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**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 29, 2018**

**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.*

**“Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friend.”  
Jesus in John 15:13**

PRELUDE

“O Perfect Love”

Karrin Ford

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS:  
TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE**

**"What does a person own?"  
God asks: "How does a person use what he  
or she has been given?"**

**Author Unknown**

**Elfinwild Presbyterian Church  
Financial Statement  
June 30, 2018**

<b>Actual Tithes &amp; Gifts Given</b>		<b>\$332,561</b>
<b>Total Expenses (Y.T.D.)</b>		<b>\$334,353</b>
<b>Unfavorable (Y.T.D.)</b>		<b>- \$1,792</b>

CALL TO WORSHIP

1 John 4:16; Psalm 118:24

Leader: God is love, and those who abide in love, abide in God, and God abides in them.  
People: **This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 464

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

STATEMENT ON THE GIFT OF MARRIAGE

Book of Common Worship

CALL TO CONFESSION

Ephesians 2:8-9

For it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith- and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God- not by works, so that no one can boast.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of grace, we struggle to live in the love that You have shown us in Christ. It seems that in the most intimate of relationships our brokenness is revealed. Forgive us for being harsh with one another, demanding toward one another and more concerned with our right to be loved than our responsibility to love the other. We need and desire peace in our marriages and in all relationships. Forgive our stubborn hearts and help us surrender to Your Spirit that we might put our failures at the foot of the cross and trust that Jesus has taken them from us. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 2:13-18

Leader: Now, in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, Who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in His flesh the law with its commandments and regulations.

Friends, receive and believe the Good News of the Gospel!

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!!**

\*RESPONSE

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
Till all the world adore His sacred name.**

\*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.**

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:00)

“I Will Be Here”

Steven Curtis Chapman

(10:00)

“The Prayer”  
*Summer Choir*

Tom Fettke

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 5:21  
(page 1099 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“God’s Gift of Marriage –Part 5”  
Each One Putting the Other First

Dr. Dirk Lesnett

RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

PRAYER FOR MARRIAGES

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT No. 339

“Be Thou My Vision”

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Galatians 5:22-23

**The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.**

POSTLUDE

“Sound the Trumpet, Praise the Lord!”

Mark L. Williams

*The Elder of the Week is Jim Saraceno*

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 7-29-18**

**TODAY** (7-29-18) 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM – Worship Services – SA

**MONDAY** 7:00 PM – Walking at Hartwood

**TUESDAY** 10:30 AM – Staff Meeting – KL  
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose  
7:00 PM – Women's Ministry Meeting – UGR

**WEDNESDAY**

**THURSDAY** 8:00 AM – Men's Bible Study – PS  
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM – Music Rehearsal – CH

**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY** 6:30 AM – All In #7 – CCR

**SUNDAY** (8-5-18) Communion  
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM – Worship Services – SA  
11:00 AM – Music Outreach Meeting – UGR

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given in celebration of marriages.

**THE ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Jim Saraceno.

**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 USHERS**

Paul Braddock  
Max Smith  
Kim Szymoniak  
Bob Szymoniak

**10:00 USHERS**

Jennifer Muszynski  
Patti Zahnhausen  
Dorothy Thompson

**SOUND TECHNICIANS**

8:00 – Michael Beal  
10:00 –

**UPCOMING SERVICE**

Sunday August 5, 2018  
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

**Birth – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*For more information on these ministries, please contact  
Amy Meyer, Director of Children and Family Ministries  
at: amy@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400, Ext. 106*

**1. LOVING CHILD CARE DURING SUMMER WORSHIP**

During the summer months, from June 3-August 26, child care will be provided in the toddler room in the basement during the second service for children ages birth through 4 years old. Miss Tracey and Miss Holly are our summer caregivers. All adults working with children at Elfinwild have full security clearances.

**New!** The infant nursery on the sanctuary level will be available for nursing mothers during the summer months. Comfortable chairs, a changing table, and the option to listen to worship are all available.

**2. SUMMER CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

During the 10AM worship service from June 3-August 26, children ages 4 years through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are welcome to the green room in the preschool building for time of exciting bible stories and creative play. *For older children who attend worship in the sanctuary, please check out worship guides at the back of the church designed just for you!*

**MUSIC MINISTRIES**

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

**3. UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS!** – If you are interested in joining our chancel choir, elementary choir, youth choir, praise team or handbell choir, please join us at rehearsal – **ALL ARE WELCOME!** You may join at any time.

**SUMMER MUSIC SCHEDULE**

**July 29** Summer Choir      **August 12** Praise Team      **August 26** Flute ensemble

You are invited to join us in leading worship with song this summer. All of the listed groups will be participating in the 10AM worship service on the scheduled day. Summer choir (open to all ages 6-106) will rehearse at 9:30AM in the Chapel on the dates listed.

\* Please contact Ron if you are interested in orchestra or youth orchestra asap so that music may be provided prior to rehearsal

### **MUSIC REHEARSAL SCHEDULE**

Chancel Choir – Wednesdays from 7:00 PM -8:30 PM

Praise Team – Tuesdays from 6-7:30 PM

Handbell Choir – Wednesdays from 6-7 PM

Elementary Choir – Thursdays from 6-7 PM (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade)

Youth Choir – Thursdays from 7:15-8:30 PM

*\*Regular rehearsals will resume again in September*

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

*For more information on these ministries, contact*

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

**4. JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS' BIBLE STUDY** – Please join Bethany Harbaugh and Kelly Simile for a Bible Study for girls going into 6-8 grade! We meet every other week to play games, ask questions, share life together, and learn how to live as followers of Jesus Christ. We always have a fun time together, so we hope you will come and bring a friend! This study will be from 6:30 – 8:00 PM at Bethany's house. **WE WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER!**

**5. REGULAR CLUBS** – Jr. High (grades 6-8) meets from 4:30-6:00 PM and Sr. High (grades 9-12) meets from 6:30-8:00 PM on Sundays at the Youth House. **WE WILL RESUME OUR REGULAR SCHEDULE IN SEPTEMBER. PLEASE LOOK FOR SPECIAL EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER!**

### **ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS**

**6. 2018 CHANCEL FLOWERS** – Flowers for the Chancel are \$48 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.

**7. OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER** gathering will NOT meet during the summer months of June, July, or August. Please continue to lift up those on our weekly list of concerns, and prayerfully consider joining this powerful ministry in September!

**8. 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, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Vickey Trader at 412-782-5742 for more information. Items the Pantry is in need of are: side dishes with noodles (no rice), side dishes with potatoes, jelly - any flavor, canned whole potatoes, boxed meals like Hamburger Helper, boxed mac & cheese, jars of spaghetti sauce, canned chili or stew, broth & gravy - chicken, turkey & beef, large bottles of juice, pudding & Jello premade or to be made, Cake & brownie mixes, Pancake mix & syrup, Bags of flour & sugar, cooking oil, boxes of crackers, salad dressing & ketchup, napkins & tissues, paper towels, and baby diapers.

**9. HOSPITALITY MEAL MINISTRY** – Did you know that members of your Elfinwild Family will provide a meal for you and your family if you are in need? For example, perhaps you or a family member are recovering from surgery, just had a baby or are too ill to prepare dinner for a few days. We sign up and deliver meals to you. Do you need a meal? Would you like to prepare and deliver a meal? Contact: Tessa Connelly, at [connthree07@gmail.com](mailto:connthree07@gmail.com) or by phone at 412-600-1452.

**10. STEPHEN MINISTRY** – While many activities take a Summer break, please know that Stephen Ministry does not! If you or someone you know may benefit from high quality Christian care, please contact Ruthie Riethmuller. See bulletin back for contact information.

Verse of the Month: "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:35

**11. 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 every day 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 - 12 noon to assist, please contact Dick Friedline at 412-486-8000.

**12. THE MEALS MINISTRY** often has leftover bread and rolls that cannot be used before they spoil. If you would like some, please help yourself to items located on a table outside of Fellowship Hall.

**13. PLEASE HELP US** by recycling your papers in your home recycling bin as we no longer benefit financially from the recycling of the paper. The paper recycling bin is used heavily by the church and the preschool and it fills up quickly. Thank you for your cooperation!

**14. PERKS TO PRAY AND PLAY** is a new rebate program available at the four Mihelic Shop 'n Save locations where customers can register their personal Shop 'n Save perks cards under pre-authorized schools, churches, and other non-profits. As customers shop throughout a given period (the periods are January-June and July-December), their purchases are tracked by their Shop 'n Save card and 2% of all qualified purchases are calculated. That total is given in the form of gift cards to the organizations that are registered. Elfinwild Presbyterian Church has been pre-registered so we can begin receiving gift cards from Shop 'n Save. Sign up forms and information forms are located on the tables outside of the Sanctuary.

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

**16. THE CHURCH OFFICE HOURS** for the summer will be from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM beginning June 25<sup>th</sup> and will run through Friday, August 24<sup>th</sup>.

**17. THE LIBRARY** will be closed until the office renovation is complete.