



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
TRINITY SUNDAY
May 26, 2013
8:30 AM and 11:10 AM Worship**

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

*O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?
O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
Psalm 8*

GATHERING MUSIC "Sanctuary Prayer" Eric Lewis
Ron Bernhardt, organ

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHURCH

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

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CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

Cradle Roll (infants)*

8:30 AM -12:10 PM

Location – end of hall from sanctuary.

Toddlers (ages 2 - 4)

9:45 AM - 12:10 PM

Toddler Room located on the 1st floor of church building

Young Child in Worship (ages 4 - 2nd grade)

During the 11:10 Worship service

Location – Green Room, 1st floor C.E. Building

Children 3rd grade and up worship with their families.

**There will not be Cradle Roll the 2nd Sunday of the month until a volunteer is found. We apologize for the inconvenience.*

WE GATHER TOGETHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 92, 95

L: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name,
O Most High,

P: To proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night.

L: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

P: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

L: Come, let us bow down in worship,

P: Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

L: For he is our God,

P: And we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

(8:30) *HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 139 “Come, Thou Almighty King”

(11:10) *SONG OF PRAISE “Your Great Name We Praise”

VERSE 1

Immortal, invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most holy, most glorious the ancient of days
Almighty, victorious Your great name we praise

VERSE 2

Unresting, unchanging and silent as light
Not wanting or wasting, You rule us in might
Your justice like mountains high soaring above
Your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love

CHORUS

Most Holy, Most glorious
The Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious
Your great name we praise

VERSE 3

All life comes from You Lord to both great and small
In all life you live Lord, the true life of all
We blossom and flourish, but quickly grow frail
We wither and perish, but You never fail

VERSE 4

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light
Your angels adore you all veiling their sight
All praise we will render oh Father of grace
Till one day in splendor we see face to face

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

**Please stand if you are able*

(11:10) RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS

Introduction

Prayer of Commissioning

George Alexander, Sr.

Mandie Cline

Elizabeth Cunningham

Christen Damico

Daniel Damico

Eric Hegerle

Thomas Hegerle

Tracey Hegerle

Dorinda Hughes

Amy Matalik

Beth Meyer

Beverly Park

Carmella Zielinski

CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God’s amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God’s faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. We pray through Christ our Lord, by the power of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 103:1-18

Leader: Friends, this is the Good News of the Gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia!

***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.

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:30) “To Touch the Heart of God”
Chancel Choir

(11:10) “Jesus, Firm Foundation”
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.

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.

(8:30) ANTHEM “Speak, O Lord”
Chancel Choir

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 4:1-20
(page 938 in pew Bible)

SERMON

“The Four Sowings”

Rev. Jason Rea

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***SONG OF DEDICATION**

(8:30) HYMN NO. 391 “Take My Life and Let it Be”

(11:10) “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son, To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss, The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One, Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice, Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that left Him there, Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart:
His wounds have paid my ransom.

(8:30) INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMEBERS

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“The Awakening Call”
Ron Bernhardt, organ

David Paxton

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*Our sympathy to Margaret Hartley on the death of her mother,
Betty Calvin, on Sunday May 19, 2013.*