

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.

*HYMN NO. 339

"Be Thou My Vision"

Slane

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Peter 2:13-17
(Page 217 N.T. in the pew Bible)

SERMON

"Using Freedom"

Rev. Jason Rea

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN NO. 413

"All Who Love and Serve Your City"

Charlestown

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSION

POSTLUDE

"At Easter-Tide"

Charles V. Stanford

LITURGISTS: 8:30 – Kevin Hart

11:10 – George Uehling

THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:

8:30 a.m.

Diana McKay
Marna Bodnar
Bob Hughes
Eileen Hughes

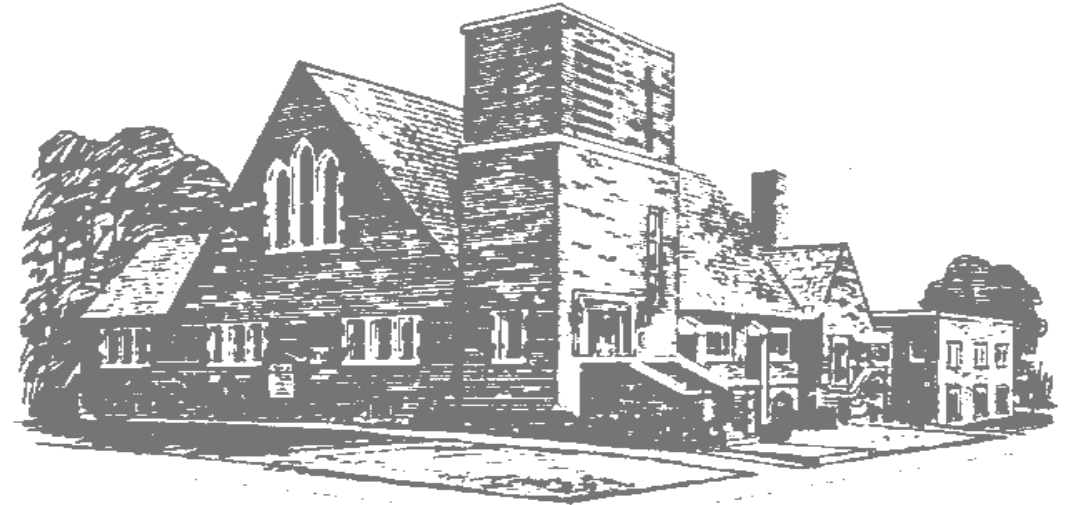
11:10 a.m.

Don Pritchard
Chris Sutton
Jim Giel
Peggy McNeil
Dick Friedline

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, May 22, 2011
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Dr. Lesnett preaching
1 Peter 2:18-25
"When Life is Unfair"

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 Mark Riethmuller in the chapel.



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.**

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

May 15, 2011

Eight-thirty and Eleven-Ten O'clock

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

"If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.

Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." Jesus in John 8:31-32

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign the friendship pad that is located near the center aisle of each pew.)

PRELUDE (8:30) *"Scherzando and Andantino from Organ Book"* Jean Langlais
(11:10) *"There's a Quiet Understanding"* Tedd Smith/Don Hustad

CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Isaiah 43:19-21

Leader: Let us worship God, who has done great things.

People: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world,

Leader: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

People: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

People: We praise God for the grace that has saved us, Alleluia! We rejoice!

***HYMN NO. 441** *"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"* St. Thomas

***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

***AFFIRMATION 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; 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 the life everlasting. Amen.

ANTHEM (11:10)

"Of Faith and Service"
Chancel Choir

Martin/Angerman

COMMISSIONING OF MISSION TEAM TO HONDURAS (11:10)

Team Members are: Dr. Mark Meyer, Steve Heere, Robert Hughes, Scott Hughes and Rev. Jason Rea

CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence, trusting that God will forgive our sin and cleanse us from every kind of wrong. Let us confess our sins to Almighty God. —based on Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16; 1 John 1:8

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

Those who love me, I will deliver, says the Lord; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them and show them my salvation. Receive the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. —based on Psalm 91:14-15

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: 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, Amen.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Special Music by Olivia Mills, Soloist

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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.

1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Mark Riethmuller.
2. **THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** this morning are given in memory of Al and Rosemarie Giampolo by their daughter Donna Gavin.
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 "Jesus & Zacchaeus" is being taught by Linda Barto, Barb Harms, and Amy and Mark Meyer.
5. **M & ms:** In May, we will meet on Wednesday the 18th from 6:30 – 8:00 in Fellowship Hall.



STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12

6. **TONIGHT, MAY 15TH “ROCK OF AGES” BENEFIT CONCERT.** Cost: \$10 per person ahead, \$12 at the door. This concert is a great opportunity for fun and to raise money for a good cause. We will go to Hampton Presbyterian and hear some great worship bands (including the guys from our own youth group). If you would like a ride we will meet at the Youth House at 4:30 pm; however you can also meet us there at 5pm and look for Jason. The cost of the ticket includes dinner (pizza and drinks). All proceeds go to benefit Anchorpoint Counseling ministry (formerly North Hills Youth Ministry Counseling Center). It is unknown exactly what time the concert will end but we will be back to the youth house no later than 9 pm and students can call when an exact time is known. Come support our youth band and help raise money for a great cause!
7. **FINAL CONFIRMATION MAKE UP SESSION MAY 18TH FROM 6:30-7:30** We will have our second and final group make up session for those students who have missed (or will have missed) four or more classes. This class will look back over what we have covered and give students opportunities to ask questions and get caught up. Students can still set up individual makeup sessions with Jason if this time doesn't fit their schedule. If students have not missed four or more classes they are not required to attend any makeup sessions. If you have any questions as we head to the end of the confirmation class, please don't hesitate to contact Jason, Ginny or Kevin.
8. **MISSION TRIP MEETING FOR BOTH YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS MAY 17, 6:30-7:30pm** We will have our second trip meeting on May 17th from 6:30-7:30pm. Parents are welcome to attend but not required. The focus of this meeting will be spiritual preparation and we will engage scripture on the issue of serving others. These trip meetings are important for getting information about the trips as well as spiritually preparing ourselves for serving God and others and are a good time for us to get to know one another prior to our trip. If you are signed up to attend one of the summer mission trips please plan to be there. Please let Jason know ahead of time if you will be unable to attend.
9. **GOT GRADUATES? PLEASE LET US KNOW!** Do you have someone in your family who is graduating this year? Please contact the office and let us know. It could be graduation from high school, college or a graduate degree – we want to know about all our graduates! Please let the office know by Sunday, June 5. We will be placing the names of all graduates in the bulletin on June 12th (we will also give special recognition to our high school graduates on that day). So let us know of your graduates!

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	12:15 pm 1:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Trustees Meeting – Corner Conf. Room Elfinwild 2 Softball – Sangree Jr. & Sr. Highs meet at Youth House Rock of Ages concert at Hampton Pres. Church Session Meeting – Corner Conf. Room Women’s Bible Study – Peach Room
MONDAY	7:30 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Preschool – C.E. C25K - Hampton Community Center Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY	7:30 am 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Preschool – C.E. TOPS Mission Trip Meeting Praise Team – Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY	7:30 am 12:00 noon 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:15 pm	Preschool–C.E. Volunteer Luncheon – Fellowship Hall M&m’s Youth Group – Fellowship Hall C25K – Hampton Community Center Confirmation Class Make-Up Session – Youth H. CLC #2 – Kennedy Library Chancel Choir – Choir Room
THURSDAY	7:00 am 7:30 am 11:30 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Men’s Bible Study – Kennedy Library Preschool – C.E. Senior Achievers – Fellowship Hall Girl Scouts – Friendship Hall CLC #3 – Youth House
FRIDAY	7:30 am 6:00 pm	Preschool – C.E. Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall Troop 157 Beach Jam to NJ weekend
SATURDAY	6:00 am	CLC #4 – Kennedy Library Honduras Mission Team Departs Troop 157 Beach Jam to NJ weekend



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22. **PARISH NURSES.** We would like to revive the Parish Nurse group at Elfinwild Church. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kim Roderick at 412-487-8223 or peakrod@verizon.net. She will be gathering name, contact information, credentials, and skills. Although the committee will be labeled “the Parish Nurses,” all those with a medical background (physicians, pharmacists, physical therapy, etc.) will be welcome to participate. There is nothing more rewarding than sharing your time and talents with those who are in need.



23. **“FOR YOUR HEALTH” SEMINARS.** Passavant Hospital Foundation and UPMC Passavant are offering seminars on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, Cranberry Twp., Municipal building at 2525 Rochester Road. Among the topics included are: “Bloodless Medicine and Surgery” on May 18. For more information or to register call 412-367-6643. These seminars are free of charge.
24. **ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE.** Anchorpoint Counseling Ministry is holding its annual used book sale from Monday, June 6 through Saturday, June 11 from 10:00 am until 9:00 pm at The Shoppes at Northway on McKnight Road. More than 40,000 new and used books and DVDs will be available for \$3.00 or less. Mark your calendar.
25. **SPRING BOOK SALE.** The Friends of the Shaler North Hills Library is hosting its spring book sale on Sat., May 21 from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm and Sunday, May 22 from 1:00 until 4:00 pm. Many, many books, music CDs, DVDs, books on tape/CD and puzzles to choose from. Preview night for Friends of the Library only on Friday May 20 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

10. **DEAR CONGREGATION,** I was humbled and overwhelmed by my church family’s response and willingness to support my Eagle project. Thank you very much for your generosity! Your donations have nearly given me the sufficient funds to complete the whole project at Elfinwild’s Youth House. As noted last Sunday, this project will include a split rail fence in the front yard, and a picnic table and stone fire pit in the back yard. The generous donations of Elfinwild’s congregation will allow this project to be completed in a timely manner. Sincerely, Matthew Lesnett
11. **LIGONIER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES.** Ligonier Camp is in need of Boy CITs (Counselors in Training) for the second half of the summer (July 12 - Aug. 21). Students must be 16 years or older. There is some flexibility in schedule. Applications are available online at www.ligoniercamp.org. Also, there are Camper openings for Session 3B (7/3-7/16) and Session 5 (7/31-8/13). Registration forms are available outside the Sanctuary or online. Please contact Ruthie Riethmuller at 412-487-3421 or mrdd1@earthlink.net for more information or with questions.

12. **CALENDAR NOTES....**

Sunday School during May 1st – May 29th – 9:45-11:10am

June 5th begins summer vacation for Sunday School

(No Sunday School classes until September)

June 12th celebration of Pentecost

June 20 – 24th Vacation Bible School – *SonSurf Beach Blast*

June 26th Vacation Bible school students will share their joy in the Lord by singing during the 11:10 worship service.

July 3rd – August 28th worship hours are 8:00 & 10:00am

August 1st – 5th Dance Camp (preschoolers through 2nd grade) and Drama Camp (3rd grade and older)

August 7th the Dance and Drama children will offer their talents as part of the 10:00 worship service.

13.

ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH		
Financial Statement		
April 30, 2011		
Proposed Budget	(Y.T.D.)	\$208,878
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		207,376
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$188,703
Favorable	(Y.T.D.)	18,673

14. **SENIOR ACHIEVERS** will meet on Thursday, May 19 at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Entertainment will be by Romeo's Barbershop Quartet with Walt Brown.

15. **CALLING HELPING HANDS FOR V.B.S. (VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL)!**
Our creative craft team has been busy planning crafts for this year's SonSurf Vacation Bible School. We need some extra hands that are willing to cut and prepare items for the week. If you would like to help in this way you may pick up craft kits outside of Nancy's office (in the C.E. building) beginning today, May 15th. Choose a kit you that would like to do, sign your name on the sheet that you have taken it and try to have it back the following week. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! If you have questions feel free to call Nancy (412-486-5400).

16. **COME ON OUT AND CHEER FOR THE HOME TEAM!** Or again this year, two home teams. Elfinwild 1 and Elfinwild 2 are participating in the softball league. Following are their schedules for this year:

Date	Elfinwild 1	Field	Elfinwild 2	Field
May 15			1:00	Sangree
May 22	6:00	Windhurst	2:45	Windhurst
May 29	No games - Memorial Day weekend			
June 5	1:00	Sangree	2:45	Sangree
June 12	6:00	Windhurst	4:15	Windhurst
June 19			2:45	Sangree
June 26	2:45	Windhurst	4:15	Windhurst
July 3	No games - Independence Day			
July 10	1:00	Sangree	4:15	Sangree
July 17	2:45	Windhurst	1:00	Windhurst
July 25	1:00	Sangree		
August 7	Playoffs start			
August 14	Playoffs			

17. **INQUIRERS' CLASS.** The class will be meeting at 9:45 am in the Peach Room outside of Fellowship Hall. This class is for those interested in learning more about Elfinwild Presbyterian Church and our beliefs and practices. The staff will participate in the teaching and sharing times and members of the congregation will share with you what about this Church has enhanced their relationship with Jesus Christ. Those who find that Elfinwild Church is where God is leading them to become involved as a member will have the opportunity to join after the class sessions. The class will run from May 1 – June 5, 2011. You are still welcome to join.

18. **BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS.** The pantry would especially appreciate any type of kid's cereal, condiments, baking items, boxed/packaged potatoes or rice, and paper products in May. Please place food in boxes at the entrance to the sanctuary.

19. **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. This recycling bin is for church use only. All paper will continue to be deposited in the Abitibi recycling bins. There are red containers located inside the church facilities to collect all recyclables EXCEPT paper. Continue to use the blue bins for paper disposal only.

20. **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.

21. **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.