

30. SHALER AREA HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS THE MUSICAL “MARY POPPINS” Friday and Saturday, March 6th & 7th at Shaler Area High School .
 Friday and Saturday, March 6th & 7th @ 7:00PM, Sunday March 8th @ 2:00PM
 Friday and Saturday, March 13th & 14th @ 7:00PM
 Also, there will be a senior citizen FREE performance on Thursday, March 5th @ 5 PM.
 Tickets are \$10 for reserve seating or \$7 for general admission. Residents with a Silver Titan Pass receive general admission tickets for free. Tickets will be sold in advance (at Activities Office during school hours) and at the door. For more information, contact the high school activities office at 412-492-1200 Press 8 and ext. 1530.

31. GLENSHAW AARP #3744 will meet on Tuesday, March 10th at 7 PM at Elfinwild Church. The meeting will be followed by refreshments. Entertainment will be provided by singer Brian Mohan.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 3-1-15

TODAY (3-1-15) 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA
 9:45 AM –Sunday School- CE
 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Youth Group – YH

MONDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM – 6th Grd. Girls’ Bible Study @Harbaughs
 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act I – FrH
 7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH
 7:00 PM – Personnel Meeting – KL

TUESDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
 10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL
 12:00 PM – Men’s Luncheon – FH
 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act I – FrH
 6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose – CCR

WEDNESDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
 5:45 PM – Lenten Dinner – FH
 6:30 PM – Lenten Study – FH
 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Webelos I – FrH
 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Confirmation Class – YH
 7:30 PM – Chancel Choir – CR
 8:15 PM – Praise Team – SA

THURSDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
 7:00 AM – Men’s Bible Study – PS
 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM – Women’s Bible Study – YH
 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM – Girl Scouts – FH, PR, FrH
 7:00 PM – Women’s Ministry Meeting – KL
 7:15 PM – Youth Choir – CR

FRIDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Tiger Den 8 – TR
 7:00 PM – Webelos II – PR

SATURDAY 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Act I – FrH
 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool Young Child Sunday Prep – FH

SUNDAY (3-8-15) 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA
 9:45 AM –Sunday School- CE
 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Youth Group – YH
 7:00 PM – Session Meeting – CCR

THE FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL THIS MORNING are given to the Glory of God.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Bob Lindeman.

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 – Andrew Coco
 11:10 AM – Skip Young

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday, March 8, 2015
 Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

CHILDREN’S & FAMILY MINISTRY
Birth – 6th Grade

For more information on these ministries, please contact Bethann Dolan, Elder for Children’s Ministries at: mbergd@verizon.net or 412-492-9991

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 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 RED room of the C.E. for Kids of the Kingdom Music to start class at 9:45. Children in 3rd grade through 6th 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 *Jesus and Bartimaeus* by Linda Barto, Barb Harms, Nicole Graco, and Carolyn Hervey.

4. CHILDREN’S WORSHIP BULLETINS are with the regular bulletins at the entrances to the Sanctuary. If your child would like one, please see one of the ushers.

5. M&ms MOVIE NIGHT – Wednesday, March 18th from 6:30-8 PM. This is for kids in grades 3-5. We will meet at the Youth House. Please contact Amy Meyer with any questions at 412-492-9968 or at: littlepine@verizon.net.

6. CHILDREN’S SUNDAY IS COMING UP ON MARCH 15TH!! This is a day when the Church families and Preschool families join together for fellowship and worship. The morning starts at 9:45 in Fellowship Hall for a child friendly brunch, a drama presented by the Preschool Board members, and singing. Following this, the parents will go to the Sanctuary and the children will go to the Green Room, where they will prepare to enter the 11:10 Worship Service with music. All are welcome! Reservation forms are on the hallway tables.

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 _____

Ages of Children: _____

Other applicable information: _____

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.

7. 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. 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.

8. 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 Tuesday, April 15, 2015. For information about applying for a scholarship or about making contributions to the Scholarship Fund, please contact Jason or the Church office.

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

9. BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Over the past years a faithful group of individuals has provided a light luncheon, at a small cost, for the family and friends of a deceased individual following the funeral service. This group has dwindled in size. We need your help and assistance in creating a new group of folks who can help with this ministry. If you are interested in assisting in or leading this ministry, please contact the church office at 412-486-5400 or Jim Giel, Jr. at 412-486-2774.

10. DID YOU KNOW that you can listen to the sermons on our website? Please go to www.elfinwildchurch.org and click on the link.

11. ATTENTION MEN: There is an opportunity to strengthen your relationship with God as well as be His ambassador in the community. * A new CLC group will be starting on March 14th and will be meeting from 6:00 to 8:00 AM on Saturdays. Mike Gaydos and Mark Connelly will be the co-facilitators. If you are interested, please contact Mike Gaydos at 724-272-6951 or projecteng@hotmail.com.

12. ELFINWILD MEALS MINISTRY DRIVERS AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – As our snowbirds go south for the winter, we have a need for additional drivers and volunteers during the winter months. If you have a couple of hours during the week to assist in the kitchen or can assist in delivery of the meals, please contact Marion Berberich at 412-486-8000. Any time that you can provide would be greatly appreciated for this important ministry.

13. THE 2015 FLOWER CHART is now available! The cost for flowers in 2015 is \$44.00. Please contact the church office with any questions or sign up on the chart located in the north narthex.

14. YOUR 2015 OFFERING ENVELOPES AND 2015 YEAR END GIVING STATEMENTS are available on the tables at the rear of the Sanctuary. **ATTENTION!** If you are making direct payments via a financial

institution and do not use nor wish to have envelopes, please notify the church office. In this case, you will be assigned a 600 account number. Pew envelopes remain for other giving.

15. COFFEE HOUR HELP is needed! If you are interested in helping on Sunday mornings in the Upper Gathering Room, please contact Tessa Connelly at: connthree07@gmail.com.

16. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – All women are invited to join a new study on Thursday mornings from 9:30-11am in the youth house. We will be reading *Love Speaks* by Annie Downs and talking about the positive and negative impact that our words have on others and ourselves and how we can allow God to speak through us to the world. Childcare is provided.

17. WOMEN OF ELFINWILD MEETING – The Mary Circle meeting for Monday, March 9, will be on *The Mothers of Moses*, p. 86 in our book, *Women Of The Bible*.

18. LOST AND FOUND ITEMS FROM THE ALL CHURCH RETREAT are in a box on the pew near the ladies room outside of the chapel. If you are missing snow pants or other winter apparel, please check the box.

19. WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN A SHORT TERM “MISSION” PROJECT? Join the Women’s Ministry Team in sprucing up our church! We will gather Saturday morning, March 21st, from 8:00 AM - noon, for a Service Day! Everyone is welcome! We will work together on some cleaning projects, so if you are interested, please fill out the tear off in the Sunday Worship Bulletin or call the church office.

20. ELFINWILD’S SECOND ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP TEA will be held April 18, 2015 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM. Tickets are \$5.00. All ladies are invited to attend. You can come as a guest and enjoy great conversation and fellowship, or you can act as a hostess, decorating a table and welcoming guests! Either way, you will experience some wonderful friendship and some yummy treats! Let the Women’s Ministry Team know you will be coming by filling out the tear-off in the Sunday Worship Bulletin or by contacting Tessa Connelly through the church office.

21. MEN’S LUNCHEON – Please join us for our monthly Men’s Luncheon. In March, we will meet on Tuesday, March 3rd at 12:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Please fill out the form in this insert to make your reservation.

22. EASTER LILY MEMORIALS - Please order your 2015 Easter Lily Memorials by using the white envelopes located in each pew. Each 6” potted lily plant will be available for \$11. All orders must be received by Sunday, March 29th. You may pick up the lilies you purchase AFTER the 11:10 service on Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015.

23. REMEMBER TO CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS as we spring forward NEXT SUNDAY, March 8th!

COMMUNITY NEWS

24. 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.

25. NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH offers free tax prep for low-income individuals through March 31 at its sites in Bellevue and Millvale as part of the United Way Money in Your Pocket coalition.

Appointments in the **NHCO North Boroughs** location, AGH-Suburban Campus, 100 S. Jackson Ave., Bellevue, are available Mondays and Tuesdays from 4:30 – 7:30pm.

Appointments in the **NHCO Millvale** location, 416 Lincoln Ave are available Saturdays only from 9:00 am to noon.

Appointments must be made by calling United Way helpline 2-1-1 or 888-553-5778, beginning January 14.

26. HOSANNA INDUSTRIES 5 K RUN/WALK – Come run/walk the HI-5K in North Park on Saturday, April 18th! Proceeds benefit Hosanna Industries, a local charity that helps our needy neighbors with home repairs, provides volunteer opportunities, and trains young people to be builders. Each runner receives a tech t-shirt, goodie bag, and refreshments before and after the race. Awards are given to the top time in each age bracket, as well as the top team. Teams (4 or more people) also have the option to compete in a fundraising challenge. For more information, please contact Bob Whitaker at 412-487-0663.

27. RAGING RABBITS OF THE SHALER NORTH HILLS LIBRARY – Saturday, March 21st from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM. Seek out what candy is hidden in the darkened rooms of the library, but beware the Raging Rabbit who is out to steal your loot! Work in teams to search the library and keep the candy you find. Bring a flashlight or use the app on your phone.

28. NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH is collecting baskets, basket covers, plastic grass, candy, granola bars, juice boxes, new small toys, and new small stuffed animals for Spring Share, an NHCO sharing project that will help approximately 300 local families in hardship. Donations are accepted through March 25th weekdays from 9 AM to 4 PM at 1975 Ferguson Road, Allison Park, PA. For more information, please contact Vicki at vdburst@nhc.org or 412-487-6316, option 1.

29. SIGHT AND SOUND MILLENNIUM THEATER PRESENTS ‘MOSES’ on April 10th and 11th at the Sight and Sound Millennium Theater in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. An invitation is being extended to our congregation from Glenshaw Presbyterian Church to join them on this trip. The trip includes transportation by deluxe motor coach, one night lodging at the Holiday Inn Express (Rockvale, Lancaster, PA), one expanded continental breakfast, one traditional family-style dinner at Plain and Fancy Restaurant, reserved seating for “Moses”, shopping opportunities at Kitchen Kettle Village and Bird in Hand Farmers Market, meal gratuities, driver gratuity, baggage handling and taxes. Departure from Glenshaw Presbyterian Church will be 7:30 AM on April 10th. Approximate return time is 6:00 PM on April 11th. Cost per person:

Adult: \$253.00 Double Occupancy

Children 3-12 with 2 paying adults: \$148.00

Children 13-18 with 2 paying adults: \$168.00

A \$50.00 deposit is due by February 22, 2015. For more information, please contact Debbie Vita at 412-487-3633 or dvita86@verizon.net.

2015 LENTEN STUDY

WEDNESDAYS BEGINNING

FEBRUARY 18, 2015

THROUGH MARCH 25, 2015

6:30 PM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

THE REASON FOR GOD

BELIEF IN AN AGE OF SKEPTICISM

BY

TIM KELLER

“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.” 2 Peter 3:15

A pot luck dinner will begin at 5:45 pm. Please bring a dish to share. Drinks will be provided.

Dr. Lesnett will facilitate this conversation covering topics that are some of today’s most challenging questions to our faith, such as: “Why does God allow suffering?” “How can you say there is only one way to God?” “Why is the Church responsible for so much injustice?” and more.

STAFF

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**Elfinwild Presbyterian Church
Financial Statement
January 31, 2015**

Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$46,296
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$64,842
Unfavorable	(Y.T.D.)	- \$18,546



**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**

March 1, 2015

**Second Sunday in Lent
8:30 & 11:10 AM Worship**

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

*Now faith is being sure of what we hope for
and certain of what we do not see.
This is what the ancients were commended for.
Hebrews 11:1*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us worship God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ.
All: We are new creations; the old has gone, the new has come!
 Leader: Let us worship God as Christ’s ambassadors.
All: Through us and through our worship may we announce the good news to all.
 Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and truth.
All: Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

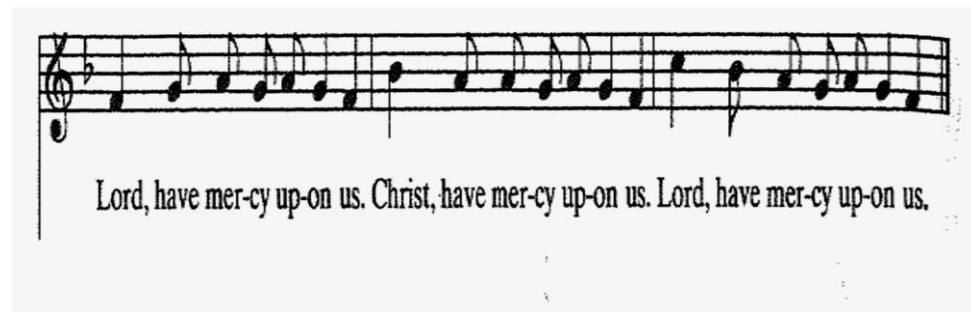
*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 87 “The Glory of These 40 Days”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CHORAL CALL TO CONFESSION Hymn 572

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us



UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you did not disdain the company of sinners but welcomed them with love.
 Look upon us in mercy, we pray.
 Our sins are more than we can bear; our pasts enslave us;
 our misdeeds are beyond correcting.
 Forgive the wrongs we cannot undo;
 free us from a past we cannot change;
 heal what we can no longer fix.
 Grace our lives with your love
 and turn the tears
 of our past into the joys of new life with you.
 Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

Leader: 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.**

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “The Broken Beautiful” Youth Choir

*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.**

*STATEMENT OF FAITH The Apostle’s Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth;
 and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord,
 Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
 born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead, and buried.
 He descended into Hell;
 On the third day He rose again from the dead;
 He ascended into Heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father almighty;
 from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER 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.**

ANTHEM

“Hero” Youth Choir

Refrain:

There He goes, a hero, a savior to the world.
 Here He stands with scars in His hands.
 With love He gave His life so we could be free.
 The savior of the world.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 3:21-31 (page 1056 in the pew Bible)

SERMON “By Faith” Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 383 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Special thanks to our liturgist:
11:10 – Hope Schreiber*

