

THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:

8:30 a.m.

Paul Braddock
Dick Matthews
Kim Syzmoniak
Bob Szymoniak
Ron Tiedeman

11:10 a.m.

Mel Stoker
Lee Shumaker
Jack Ritenbaugh
Patti Zahnhausen
Bill Sausser

UPCOMING SERVICES

Fourth Sunday in Lent
Sunday, March 14, 2010
1 Corinthians 15:12-34
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 Steve Heere in the chapel.

THE SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION are extended to the family and friends of Rose Anderson who died on Wednesday night, March 3. Her funeral will be held at 11:00 am Monday, March 8 at the Neely Funeral Home.

WE WELCOME AS GUEST ORGANIST THIS MORNING our very own choir member Marie Bowen. Thank you Marie for sharing your musical talents with us.

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 7, 2010

Eight-thirty and Eleven-Ten O'clock

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

“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son,
that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”
Jesus

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE “As the Deer” Martin Nystrom / arr. Marilyn Ham

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 115

**Leader: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name be the glory,
because of your love and faithfulness.**

People: Our God is in heaven, he does what pleases him.

Leader: O people of God, trust in the Lord!

People: He is our help and shield.

Leader: Let us praise the Lord.

People: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name be the glory.

***HYMN NO. 478** “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” Lauda Anima

***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

MOMENT FOR MISSION Pittsburgh Project Becky Winek

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “Grace Like Rain” Todd Agnew
Youth Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

***HYMN NO. 366** “Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me” St. Catherine

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Philippians 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death – even death on a cross! Therefore, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Joy” Peter Furler and Steve Taylor
Youth Choir

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians:15:1-11
(Page 166 N.T. in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“The Good News” Dr. Dirk Lesnett

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN NO. 155** “Rejoice, the Lord Is King” Darwall's 148th

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

***BENEDICTION**

***RECESSION**

POSTLUDE “My Faith Has Found a Resting Place” arr/ Marilyn Ham

Liturgist: (8:30) Matthew Lesnett
(11:10) Mike Dolan

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1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Steve Heere.
2. **THE FLOWERS** in the sanctuary this morning are given in loving memory of her parents by Mary Anna Orrison.
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. **PRAYER CONCERNS**. To add, change or remove names from prayer concerns list, please call the church office at 412-486-5400.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:00 am	Handchimes – Choir Room
	9:30-10:00 am	Retirement Reception for Chuck Landfried and Don Staub in Fellowship Hall
	12:30 pm	Jr. and Sr. High Lunch at the Youth House followed by attendance at the Shaler Area Musical
	7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study – Peach Room
MONDAY	7:30 am	CALL DEADLINE Preschool – C.E.
	11:00 am	Staff Meeting – Choir Room
	1:00 pm	Esther Circle – Peach Room
	5:30-9:00 pm	Act 1 – C.E. & Fr. Hall
	7:00 pm	Family Ministry Team and Octogenarian Lunch Committee – Kennedy Library
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY	7:30 am	Preschool - C.E.
	8:00 am	Mom & Me – Fellowship Hall
	9:00 pm	Naomi Circle – Peach Room
	1:00 pm	Caring Hands
	5:30-9:00 pm	Act 1 – Fr. H & C.E. Building
	6:30 pm	TOPS
	6:30 pm	Girl Scouts – C.E. Building
	7:00 pm	Men's Bowling – Fun Fest Lanes
	7:00 pm	Handbells – Choir Room
7:30 pm	AARP Meeting – Fellowship Hall	
WEDNESDAY	7:30 am	Preschool – C.E.
	8:00 am	Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Room
	12:00 Noon	Hampton/Shaler/Etna Clergy Association Luncheon - FH
	6:00 – 6:30 pm	Potluck Dinner – Fellowship Hall
	6:30-7:30 pm	Lenten Study – Fellowship Hall
THURSDAY	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study – Kennedy Library
	7:30 am	No Pre-School - Parent Teacher Conferences
	8:00 am	Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Room
	9:00 am	Building Committee Meeting – Kennedy Library
	9:15-11:00 am	Women's Bible Study – Youth House
	6:00 pm	Lions Club – Cornerstone Conference Room
	6:30 pm	M&m's Youth Group – Bowling at Funfest Lanes - Harmar
7:00 pm	APNC – Kennedy Library	
FRIDAY	7:30 am	No Pre-School – Parent Teacher Conferences
	7:00 pm	Cub Scouts – Fr. Hall
SATURDAY	9:00 am - 3:00 pm	Act 1 – Fr. Hall & C.E.
	7:00 – 9:30 pm	Sr. High Movie Night – Youth House

21. **HAVE YOU MISSED THE LIBRARY?** With so much winter weather it's been hard to get out. But there's more time available for reading, so 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!!!**

22. **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.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

23. **GLENSHAW AARP #3744** will meet Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Entertainment: The Bell School of Irish Dancers. Bring gifts for Vincentian Home and food for the food bank.

24. **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.

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY, Birth-5th Grade



5. **YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP** (age 4 - 2nd grade) provides an opportunity for children to experience God through an age appropriate and multi-sensory worship service. The wooden figures, desert box and other materials create a visual representation of the Bible. The lighting of candles and discussion of other church traditions introduce children to the meaning of the many symbols seen in the sanctuary. The hands-on experience of the children retelling the stories by manipulating the figures helps the Bible lessons take shape in their minds and hearts. Today's lesson on "Jesus & the Children" is being taught by Sue Anderson, Donna Rea Thompson and Carolyn Hervey.
6. **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 . Get all of the details and deviations below:
March 11: Since February's bowling night had to be cancelled, we are re-scheduling for **Thursday, March 11**, 6:30-8:30 at Funfest in Harmar (\$10/child) which includes shoe rental..
April 21: Regular time and place.
May 19: Regular time and place.

STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12



7. **STUDENT MINISTRIES** - Mark your calendars for the **March 20** Pie Auction.
 8. **STUDENT MINISTRIES:** 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.
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9. **THE BREAD OF LIFE FOOD BANK** would appreciate contributions of kids' cereal in March, especially when given in the first two weeks. Other foods are gladly accepted too. Items can be placed in a box located in the North Narthex of the sanctuary. Thank you for your generosity.

10. **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. **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.
11. **2009 YEAR END STATEMENTS OF GIVING** are available on the table at the rear of the sanctuary. Please pick yours up today.
12. **YOUR NEW YEAR ENVELOPES.** 2010 offering envelopes have been moved to the reception office inside the door on Church Avenue. If you have not yet picked yours up, please remember to do so.
13. **PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE READY.** If you have not already done so, you can pick yours up in the church office during the week.
14. **THE SENIOR ACHIEVERS** will meet on March 18, 2010 at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Entertainment by Jeannie and Frank, "The Big Band Era." Bring a bag lunch. Beverage and cake will be provided. Guests and friends are welcome.
15. **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.
16. **FROM THE FAMILY MINISTRY TEAM** - The Family Ministry Team is sponsoring an Octogenarian Luncheon to honor those of the congregation who are 80 years and older. Many hands will be needed to make this special event a success. If you are interested in volunteering to help in one of the many needed areas, please contact Nancy Tiernan at the church or Patty Robinson at 412-487-0413.
17. **INTERESTED IN MISSIONS?** World Mission Initiative Conference is March 19-20 at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Registration fee will be paid by your mission committee. Brochures available on table outside the chapel or call Donna Thompson.

18. **APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED** for position of sextons (custodians) within our church. For an application and particulars, call 412-486-5400, stop in at the church office, or see Jack Ritenbaugh.
19. **SPECIAL PRAYER MEETING ON MARCH 18.** James 5:13-15 states “Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven.” If God inspired James to encourage us to bring those who are sick to the elders, then it must be important and beneficial to us.

Therefore, on March 18, from 7:00-8:00 pm in the sanctuary, we will be holding a Wholeness prayer service just for that. Elders will be there to pray over those who come who are in need of healing. Prayer will be offered for not only physical healing, but also mind, soul, and spirit – i.e. the whole person. This is not just for Elfinwild members, so bring your neighbors, relatives, or friends who need prayer. We look forward to seeing you as we lift your concerns to the Lord.

20. **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 giewest@verizon.net.

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