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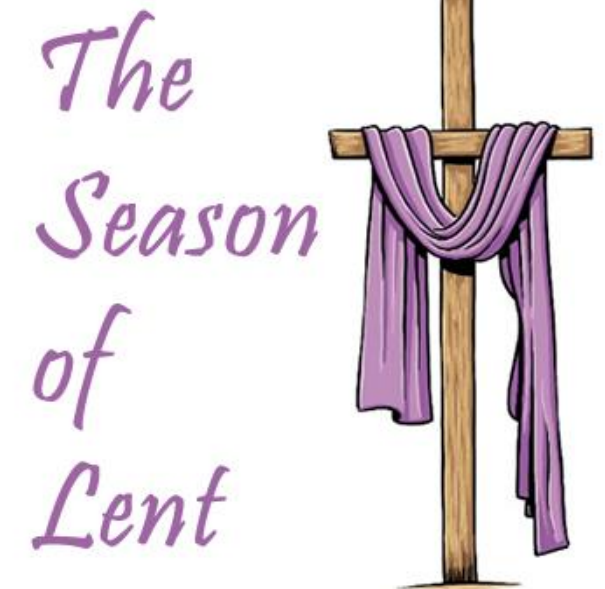
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**WELCOME TO  
 ELFINWILD  
 PRESBYTERIAN  
 CHURCH**

*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  
 First Sunday in Lent  
 March 5, 2017**

**8:30 AM & 11:10 AM Worship**

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

**“And all the king’s servants who were at the king’s gate bowed down  
 and did obeisance to Haman; for the king had so commanded  
 concerning him. But Mordecai did not bow down or do obeisance.  
 Then the king’s servants who were at the king’s gate said to  
 Mordecai, ‘Why do you disobey the king’s command?’ ”**

Esther 3:2-3

**PRELUDE**

(8:30)      “40 Days”      Matt Maher  
                  Praise Team

(11:10)      “Many Gifts, One Spirit”      Alvin Carmines  
                  Elementary Choir

**WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH**

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

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Financial Statement January 31, 2017		
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$67,690
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$69,023
Unfavorable	(Y.T.D.)	- \$1,333

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into His presence with singing.

People: **Know that the Lord is God. It is He that made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.**

Leader: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him, bless His name.

All: **For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.**

(8:30)

\*SONG OF PRAISE

“Famous One”

Tomlin/Reeves

Chorus

**You are the Lord  
The famous One famous One  
Great is Your name in all the earth  
The heavens declare  
You're glorious glorious  
Great is Your fame beyond the earth**

Verse 1

**And for all You've done and yet to do  
With ev'ry breath I'm praising You  
Desire of nations and ev'ry heart  
You alone are God You alone are God**

Verse 2

**The Morning Star is shining through  
And ev'ry eye is watching You  
Revealed by nature and miracles  
You are beautiful You are beautiful**

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(11:10)

\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 81 “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

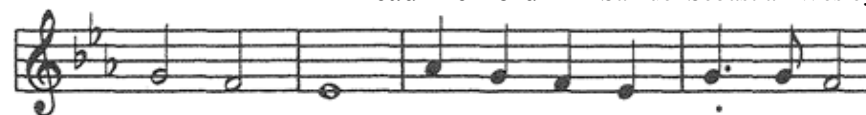
1 John 1:8,9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

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.**

“Lead Me Lord” Samuel Sebastian Wesley



Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;



make thy way plain before my face.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Friends, receive and 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)

“By His Wounds”  
Praise Team

Powell/Nasser

(11:10)

“This Little Light of Mine”  
Elementary Choir

Mark Patterson

\*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

“Lord’s Prayer”

Eric and Tara Park

(8:30) Praise Team

(11:10)Elementary Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Esther 4

(page 470 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“If You Keep Silent At This Time”

Rev. Jason Rea

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Words of Invitation

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Receiving the Bread+ (Gluten free wafers are in the bowl in the center of the plate)

Receiving the Cup+

Prayer of Thanksgiving

+(please hold each element until all are served)

(8:30)

\*SONG OF COMMITMENT

“Shout to the Lord”

Zschech

**My Jesus my Saviour**

**Lord there is none like You  
All of my days I want to praise  
The wonders of Your mighty love  
My comfort my shelter  
Tower of refuge and strength  
Let every breath all that I am  
Never cease to worship You**

Chorus

**Shout to the Lord  
All the earth let us sing  
Power and majesty  
Praise to the King  
Mountains bow down  
And the seas will roar  
At the sound of Your name  
I sing for joy  
At the work of Your hands  
Forever I'll love You  
Forever I'll stand  
Nothing compares to the promise  
I have in You**

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(11:10)

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT No. 521 “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Great Is the Lord”

Peggy Bettcher

**The Elder of the Week is Kyle Pinta**

*Special thanks to our liturgists:*

8:30 – Jim Saraceno 11:10 – Rev. Bill Meyer

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS: TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE**

“Christian stewards seek the heart of God in faithfully, joyfully and gratefully managing all the gifts God has given.”

*Anonymous*

**29. THERE WILL BE A MISSION COMMITTEE MEETING** on March 12<sup>th</sup> in the library after the 11:10 church service.

**30. SUMMER MEANS LCCC!!!!** It is time to register for Ligonier Camp! On the blue banner in the lower entry way of the church, you will find brochures about traditional summer camp and family camp! Scholarships are available! To apply for one, check the scholarship box on the registration form at the time of registering (a small deposit will be needed). After that, at the www.ligoniercamp.org website, under the "registration tab" you will find the word "scholarship". Click it...download the packet and complete the forms and send them to camp! Questions? Contact Ruthie Riethmuller 412-487-3421 or mrdd1@comcast.net.

**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. SHALER AREA HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL "LES MISERABLES"** Performances will be 7 PM on Friday and Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>, and 2 PM on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, at the high school auditorium, located at 381 Wible Run Road. 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 and at the door. For more information, contact the high school activities office at 412-492-1200 Press 8 and ext. 1530.

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 3-5-17**

**TODAY** (3-5-17) Communion  
8:30 AM & 11:10 AM – Worship Services – SA  
9:45 AM – Sunday School  
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH  
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Club – YH

**MONDAY**  
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE  
5:00 PM – Brownies – PR  
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act One – FrH  
6:00 PM – Preschool CPR training - UGR  
7:00 PM – Personnel Committee Meeting – KL  
7:00 PM – Webelos I – PR  
7:00 PM – Stephen Ministry Training Session – CCR  
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts- FH

**TUESDAY**  
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE  
10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL  
12:00 PM – Men's Luncheon – FH  
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act One – FrH  
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM – Praise Team – SA  
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose

**WEDNESDAY**  
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE, UGR  
5:45 PM – 7:30 PM – Lenten Dinner and Bible Study for all ages- FH  
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM – Lenten Study Child Care – TR  
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM – Kids' Lenten Study 4 yrs-2<sup>nd</sup> grade – PR  
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM – Lenten Study- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade-5<sup>th</sup> grade – UGR  
7:30 PM – 9:00 PM – Chancel Choir – CR

**THURSDAY**  
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Parent Teacher Conferences- CE  
8:00 AM – Men's Bible Study – PS  
6:00 PM – Lions' Club – CCR  
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Elementary Choir – CR  
7:00 PM – Handbells – CR

**FRIDAY**  
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Parent Teacher Conferences- CE  
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Den 8 Wolf Cub Scouts – TR  
6:30 PM – 9:00 PM – Den 8 Bear Cub Scouts – PR  
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Tiger Cubs – Red Room

**SATURDAY**  
6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – CLC #6 – YH  
8:00 AM – CLC Next Steps #1 – KL  
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Act One – FrH  
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Women's Ministry Mission Work Day  
11:00 AM – Women's Ministry Meeting – KL  
EPC to serve meals @ Pleasant Valley Shelter

**SUNDAY** (3-12-17)  
8:30 AM & 11:10 AM – Worship Services – SA  
9:45 AM – Sunday School  
12:15 PM – Deacon's Meeting – CCR  
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH  
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Club – YH  
7:00 PM – Session Meeting – CCR

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS THIS MORNING** are given in loving memory of Dr. John Schrenker by his wife and family.

**THE ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Kyle Pinta.

**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 USHERS**

Paul Braddock  
Bob Szymoniak  
Kim Szymoniak  
Max Smith  
Ron Tiedeman

**11:10 USHERS**

Mel Stoker  
Jennifer Muszynski  
Dorothy Thompson  
Patti Zahnhausen

**SOUND TECHNICIANS**

8:30 – Dennis Kriek  
11:10 – Ken Volle

**UPCOMING SERVICE**

Sunday, March 12, 2017  
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

**CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY**

**Birth – 6<sup>th</sup> 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 1/2 to 4yrs. of age.

**2. SUNDAY SCHOOL** –Children 4 years old (Pre-K) through 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> grade through 5<sup>th</sup> will meet in their classrooms.

**3. YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP** – For ages Pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. This week's lesson will be *Lent* and will be taught by Linda Barto, Barb Harms, and Nicole Graco.

**4. CALLING ALL KIDS—GRADES 3-5! M&MS: MESSIAH & ME**

**YOUTH GROUP** Get ready for a year of fun, games, growing and serving in Jesus Christ. Our next meeting will be March 15, 2017 at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. We will be joining the Lenten Bible study. Please join us!

**MUSIC MINISTRIES**

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

**5. JOIN US!** – You are invited to join our music ministry ensembles. Everyone is welcome so please come out to a rehearsal and give it a try!

**Praise Team** – Tuesdays 6-7:30 PM  
**Chancel Choir** – Wednesdays 7:30-9:00 PM  
**Elementary Choir** – Thursdays 6-7:00 PM  
**Handbell Choir** – Thursdays 7:00 PM

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

*For more information on these ministries, please contact*

*Rev. Jason Rea at: [jason@elfinwildchurch.org](mailto:jason@elfinwildchurch.org) or call 412-486-5400.*

**6. REGULAR CLUBS** – Jr. High (grades 6-8) meets from 4:30-6:00 PM and Sr. High (grades 9-12) meets from 6:30-8:00 PM on Sundays at the Youth House. We hope to see you there!

**7. JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS' BIBLE STUDY** –During Lent, we will not be meeting at Bethany's home, but are encouraging the girls to attend the Lenten dinner and Bible Study in Fellowship Hall at 5:45 PM. We hope you will come and bring a friend!

**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 Friday, April 14, 2017. 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. 2017 CHANCEL FLOWERS** – Flowers for the Chancel are \$48 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.

**10. LENTEN DINNER AND STUDY** – Please join us on Wednesdays, beginning on March 1, 2017 through April 5, 2017 at 5:45 PM in Fellowship Hall. Dinner begins at 5:45 followed by Bible study for all ages at 6:30 PM. Please bring a dish to share. Drinks will be provided.

**11. PRAY WITHOUT CEASING...** Our Wednesday Night Prayer Gatherings will continue in the chapel on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, **starting at 7:30 PM**. 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.

**12. 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, Vickey Trader at 412-782-5742 for more information. Items the Pantry is in need of are: Side dishes with noodles (no rice), Side dishes with potatoes, Jelly - any flavor, Canned whole potatoes, Boxed meals like Hamburger Helper, Boxed mac & cheese, Jars of spaghetti sauce, Canned chili or stew, Broth & gravy - chicken, turkey & beef, Large bottles of juice, Pudding & Jello premade or to be made, Cake & brownie mixes, Pancake mix & syrup, Bags of flour & sugar, Cooking oil, Boxes of Crackers, Salad dressing & ketchup, Napkins & tissues, Paper towels, and Baby diapers.

**13. GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION BREAD** – For those with gluten sensitivity, a gluten free option is provided whenever Communion is offered. You will find it in the center of the bread plate, in a separate bowl. Measures have been taken to prevent cross contamination.

**14. AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRL NEW TROOP FORMING** – Elfinwild Church is starting a new American Heritage Girls troop. The troop is open to girls ages 5-18. Please feel free to contact Pam McKern with any questions at: [pamela\\_mckern@hotmail.com](mailto:pamela_mckern@hotmail.com) or 412-512-3461.

**15. SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES – September through May**

\* The Story taught by Dr. Dirk Lesnett (Fellowship Hall)

\* “The Wired Word” (Cornerstone Room)

**16. COMING TO THEATERS FOR ONE INSPIRING NIGHT**

It's the story that shook the world ... and challenged the faith of those who lived through it. Now, the amazing true story of how Samaritan's Purse staff trusted God in the midst of the devastating Ebola crisis in Africa is coming to theaters for one night. Plan now to see **FACING DARKNESS** on Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup> only. **Tickets Are Now Available!** You can find a preliminary list of theaters and tickets can be purchased online from participating theaters at [facingdarknessmovie.com](http://facingdarknessmovie.com). Don't miss out on the ministry movie event of the year.

**17. ELFINWILD PRESCHOOL** is now accepting applications for the 2017-18 school year. For information about the weekday preschool or to register for next year, please call the school office at 412-486-2322. We love to share information about the program. Learning and growing in God's love provides a wonderful opportunity for us to share Christ's love and welcome families in the community.

**18. MEN'S LUNCHEON** – Please join us for our monthly Men's Luncheon. In March, we will meet on Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Please fill out the response form in the pews to make your reservation.

**19. COFFEE, TREATS AND FELLOWSHIP** We gather after the 8:30 AM. Worship Service and before Sunday School Classes start. Volunteers prepare and serve coffee, juice and treats. **Volunteers are needed on Sundays for clean-up.** Would you like to volunteer? Contact: Tessa Connelly, at [connthree07@gmail.com](mailto:connthree07@gmail.com) or by phone at 412-600-1452.

**20. HOSPITALITY MEAL MINISTRY** – Did you know that members of your Elfinwild Family will provide a meal for you and your family if you are in need? For example, perhaps you or a family member are recovering from surgery, just had a baby or are too ill to prepare dinner for a few days. We sign up and deliver meals to you. Do you need a meal? Would you like to prepare and deliver a meal Contact: Tessa Connelly, at [connthree07@gmail.com](mailto:connthree07@gmail.com) or by phone at 412-600-1452.

**21. HELP US REBUILD IN GREENBRIER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA!**

We were unable to get into the Carolina's in February, so we are going a little farther north where they are prepared for help with rebuilding. The residents in Eastern WV are still recovering from last fall's flooding. Please help us get them back into their homes. **The Presbyterian Project**, a partnership of 5 area churches, is taking a group of workers March 12-18, 2017. Cost is \$350/person, with scholarships available if needed. Contact Penny Young at 412-818-7118 or [youngp@fcpc.us](mailto:youngp@fcpc.us) if you would like to be part of this outreach. Thank you.

**22. HOSPITALITY MEALS** – Thank you to those that have been signing up to bring our Elfinwild Family meals. I wanted to mention that in order for you to be able to sign up you need to receive the email from the direct link that I set up. You cannot forward my email as the link connects with the emails that I

allow access to. Please email me if you need to be added or if you have questions. Thank you, Tessa Connelly [connthree07@gmail.com](mailto:connthree07@gmail.com).

**23. STEPHEN MINISTRY**-informational brochures are available in the Gathering Room on the windowsill. Also, please stop and pick up a copy of the article "The Grieving Need You Most After The Funeral". It has very wise and practical advise to come alongside our grieving friends! If you have any questions about Stephen Ministry, please contact Ruthie Riethmuller, Stephen Leader at 412-487-3421 or [mrdd1@comcast.net](mailto:mrdd1@comcast.net).

**VERSE OF THE MONTH-"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." Matthew 5:4**

**24. SAVE THE DATE!** The Women's Ministry Annual Ladies Tea is on Saturday, April 1, 2017 at 11:00 AM. Think about being a hostess and setting a table, there will be chances to win prizes. More information will be coming soon.

**25. 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 Dick Friedline at 412-486-8000.

**26. ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN AND FRIENDS OF SAN JOSE DEL NEGRITO, HONDURAS, MISSION TRIP - JUNE 17-24, 2017**

Could this be your year to join a church-wide mission trip to the mountains of Honduras? We are excited to be able to partner with the community of San Jose del Negrito to improve homes of the most needy by painting, light construction, cleaning, and working “shoulder to shoulder” with homeowners. We will also conduct a 2 day Vacation Bible School program as well as one evening worship service for the community at large. Trip expenses are approximately \$1200-1500. In addition, immunizations at the ACHD (\$200-400) and a passport will be required. Some financial assistance may be available through Elfinwild's Mission Team. Please contact Mark Meyer at: [littlepine@verizon.net](mailto:littlepine@verizon.net) for more information.

**27. 2017 PER CAPITA** – For anyone who uses auto pay or ACH, this is a notification that you did not receive a Per Capita envelope for 2017. You may pay your per capita by placing it in a pew envelope and making sure that your name and the words “Per Capita” are written on the envelope. **Per Capita Apportionment** is the fee assessed on all churches of the Presbyterian Church (USA) based on the number of its communicant members. The 2017 Per Capita Apportionment for churches in the Pittsburgh Presbytery is \$31.50 per member. Elfinwild is required to make payments each quarter in 2017 to pay this assessment.

1 Member	\$31.50	3 Members	\$94.50
2 Members	\$63.00	4 Members	\$126.00

**28. TODDLER ROOM ATTENDANT POSITION** is now open. The Toddler Room Attendant will maintain the Toddler Room as a secure, nurturing environment where each child will see, hear and feel the love of Jesus Christ and parents can feel confident their child will receive the highest quality of care and ministry. This person will work each Sunday from 9:30-12:30 (or after the second service has been completed). As an important ministry of the Elfinwild Presbyterian Church, the Toddler Room teacher must be a compassionate, understanding and spiritually motivated individual and a fully committed believer in Jesus Christ.