

ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OFFICERS

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“Greater love hath no man than this that a man lay down HIS LIFE for his friends.”

John 15:13

**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 28, 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.*

**“We fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since
what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.”
2 Corinthians 4:18**

PRELUDE “Sweet Freedom’s Song” Franklin Ritter

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH
Please sign the blue Friendship Pad in the pew near the center aisle.

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

Psalm 118

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good

People: His love endures forever.

Leader: It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in humans. The Lord is my strength and my defense; He has become my salvation.

People: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. You are my God, and I will praise You.**All: God's love endures forever.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 150

“Come Christians, Join to Sing”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Psalm 139:23-24

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of everlasting love,
we confess that we have
been unfaithful to You.**

**We allow the people around
us to dictate our priorities.**

We put on an act and try to be someone else.

**We try to find satisfaction in our work,
things we accumulate, and the approval of others.**

Forgive us for seeking anything but You.

Bring us back to You,

that You might rule in our hearts.

In Jesus' name we pray,

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 103:8-12

Leader: Friends receive and believe 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.**

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:30)

“I Will Rise”
Chancel Choir
Eric Dudgeon, Drums

Jay Rouse

(11:10)

“Holy Spirit”
Praise Team

Bryan & Katie Torwalt

*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

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

“Cleanse Me”
Chancel Choir

Mark Hayes

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 4:1-22
(page 1022 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“One Name: Jesus”

Rev. Bethany Harbaugh

*SONG OF COMMITMENT

“In Christ Alone”

Verse 1

**In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought
and storm**

**What heights of love what depths
of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings
cease**

**My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand**

Verse 2

**In Christ alone Who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live**

Verse 3

**There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of
Christ**

Verse 4

**No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand**

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Heroic March”

Donald F. Callender

The Elder of the Week is Nancy Kriek

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

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

Norman Vincent Peale

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 5-28-17

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

MONDAY Memorial Day – Church Closed

TUESDAY 10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose

WEDNESDAY

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

FRIDAY

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

SUNDAY (6-4-17) Pentecost
Communion and Graduate Recognition
9:00 AM – Pentecost Celebration and Photograph – FH
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM – Worship Services – SA
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM – Commissioning of Stephen Ministers
11:00 AM – Deacons’ Meeting – CCR
11:15 AM – Inquirers’ Class – FH

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Nancy Kriek.

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
Joanne Pearson

11:10 USHERS
Don Pritchard
Jim Giel
Dick Friedline
Bob Mankey

SOUND TECHNICIANS
8:30 – Dennis Kriek
11:10 – Jerry Nist

UPCOMING SERVICE
Sunday June 4, 2017
Dr. Dirk Lesnett 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 will be taught by Sue Anderson, Carolyn Hervey, and Donne Rea Thompson.

4. HERO CENTRAL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – June 19-23 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.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

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

5. 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 – **Men’s Choir** Aug. 13 at 8 & 10 – **Praise Team**

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. 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

8. 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.

9. 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.

10. 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.

11. SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES – September through May

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

* "The Wired Word" (Cornerstone Room)

12. 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.

13. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped me this past year with Coffee, Fellowship, and Treats. Whether you donated coffee or treats, helped me with setup or cleanup, or were a Deacon who gave me a Sunday off once a month, I am very grateful for your help. God Bless all of you, and I will see you in September, Tessa Connelly.

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. 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 everyday 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 8:30 AM - 12 noon to assist, please contact Dick Friedline at 412-486-8000.

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. 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!

22. 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.

23. SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS BEGIN JUNE 4TH!! Next Sunday, June 4, 2017 we will begin our summer worship hours of 8:00 and 10:00 AM. Our Pentecost celebration and annual picture will be at 9:00 AM. During the service, Communion will be observed, we will commission our Stephen Ministers, and we will recognize our graduates. These worship hours will continue through the end of August.

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.