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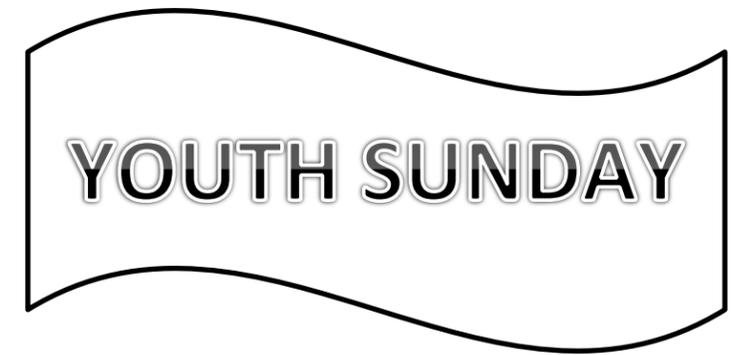
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Becoming Our Lord's Disciples

**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
May 21, 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.*

**“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young,
but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct,
in love, in faith and in purity.” 1 Timothy 4:12**

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

PRELUDE

“Once and For All”
Elizabeth and Rachel Dolan

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

**Empty pockets never held anyone
back. It's only empty hearts that do it.**

Norman Vincent Peale

**Elfinwild Presbyterian Church
Financial Statement
April 30, 2017**

Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$232,752
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$226,620
Favorable	(Y.T.D.)	\$6,132

CALL TO WORSHIP

Frank Babicka

Leader: The king rejoices in Your strength, Lord. How great his joy in the victories You give!

People: You came to greet him with rich blessings and placed a crown of pure gold on his head.

Leader: Surely you have granted him unending blessings and made him glad with the joy of your presence.

People: For the king trusts in the Lord; through the unfailing love of the Most High he will not be shaken.

All: Be exalted in Your strength, Lord; we will sing and praise Your might.

*SONG OF PRAISE

“The Stand”

Youth Band

**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 (Repeat)**

**So I'll walk upon salvation
Your Spirit alive in me
My life to declare Your promise
My soul now to stand**

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

Ryan Dayton

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Here I am To Worship”

Virginia and Andrew Lesnett

CALL TO CONFESSION

Maggie Rea

1 John 1:8-10

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make Him out to be a liar and His word is not in us. Let us confess our sins to God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all ages we turn to You and ask for forgiveness when we place material things above You. We concern ourselves with following the crowd through the earthly kingdom instead of seeking Your kingdom in heaven. We look for the imperfections in others rather than loving our neighbor and seeking You. Forgive our selfish ways and help us remember we are not complete without You. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 4:9-10

Leader: This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Friends receive and believe the Good News of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*SONG OF PRAISE

“Good Good Father”

Youth Band

**I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone**

**Chorus: You're a Good Good Father
It's who You are; It's who You are; It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am; It's who I am ; It's who I am**

**I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word (Chorus)**

**You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us (Chorus)**

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GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Camden Callahan

OFFERTORY

“Oceans”

Laura and Noah Heere

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Elizabeth Dolan

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.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Stars”

Shane Callahan and Josh Gaydos

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ecclesiastes 9:10 and Galatians 6:9
(pages 630 and 1095 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“Doing It For The Glory of God”

Katie Shideler

*SONG OF PRAISE

“One Day”

Matisyahu

**Sometimes I lay Under the moon
And thank God I'm breathing
Then I pray Don't take me soon
'Cause I am here for a reason**

*Pre Chorus: Sometimes in my tears I drown
But I never let it get me down
So when negativity surrounds
I know some day it'll all turn around because...*

*Chorus: All my life I've been waiting for
I've been praying for; For the people to say
That we don't wanna fight no more
There will be no more wars
And our children will play
One day (x6)*

**It's not about win or lose
'Cause we all lose when they feed on the souls of the innocent Blood-
drenched pavement**

Keep on moving though the waters stay raging

In this maze you can lose your way (your way)

It might drive you crazy but don't let it faze you, no way (no way)

(To Pre Chorus and Chorus)

One day this all will change; Treat people the same

Stop with the violence down with the hate

One day we'll all be free and proud to be

Under the same sun Singing songs of freedom like

Halle - Hallelujah

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“This Is Amazing Grace”

*Maddy Jones****The Elder of the Week is Kyle Pinta******Youth Band****Shane Callahan**Rachel Dolan**Eric Dudgeon**Josh Gaydos**Virginia Lesnett**Jake Matthews**Riley Nist*

COMMUNITY NEWS

25. SHALER AREA VETERAN MEMORIAL PATHWAY – A path to the Shaler American Legion Post 785 Memorial is being made. The inscribed bricks will be woven together like pieces of a quilt into a brick walkway leading a path to the Memorial site. The bricks will be a permanent commemoration of our veterans. Individuals will have an opportunity to purchase a 4 x 8 inch brick. The goal is to memorialize and honor all veterans and those currently serving who are associated with our community, as well as to enhance and beautify the Memorial site. For more information, please contact Ken Volle at 412-576-6835 or 412-487-8183.

26. STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL – Parkwood Presbyterian Church, 4289 Mt. Royal Blvd. Allison Park, will be hosting a Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 3rd from 4:00 – 8:00 PM. In addition to strawberries and cake, there will be activities for children, horseback rides, and more! Please join them.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 5-21-17

TODAY (5-21-17) Youth Sunday
8:30 AM & 11:10 AM – Worship Services – SA
9:45 AM – Sunday School
12:15 PM – Mission Committee Meeting – KL
12:30 PM – Youth Group Cook Out – YH
1:00 PM – Eagle Court of Honor- FH
7:00 PM – Session Meeting – CCR

MONDAY
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool–CE, FH
5:00 PM – Brownies – PR
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts- FH
7:00 PM – Walk Bike Shaler Meeting – KL
7:00 PM – Stephen Ministry Training Session – CCR

TUESDAY
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE, FH
10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose
7:00 PM – AARP Board Meeting – FH

WEDNESDAY
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE, FH
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Jr. High Girls' Bible Study @ Harbaugh's

THURSDAY
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE, FH
8:00 AM – Men's Bible Study – PS
10:30 AM – Grace Manor Service
6:00 PM – Lions' Club – CCR

FRIDAY
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool Staff Workshop

SATURDAY
6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – CLC #6 – YH
8:00 AM – CLC Next Steps #1 – KL

SUNDAY (5-28-17) 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM – Worship Services – SA
9:45 AM – Sunday School

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in honor of the Chancel Choir by Ray Adomonis.

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.

USHERS /GREETERS

Sami Arrigo	Camden Callahan
Ryan Callahan	Cayleigh Jenkins
Peter Lesnett	Ashley Tegtmeier
Jared Vance	

SOUND TECHNICIANS

8:30 – Jim Saraceno
11:10 – Mike Dolan

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday, May 28, 2017
Rev. Bethany Harbaugh preaching

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY

Birth – 6th 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 ½ to 4yrs. of age.

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

3. YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP – For ages Pre-K through 2nd grade. This week's lesson is *Penetcost* and will be taught by Sue Anderson, Carolyn Hervey, and Donne Rea Thompson.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

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

4. 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! Throughout this summer we will rehearse 30 minutes prior to worship. Please feel free to join us:

June 18 at 10:00 - Men's Choir	July 16 at 8:00 - Summer Choir
July 2 at 10:00 – Summer Choir	July 30 at 10am – Summer Choir
July 9 at 8:00 – Summer Choir	Aug. 13 at 8 & 10 – Praise Team

5. TODAY at 4:00 PM St. Ursula Parish choir joined by singers from St. Bonaventure, Bethlehem Lutheran, St. Francis De Sales, St. Patrick, Irish Tenor Cahal Dunne, The Elite Brass of Pittsburgh, and organist George Spencer will join together to perform Johnathan Willcock's Magnificat conducted by Christopher Brewer at St. Ursula Church. This concert is free and open to the public! We hope to see you there!

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 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 WILL RESUME OUR REGULAR SCHEDULE IN SEPTEMBER. PLEASE LOOK FOR SPECIAL EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER!**

7. JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS' BIBLE STUDY – Please join Bethany Harbaugh and Kelly Simile for a Bible Study for girls going into 6-8 grade! We meet every week to play games, ask questions, share life together, and learn how to live as followers of Jesus Christ. We always have a fun time together, so we hope you will come and bring a friend. This study will be on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00 PM at Bethany's house. We hope you will come and bring a friend! **Our last get together for this school year will be May 24th.**

8. GOT SENIORS? GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY: JUNE 4, 2017 – On June 4th we will recognize our graduating seniors. For this to happen we need your help. First, we would like for you to email Cindy at cindy@elfinwildchurch.org or call the church office and let us know the name of your graduate, school from which they are graduating, and their future plans (college, military, employment, apprenticeship etc.). Second, we would like to know if your senior will be able to attend the 10:00 AM service on June 4th. If so, we would like to invite them to come wearing their cap and gown in order to process together at the beginning of the service. We will meet outside of Jason's office at 9:45 AM and talk about how this will happen. If your student is unable to make the service that morning, please contact us with the above information and simply let us know that they will not be able to attend. We would appreciate responses by **Wednesday, May 31st** as we would like to honor all seniors by placing their information in the bulletin that day.

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. PRAY WITHOUT CEASING... Our Wednesday Night Prayer Gatherings will continue in the chapel on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, **starting at 7:00 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.

11. 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.

12. SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES – September through May

* "Visiting Israel" taught by Henry Tomer on May 21st & 28th (Fellowship Hall)

* "The Wired Word" (Cornerstone Room)

13. 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.

14. SUMMER WALKS IN THE PARK – Mondays in June, July & August at 7:00 PM at Hartwood Acres. All are welcome. **We will NOT meet on July 3rd.** Please speak with Kristin Coco if you have any questions.

15. 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 or by phone at 412-600-1452.

16. STEPHEN MINISTRY informational brochures are available in the Gathering Room on the windowsill. The May article is "40 Courageous Quotes from Billy Graham". Dr. Graham's Godly wisdom is so helpful during times of difficulty. Pick up a copy of it today! If you have any questions about Stephen Ministry please contact Ruthie Riethmuller, Stephen Leader at 412-487-3421 or at mrdd1@comcast.net.

VERSE OF THE MONTH-" Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another." Hebrews 10:25a

17. 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. Interested applicants should apply at: <http://pittsburgh.craigslist.org/edu/6085665817.html>

18. INQUIRERS' CLASS - If you are interested in learning more about the Christian faith, what it means to follow Christ, or how to become a member of Elfinwild Presbyterian Church, this class is for you. We will meet for six weeks at 11:15 AM, after the second service in Fellowship Hall. We will have lunch and then begin class. Childcare will be provided. Classes begin on June 4th. While being present for each session is most helpful, we understand that schedules may not permit your attendance at every session. Please call the church office with any questions. 412-486-5400.

19. ELFINWILD MEALS MINISTRY AND THE FEDERAL BUDGET

No doubt many of you have heard the news that the proposed Federal budget will create a funding problem for the Meals on Wheels programs throughout the country. ***This proposed budget does not affect the Elfinwild Meals Ministry.*** Our Meals Ministry **is not** affiliated with the Lutheran Services Society Meals on Wheels program. In June, 2011, the Elfinwild meals program severed its ties with the Meals on Wheels program and has run as an independent ministry of the Elfinwild Presbyterian Church since that time. Our funding is solely through the weekly payments made by our clients, contributions of local civic organizations (Glenshaw Century Club, Elfinwild Lions Club and others), memorial gifts, gifts of cookies and baked goods as well as surplus bread/rolls and baked goods from Shop N' Save and generous contributions made by members of the Elfinwild congregation. We do not and have not received any funding from any governmental sources. Please remember, there is no financial threshold required to receive the services of the Meals Ministry. Should you have any questions concerning the Meals Ministry, please contact Jim Giel, Jr. at 412-486-2774 or Dick Friedline at the kitchen 412-486-8000.

20. ON SUNDAY JUNE 11TH THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION SPONSORED BY THE MISSION TEAM.

At 9:00 AM, between the two services, members of the Ananias Mission will be presenting to the congregation. Ananias Mission is one of many mission projects supported by Elfinwild Presbyterian Church. In 2014 entrepreneur Ed Wethli learned of a Syrian family who urgently needed to leave a home that was no longer safe for them, as a result of their Christian faith. Shortly before Christmas, he brought the family of four to stay in his home, and he helped them establish a new life in nearby Cranberry. Many family members were left behind in Syria. Settlement in the United States was not possible; however, private sponsorship in Canada through a Catholic diocese in Ontario made it feasible for five family units to immigrate. The nonprofit Ananias Mission was founded and works to build partnerships between Canadian and American churches to give refugees hope and a home. Please join members of the Mission Team on June 11th to hear this amazing story of Christian faith in action.

21. THE MISSION COMMITTEE will have a meeting TODAY after the 11:10 service in the Kennedy Library.

22. SEASONED SAINTS TO BE HONORED – On June 11th the Deacons will again be hosting a luncheon to honor our congregation's amazing Seasoned Saints!! The luncheon will immediately follow the 10:00 AM service, and entertainment will be provided for your enjoyment. Invitations will be mailed out soon, but if you're 80 or over, please get this date on your calendars now!

23. THE MEALS MINISTRY often has leftover bread and rolls that cannot be used before they spoil. If you would like some, please help yourself to items located on a table in Fellowship Hall.

24. 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.