

ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OFFICERS

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2019

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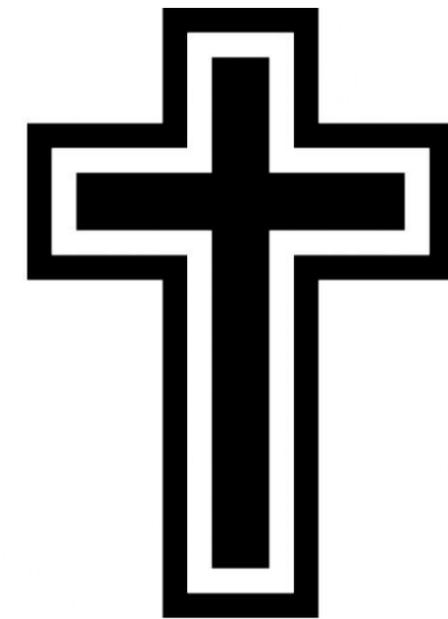
STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS: TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

"You have not lived until you have done something for someone who can never repay you."

Pastor John Bunyan

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Financial Statement April 30, 2018

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| Actual Tithes & Gifts Given | \$238,118 |
| Total Expenses (Y.T.D.) | \$235,583 |
| Favorable (Y.T.D.) | \$2,535 |



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 27, 2018 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.*

**"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things
there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23**

PRELUDE
(8:30)

"Theme From a Symphony" Peter Tchaikowsky
(Pathétique)

(11:10)

"O Praise Him" David Crowder
Praise Team

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 117

Leader: Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples.
People: For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.
All: Praise the Lord

(8:30)
*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 139 "Come, Thou Almighty King"
(The blue hymnal in the pew rack)

(11:10)
*SONG OF PRAISE No. 1045 "Love the Lord"
(The red song book on the pew)

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

ELEMENTARY TEACHER APPRECIATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect He was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in Your light, and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Believe and receive the good news of the Gospel.
All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*RESPONSE

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GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY
(8:30) "How Beautiful" Lloyd Larson
Chancel Choir
(11:10) "I Can Only Imagine" Bart Millard
Praise Team

*DOXOLOGY

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be,
For all we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

*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;
On 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 life everlasting. Amen.**

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.**

(8:30)
ANTHEM "Only Thou Art Holy" Mary McDonald
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 7:15-20
(pages 907 in the pew Bible)

SERMON "Identifying Fruit" Rev. Jason Rea

(8:30)
*HYMN OF COMMITMENT No. 132 "Come, Great God of All the Ages"
(The blue hymnal in the pew rack)

(11:10)
*SONG OF COMMITMENT No. 1008 "Better Is One Day"
(The red song book on the pew)

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE
(8:30) "Nicaea" Gregg Sewell
(11:10) "Greater" Bart Millard
Praise Team

*Special thanks to our liturgists:
8:30 – Mark Connelly 11:10 – Frank Babicka*

Please join us for cake and refreshments after the early service in the Upper Gathering Room. We will celebrate all Elfinwild volunteers who lend their hands in ministry throughout the year.

The Elder of the Week is Mark Connelly

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 5-27-18

TODAY (5-27-18) Teacher Appreciation Sunday
8:30 & 11:10 AM – Worship Services-SA
9:45 AM – Sunday School for All Ages

MONDAY Memorial Day
Church Closed

TUESDAY 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool Staff Workshop – CE
10:30 AM – Staff Meeting – KL
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY 8:00 AM – Men's Bible Study – PS

FRIDAY

SATURDAY 6:30 AM – All In #7 – KL

SUNDAY (6-3-18) Communion
Graduate Recognition
8:00 & 10:00 AM – Worship – SA
11:00 AM – Houston Trip Meeting – CR
11:15 AM – Mission Committee Meeting – KL
11:15 AM – M&m's end of school year party – FH

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in memory of their parents by Larry and Pam McKern.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Mark Connelly.

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 USHERS

Michael Radich
John Hart
Ron Park
Dwight and Joanne Pearson

11:10 USHERS

Don Pritchard
Bob Mankey
Jim Giel
Dick Friedline

SOUND TECHNICIANS

8:30 – Marge Cain
11:10 – Jerry Nist

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday June 3, 2018
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Birth – 5th Grade

For more information on these ministries, please contact Amy Meyer, Director of Children and Family Ministries at: amy@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400, Ext. 106

1. LOVING CHILD CARE FOR OUR YOUNGEST FRIENDS

All adults working with our children have full security clearances.

Infant Nursery (Birth-2 Years), Sanctuary Level

Staffed by "Miss Holly" Shreiber & Church Members

Open Sundays 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

Toddler Room (2-4 Years), Basement

Staffed by "Miss Tracey" Hegerle & Teen Assistants

Open Sundays 9:30 AM-12:30 PM

2. SUNDAY SCHOOL for Ages 4 Years (Pre-K) to 5th Grade: Christian Education (CE) Building, 9:45-10:45 AM – An hour of learning God's truths, games, stories, art, and music directed by loving and knowledgeable teaching teams. **Pre-K/K:** First Floor Red Room **Grades 1-2:** Blue Room **Grades 3-5** Second Floor Purple Room

3. YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP For children 4 years to 2nd Grade during the second service, 11 AM-12:15 PM, green room in the first floor of the CE building. Children spend this hour experiencing and learning about God in a worship space designed just for them. Children who attend Sunday School may be dismissed directly to YCIW with a parent's permission. This week's lesson is *Pentecost* and will be taught by Bethann Dolan, Bonnie DeMatteo, Elaine Jans, and Beth Interthal.

4. M&MS (MESSIAH AND ME) PROGRAM – For kids in grades 3-5 from 12:15-2pm in Fellowship Hall. Starting with a light lunch, children dive into a time of games, activities, prayer, and lessons to build each child's walk with God. The last meeting and party will be June 3rd. Questions? Contact Tessa Connelly 412-600-1452 or connthree07@gmail.com.

5. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: ROME! Paul and The Underground Church June 18-22, 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM for children 4 yrs. by 6/1/18 through completing 5th grade. *Join us as we venture to ancient Rome to experience life when the church was just beginning! We'll visit the Apostle Paul under house arrest, sneak away to the hidden Underground Church, and try ancient traditions and foods in the market place. Together, we'll enjoy music, drama, Olympic games, and special art projects in carpentry and leatherworking shops. Best of all, we'll discover that God's love is the most powerful gift of all through our study in the book of Romans!* ~ New This Year ~Online Registration and Payment at www.elfinwildchurch.org. Paper forms available by sanctuary entrances & in the church office. Questions? Contact Amy Meyer: amy@elfinwildchurch.org or 412-486-5200, ext.106.

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 _____

MUSIC MINISTRIES

For more information on these ministries, contact

Ron Bernhardt at: ron@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400.

6. UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS! – If you are interested in joining our chancel choir, elementary choir, youth choir, praise team or handbell choir, please join us at rehearsal – *ALL ARE WELCOME!* You may join at any time.

SUMMER MUSIC – If you are interested in participating in worship through music this summer, a schedule of special music groups will be out soon. We will have the summer choir (all ages), praise team, orchestra, youth orchestra and more! If you would like more information, please call, email or stop in to see Ron.

MUSIC REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Chancel Choir – Wednesdays from 7:00 PM -8:30 PM

Praise Team – Tuesdays from 6-7:30 PM

Handbell Choir – Wednesdays from 6-7 PM

Elementary Choir – Thursdays from 6-7 PM (1st-5th grade)

Youth Choir – Thursdays from 7:15-8:30 PM

**Regular rehearsals will resume again in September*

STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12

For more information on these ministries, contact

Rev. Jason Rea at: jason@elfinwildchurch.org or call 412-486-5400.

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 other 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 from 6:30 – 8:00 PM at Bethany's house. **WE WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER!**

8. 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!**

9. GOT SENIORS? GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY: JUNE 3, 2018 – On June 3rd 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 high school senior will be able to attend the 10:00 AM service on June 3rd. 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 30th** as we would like to honor all seniors by placing their information in the bulletin that day.

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

10. 2018 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.

11. OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER gathering will NOT meet during the summer months of June, July, or August. Please continue to lift up those on our weekly list of concerns, and prayerfully consider joining this powerful ministry in September!

12. 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, 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.

13. 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.

14. STEPHEN MINISTRY - All Alone?? Don't be. God doesn't want us to be all alone. He wants us to turn to others when things are bothering us. Stephen Ministers will walk with you through your troubles and be there for you when you need them.

Verse of the Month: "Pray Continually." 1 Thessalonians 5:17

15. ELFINWILD HOME MEALS MINISTRY –The Meals Ministry serves over 70 clients each day with nutritious, well-balanced meals. Volunteers are needed for this important ministry every day either to assist in the delivery of the meals to our clients or to assist in the preparation of the meals. If you have any time during the hours of 8:00 AM - 12 noon to assist, please contact Dick Friedline at 412-486-8000.

16. THANK YOU to everyone who has helped me with coffee and treats. A special thank you goes out to the Deacons as well as Eric Spryn, Mark and Nathan. We serve an awesome God. Blessings and hugs, Tessa.

17. ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL Two adult Sunday school classes will be offered. The first class is a study of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. Course content will be directly correlated with the sermon each Sunday and will encourage participants to look more in depth at Jesus' words in his Sermon on the Mount as well as explore the ways that Jesus' teachings can guide our daily lives. This class will meet in Fellowship Hall during the Sunday school hour and the teachers will be Nancy Kriek (March and April), and Mark Connelly and Jim Saraceno (May and June). The second adult Sunday school class will be The Wired Word. A modern issue or current event will be highlighted each week and studied and discussed from a Biblical perspective. Mike Radich will teach this class which will meet in the Cornerstone Room during the Sunday school hour.

18. WOMEN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP – All women are welcome to join us in the Kennedy Library for a time to support one another while discussing scripture and how it applies to our life. Please contact Kara Rea with any questions at 412-328-5367.

19. 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 outside of Fellowship Hall.

20. PLEASE HELP US by recycling your papers in your home recycling bin as we no longer benefit financially from the recycling of the paper. The paper recycling bin is used heavily by the church and the preschool and it fills up quickly. Thank you for your cooperation!

21. PERKS TO PRAY AND PLAY is a new rebate program available at the four Mihelic Shop 'n Save locations where customers can register their personal Shop 'n Save perks cards under pre-authorized schools, churches, and other non-profits. As customers shop throughout a given period (the periods are January-June and July-December), their purchases are tracked by their Shop 'n Save card and 2% of all qualified purchases are calculated. That total is given in the form of gift cards to the organizations that are registered. Elfinwild Presbyterian Church has been pre-registered so we can begin receiving gift cards from Shop 'n Save. Sign up forms and information forms are located on the tables outside of the Sanctuary.

22. SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS BEGIN JUNE 3RD !! Next Sunday, June 3, 2018, we will begin our summer worship hours of 8:00 and 10:00 AM. We will recognize our graduates at this service and observe the sacrament of baptism at both services. These worship hours will continue through the end of August.

23. TAKE A HIKE, ELFINWILD! On June 10th after the 10 AM worship, please join us for relaxing fellowship and an optional two mile guided hike at the newly renovated Fall Run Park. Bring a packed lunch if you'd like. All are welcome and no registration is required. Directions and additional information are on the flyers located on the tables in the sanctuary. For more information, please contact Bob Wegner at:bobwegner@netzero.net or Amy Meyer at: 412-486-5400, ext. 106.

24. A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE for their participation in last Sunday's "the Church has Left the Building" event. Please save your t-shirts for the next time we leave the building!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

25. VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY The Bread of Life Food Pantry in Etna is looking for a volunteer(s) to help pick up food at the Shop and Save and Aldi's every Tuesday morning. If you can spare a few hours please contact Vickey at 412.781.7831 or Alexis at 412.721.3343. Please help us to help others!