

27. SHALER AREA HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS THE MUSICAL

“MARY POPPINS” at Shaler Area High School.

Sunday March 8th @ 2:00PM

Friday and Saturday, March 13th & 14th @ 7:00PM

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.

28. 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.

29. SHALER AREA HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 28th, 2015 from 8 to 11 AM in the Shaler Area Middle School Cafeteria. Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, coffee, milk and juice will be served. There will also be a Chinese Auction! Adults- \$6; Seniors- \$4; Kids 6-12- \$4; Kids under 5 are free.

Proceeds will be used to purchase new band instruments and equipment. Thank you for your support!

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 3-8-15

TODAY (3-8-15) 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA
9:45 AM –Sunday School- CE
2:00 PM – Youth Group attends Shaler Musical
7:00 PM – Session Meeting – CCR

MONDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
12:00 PM – Mary Circle – KL
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM – 6th Grd. Girls’ Bible Study @Harbaughs
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act I – FrH
7:00 PM – Pack 157 Committee Meeting – PR
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH

TUESDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
8:00 AM – Prayer and Communion Service – CH
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Preschool T-Shirt Day – PR
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Preschool Parent Meeting – FH
10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL
1:00 PM – Caring Hands – FH
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act I – FrH
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose – CCR
7:00 PM – Trustees Meeting – CCR
7:00 PM – AARP Meeting – FH

WEDNESDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
12:00 PM – Ministerium Meeting – Anchorpoint
5:45 PM – Lenten Dinner – FH
6:30 PM – Lenten Study – FH
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM – Kids Lenten Activities – PR
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Webelos I – FrH
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
6:00 PM – Lions’ Club – FH
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM – Bear Den 157 - PR
7:30 PM – Blue and Gold Banquet Set-Up – FH

FRIDAY 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
7:30 PM – Blue and Gold Banquet Set-Up – FH

SATURDAY 6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – CLC – YH
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Act I – FrH
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM –Young Child Sunday Prep – FH
4:30 PM – Blue and Gold Banquet Set-Up – FH
6:00 PM – Blue and Gold Banquet- FH

SUNDAY (3-15-15) 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA
11:10 AM – Young Child Sunday – SA
9:45 AM –Sunday School- CE
12:15 PM – Deacons’ Meeting – CCR
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Youth Group – YH

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

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Patty Robinson.

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 – Zach Hughes
11:10 AM – Skip Young

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday, March 15, 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 Zacchaeus* 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 – No Clubs tonight!! Instead, as a group, we are attending the Shaler Area Musical, Mary Poppins. Tickets are \$7 for general admission. If you let Jason know by Thursday that you would like to go he will get you a ticket in advance. Otherwise you can purchase one at the door. We will meet at the Shaler High school at 1:45pm. If you would need a ride over, you can meet Jason at the church at 1:30pm. (Please let Jason know ahead of time if you would like a ride). We have several members of our Sr. high group in this musical and so it will be great for both our Jr. and Sr. high students to go and support them. We hope you will join us. And remember: no club this Sunday!

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

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. YOUR 2015 OFFERING ENVELOPES AND 2015 YEAR END GIVING STATEMENTS are available in the Church Office.

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.

14. 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.

15. 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.

16. WOMEN OF ELFINWILD MEETING – The Mary Circle meeting for Monday, March 9 is CANCELED due to inclement weather.

17. 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.

18. 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.

19. 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.

20. TROOP 157 WELCOMES its 58th and 59th Eagle Scouts. Congratulations to Morgan Harris and Kenneth Andrews. Both young men are continuing with Troop 157 as Assistant Scoutmasters. The March Troop trip will be to the Professional Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. Troop 157 will participate in the Scouting for Food Program during April. The Troop will attend Beach Jam at Wildwood, New Jersey with a private tour of the Philadelphia Mint from May 14-17. The Troop and Venture Crew will be camping on the beach. Troop 157 meets in Fellowship Hall on Mondays from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. Call Tom Payne, Scoutmaster at 412-576-4113 for more information.

COMMUNITY NEWS

21. 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.

22. 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 NHC North Boroughs location, AGH-Suburban Campus, 100 S. Jackson Ave., Bellevue, are available Mondays and Tuesdays from 4:30 – 7:30pm.

Appointments in the NHC 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.

23. 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.

24. 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.

25. 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 NHC 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.

26. 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 now. For more information, please contact Debbie Vita at 412-487-3633 or dvita86@verizon.net.

(11:10)

*HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 379 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Special thanks to our liturgist:

8:30 – Shane Callahan

11:10 – Kevin Hart

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.

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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 8, 2015

Third 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.*

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ... I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. I would not have known him, except that the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is he who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' I have seen and I testify that this is the Son of God.

John 1:29-34

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 55:11-12; John 4:24

Leader: Let us worship God, for whom our souls thirst and our bodies long.
All: Listen, listen to me, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare.
 Leader: We have come to hear the Word God has sent.
All: God's Word will not return empty but will accomplish through us His holy purpose.
 Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.
All: Then we will go out with joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills will sing; the trees of the field will clap their hands.

(8:30)
 *SONG OF PRAISE "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) Praise Team

Chorus
 Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
 Worship His holy name,
 Sing like never before, O my soul,
 I'll worship Your holy name

Verse 1
 The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning.
 It's time to sing Your song again.
 Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
 Let me be singing when the evening comes.
 (Chorus)

Verse 2
 You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,
 Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
 For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing,
 Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.
 (Chorus)

Verse 3
 And on that day when my strength is failing,
 The end draws near and my time has come,
 Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,
 Ten thousand years and then forevermore!
 (Chorus)

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(11:10)
 *HYMN OF PRAISE No. 81 "Lord, Who Throughout These 40 Days"

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

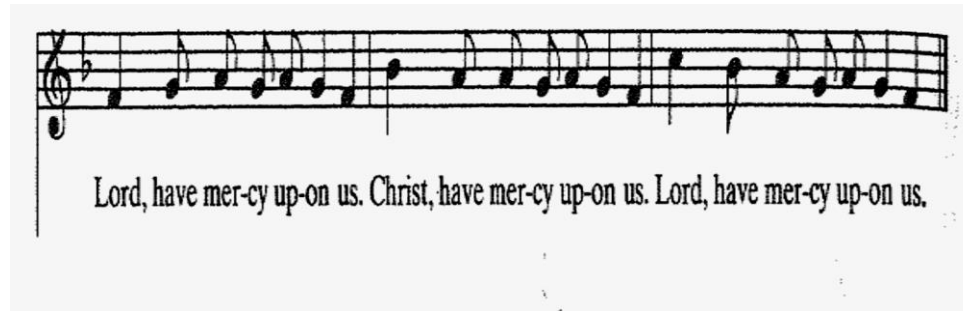
ANTHEM

11:10 "To Our Redeemer's Glorious Name" Chancel Choir

CHORAL CALL TO CONFESSION

Hymn 572

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us



UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Righteous God, in Christ you became sin for us. You took what we are so that we might become what you are. But we confess that often we ignore sin. We confess that too often we do not confess. We keep silent about the sin that clings to us. But our sins are too great a burden for us. Forgive us. In Christ, take away our iniquity. You are our stronghold, our hiding place. May we confess our sins that we might then rejoice and be glad in you and in the righteousness that flows over us as a mighty stream of grace. In Christ, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we, free from sins, might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.

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

8:30 "Cornerstone" Praise Team

11:10 "Wondrous Love" Chancel 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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 4:1-8
 (page 1056 in the pew Bible)

SERMON "Know your Credit Score" Dr. Dirk Lesnett

(8:30)
 *SONG OF RESPONSE "The Stand" Praise Team

You stood before creation, Eternity in Your hand, You spoke the earth into motion, My soul now to stand. So what can I say, And what can I do, But offer this heart O God, Completely to You. (Repeat)

You stood before my failure, And carried the cross for my shame, My sin weighed upon Your shoulders, My soul now to stand. So I'll stand, With arms high and heart abandoned, In awe of the One who gave it all.

So what can I say, And what can I do, But offer this heart O God, Completely to You. I'll stand, My soul Lord to You surrendered, All I am is Yours.

So I'll walk upon salvation, Your Spirit alive in me, My life to declare Your promise, My soul now to stand. So what can I say, And what can I do, But offer this heart O God, Completely to You.

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