

THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:

8:30 a.m.

Paul Braddock
Dick Matthews
Kim Syzmoniak
Bob Syzmoniak
Ron Tiedeman

UPCOMING SERVICES

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, March 28, 2010

"The Triumphal Entry"

Luke 19:28-44

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 Nancy Kriek in the chapel.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION are extended to Dan and Blair Voigt on the death of Dan's grandfather who lived in Minnesota.

CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

8:30 AND 11:10 A.M.

Cradle Roll (infants – 1st grade)

Location – end of hall from sanctuary.

9:45 - 10:45 A.M.

Classes For Young Disciples

11:10 A.M. ONLY

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

Location – 1st floor of church building

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

Location – Green Room, 1st floor C.E. Building

Children 3rd 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

March 21, 2010

Eight-thirty O'clock

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

"Be still, and know that I am God."

Psalm 46:10

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Ye Servants of God"

G. Young

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

People: We know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

People: The Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

***HYMN NO. 267**

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Royal Oak

***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

ANTHEM

"My Savior"

James Koerts

Chancel Choir

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

John 3: 16,17

Leader:

Friends, believe the Good News!

People:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***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, Amen.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Lord of the Empty Tomb"

Boersma / Arr Courtney

Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

***HYMN NO. 392**

"Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"

Hall

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 10:38-42
(Page 68 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

*"Two Sisters from the Same Family,
Two Different Ways of Serving God"*

Dr. Dirk Lesnett

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN NO. 343**

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

Beecher

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

***BENEDICTION**

***RECESSION**

POSTLUDE

"Fughetta"

P. Carlmann Kolb

Liturgist: Henry Tomer

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1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Nancy Kriek.
2. **THE FLOWERS** in the sanctuary this morning are given in loving memory of her loved ones by Peg McNeil.
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.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:00 am 10:00 am 12:15 pm 4:30-6:00 pm 6:30-8:00 pm 7:00 pm	Handchimes – Choir Room Choir Help Session – Choir Room Young Child Luncheon – Fellowship Hall Jr. High Club – Youth House Sr. High Club – Youth House Women’s Bible Study – Peach Room
MONDAY	7:30 am 11:00 am 5:30-9:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Preschool – C.E. – Parent Participation – T-Shirt Day Staff Meeting – Choir Room Act 1 – C.E. & Fr. Hall Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall Praise Team – Sanctuary
TUESDAY	7:30 am 8:00 am 1:00 pm 5:00-6:00 pm 5:30-9:00 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Preschool - C.E.– Parent Participation – T-Shirt Day Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Room Caring Hands – Fellowship Hall Elementary Choir – Choir Room Act 1 – Fr. H & C.E. Building TOPS Girl Scouts – C.E. Building Men’s Bowling – Fun Fest Lanes AARP Board meeting Handbells – Choir Room
WEDNESDAY	7:30 am 8:00 am 6:00 – 6:30 pm 6:30-7:30 pm 7:30 pm	Preschool – C.E. – Parent Participation – T-Shirt Day Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Room Potluck Dinner – Fellowship Hall Lenten Study – Fellowship Hall Chancel Choir – Choir Room
THURSDAY	7:00 am 7:30 am 8:00 am 9:00 am 9:15-11:00 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Men’s Bible Study – Kennedy Library Preschool – C.E. – Parent Participation – T-Shirt Day Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Room Building Committee – Kennedy Library Women’s Bible Study – Youth House Worship Committee – Pastor’s Study Lions Club – Cornerstone Conference Room APNC – Kennedy Library
FRIDAY	7:30 am 8:00 am 7:00 pm	Preschool – C.E. – Parent Participation – T-Shirt Day Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Room Cub Scouts – Fr. Hall
SATURDAY	9:00 am - 3:00 pm 12:00 Noon – 8:00 pm	Act 1 – Fr. Hall & C.E. Setup for Cub Scout 157 Blue and Gold Dinner – Fellowship Hall



- 16. FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE PROGRAM** sponsored by North Hills Senior Services, Inc. combines spiritual care with nursing knowledge. NHSSI was incorporated as a subsidiary of St. Paul’s United Methodist Church. By combining health care knowledge with emotional and spiritual support, the Faith Community Nurse works with seniors to achieve optimal health of mind, body and spirit within an atmosphere of compassion, health and healing. There is no charge for this program. For more information see brochures outside the chapel or a flier on the bulletin board near Fellowship Hall.
- 17. NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH URGENTLY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS** to help paint their offices at AGH-Suburban in Bellevue. An enormous icicle fell six stories through the roof and caused significant damage. Please call Mary at 412-487-6316, option 1, x3141.
- 18. FREE HOME REPAIRS AVAILABLE FOR QUALIFYING INDIVIDUALS.** For the second consecutive year, North Hills Community Outreach is partnering with Christ Lutheran Church in Millvale to provide minor home repairs to qualified seniors and adults with physical disabilities. Applications are now being accepted for repair projects that will be completed by supervised groups of youth from June 28-July 2. Senior citizens or adults with physical disabilities who wish to be considered for home repairs should:
- Own and reside in a home in northern Allegheny County, outside of the city limits.
 - Require assistance with small projects such as painting, insulating, minor roofing or concrete repairs, etc.
 - Be able to provide materials to be used in their home, if doing so does not present a hardship. Volunteer labor is free of charge.

A limited number of homeowners will receive assistance. To apply, call Cathy Pschirer at 412-307-0069.



5. **M & m's – ALL 4TH THROUGH 6TH GRADERS** are invited to join this youth group for great fellowship and fun! We usually meet the third Wednesday of each month in Fellowship Hall from 6:30 – 8:00 pm .

April 21: Regular time and place.

May 19: Regular time and place.

STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12



6. **THE MARCH 28 SERVICE PROJECT HAS BEEN POSTPONED.** There will be regular 4:30-6:00 Jr. High Club and 6:30-8:00 Sr. High Club at the Youth House.

7. **PARENTS, STUDENTS OR FRIENDS OF STUDENT MINISTRIES** – if you would like to be on our e-mail list to receive updates and important information, please e-mail your address to Kyle Pinta at KJPinta@aol.com.



8. **EASTER MEMORIALS 2010.** It's time to order spring flowers to beautify the church on Easter. The cost for each plant is \$9.00. Place your money for a plant, the Pastor's Fund, or the Bread of Life Food Bank 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. **Today, March 21,** will be the last day to place your order for flowers. Any orders received after this date will be applied to the Food Bank. The flowers can be taken from the sanctuary after the 11:10 service on Easter morning.

9. **APNC UPDATE** – The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC) has been meeting weekly to review the many résumés received thus far from men and women across the country. Telephone interviews began in late-January, and six candidates have been interviewed thus far. The team has been excited with the caliber of the candidates and continues in the process with follow-up interviews and personal meetings to be scheduled. The Prayer Team continues to provide daily prayer for the needs of the APNC. Committee members Dave Frazier Mike Gaydos, Donna Gottschalk, Margaret Hartley, Steve Heere, Douglas Riethmuller, Patty Robinson, Lauren Shideler and Dale Weisenstein thank the congregation for their prayers, and ask for continued prayer for discernment, wisdom, and guidance as the process continues.

10.

ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH		
Financial Statement		
February 28, 2010		
Proposed Budget	(Y.T.D.)	\$90,852
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		88,672
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$103,546
Unfavorable	(Y.T.D.)	-14,874

11. **SCHOLARSHIPS.** The Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Scholarship Fund annually grants scholarships to students applying for or enrolled in a college or other post-high school education program. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of service to the church, financial needs and community service/extracurricular activities. Applications are available in the church office and the deadline for submission is April 15, 2010. For more information, please contact the church office.

12. **SHARE YOUR ELFINWILD MEMORIES.** In August 2012 Elfinwild Presbyterian Church will celebrate its 100th anniversary. Plans are being developed by a committee of members for a year-long celebration of our church and its ministry over these past 100 years.

One of the projects planned is the publication of a church history, providing members a glimpse of what was going on at Elfinwild during each decade since 1912; biographical sketches of our pastors, listing of church officers and members, and pictures. We also want to provide church family members – new and long-standing - an opportunity to share their Memories of Elfinwild. These memories include such things as: What it Was Like to be at Elfinwild during the 1930's/1940's/1950's, etc.; memories of youth groups, work camps, Sunday school classes and outings; church ministry teams; worship services that had a deep meaning; church dinners; church fundraisers, to name a few.

Whatever you want to write about and contribute to Memories of Elfinwild will be appreciated. Short or long, the more information and stories we gather, the more we will all be able to understand the great history and legacy of Elfinwild that could be lost if we don't collect them now. For families, we encourage you to sit, talk and write down those stories that you have heard from those still living, or have passed on, but were a part of Elfinwild's past and present.

Please write your and your families' memories down and send them to: Jim Giel, Jr. at the church office or e-mail them to Jim Giel at gielwest@verizon.net.

Everyone has a story of Elfinwild and we want to hear it!

13. **HAVE YOU MISSED THE LIBRARY?** Dot Weinheimer has placed about 20 brand new books on the shelves across from the chapel. Instructions to check them out are there. **HAPPY READING!!!**

14. **New Adult Discipleship Classes:**

Spiritual Disciplines

Sunday 9:45-10:45am in the Cornerstone Classroom

What are spiritual disciplines? *They are patterns of thought and behavior that draw us away from an improper focus on ourselves and the world to a proper focus on God and His Word.* Certain spiritual disciplines such as prayer, meditation, fellowship, and worship add power and depth to our lives as Christians. This class, led by Marie Bowen, will explore six key disciplines.

Talk It Over Class

Sunday 9:45-10:45am in the Peach Room

During the Lenten season this class will take an in-depth look at the topics that are covered at the Wednesday evening Lenten study, *Wrestling With Angels: An Intimate Look at the Tough Questions of Life*. This class is facilitated by Dr. Dirk Lesnett.

Inquirer's Class

Sunday, April 11 - May 23, 2010 – 9:45-10:45am in the Peach Room

For those interested in learning more about the beliefs, practices and membership of Elfinwild Presbyterian Church, Dr Dirk Lesnett will facilitate a six week class of teaching, sharing, and exploring our identity in Christ. Those who are interested in membership will have an opportunity to join at the end of the six weeks.

15. **LAST POTLUCK DINNER AND LENTEN STUDY** – Wednesday, March 24 will be the last night for the Lenten Study. The topic of the video will be “Love.” Dinner begins at 6:00 pm and the video study follows at 6:30 pm and lasts for 1 hour.