 1.5 million families! Subjects include: how to save, dumping debt, budgeting, real estate, mortgages, the role of insurance, college planning, retirement and much more. The course will help you set goals that you can achieve. You will be challenged and motivated to make a plan for your money and change your family tree forever! The course will be offered on Tuesdays, beginning October 22 from 7 to 9 P.M. Cost for the course materials is \$100. You can order the materials through the church. You can't afford to NOT take the course! There will be a one-hour overview of the course on October 15 at 7 PM in the Youth House. Go to [www.daveramsey.com](http://www.daveramsey.com) for a taste of what you'll get. Please call Henry Tomer with any questions: 412-487-4437.

**17. WORK-ABLE JOB SEARCH WORKSHOPS** Learn new techniques and brush up on the skills you need to land your next job at the North Hills Community Outreach, Millvale Office, Millvale Community Center, 416 Lincoln Avenue.

Tuesday, 9/10, 9:30-12:00: Resume & Cover Letters

Wednesday, 9/18, 9:30-12:00: The Art of Networking

Thursday, 9/26, 9:30-12:00: Interviewing 101

To learn about their FREE Employment Services, attend a WorkAble Orientation on one of the following dates:

Thursday, 9/12, 1:30-3:00 or Tuesday, 9/24, 1:30-3:00.

To register call Harriet @ 412-487-6316, option 2, ext. 3219

**18. GARDEN OF ETNA WREATH MAKING CLASS**

Lavender flower stalks have been harvested from The Garden of Etna and will be made into wreaths. A wreath-making class will be held at Parkwood Presbyterian on Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. After the wreaths have been made, they will be available for purchase and the proceeds will serve as a fundraiser for The Garden of Etna. Please contact Elaine Edelman to sign up for the class: 412-486-8755 or eie908@gmail.com

**19. 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 is 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 any Monday evening at 7:30 pm or call Dan at 412-377-5986 for more information.

**20. GLENSHAW AARP #3744** will meet on Tuesday, September 10, 2014 at 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. The meeting will be followed by refreshments and entertainment by singer, Patty Hahn.

**21. BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY** would appreciate all kinds of non-perishable foods, especially fruit juices. Apple juice is a favorite. 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 Sandra McDermott at 412-487-4028.

**22. HELP WANTED** – Glenshaw Post Office is looking for a City Carrier Assistant (CCA), a non-career position. Salary is \$15/hour. Apply at [www.usps.com/employment](http://www.usps.com/employment) from 9/3/13 through 9/9/13.

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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 1<sup>st</sup> floor of church building

Discipleship for Children  
(ages 4 - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)

Location – Green Room, 1st floor C.E. Building  
Children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up worship with their families.



## 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

September 8, 2013

8:30 and 11:10 AM Worship

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

*Blessed is the one  
who does not walk in step with the wicked  
or stand in the way that sinners take,  
or sit in the company of mockers,  
but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and who meditates on his law day and night.  
That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,  
which yields its fruit in season  
and whose leaf does not wither—  
whatever they do prospers.  
For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.  
Psalm 1*

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign the friendship pad that is located near the center aisle of each pew.)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 1

Leader: Blessed are those who follow the ways of the Lord.

All: God's ways are just and merciful.

Leader: Those who follow God's ways are continually nourished in faith.

All: In all that they do, they prosper.

Leader: Come, let us open our hearts to God's compassionate love.

All: Let us celebrate God's mercy and justice.

(8:30)

\*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 464 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

(11:10)

\*SONG OF PRAISE "Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King"

Verse 1

Come Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Verse 2

I was lost in utter darkness  
'Til You came and rescued me  
I was bound by all my sin when  
Your love came and set me free  
Now my soul can sing a new song  
Now my heart has found a home  
Now Your grace is always with me  
And I'll never be alone

Verse 3

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy goodness like a fetter  
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee  
Prone to wander Lord I feel it  
Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it  
Seal it for Thy courts above

Chorus

Come Thou Fount come Thou King  
Come Thou precious Prince of Peace  
Hear Your bride to You we sing  
Come Thou Fount of our blessing  
Come Thou Fount come Thou King  
Come Thou precious Prince of Peace  
Hear Your bride to You we sing  
Come Thou Fount of our blessing

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\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Colossians 3:1-3

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory,  
you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world,  
to reveal your love for all people.

We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light.

We turn away from the poor;  
we ignore cries for justice;  
we do not strive for peace.

Forgive us, God.

In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin,  
and baptize us once again with your Spirit,  
so that, as forgiven and renewed people,

we may reflect the love and life of Jesus Christ  
into our world.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Colossians 3:12-17

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

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia!

\*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

8:30 Sharon Griffin  
11:10 Mark Riethmuller

OFFERTORY

8:30 "The Old Rugged Cross" Chancel Choir  
11:10 "How Rich A Treasure" Praise Team

\*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

8:30 Sharon Griffin  
11:10 Mark Riethmuller

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.

(8:30)

CHORAL ANTHEM OF PRAISE  
"A Closer Walk"

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 7:1-23  
(page 942 in the pew Bible)

SERMON "Clean Hands or Pure Heart?" Dr. Dirk Lesnett

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT NO. 339 "Be Thou My Vision"

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*The music ministries of Elfinwild Church  
would like to lovingly thank Mrs. Ann Ritter  
for her generous donation of new choir folders  
in loving memory of her husband, Dr. Jim Ritter.*