

29. A SHOWER OF BIRTHDAY CARDS in celebration of Jean McLean's 90th birthday on March 22nd is being requested. Jean was a long time member of Elfinwild along with her husband Darl and their daughter Darla Wharry. Cards can be sent to: Tom McLean, 13050 Garfield Court, Placida, FL 33946.

30. LITURGISTS WANTED – If you have any interest in being a liturgist for Sunday morning worship, please call the Church Office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

31. ATTENTION SENIORS – The Senior Center North located at Nativity Lutheran Church in Allison Park is looking for seniors to come out and join other seniors looking for fun and companionship Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM. Come enjoy bingo, crafts, Wii bowling, cards, trips to the grocery store and mall and lunch for a \$1.00 donation. Have a cup of coffee and good conversation. Please call Meg at 412-486-6426 for more information. Hope to see you soon!

32. ELFINWILD VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY is in need of new members. If you're looking for a way to give something back to the community, this is a great opportunity! All training and equipment are provided either in-house or through local fire academies and schools. By making a commitment to the fire service, you can earn a FREE college degree through the FireVest program of the Community College of Allegheny County. For degrees offered or for more details, call 412-931-3158, ext. 5. Stop by the fire hall at 2807 Mt. Royal Blvd. on any Monday evening at 7:30 PM or call Dan at 412-377-5986.

33. NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH VOLUNTEERS are urgently needed in June. Do you love the game of golf, or doing something meaningful with a group of friends? NHCO urgently needs volunteers to register to help in our assigned concessions tent at the Men's US Open golf tournament, June 13-19, at Oakmont Country Club. The Open donates funds for each NHCO volunteer hour served. This is a huge fundraising opportunity for us, but we need your help! Before or after finishing your eight-hour shift in the Open's only air-conditioned concessions tent, you can watch golf's greatest athletes in action. Please contact Harriet with questions at hzigbbs@nhco.org or 412-408-3830 x 3204. Or register directly at volunteerspot.com/login/entry/679052588051
Please note: This opportunity involves a considerable amount of standing and walking. Volunteers 17 & younger must be accompanied by a volunteer 18 or older.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 3-20-16

TODAY (3-20-16)	Palm Sunday 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM – Worship Services – SA 9:45 AM – Sunday School 11:10 AM – Sunday School Kids Sing – SA 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM – Cantata Rehearsal – All Parts – SA 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – God and Life 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Club – YH 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – God and Church
MONDAY	7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Preschool Bible Lessons – UGR 2:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Directory Photos – UGR 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act One – CE 7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH
TUESDAY	7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Preschool Bible Lessons – UGR 10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL 2:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Directory Photos – UGR 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act One – CE 6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose 7:00 PM – AARP Board Meeting – FH 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Handbells – CR
WEDNESDAY	2:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Directory Photos – UGR 5:30 PM – Daisies – PR 5:30 PM – Girl Scouts – FH 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Praise Team – SA 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM – Chancel Choir – CR
THURSDAY	7:00 AM – Men's Bible Study – PS 10:30 AM – Grace Manor Service 6:00 PM – Lions Club – CCR 7:30 PM – Maundy Thursday Service – SA
FRIDAY	10:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Directory Photos – UGR 7:30 PM – Good Friday Tenebrae Service – SA
SATURDAY	6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – CLC – FH 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Directory Photos – UGR
SUNDAY (3-27-16)	7:00 AM – Worship Service – CH 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM – Worship Services – SA 9:45 AM – Sunday School

TODAY, REV. JEFF POWELL will be preaching at Calvert Memorial Presbyterian Church in Etna. Rev. Powell will be assisting the Calvert congregation by preaching through Easter.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in memory of loved ones by Peg McNeil.

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.

8:30 AM USHERS

Paul Braddock
Max Smith
Kim Szymoniak
Bob Szymoniak
Ron Tiedeman

11:10 AM USHERS

Mel Stoker
Jennifer Muszynski
Janell Haygood
Patti Zahnhausen
Dorothy Thompson

SOUND TECHNICIANS

8:30 AM – Len Lavelle
11:10 AM – Skip Young

UPCOMING SERVICE

Easter Sunday
Sunday, March 27, 2016
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY

Birth – 6th Grade

For more information on these ministries, please contact Emily Cooper, Director of Children and Family Ministries at: 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 11:10 worship hour. This is a class for children who are 2 ½ to 4yrs. of age.

2. SUNDAY SCHOOL –Our classes will begin at 9:45 and end at 10:45 AM. Children 4 years old (Pre-K) through 2nd grade will meet in the GREEN room of the C.E. for Kids of the Kingdom Music to start class at 9:45. Children in 3rd grade through 5th will meet in their classrooms.

3. YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP – For ages Pre-K through 2nd grade during the 11:10 service. This week's lesson will be *Palm Sunday- Jesus King and Passover* and will be taught by Linda Barto, Barb Harms, Nicole Graco and Carolyn Hervey.

4. CALLING ALL KIDS—Grades 3-5! M&ms: Messiah & me Youth Group Get ready for fun, games, growing and serving in Jesus Christ. Join the fun! On Thursday, March 31st, we will have a fun evening of bowling. More details will be forthcoming.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

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

6. CHANCEL CHOIR will meet on Wednesdays from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM and is open to anyone high school age and older.

Please use this form to register for church events. After filling it out, you may tear it off and place into the offering plate. Thank you!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Event: _____

Number of Registrants: Adults _____ Children _____

7. PRAISE TEAM will meet on Thursdays from 6:00 PM to 7:15 PM. If you play an instrument or sing, please help us to lead the congregation in songs of praise at least 2-3 times per month.

8. HANDBELLS will meet on Tuesdays from 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM. Join us in ringing God's praises each Tuesday. We will try to ring during worship at least once or twice every month. Open to anyone high school age or older.

9. KIDS CHOIR will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM. All kids in grades 1 – 5 are welcome to join us. We will be singing songs, playing hand chimes and krystal bells, playing drums and percussion and much, much more! We will be participating in worship once or twice every month.

10. SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS will meet on Sundays from 9:45 AM – 10:00 AM. Kids in pre-k through 2nd grade will learn “Sunday School” songs and share their songs with the congregation on the 3rd Sunday of every month.

11. CANTATA REHEARSALS are as follows:

Sunday, Mar. 20 1:00-2:30 All Parts SATB

Sunday, Apr. 3 1:00-2:30 All Parts SATB

Wednesday, Apr. 6 7:00-8:30 All Parts SATB Dress Rehearsal

Cantata - Sunday, April 10 8:30 & 11:10

STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12

For more information on these ministries, please contact

Rev. Jason Rea at

jason@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400.

12. JR. & SR. HIGH CLUB – Jr. High (grades 6-8) from 4:30 – 6:00 PM and Sr. High (grades 9-12) from 6:30 – 8:00 PM on Sundays. This club is a wonderful time for fellowship with other students. We play different games, have some good food and spend time in worship and study together.

13. ELFINWILD CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP FUND – The Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Scholarship Fund annually grants scholarships to students enrolled in a college or other post-high school education program. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of service to the Church, financial need and community service/extracurricular activities. Applications are available in the Church office or from Jason, and the deadline for submission is Friday, April 15, 2016. For information about applying for a scholarship or about making contributions to the Scholarship Fund, please contact Jason or the Church office.

14. DINNER AND PIE AUCTION: APRIL 9TH! We are excited to do something new this year for the Pie Auction. Instead of a simple auction we are stepping up our game to include a nice dinner served by our students. We will begin the evening in the Upper Gathering room with hors d'oeuvres and silent auction items. We will then move to Fellowship Hall for a nice meal and then the live portion of our Auction. If you would like to donate an item for the auction please contact Kyle Pinta or Nancy Kriek ASAP. Tickets for this new event will be sold ahead of time during March. Watch for our ticket sale tables in the hall!

15. JR. AND SR. HIGH SPRING RETREAT TO FAITH RANCH – May 6th-7th Cost: \$65

Join us for our annual spring retreat to Faith Ranch! Both Jr. and Sr. High will travel to Faith Ranch in Ohio for an overnight retreat. We will leave at 5:45 PM on Friday night and return around 9 PM on Saturday night. Activities will include a hayride, horseback riding and a barn dance. The cost includes all meals on Saturday. There won't be a meal on Friday so students should eat prior to leaving although we will have snacks that night. We think this will be another fun and

great retreat for all. Spots are limited so you can register by turning in a \$25 deposit to Jason. Registration dead-line will be April 23rd. For more information about Faith Ranch the facility, you can check out their website:

www.faithranch.org/

For more information about how the retreat will flow, registration questions or what we will talk about contact Jason. Hope to see you all at the Ranch!

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

16. 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.

17. DO YOU BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF PRAYER? Come to the Wednesday Night Prayer Gatherings, where we pray for the needs and concerns of our church family! We meet in our beautiful new chapel on the first and third Wednesday of each month, 7 to 8 PM. Our next gathering will be Wednesday, April 6th and we will meet again on April 20th. 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.

18. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – All women are welcome to join a time of Bible Study, prayer, and fellowship on Thursday mornings from 9:30-11AM in the Library. This spring, we will be using the study, "Because you were Made for More" by Jennie Allen. Together we can seek God's direction and encourage one another to be faithful with Him. Contact Bethany with any questions at 724-822-6550.

19. 2016 PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: It's time to update our church directory to include new faces and up-to-date contact information for everyone. LifeTouch Studios will provide Portrait Days here at the church on the following dates by appointment only: Monday March 21st through Saturday March 26th Appointments for family portrait sittings can be made:

- On Sundays in the Upper Gathering Room before each service and during coffee hour,
- Easy, self-serve, online sign ups from the link on our website: elfinwildchurch.org,
- By contacting Joanne Pearson at (724)444-4474 or jpearson@zoominternet.net

There is no cost to be photographed and each participating family will receive a FREE 8x10 portrait, a FREE directory and a \$10 coupon toward any photography purchase. In addition, any family that brings in a non-perishable food item will receive \$5 off portrait purchases. Please be a part of our new family directory – we need YOU to make our new family album complete. Call Joanne Pearson with any questions: (724)444-4474.

20. RECALIBRATING THE CHURCH FOR THE 21ST CENTURY –

Sponsored by World Mission Initiative at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary on April 8th and 9th. Alan Hirsch will be the keynote speaker. Join with hundreds of other mission leaders in our region to share ideas, encouragement, and connections! Browse through the mission fair to connect with organizations that are participating in God's mission as we are sent into the world. Professional mission leaders will be hosting workshops to equip you for God's mission in your neighborhood and beyond. For more information, call: 412-924-1449.

21. CARING HANDS which was scheduled for March 22nd has been changed to March 29th at 1 PM in Fellowship Hall. Please note the change in the date.

22. ELFINWILD'S "THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING" DAY will be on May 15th. During that day there will be a variety of activities and service projects that everyone will have the opportunity to sign up for beginning in April. These projects will include but not be limited to, planting flowers, picking up trash, conducting bingo at a local nursing home, child care and providing a meal for all of the volunteers. If anyone knows of any needs in the community, please get in touch with Becky Winek at rswinek@gmail.com or (412) 443-3419.

23. WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP TEA, HOSTED BY THE WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM – Save the Date! April 23, 2016 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Tickets are \$8.00. If you would like to host a table or attend, please call the church office.

24. LIGONIER CAMP HAPPENINGS! Registration for Summer Camps are open! Head to the mountains for a wonderful time of faith, fun and fellowship! Campers experience the love of Jesus first hand at LCCC! Many camp options are available! <http://www.ligoniercamp.org/summer-camp-registration> There is family camp, too! <http://www.ligoniercamp.org/family-camp-registration> Because camp Scholarships are available, there is a fund raising dinner AT camp!!! Sunday, April 3 from 4-7pm brings a delicious spaghetti dinner! Why not enjoy a drive to the mountains and a lovely venue for a fun dinner?!! <http://www.ligoniercamp.org/spaghetti-dinner-information> Questions? Call the church office!

25. MEALS MINISTRY FUNDRAISER UPDATE

Thank you to those of you who dined at Burger 21 on Feb. 21st, or passed the word for others to do so. We raised \$500 for our ministry! We appreciate your support.

26. ELFINWILD HOME MEALS MINISTRY – The winter season sees many of our loyal volunteers either unable to get to the Meals Kitchen or go to warmer climates for the winter months. 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 8:30 AM - 12 noon to assist, please contact Marian Berberich at 412-486-8000.

27. 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, Vicky Trader at 412-782-5742 for more information.

28. INQUIRERS' CLASS - If you are interested in learning more about the Christian faith, what it means to follow Christ, or how to become a member of Elfinwild Presbyterian Church, this class is for you. We will meet for six weeks at 10:00 AM, during the Sunday school hour, in the Peach Room. Classes begin on April 3rd. While being present for each session is most helpful, we understand that schedules may not permit your attendance at every session. Please call the church office with any questions. 412-486-5400.

ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OFFICERS

SESSION

Moderator – Dr. Dirk M. Lesnett
Clerk of Session – Mr. Mark Riethmuller

2016

Bethann Dolan
Steve Heere
Nancy Kriek
Bob Lindeman
Patty Robinson
Becky Winek

2017

Mark Feris
Amy Meyer
Dwight Pearson
Kyle Pinta
Ann Ritter
Bob Wegner

2018

Wendy Boody
Kristin Coco
Mark Connelly
John Hart
Bob Siar
Kelly Simile

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2016

Linda Barto
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2017

Jenny Dayton
Linda Kaiser
Beth Meyer
Dr. Jim Thompson
Patti Zahnhausen

2018

Sue Anderson
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Bev Friedline
Dick Friedline
Dorothy Thompson
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2016

Bob Anderson
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2017

Len Colaizzi
Mike Gaydos
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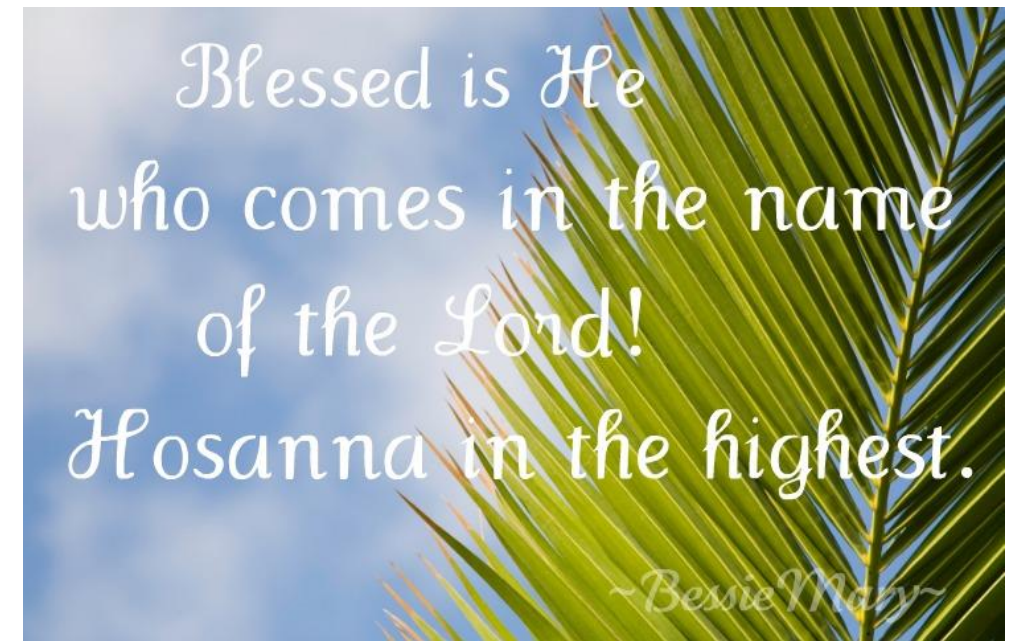
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**WELCOME TO
ELFINWILD
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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

**ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR
THE LORD'S DAY**

Palm Sunday

March 20, 2016

8:30 & 11:10 AM Worship

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

**“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter
of Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious
is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal
of a donkey.” Zechariah 9:9**

PRELUDE

8:30	“The Palms”	Faurel Smith
11:10	“40 Days” Praise Team	Matt Maher

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Financial Statement February 29, 2016		
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$119,405
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$130,798
Unfavorable	(Y.T.D.)	-\$11,393

INTROIT

8:30 "Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!" Graham George
Chancel Choir

11:10 "Jesus Draw Me Close" Rick Founds
Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 24

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.

People: Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord: Who may stand in his holy place?

Leader: The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god.

People: They will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from God their Savior. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, O God.

Leader: Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors that the King of glory may come in.

People: Who is the King of glory?

Leader: The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors that the king of glory may come in.

People: Who is the King of glory?

Leader: The Lord Almighty-

All: He is the King of glory.

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 89 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

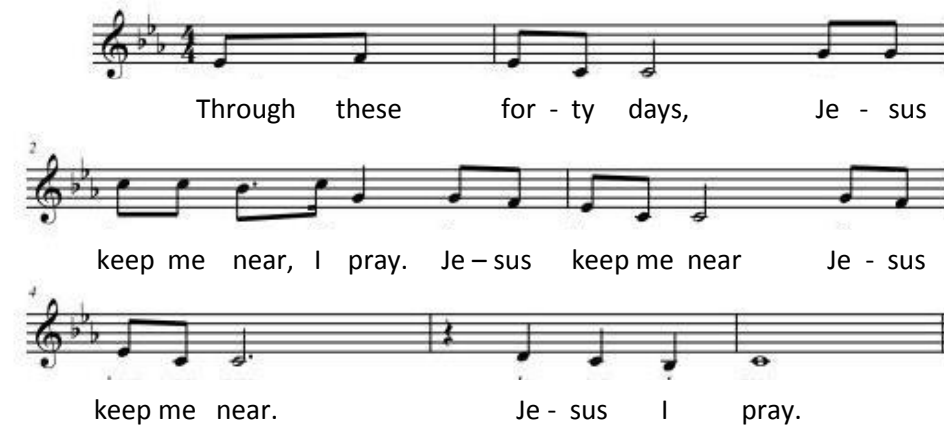
CALL TO CONFESSION

Like the people who greeted Jesus as he entered Jerusalem and then later pronounced "Crucify him," we are fickle people who often deny Christ in our thoughts, words and deeds. Remembering the events of Jesus' last week helps us to see ourselves for what we are: sinners in need of a Savior, a Savior- praise God- we have in Christ. In honesty and hope, we confess now our sins to God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you, we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, that our faith is often more show than substance, that our hearts are in need of cleansing. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of our lives. Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to welcome our praises, and to receive us as your own. Amen.

JESUS, KEEP ME NEAR



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 118

Leader: Let those who fear the Lord say,
All: "His steadfast love endures forever."

Leader: Out of our distress we called on the Lord; the Lord answered us and set us free. The Lord is our stronghold and our song; he has become our salvation.

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

All: 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.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

8:30 "O Thou Eternal Christ, Ride On" Austin C. Lovelace
Chancel Choir

11:10 "Hosanna" Brooke Ligertwood
Praise Team

*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.**

(8:30)
ANTHEM "Hosanna, Hosanna!" Joseph M. Martin
Chancel Choir
Jeff Weber, violin Eric Dudgeon, percussion

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 14:1-6
(page 1009 in the pew Bible)

SERMON "I am the Way, the Truth and the Light" Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 88 "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "The Gate of Jerusalem" George Blake

*Special thanks to our liturgist:
8:30 - Zachary Hughes*