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The box below reminds us where we stand on our annual operating budget. The box doesn't cover Missions– every dollar given for Mission work goes out for Mission work. Rather, the box tells us where we stand on keeping the bills paid. For several months we've been running with an "unfavorable" position. But what goes on here is far from "unfavorable." Our Church is a busy place. Seven out of seven days a week, people meet and gather here – for our Faith and for our community. The Pre-School ministry brings over 300 children and adults through our doors every week. Our staff, for the first time in years, is at full capacity. As with any building, there are unexpected expenses. Please tithe and contribute regularly. – Your tithes and contributions help keep it all running!

Stewardship Committee

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Financial Statement June 30, 2016		
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$328,268
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$344,196
Unfavorable	(Y.T.D.)	- \$15,928



**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**

**July 31, 2016**

**8:00 and 10:00 AM Worship**

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

**“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives.  
Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.” John 14:27**

PRELUDE

“Spirit of the Living Lord”

Robert W. Thygerson

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 33

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright.

People: **Praise the Lord with the lyre; make melody to Him with the harp of ten strings.**

Leader: Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

People: **For the word of the Lord is upright, and all His work is done in faithfulness.**

Leader: He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

People: **By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and all their host by the breath of His mouth.**

Leader: He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle; He put the deeps in storehouses.

People: **Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him.**

\* HYMN OF PRAISE No. 263

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in Him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue have become more important to us than the ways of Your kingdom. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse Your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve You in the world as agents of Your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 8:34

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.

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

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!!**

\*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**

MOMENT OF GRATITUDE

Jenny Dayton

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:00)

“Lord, I Need You”  
Jason Cooper, Soloist

Matt Maher

(10:00)

Summer 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.**

PRAYERS 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 LESSONS

Revelation 21:10, 21:22-25 and John 14:23-29  
(page 1169 and 1010 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“Living the In-between”

Rev. Jason Rea

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT No. 538

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others; it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails”. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8**

POSTLUDE

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

James Mansfield

**19. VIDEOGRAPHER** – Do you know someone who would be interested and able to create some video testimonials for EPC? We need someone to create the videos and someone with post production skills to add some labeling. Please contact Kelly Simile at (412) 445-3562 or ksimile1@gmail.com.

**20. PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR JORDAN SKOWRON** who is the Program Director at Ligonier Camp and Conference Center this summer. Pray that it is an enriching experience for Jordan and that she can see God at work in the lives of the campers.

**21. GOING ON A LONG VACATION OR LOOKING FOR SOME LISTENING PLEASURE?** We have something for you! New Testament CDs (mp3 format) are on the tables for you to take and enjoy. Our gist to you!

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 7-31-16**

<b>TODAY</b> (7-31-16)	8:00 AM – Worship Service – SA 10:00 AM – Worship Service – SA 8:00 PM – 10:00 PM – Bonfire – YH
<b>MONDAY</b>	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Movement and Drama Camp 7:00 AM – Personnel Committee Meeting – KL 7:00 PM – Boy Scouts- FH 7:00 PM – Walking at Hartwood
<b>TUESDAY</b>	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Movement and Drama Camp 10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL 6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose 7:00 PM – Walk/Bike Shaler Meeting – KL
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Movement and Drama Camp 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Wednesday Night Prayer Gathering – CH
<b>THURSDAY</b>	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Movement and Drama Camp 7:00 PM – Walking at Hartwood
<b>FRIDAY</b>	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Movement and Drama Camp
<b>SATURDAY</b>	6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – CLC – YH
<b>SUNDAY</b> (8-1-16)	Communion 8:00 AM – Worship Service – SA 10:00 AM – Worship Service – SA

**THE ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Bob Wegner.

**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.

**8:00 AM USHERS**

Paul Braddock  
Max Smith  
Kim Szymoniak  
Bob Szymoniak  
Ron Tiedeman

**10:00 AM USHERS**

Mel Stoker  
Jennifer Muszynski  
Janell Haygood  
Patti Zahnhausen  
Dorothy Thompson

**SOUND TECHNICIANS**

8:00 AM – Jim Saraceno  
10:00 AM –

**UPCOMING SERVICE**

Sunday, August 7, 2016  
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

**CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY**

**Birth – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*For more information on these ministries, please contact Emily Cooper, Director of Children and Family Ministries at: [emily@elfinwildchurch.org](mailto:emily@elfinwildchurch.org) or call 412-486-5400*

**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 the 10:00 worship hour. This is a class for children who are 2 ½ to 4yrs. of age.

**2. 10 AM GREEN ROOM FOR AGES 4 THROUGH GRADE 2** - Each week throughout the summer, we will meet and do an activity during the 10:00 service. If you are interested in teaching a lesson or for more information, please contact Emily Cooper.

**3. MUSICAL THEATER** – If you are still interested in auditioning for *Haphazardly Ever After the Musical* please contact Ron or Emily as soon as possible. There are still a few parts available.

**MUSIC MINISTRIES**

*For more information on these ministries, please contact Ron Bernhardt at: [ron@elfinwildchurch.org](mailto:ron@elfinwildchurch.org) or call 412-486-5400.*

**4. SUMMER CHOIR** – All are invited to sing in our summer choir. We will rehearse 30 minutes before the service at which we are singing. No experience is necessary – just a willing spirit! The dates we will be singing are:

July 31<sup>st</sup> at 10 AM

August 14<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM

**5. MEN'S CHOIR** – All men are invited to join us in singing this summer as part of a men's ensemble. We will rehearse 30 minutes before the service at which we are singing. The last date we will be singing is August 7<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM.

### **STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12**

*For more information on these ministries, please contact*

*Rev. Jason Rea at: [jason@elfinwildchurch.org](mailto:jason@elfinwildchurch.org) or call 412-486-5400.*

**6. STUDENTS MINISTRIES BONFIRE** – Please join us tonight, July 31<sup>st</sup> from 8-10 PM at the Youth House for a bonfire! Join us for a great fire (weather permitting), games and food including s'mores. This event is open to all Students. We hope to see you there!

**7. END OF SUMMER POOL PARTY** – Our annual end of summer pool party will be on Sunday, August 28th from 3-6 PM at the home of Mark and Bev Feris, 122 Eade Avenue, Glenshaw, PA.

### **ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS**

**8. 2016 CHANCEL FLOWERS** – Flowers for the Chancel are \$47 per week for two vases, or \$25 per week for a single table arrangement. Please call the church office to place an order or sign up on the flower chart in the back narthex.

**If a table arrangement is desired, you MUST notify the church office prior to the week you have chosen** as the weekly standing flower order is for two vases.

**9. PRAY WITHOUT CEASING...** Are you looking for a summer ministry? Our Wednesday Night Prayer Gatherings will continue through the summer (June, July and August) in the chapel on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, **starting at 7:00 PM**. We meet regularly to lift up concerns within the church family and for friends of Elfinwild. Please come and share in this powerful ministry! Everyone is welcome to come and join us in prayer or come to submit a prayer request. If you have any questions or would like to request prayer, please call or text Kris Shideler at 412-480-8466.

**10. ELFINWILD HOME MEALS MINISTRY** –The Meals Ministry serves over 70 clients each day with nutritious, well-balanced meals. Volunteers are needed for this important ministry everyday either to assist in the delivery of the meals to our clients or to assist in the preparation of the meals. If you have any time during the hours of 8:00 AM – 11:30 AM to assist, please contact Marian Berberich at 412-486-8000.

**11. BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY** – The Bread of Life Food Pantry is located at Calvert Memorial Presbyterian Church in Etna, PA. The pantry is open the first three Wednesdays of each month - with stocking of the shelves the 1st three Tuesdays. Volunteers are always welcome to assist with stocking, sorting and assisting our clients with shopping. Bread of Life serves over 120 families each month. If you or any group to which you belong are interested in the outreach ministry of Calvert (supported by Elfinwild and our neighboring churches at Glenshaw, Parkwood, Fox Chapel and Glenshaw Valley), please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Vickey Trader at 412-782-5742 for more information.

**12. NURSERY HELP WANTED:** We are looking for some extra coverage for the 8:00 service. Please contact Emily Cooper for more information if you are willing to help care for the smallest of our congregation.

**13. SAVE THE DATE!!** Summer is here!! Get out your calendars & mark the Church Picnic for Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup>!

**14. AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRL NEW TROOP FORMING** – Elfinwild Church is starting a new American Heritage Girls troop. The troop is open to girls ages 5-18. Please feel free to contact Pam McKern with any questions at: [pamela\\_mckern@hotmail.com](mailto:pamela_mckern@hotmail.com) or 412-512-3461.

**15. OUR SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS** are at 8:00 and 10:00 AM. These worship hours will continue through the end of August.

**16. CHURCH OFFICE HOURS** for the summer will be from 9:00AM to 1:00 PM from June 27<sup>th</sup> through Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **17. WEST VIRGINIA FLOODING 2016**

*God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1*

The flooding in West Virginia left a trail of destruction, and the road to recovery has just begun. Please continue to pray for those affected. The Presbyterian Project (consisting of the churches of Calvert Memorial, Elfinwild, Fox Chapel, John McMillan, Glenshaw and Parkwood) has committed to helping with the clean-up process. In response to immediate needs in the communities we are collecting the following items to deliver to those in need in West Virginia.

*Bleach, large trash bags, sponges, latex gloves, paper towels, toilet paper, baby formula, diapers, hand-held can openers, and pop-top canned goods. If you wish to donate to help purchase the items, please make your check payable to Elfinwild Presbyterian Church and mark on the line "West Virginia Relief."*

Please purchase all liquids in plastic bottles. Send only new, unopened materials.

*They are also collecting Walmart and Sheetz gift cards to give to families for needed personal items and gasoline.*

We are working with the West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy & Work camps to find the best time for a group of volunteers to travel there and help with the rebuilding process. If you are interested in joining a team in your congregation, please contact Penny Young, Becky Winek, or Bob Whitaker.

**18. 2016 PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!** Directories will be available in the Upper Gathering Room before and after both services today. If your family picture appears in this year's book, you may pick up a FREE copy of the directory after signing for it. If you did NOT have your family picture taken nor submit a family photo for this year's book, copies will be available for \$10 each. Directories may also be picked up during the week in the church office.