

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 5-24-15

TODAY (5-24-15) Pentecost
Introduction of New Members
8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA
9:45 AM –Pentecost Celebration – FH

MONDAY Office Closed for Memorial Day

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

WEDNESDAY 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM – SA Volleyball Banquet – FH
7:00 PM – Chancel Choir – CR
8:15 PM – Praise Team – SA

THURSDAY 7:00 AM – Men’s Bible Study – PS
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM – Women’s Bible Study – YH
10:30 AM – Grace Manor Service
6:00 PM – Lions Club – FH

FRIDAY

SATURDAY 6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – CLC – YH

SUNDAY Graduate Recognition Sunday
8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA

THE FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL THIS MORNING are given in honor of all Veterans by Liz Rogers.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Kristin Coco.

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
Mike Radich
John Hart
Ron Park
Dwight and Joanne Pearson

11:10 AM USHERS
Don Pritchard
Chris Sutton
Jim Giel
Dick Friedline

SOUND TECHNICIANS
8:30 AM – Marge Cain
11:10 AM – Jerry Nist

UPCOMING SERVICE
Sunday, May 31, 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 *Baptism* by Bethann Dolan, Beth Interthal, Bonnie DeMatteo, and Melissa Kutzer.

4. G-FORCE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – *God's Love in Action* – June 15-19 from 9:00-11:30 am. All children ages 4 (by June 1st) through 5th grade are welcome to attend. Teachers and teen helpers are needed. Please see the registration and volunteer forms located on the tables outside of the Sanctuary.

5. 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.

6. TODAY IS PENTECOST! – This is a great time for our church family to be together. Between services TODAY in Fellowship Hall we will have a special Holy Spirit Program including soloist Bob Wegner. We will also have special refreshments, learn about doves, have a craft for children, have a dove release, and take an All Church Photo.

G FORCE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



GOD’S LOVE IN ACTION

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church

June 15-19, 2015, 9-11:30am

“In God we live, move, and exist.” Acts 17:28



Time: All children attend from 9:00 - 11:30am

Cost: Before June 1: \$25/child; \$60max/family

After June 1: \$30/child; \$65max/family

Ages: Preschool – Grade 5 (All children must be 4 years old before June 1st)

Please note: Friday is a parent participation day - each child will need an adult accompanying them.

Return the completed form to: Elfinwild Presbyterian Church, 3200 Mt. Royal Boulevard, Glenshaw, PA 15116 or call 412-486-5400 with any questions. In care of Jeanine Arrgio.

VBS Child Registration Form
(one per child, please)

Child's name _____
Parent's name _____
Phone # _____ E-mail _____
Address _____
Child's birth date _____ Grade completed in school _____
Please state any physical limitations or allergies of which we should be aware: _____
I would like to volunteer during the week of VBS: yes no
I would like to create photographs and videos for use in church publications and bulletin boards, including candid pictures of children throughout Elfinwild Church. Children's names, however, will not be published. Please check to indicate your preference.
____ I give permission for my child's picture to be used ____ I do not give permission for my child's picture to be used
Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Medical Release Form -- June 15-19, 2015

I give permission for my child to receive necessary emergency medical care. I authorize Elfinwild Church personnel to take emergency action as might be deemed necessary.

Child's name _____ Insurance _____
Signature of Parent or Guardian _____
Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____
Emergency Contact's Name and Relationship _____
Emergency Contact's Phone# _____

<i>Office use only</i>
Reg. _____
Pd. _____
Class _____

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. GOT SENIORS? GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY: MAY 31, 2015 – On May 31st 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 11:10 AM service on May 31st. 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 11:00 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 27th** as we would like to honor all seniors by placing their information in the bulletin that day.

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

8. PRAY FOR OUR SEARCH COMMITTEES! We have two search committees who have just begun their task of seeking the right persons to serve Christ with us as Director of Music Ministries and Director of Children and Family Ministries. Please remember them in your prayers. The two committees are:

Director of Music Ministries: Chair, Ann Ritter; Co-Chair, Bob Lindeman; Secretary, Penny Young; Sharon Griffin, Carolyn Hasselman, Heather Heere, Tom Hegerle, Bonnie Vidt and Jeff Weber

Director of Children and Family Ministries: Chair, Diane Hart; Secretary, Patty Robinson; Amy Meyer; Bethann Dolan, Josh Gaydos, Mark Connelly, Matt Harbaugh and Steve Heere

If you are interested in being on a prayer team please contact one of the members of either committee.

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. 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.

11. PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY UPDATE – We are in the process of updating our Professional Directory. If you would like to be included in the Directory, or need to update your current information, please call the Church Office at 412-486-5400 or email Cindy Neil at: cindy@elfinwildchurch.org. Thank you!

12. SAVE THE DATE! Summer is coming...really! Get out your calendars and mark the Church Picnic for August 23rd. Additional information will be forthcoming.

13. ROY AND MARION JOHN are now living at the Haven at North Hills, 1 Windsor Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15237. They would welcome cards and phone calls. Their phone number is 412-931-3635.

14. CHANCEL FLOWERS will be on display only when ordered by members of the congregation for a specific Sunday. The cost of flowers is \$44 each Sunday. If you would like to place an order for flowers the following dates are available: July 19th, August 23rd, September 6th, October 11th, and October 18th. If you are interested, please call the church office.

15. ATTENTION ALL MEN! –The summer months are here or coming quickly. Some men have talked about a small group or two for the purpose of growing in their faith, growing as brothers in Christ and growing as men of God. There are several suggestions for small groups over the summer months. In order to discuss the options and see who is interested in the different foci we will meet on Sunday, June 7, 2015 at 9:15 am in Fellowship Hall. Worship is 8 and 10 AM for the summer and that schedule begins Sunday, June 7th. There will be coffee and maybe even a food item for your consumption. We will talk schedules and topics or themes. Dr. Lesnett is interested in either a Bible study or a study that will cover some basic Christian themes, such as Experiencing God. Please join us for this important discussion. Proverbs says, as iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another!

16. SCOUTMASTER TOM PAYNE OF ELFINWILD TROOP 157 suffered a heart attack and is now home recovering. The three most recent Eagle Scouts, Morgan Harris, Kenny Andrews, and Jeff Nix will be taking over for the summer as Tom recuperates. Please contact Morgan Harris at 412-821-2727 with any questions.

17. SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS will begin on Sunday, June 7, 2015. We will have two services: one at 8:00 AM and one at 10:00 AM. Please mark your calendars!

COMMUNITY NEWS

18. 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.

19. COMMUNITY AUTO SEEKS VEHICLES FOR WAITING WORKING FAMILIES!

Do you or a family member have a vehicle you don't want anymore? Perhaps it's not worth the cost of repairs, or it sits unused? Community Auto, a program of North Hills Community Outreach, accepts vehicles in any condition, has them repaired, and sells them at below market value to local working families who need them to get to work. You could change a life and get the maximum tax deduction. FREE pickup, towing and notary! Call 724-443-8300 or visit www.communityauto.org.

20. VOLUNTEER DRIVERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP SENIORS

Several partner agencies of United Way's Open Your Heart to a Senior initiative need volunteer drivers for various programs around Allegheny County. Meals on Wheels, Free Rides for Seniors shuttle drivers and drivers who can transport seniors to medical appointments in the volunteer's own vehicle are all needed. For more information on the program locations, or to register as a volunteer with OYHS, please call 412-307-0071 or email allegheny@openyourhearttoasenior.org.

21. FUNDRAISERS FOR MATT TAYLOR – Matt is a Shaler resident who has been diagnosed with malignant brain tumors. He had surgery in San Francisco on May 14th. There is a fundraiser scheduled to help offset some of his expenses. There will be a Spaghetti Dinner at St. Bonaventure Church on June 14th from 4-7 PM. Suggested donation is \$10 for adults, and \$5 for children 10 and under.

22. COMPASSIONATE CARE HOSPICE is in search of volunteers for patients and their families in the Pittsburgh area. Would you like to help a person in need? Volunteers can contribute in many ways: friendly visitors, pet therapy, music therapy, phone calls, running errands, cutting grass and more. Please call the Volunteer Coordinator, Janet Walters at 412-529-1495.

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Special thanks to our liturgists:
8:30 – Kelly Simile
11:10 – Lisa Nist*



MEMORIAL DAY – MAY 25, 2015

“Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifices.”

~President Harry S. Truman

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Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Financial Statement April 30, 2015		
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$225,162
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$206,422
Favorable	(Y.T.D.)	\$18,740



**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 24, 2015

8:30 and 11:10 AM Worship

*You are invited to use Scripture for reflection
or the following prayer as you prepare your hearts for worship.*

**I will ask the Father, and he will give you
another Counselor to be with you forever-
the Spirit of truth.
(John 14:16)**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Romans 5:5; Psalm 105:1-2; Revelation 4:8

Leader: The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

People: We dwell in him and he in us.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

People: Make known to the world what he has done.

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him and tell of his wonderful works.

People: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God almighty, who was and is and is to come!

Leader: Let us worship God!

(8:30)

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 464

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

(11:10)

*SONG OF PRAISE

"Your Grace is Enough"

Praise Team

**Great is Your faithfulness O God.
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.
You lead us by still waters into mercy,
And nothing can keep us apart**

Pre-Chorus

**(So) remember Your people, remember Your children,
Remember Your promise O God**

Chorus 1

**Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me.**

Verse 2

**Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob.
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation,
And all Your people sing along**

Pre-Chorus

**(So) remember Your people, remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God**

Chorus 1

**Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me**

Chorus 2

**Your grace is enough, your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me.
Your grace is enough - Heaven reaches out to us
Your grace is enough for me
Your grace is enough, I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me for me.**

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

John 14:15-17, 21

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will obey what I command.
And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever - the Spirit of truth. Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me." Knowing that we all fail to hear and obey God, let us confess our sin together.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, who sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith: We confess that we resist the force of your Spirit among us, that we are slow to serve you, and reluctant to spread the good news of your love. We often work for selfish gain and worldly success, and fail to give you praise and glory. Have mercy on us, God. By your Spirit inflame us with a desire to do your will and be your faithful people, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ezekiel 36:24-28

Leader: The Lord said, "I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you. I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees. You will be my people, and I will be your God." Friends, by the power of the Spirit, we are united with Christ and given a new spirit. This is 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.**

(8:30)

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Melissa Obidowski Todd Obidowski

QUESTIONS TO PROFESS OR REAFFIRM FAITH
IN JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND SAVIOR

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving God's displeasure, and without hope except in God's sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and depend upon Christ

alone for your salvation as offered in the gospel?

3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to serve Christ in the church by supporting and participating in its service to God and its ministry to others to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the church and promise to further its purity and peace?

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:30) "Come, Holy Spirit, Our Souls Inspire" Plainsong
Chancel Choir

(11:10) "How Great is our God" Praise Team

*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.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 319

"Spirit"

PRAYERS 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.**

ANTHEM

(8:30) "Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers" Chancel Choir

(11:10) "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)" Praise Team

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 2:1-13
(Page 1020 in the pew Bible)

SERMON "The Important Role of the Advocate" Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT No.466 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"