

THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:

8:30 a.m.	11:10 a.m.
Paul Braddock	Mel Stoker
Dick Matthews	Lee Shumaker
Kim Szymoniak	Jack Ritenbaugh
Bob Szymoniak	Patti Zahnhausen
Ron Tiedeman	Bill Sausser

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, March 13, 2011
8:30 and 11:10 am
First Sunday in Lent-Communion
Dr. 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 Liz Rogers in the chapel.

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

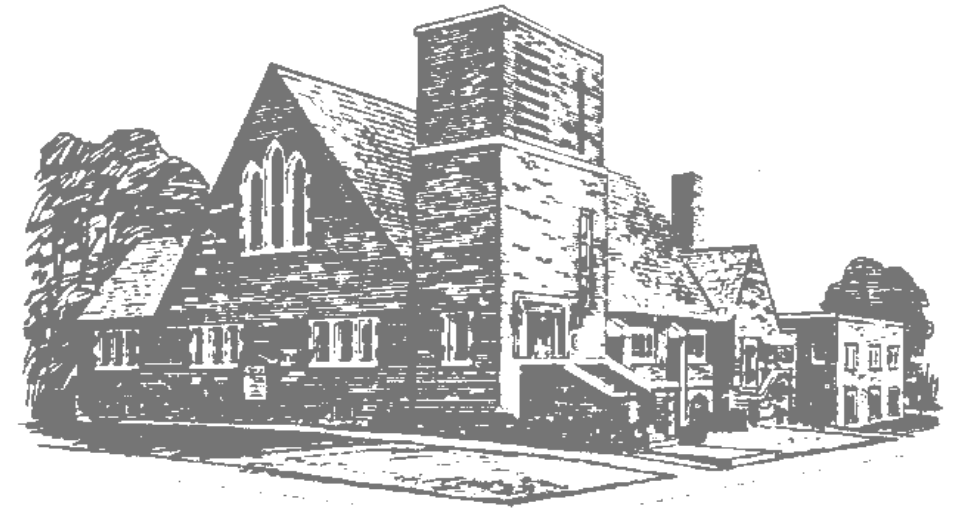
Toddlers (ages 2 - 4) are welcomed in the Toddler Room

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.**

1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Liz Rogers.
2. **THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** this morning are given to the glory of God.

**Elfinwild Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship for the Lord's Day**

March 6, 2011

Eight-thirty and Eleven-Ten O'clock

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

*"The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing,
but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."* 1 Corinthians 1:18

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *"Psalm Prelude"* Richard Douglas Avakian

CHORAL INTROIT (11:10) *"Surely the Presence of the Lord"* Lanny Wolfe

CALL TO WORSHIP (11:10) Psalm 150
"Let Everything that has Breath Praise the Lord"
Mime Ministry of Friendship Community Church

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH
(Please sign the friendship pad that is located near the center aisle of each pew.)

***HYMN** *"Joyful (The One Who Saves)"* (see insert)

***OPENING PRAYER**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***SONG OF RESPONSE** *"The Wonderful Cross"* (see insert)

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *"In Christ Alone"* Chancel Choir/Praise Team
(see insert)

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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Peter 2:4-10
(Pages 216 & 217 N.T. in the pew Bible)

SERMON *"We Are!! – God's People!!"* Dr. Dirk Lesnett

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN** *"We Are God's People"* (see insert)

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

***BENEDICTION**

***RECESSION**

POSTLUDE *"Fanfare on 'The Solid Rock'"* arr. Frank Breazeale

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- 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.



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

- 4. **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 the "Good Shepherd & the Lord's Supper" is being taught by Sue Anderson, Donna ReaThompson and Carolyn Hervey.
- 5. **M & ms – WINTER & SPRING** meeting dates are as follows: Mar. 17 (this is a **Thursday** night) and we will be going bowling at FunFest Lanes in Harmar. Cost is \$10.00 and we will be meeting at the lanes; Apr. 13, May 18, and Jun. 22 when we will have a pizza lunch immediately following VBS. Unless otherwise noted, we gather from 6:30 until 8:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. All youth in grades 4 through 6 are welcome to join us. Parents are welcome too!

STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12



- 6. **PANCAKE SUPPER: TUESDAY, MARCH 8 FROM 4:30-7:00 PM.** We want to invite you all to the Pancake Supper on March 8 from 4:30-7 pm in Fellowship Hall. There will be plenty of pancakes with lots of different things to top them with, as well as sausage and drinks. There is a suggested donation of \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children and all proceeds support our students on their summer mission trips, as well as other trips we take throughout the years. Thanks for your support!
- 7. **PIE AUCTION HELP NEEDED.** If you can bake or do a craft or have a service such as painting or tickets to donate to musicals or sporting events and would like to help our students to go on their summer Mission Trips, please contact Kyle Pinta at 412-487-6163 or kjpinta@aol.com to donate your items. We can't do all that we do without you!



Elfinwild Church News

8. **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 need and community service. Applications are available in the church office. The deadline for submission of applications is Friday, April 15, 2011. For more information, contact Jason Rea or the church office.
9. **ADMINISTRATIVE VOLUNTEER NEEDED.** We are looking for someone who would like to serve the church and has gifts of administration to learn from and assist Jack Ritenbaugh, our Business Manager. Our goal is to have leadership that is “two deep” so that there is a back-up when one is needed. If you are interested, please contact Dr. Lesnett or Jack Ritenbaugh.
10. **ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENTS** can be found in the reception area next to the Church Ave. entrance. Please pick yours up and save the cost of mailing. Thank you.
11. **THE COLUMBARIUM.** Elfinwild Presbyterian Church has established a special facility for the care and safekeeping of cremated remains. By establishing a columbarium at our church, it is possible to once again return to the tradition of making one's final resting place on the grounds of the church. Applications are now being accepted for reserving a niche in the Columbarium. Selection will be on a first come, first serve basis and selection began on January 15, 2011. Niches can be purchased for both burial and tribute. Brochures and applications are available through the church office. If you would like to speak with someone about the Columbarium and purchasing a niche, please feel free to contact Deb Thompson, 412-487-7001.
12. **SHARE YOUR ELFINWILD MEMORIES.** Elfinwild Church will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2012 and one of the planned projects is publication of a church history. Included will be biographical sketches of pastors, listings of members and church officers, and of course, pictures. What we're looking for here, however, is your memories. We want your input for a section called Memories of Elfinwild. Please write what you especially remember about Elfinwild over its 100 years. Long or short, light or serious, recent or long-past, the more stories gathered the more we will understand the legacy of our beloved church. Please send your stories to Jim Giel, Jr. at the church office or e-mail him at gielwest@verizon.net.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	1:30 pm 7:00 pm	Jr. & Sr. High Club – Shaler Musical Women's Bible Study – Peach Room
MONDAY	7:30 am 5:30-9:00 pm 7:00 pm	Preschool–C.E. Act I – Fr. Hall and C.E. Building Cub Scout leaders meet – Peach Room
TUESDAY	CALL DEADLINE 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm 4:30-7:00 pm 5:30-9:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Preschool – C.E. Naomi Circle – Kennedy Library Staff Meeting – Choir Room Caring Hands – Fellowship Hall Pancake Supper – Fellowship Hall Act 1 – Friendship Hall & C.E. Building TOPS Handbells Praise Team - Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY	7:30 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:15 pm	Preschool – C.E. Lenten Dinner – Fellowship Hall Lenten Study – Fellowship Hall Elementary Choir – Choir Room CLC – Kennedy Library Chancel Choir – Choir room
THURSDAY	7:00 am 7:30 am 8:30 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study – Kennedy Library No Preschool – parent/teacher conferences Women's Bible Study – Youth House Lions Club – Corner Conf. Room CLC – Youth House
FRIDAY	7:30 am 7:00 pm	No Preschool – parent/teacher conferences Cub Scouts – Friendship Hall
SATURDAY	9:00 am – 3 pm 10:00 am	Act I – Friendship Hall & C.E. Webelos at Beechwood Farms



The Lenten Study
The Prodigal God
Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith

By Timothy Keller

Wednesdays in Fellowship Hall
 March 9th – April 20th
 6:00-6:30 – Dinner 6:30-7:30 – Study

Dr. Dirk Lesnett will be leading a Lenten DVD study based on the book **The Prodigal God** by Timothy Keller. Keller opens up a familiar parable to new insights. He takes the story of the prodigal son from Luke 15 and offers a cultural historical view that is challenging and inspiring. The conversation should be lively and the opportunity for spiritual growth is limitless. A pot-luck supper will be served at 6:00. The study will follow at 6:30.

I would like to participate. I would like _____ books at \$8.00 each

It warms the heart and body to break bread and study the Word of God together as we travel through the Lenten season. Consider sharing a favorite recipe and great conversation. Sign-up for a week or two and let us know what you would like to bring:

- _____ Hearty soup, chili or casserole
- _____ Salad
- _____ Dessert
- _____ I would like to help with set up at 5:15

The Deacons are providing the meal for Ash Wednesday, March 9th.

On Wednesday, March _____ 16th, _____ 23rd, _____ 30th,
 April _____ 6th, _____ 13th, _____ 20th, _____ 27th,

Name _____

Phone# _____

* **Babysitting will be provided. Please call the office to let us know how many children will be coming.**

* **Cancellations due to weather will be posted on the website:**

www.elfinwildchurch.org or call the office 412-486-5400 with any questions .

13. **USE OF CHURCH FACILITIES FOR MEETINGS.** It has been brought to our attention that groups are taking it upon themselves to arrange meetings or programs in church facilities without contacting the office to see if the room that they intend to use is available. The proper procedure for usage of a room in the church, or any building on the campus, is to notify Lora King at 412-486-5400 to see if there is availability of the room on the church calendar. The meeting is then placed on the calendar with the time the room will be in use by the group. This procedure will then alert the sexton on duty to be aware of who is in the building at certain times and they can arrange their work schedules to clean the building in an orderly fashion and to maintain security of the facilities. YOUR COOPERATION WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

14.

ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH		
Financial Statement		
January 31, 2011		
Proposed Budget	(Y.T.D.)	\$ 60,588
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		51,853
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$ 45,621
Favorable	(Y.T.D.)	6,232

15. **DID YOU KNOW** that the Deacons will provide a meal for you and your family if you are in need? For example, perhaps you, or a family member that you are caring for, are too ill to prepare dinner for a few days. Our Hospitality Ministry can deliver a meal to your home!

Or perhaps you have a doctor's appointment, but have no transportation or are unable to drive. The Deacons' Hospitality Ministry is able to help.

The Deacons are here to **SERVE YOU**. Do you have a need for either of these services? If so, please call the church office, and we will respond to you.

16. **FURNITURE IN OUR NEW SPACES.** A thank you is extended to Bev Weber for procuring furniture for our new gathering spaces at no cost to the church.

17. **BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS.** The pantry would especially appreciate any type of condiments, baking items, boxed/packaged potatoes, canned fruit, any types of crackers, and kids' cereals in March.

18. **NEW CLC GROUP FOR MEN.** A new CLC group will be starting in early May. Tentative gathering times are presently Monday evening or early Saturday morning. Please call Dirk Lesnett at the church office (412-486-5400), Steve Heere (412-492-8053) or Rodney Engh (412-496-1135) by March 15 to reserve your spot!
19. **MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT SEMINAR** – Friday-Saturday, March 25-26, 2011. Elfinwild Presbyterian Church. No cost. Friday – dinner at 6:00 pm. See bulletin insert for more details.
20. **SPAGHETTI DINNER AT CALVERT.** Calvert Church hosts a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, March 19, 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Elfinwild partners with Glenshaw and Parkwood Presbyterian Churches to support the work of Calvert in the Etna community. The spaghetti dinners give us a chance to meet people of these congregations. The price: Adults - \$7, children (3-12) \$4, under 3 – free. Dessert donations are very welcome. At the first light In Etna, turn right and go one half block up High Street to 94 Locust Street. Carpooling is encouraged, as you must park on the street. Elfinwild Church's turn to host this dinner will come in a few months.
21. **ALLIED WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES** has placed a 2 cu. ft. recycling bin in the Church Avenue lot next to the Abitibi paper recycling bin. This bin will take all recycling materials such as cans, cardboard, plastic, glass, and phone books which can be co-mingled. The paper will continue to be deposited in the Abitibi recycling bins. There will be red containers located inside the church facilities to place these materials for disposal.
22. **SENIOR ACHIEVERS WILL MEET THURSDAY MARCH 17, 2011** at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Entertainment will be by Joe Diamond, Singer-guitarist. Bring a bag lunch. Beverage and dessert are provided. Guests and visitors are welcome.



23. **SENIOR CITIZEN-LOW INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE.** Sponsored by AARP and held at Elfinwild Volunteer Fire Company, 2807 Mt. Royal Blvd., Glenshaw, PA 15116 from February 2 through April 7, 2011 – Monday, Wednesday, Thursday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. First come, first served. Call the Shaler North Hills Library at 412-486-0211 for more information. The library has tax forms!
24. **DONATIONS REQUESTED FOR "SPRING SHARE."** North Hills Community Outreach is collecting items for "Spring Share" that will help approximately 500 local families in hardship. Please deliver your donations (baskets, candy, granola bars, snack size treats, gift cards, etc.) from March 7 – April 16 to NHCO, 1975 Ferguson Road, Allison Park, PA 15101. For more information, contact Vicki at 412-487-6316, option 1.
25. **OPEN YOUR HEART TO A SENIOR.** North Hills Community Outreach matches caring volunteers with elderly individuals who need a little help to remain independent in their own homes. To help with grocery shopping, rides to the doctor, snow shoveling or home safety checks, call 412-407-0071. Help is needed in every community and neighborhood. Trainings are held throughout the month at various North Hills and greater Pittsburgh locations.
26. **WALK OR RUN FOR NHCO!** North Hills Community Outreach is a charity affiliate for this year's Pittsburgh Marathon as well as a participating charity in Highmark's Walk for a Healthy Community. The organization is recruiting walkers, runners and volunteers for both events. To learn more, contact Jen Drayton at 412-487-6316, option 2, x3210 or visit www.nhco.org/fundraisers.