

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 14:1-14  
(Page 103 N.T. in the pew Bible)

### SERMON

*"The Way, The Truth and The Life"*

Dr. Dirk Lesnett

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

### \*HYMN NO. 543

*"Abide with Me"*

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## WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*RECESSION

### POSTLUDE

Liturgist: 11:10 -- Steve Heere

### THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:

8:30 a.m.	11:10 a.m.
Donna Thompson	Bill Piel
Len Anderson	Carl Schnelle
Jim Young	Debbie Piel
Tim Keenan	Don Grau
Jim Thompson	Scott Muszynski

### UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, July 3, 2011  
8:00 and 10:00 am  
*"Living for the Will of God"*  
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

**PRAYER FOLLOWING EACH WORSHIP SERVICE:** Any person who desires to make a commitment, has a personal need, or a concern for someone, will be able to meet with Elder Ann Ritter in the chapel.

### CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

8:30 and 11:10 A.M.

Cradle Roll (infants – 1<sup>st</sup> grade)

Location – end of hall from sanctuary

11:10 A.M. ONLY

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

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

Preschool (age 4 - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade) will be in Young Child & Worship

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 are pleased that you have chosen to be with us  
on this day that the Lord has made.*

*Please relax and enjoy the music before the service starts.  
Quiet your heart before God.  
Ask Him to meet with you and teach you today.*

*Inside you will find our order of service and the activities  
of the church.*

*We offer a warm welcome to every worshipper,  
and a way to serve for all who are willing.*

**We believe in a Triune God – Father, Son and  
Holy Spirit. United by our love for God  
and faith in Jesus Christ, and led by the Holy  
Spirit, we will serve the Lord through...**

**...joyful worship as we glorify His name  
...committed study and learning of the Word  
...faithful mission to our community and  
the world.**

**Elfinwild Presbyterian Church**  
**Order of Worship for the Lord's Day**  
**June 26, 2011** **Eight-thirty and Eleven-Ten O'clock**

To prepare for worship, you may want to reflect on Scripture or pray.

*"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find;  
Knock and the door will be opened to you."*  
Jesus

**WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH**

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

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Based on Psalm 27; John 4:23

Leader: Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.  
People: **The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.**  
Leader: We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple.  
People: **We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.**  
Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.  
People: **Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.**

**\*HYMN NO. 387** *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* Bradbury

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Based on 1 Peter 2:4-7, NRSV

The very stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. Come now to Christ, that living stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious. Whoever believes in him will not be put to shame. Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God, forgive our doubting, questioning hearts. Like the scribes who witnessed Jesus' miracles of healing and heard his proclamation, yet spurned belief, we too have seen wonders, yet have hardened our hearts. We confess the many times that our pessimism has caused others to doubt themselves and your Spirit, the times that our criticism has wounded others, the times that our rejection has dampened the enthusiasm of those inspired by your Word and work. **O God forgive us and in your mercy renew us, that with open hearts we may believe and never pose an obstacle to the faith of others. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

1 Peter 2:9-10, NRSV

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Leader: Friends believe the Good News!  
People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**MOMENT FOR MISSION**

**Honduras Mission Team**

**GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY (8:30)**

**OFFERTORY (11:10)**

**VBS kids sing**

**(Children will join their parents in the pews for worship this morning)**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Dylan Rudnik (11:10)

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.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION**

**\*HYMN NO. 507**

*"I Come with Joy"*

Dove of Peace

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Florida. Dr. Lesnett will hold a gravesite committal service at the Freedom Cemetery in Freedom, Pennsylvania, on July 2, at 11:00 am.

1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Ann Ritter.
2. **THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** this morning are given in memory of their parents and in celebration of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by Bob and Peg Kennedy.
3. **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.
4. **RECYCLE YOUR BULLETIN THIS SUMMER**. Once again this summer we are trying to print fewer bulletins to save the cost of printing and paper. If you attend the early service and will not need your bulletin during the week, please return it to one of the bins at the back of the sanctuary for the next service. Thank you!

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

5. **JR. HIGH MISSION TRIP THIS WEEK!** As you are reading this, our Jr. High students and leaders are traveling down to Chattanooga, Tennessee, for our summer mission trip. We thank you for your support of our students and ask that you support us this week with your prayers. Thanks!

#### **ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS**

6. **THURSDAY EVENING SUMMERTIME WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Summertime, summertime! While making all the summer travel plans let us not forget our faith journeys and the importance of traveling *together*. The study will be "**Stepping Up: A Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent**" by Beth Moore. This study takes a look at the pilgrimage theme found in Psalms 120-134 and explores the major feasts of Israel. For the ancient Israelites, pilgrimage was a three-times-per-year journey to the temple in Jerusalem; for New Testament believers, all of life becomes a journey together toward the new Jerusalem. This is a 6-week study in workbook format. If you want to take this journey together, join us in the Gathering Room starting at 7:00 pm on the evenings listed below. The cost of a book is \$16.50. Call Nancy Tiernan to order one or purchase one online. Hope to see you there.

**Every other Thursday night:**

**\*July 7th**

**\*July 21st**

**\*August 4th**

**\*August 18th**

**THE SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION** are extended to the family of Mary Carothers, who was a member here many years ago and died recently in

**7. CALENDAR NOTES....**

July 3rd – August 28th worship hours are 8:00 & 10:00am

August 1st – 5th Dance Camp (preschoolers through 2nd grade) and Drama Camp (3rd grade and older)

August 7th the Dance and Drama children will offer their talents as part of the 10:00 worship service.

***ALSO PLEASE NOTE:***

- Child care will be available in the Cradle Roll room during both services throughout the summer.
- Child care will be available in the Toddler Room during the second service throughout the summer.
- A class for Young Disciples will be offered in the Green Room for Pre-school through Second Grade during the second service throughout the summer.
- There will be no classes for Young Disciples from 3rd through 5th grade throughout the summer. They are encouraged to attend worship with their families.

**THIS WEEK**

MONDAY	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY	1:00 pm 6:30 pm	Caring Hands – Fellowship Hall TOPS
WEDNESDAY	11:30 am 7:00 pm	Staff Meeting CLC #2 – Kennedy Library
THURSDAY	7:00 pm	CLC #3 – Youth House
SATURDAY	6:00-8:00 am	CLC #4 – Kennedy Library

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

14. **LOCAL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS DONATIONS** North Hills Community Outreach is requesting donations of macaroni and cheese, pasta, sauce, juice, cereal, soup, rice, peanut butter and canned potatoes. NHCO operates two food pantries in Hampton and Bellevue. Typically, 200 families are served over a four week period at the Hampton location alone; this month, 195 families have used the pantry in just three weeks. Donations may be dropped off weekdays between 9 AM – 4 PM at 1975 Ferguson Road, Hampton. For more information, to arrange an alternate drop-off time, or for tips on organizing a food drive, contact Brandi at 412-487-6316, option 1.
  
15. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – Do you have time to spare? Need a community service project for your school? Have a passion for the value and dignity of human life? Presbyterians Pro-Life needs your help. We have a need for volunteers with a variety of skills: filing, copying, stuffing envelopes, cleaning, organizing, and data maintenance and more. We will gladly train you if you have an hour or two a week to spare or a half day here and there during the months. To volunteer or for more information call Elfinwild member, Marie Bowen, at 412-487-1990 or 412-487-3297. Our office is located a 3942 Middle Road in Allison Park – you are welcome any time!
  
16. **NHCO COLLECTING SCHOOL SUPPLIES.** Beginning June 13, North Hills Community Outreach will collect new backpacks and school supplies for distribution to low-income children in grades K-12. Items needed include backpacks (large ones for older kids are especially needed), pencils, rulers, scissors, crayons, markers, notebooks and folders. For more information contact Vicki at 412-487-6316, option 1.
  
17. **OPEN YOUR HEART TO A SENIOR** volunteer trainings are held at various times and locations every month. Call 412-307-0071 to learn more about helping a senior remain safe and independent in his own home.
  
18. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GARDEN PROJECT.** The Etna Borough is starting a Community Garden. Glenshaw Church obtained seed money to start this garden, and partners of Calvert Church are invited to join in getting it started. The site is where the old Etna municipal building used to stand, at Elk Street. The first construction project -- building the raised beds and filling them with topsoil – was started on June 18 and cultivating the beds will start as soon as these beds are installed. Please call Marge Cain at 412-487-2402 if you are interested in taking part. When these beds are built, we could help raise vegetables to be harvested for the Food Pantry. Later we can take part in community social events related to this garden project.

9. **PLEASE NOTE: SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS WILL CHANGE TO 8:00 AND 10:00 AM NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 3 AND RUN THROUGH SUNDAY, AUGUST 28.**

10. **CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS** - 9am – 1pm will begin on Friday, July 1 and continue through Friday, August 12.

11. **COME ON OUT AND CHEER FOR THE HOME TEAM!** Or again this year, two home teams. Elfinwild 1 and Elfinwild 2 are participating in the softball league. Following are their schedules for this year:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Elfinwild 1</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>Elfinwild 2</u>	<u>Field</u>
June 26	2:45	Windhurst	4:15	Windhurst
July 3	No games - Independence Day			
July 10	1:00	Sangree	4:15	Sangree
July 17	2:45	Windhurst	1:00	Windhurst
July 25	1:00	Sangree		
August 7	Playoffs start			
August 14	Playoffs			

12. **PARISH NURSES NEEDED.** We would like to revive the Parish Nurse group at Elfinwild Church. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kim Roderick at 412-487- 8223 or peakrod@verizon.net. She will be gathering names, contact information, credentials, and skills. Although the committee will be labeled “the Parish Nurses,” all those with a medical background (physicians, pharmacists, physical therapists, etc.) will be welcome to participate. There is nothing more rewarding than sharing your time and talents with those who are in need.

13. **THE COLUMBARIUM.** Elfinwild Presbyterian Church has established a special facility for the care and safekeeping of cremated remains. By establishing a columbarium at our church, it is possible to once again return to the tradition of making one's final resting place on the grounds of the church. Applications are now being accepted for reserving a niche in the Columbarium. Niches can be purchased for both burial and tribute. Brochures and applications are available through the church office. If you would like to speak with someone about the Columbarium and purchasing a niche, please feel free to contact Jack Ritenbaugh at 412-486-5400. The cost of a niche through December 31, 2011 is \$800.00. As of January 1, 2012, the cost will increase to \$900 per niche.

8. **CHANGE FOR THE SHALER-ROSS MEALS ON WHEELS KITCHEN**

**ELFINWILD HOME MEALS TO YOU**

For the past 30 years, the Shaler-Ross Meals on Wheels program has been a partnership between Lutheran Services Society and Elfinwild Presbyterian Church. This partnership has been responsible for services to thousands of people in need. After careful consideration, both Lutheran Service Society and Elfinwild Presbyterian Church believe that mission of providing meals to those in need will be enhanced by each providing this mission separately.

As a result, please be advised that effective **June 1, 2011**, the kitchen at Elfinwild operated by Lutheran Services Society has been discontinued ***but will continue as an independent ministry of the Elfinwild Presbyterian Church.*** This change will not have an effect on any of the services that we are currently providing. We will no longer use the Shaler-Ross Meals on Wheels or Meals on Wheels names as part of our program.

Linda Bennardo will continue as our kitchen cook and Marian Berberich will continue as our site manager. Those we serve will receive the same level of service from the same people they already know.

Also, **effective immediately**, any contributions/donations for the program should be designated to: ***Elfinwild Home Meals Ministry***

***Please note:*** If you have designated a 2011 pledge to Meals on Wheels and want that to continue to be paid to the Lutheran Services Society Meals on Wheels program, please contact Jack Ritenbaugh, Business Manager so that your gift can be paid to the appropriate kitchen. If we do not receive any direction from you to change, all contributions designated for Meals on Wheels will be directed to the Elfinwild Home Meals to You ministry.

**ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED:** In addition, if you are interested in serving on a ministry advisory board, please contact Jim Giel, Jr. at 412-486-2774 as soon as possible. We will need 5 individuals to serve on this ministry advisory board.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification concerning this change or the program in general, please contact our ministry leader – **Marian Berberich at 412-486-8000** or Jim Giel, Jr. at 412-486-2774.

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church is happy to continue this ministry to serve those in need in our community. This outreach ministry, like the many others taking place at Elfinwild, is important to all and we look forward to this opportunity to continuing to serve our current clients and those needing this service in the future.