

THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:

10:00 a.m.

Don Pritchard
Chris Sutton
Jim Giel
Peggy McNeil
Steve Heere

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, May 23, 2010
Pentecost - Communion
"Power From on High"
Dr. Dirk 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 Robert Weinheimer in the chapel.

THE SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION are extended to Edmond Jacquell III and Bonnie and their family on the death of Edmond's father.

CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

10:00 A.M.

Cradle Roll (infants – 1st grade)

Location – end of hall from sanctuary.

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.**

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2010

Ten O'clock

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

*"And I heard the voice of the Lord saying 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?'
Then I said, 'Here am I! Send me!'"* Isaiah 6:8

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

(9:45) GATHERING SONGS

Praise Team

"Here I Am to Worship"

"Almighty"

"Everlasting God"

"Step By Step"

"Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 118:24

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: You are our God, we will give you thanks.

People: You are our God, we will exalt you.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

People: His love endures forever.

***HYMN NO. 288**

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Ellacombe

***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

ANTHEM

"Shout with Joy to God"

Lloyd Larson

Chancel Choir

CALL TO CONFESSSION

Psalm 51:1-4

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

John 3:16

Leader:

Friends, believe the Good News!

People:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Jesus Messiah"

Carson, Tomlin, Cash, and Reeves

Praise Team

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. 276**

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Faithfulness

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 3:22-30

(Pages 89 & 90 N.T. in the pew Bible)

SERMON

"What I Learned in Seminary"

Jason H. Rea

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN NO. 425**

"Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining"

Abbot's Leigh

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

***BENEDICTION**

***RECESSION**

POSTLUDE

"Fugue"

D. Buxtehude

Liturgist: Steve Heere

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1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Robert Weinheimer.

2. **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.

3. **PRAYER CONCERNS**. To add, change or remove names from prayer concerns list, please call the church office at 412-486-5400.

Use the RESPONSE CARDS found in the pew racks to notify us of your prayer requests. Include your name for follow-up.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	11:00 am 11:15 am 4:30 – 6:00 pm 6:30 – 8:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Congregational Meeting in sanctuary Trustees Meeting – Cornerstone Conference Room Jr. High Club – Youth House Sr. High Club – Youth House Women’s Bible Study – Peach Room Session Meeting – Cornerstone Conference Room
MONDAY	7:30 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	Preschool – C.E. Staff Meeting – Kennedy Library Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall – Pot-luck Dinner Spring Court of Honor –Honoring 100 th year of scouting
TUESDAY	7:30 am 6:30 pm 6:30 pm	ELECTION DAY Preschool – C.E. TOPS Girl Scouts – C.E. Building
WEDNESDAY	7:30 am 6:30 pm 7:15 pm	Preschool – C.E. M&m’s Youth Group – Fellowship Hall Chancel Choir – Choir Room
THURSDAY	7:00 am 7:30 am 9:15-11:00 am 11:30 am 7:00 pm	Men’s Bible Study – Kennedy Library Preschool – C.E. Women’s Bible Study – Youth House Sr. Achievers – Fellowship Hall Stewardship Mtg. – Kennedy Library
FRIDAY	7:30 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Preschool – C.E. Cub Scouts – Friendship Hall Couples Bible Study – Youth House

18. **SHALER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS OPENED KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR THE 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR** – To be eligible for Kindergarten, students must be five years of age by August 31, 2010, and must reside within the geographical boundaries of the Shaler Area School district. Registration packets are available at each primary school or online at www.sasd.k12.pa.us.

19. **SUMMER’S BEST TWO WEEKS DAY CAMP-** at Hampton Presbyterian Church - July 12-23, 2010. Each day camper in grades 2-5 will participate in a wide variety of activities including gymnastics, tumbling, track and field, arts and crafts, swimming, and bible study. Camp runs from 9am–5pm – Monday-Friday (early drop-off is available).

The cost for both weeks of camp is \$160 for the first child, and \$120 for each additional child. For more information contact Carole Mills at 724-443-3201 or check out the website @<http://www.hamptonpresbyterian.org/SB2W>.

20. **NEW WILMINGTON MISSION CONFERENCE – JULY 24-31, 2010.** Join in Christian fellowship with others from around the country and world and make friendships that really last. Hear about the amazing things God is doing in the world and how you might get involved now and in the future. NWMC is a week-long, multi-generational, Presbyterian Church (USA)-related, mission conference held on the campus of Westminster College in western PA (one hour north of Pittsburgh). The focus is on youth ages 12 to 24 but all ages are welcome. Last year 1,000 people from 30 states and 20 countries gathered for the week. Come participate in small groups, service projects, Bible and mission study, and fun activities with peers. Join with other age groups for great speakers and worship. Free time activities include organized and pick-up sports, choirs, crafts, games, swimming, visiting, mission workshops or just taking time out for a nap. See their website www.NWMCmission.org for more information.

21. **CONCORDIA AT REBECCA RESIDENCE** located at 3746 Cedar Ridge Road, Allison Park, PA 15101 is holding an open house on Sunday, May 23 from 1-3 pm. This is the ideal place for you or a loved one to receive the rehabilitative, skilled nursing, or assisted living services you need. Call 724-444-0600 for more information.

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 Sower" is being taught by Linda Barto, Barb Harms, Amy and Mark Meyer, and Patti Toomey.
 - 5. **M & m's – ALL 4TH THROUGH 6TH GRADERS** (those currently finishing 3rd through 5th) are invited to join this youth group for great fellowship and fun! We usually meet the third Wednesday of each month in Fellowship Hall from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. We also welcome any adults with a heart for learning and growing in our faith along with the kids! Any questions, contact Kristin Coco at 412-767-4539 or skaacoco@aol.com.
- May 19:** Regular time and place. Learn about protection and the armor of God.
June 23: Pizza party lunch immediately following Vacation Bible School – brainstorming session for ideas for upcoming events.

STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12



- 6. **STUDENT MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP** will continue throughout the summer with gatherings at the Youth House and Road Trip! events. The leaders have some ideas AND they want to hear from you. What did you like in previous years? What would you like to try this summer? Send an email to Mrs. Kriek or Mrs. Pinta, or tell a leader about your idea.
- 7. **PARENTS, STUDENTS OR FRIENDS OF STUDENT MINISTRIES** – if you would like to be on our e-mail list to receive updates and important information, please e-mail your address to Kyle Pinta at KJPinta@aol.com.

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News**

- 8. **HOME COMPANION NEEDED** – This is a paid part-time position. If you are interested, call Cheryl Siar at 412-487-5566 for more information.
- 9. **THE SENIOR ACHIEVERS** will meet on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Entertainment will be singer Sandy Meinert. Bring a bag lunch. Beverage and dessert are provided. Guests and visitors are always welcome.

10. **THE ELFINWILD LIONS CLUB** will be selling brooms and garbage bags in the church parking lot every Saturday in May from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

11. **There shall be a meeting of the congregation of Elfinwild Presbyterian Church, in the sanctuary, immediately following today's worship service. The meeting shall be for the purpose of the congregation's acting on the report of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee. That report will include the nomination of Jason Howard Rea as an Associate Pastor of Elfinwild Presbyterian Church. The vote in connection with the nomination shall be by ballot. A majority of voters present and voting shall be required to elect the Associate Pastor.**

**Mark Riethmuller
Clerk of Session**

12. **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 the month of May:

Date	Elfinwild 1	Field	Elfinwild 2	Field
May 16	6:15	Windhorst	2:35	Sangree
May 23	12:45	Windhorst	12:45	Windhorst
May 30	No games on Memorial Day weekend			

13. **THE BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY** would like the following items in May: cans of fruit, condiments, packages of rice or potatoes and baking items. These items can be deposited in bins in the two vestibules facing Church Avenue. Thank you.

14. **THE BOARD OF DEACONS** invites you to participate in a new visitation ministry. We recognize that there is a need to visit some members of our congregation, to offer fellowship and comfort. We invite you, each member of the congregation, to participate in this ministry. Years ago a number of individuals were trained to be Stephen Ministers, which provided the training to meet this need. We may be using the Stephen Ministry methodologies again to accomplish our goals. For more information, please call Henry Tomer at 412-487-4437, or the church office.

15.

ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH		
Financial Statement		
April 30, 2010		
Proposed Budget	(Y.T.D.)	\$190,629
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		180,684
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$200,097
Unfavorable	(Y.T.D.)	-19,413

16. **SHARE YOUR ELFINWILD MEMORIES.** In August 2012 Elfinwild Presbyterian Church will celebrate its 100th anniversary. Plans are being developed by a committee of members for a year-long celebration of our church and its ministry over these past 100 years.

One of the projects planned is the publication of a church history, providing members a glimpse of what was going on at Elfinwild during each decade since 1912; biographical sketches of our pastors, listing of church officers and members, and pictures. We also want to provide church family members – new and long-standing - an opportunity to share their Memories of Elfinwild. These memories include such things as: What it Was Like to be at Elfinwild during the 1930's/1940's/1950's, etc.; memories of youth groups, work camps, Sunday school classes and outings; church ministry teams; worship services that had a deep meaning; church dinners; church fundraisers, to name a few.

Whatever you want to write about and contribute to Memories of Elfinwild will be appreciated. Short or long, the more information and stories we gather, the more we will all be able to understand the great history and legacy of Elfinwild that could be lost if we don't collect them now. For families, we encourage you to sit, talk and write down those stories that you have heard from those still living, or have passed on, but were a part of Elfinwild's past and present.

Please write your and your families' memories down and send them to: Jim Giel, Jr. at the church office or e-mail them to Jim Giel at gjelwest@verizon.net.

Everyone has a story of Elfinwild and we want to hear it!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

17. **BOOK SALE** – Friends of the Shaler North Hills Library invite you to their annual book sale. Dates and times are: Sun., May 16, from 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm; and Mon., May 17, from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. Books, music and videos at affordable prices. Paperbacks, hard backs, DVD's, CD's, VHS, something for everyone!