



**Welcome to
Elfinwild Presbyterian Church**

***We are pleased that you have chosen to be with us
on this day that the Lord has made.***

***Please relax and enjoy the music before the service starts.
Quiet your heart before God.
Ask Him to meet with you and teach you today.***

***Inside you will find our order of service and the activities
of the church.***

***We offer a warm welcome to every worshipper,
and a way to serve for all who are willing.***

**We believe in a Triune God – Father, Son and
Holy Spirit. United by our love for God
and faith in Jesus Christ, and led by the Holy
Spirit, we will serve the Lord through...**

...joyful worship as we glorify His name

...committed study and learning of the Word

**...faithful mission to our community and
the world.**

***Elfinwild Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship for the Lord's Day***

November 1, 2009

Eight thirty and Eleven-Ten O'clock

To prepare for worship, you may want to reflect on Scripture or pray.

*"We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God
will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him."*

1 Thessalonians 4:14

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

PRELUDE

"Opus III"

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Handchimes

arr. Callahan

***HYMN NO. 260 (8:30)**

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Ein' Feste Burg

***OPENING SONGS OF APPROACH (11:10)**

"Here I Am To Worship"

"We Fall Down"

Praise Team w/ congregation

(See music insert)

ANTHEM (8:30)

"One Faith, One Hope, One Lord"

Chancel Choir

by Craig Courtney

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, through the resurrection of Christ you have shown your power over death and the grave. Jesus has gone before to prepare a place for each of us. You are there in that place. Still, we cling to this world that we know. We are afraid often of what we have not yet known. Forgive us when we do not trust your promise of eternal life. Forgive us for holding on too tightly and not letting go. By your Spirit empower us to trust our lives and the lives of those whom we love into your care. And give us hearts that believe in the hope of resurrection for all who are one in Christ. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 Corinthians 15:50-57

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY (8:30)

“Come Share the Lord”

Chancel Choir Arr. Keith Christopher

(11:10)

“Draw Me Close”

Kelly Carpenter

Praise Team

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.

***HYMN NO. 510 (8:30)**

“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

Quebec

***SONG OF THANKSGIVING (11:10)**

“Better Is One Day”

Praise Team w/ congregation
(See music insert)

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Samuel 9:1-13
(Page 276 O.T. in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“The Table – A Place of Kindness”

Dr. Dirk Lesnett

CELEBRATING THE SAINTS – THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Robert Andrews
Ellen Brunton
James W. King

Norma Jean Little
Anna Marie Snatchko

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Words of Invitation
Prayer of Consecration
Words of Institution
Receiving the Bread and the Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving

***HYMN NO. 526 (8:30)**

“For All the Saints”

Sine Nomine

*** SONG OF RESPONSE (11:10)**

“I Give You My Heart”

Praise Team w/congregation
(See music insert)

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE
Congregation**

“Choral Alleluia”

Gaither

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

He’s my Savior, I will praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia
He’s my Savior, I will praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

***RECESSION**

POSTLUDE:

“I Bind Unto Myself Today”

P. Fetler

Liturgist: 8:30 am Dan Voigt
11:10 am Mark Riethmuller

THIS WEEK’S USHERS ARE:

8:30 a.m.
Paul Braddock
Dick Matthews
Kim Szymoniak
Bob Szymoniak
Ron Tiedeman

11:10 a.m.
Mel Stoker
Lee Shumaker
Jack Ritenbaugh
Patti Zahnhausen
Bill Sausser

UPCOMING SERVICES

8:30 A.M. & 11:10 A.M.

November 8, 2009

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

“Keeping Your Eye on the Prize”

Dr. Lesnett preaching

THE SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION are extended to the family of Cheryl and Clark Strohm on the death of Cheryl’s father, J. L. Overton, in Alabama.

CONGRATULATIONS to Brittney Engh on the birth of her son Jacob Ryan Engh on October 21, 2009.

PRAYER FOLLOWING EACH WORSHIP SERVICE: Any person who desires to make a commitment, has a personal need, or a concern for someone, will be able to meet with Elder Bob Anderson in the chapel.

1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Bob Anderson.
2. **THE FLOWERS** in the sanctuary this morning are given in honor of Jim and Suan Giel’s 57th wedding anniversary by their sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
3. **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.



CHILDREN’S & FAMILY MINISTRY, Birth-5th Grade

5. **YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP** (age 4 - 2nd grade) provides an opportunity for children to experience God through an age appropriate and multi-sensory worship service. The wooden figures, desert box and other materials create a visual representation of the Bible. The lighting of candles and discussion of other church traditions introduce children to the meaning of the many symbols seen in the sanctuary. The hands-on experience of the children retelling the stories by manipulating the figures helps the Bible lessons take shape in their minds and hearts. Today’s lesson on “The Temple” is being taught by Debbie Piel, Tori Potock and Melissa Kutzer.

6. **M & m’s – ALL 4TH THROUGH 6TH GRADERS** are invited to join us for fun and

CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

8:30 AND 11:10 A.M.

Cradle Roll (infants – 1st grade)

Location – end of hall from sanctuary.

9:45 - 10:45 AM

Classes For Young Disciples

11:10 A.M. ONLY

Toddlers (ages 2 - 4) are welcomed in the Toddler Room

Location – 1st floor of church building

Preschool (age 4 - 2nd grade) will be in Young Child & Worship

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

Children 3rd grade and up worship with their families.

fellowship! We meet on the third Wednesday of each month from 6:30 – 8:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. A lot is being planned for the following nights...

Nov. 18 - Lots of popcorn will be served up for our movie night shown on the big screen in the Youth Center

Dec. 16 - Share a joyful noise with Christmas caroling.

STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12



7. **“KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS”** magnets are on sale now for \$5.00 in the Narthex after the 8:30 service, between services and after the 11:10 service. All proceeds go to help fund transportation costs for student mission trips.
8. **WOOD NEEDED** – Student Ministries needs wood for our fire ring. Please call Mrs. Kriek (412-487-8616) if you have wood to donate. We can pick it up.
9. **STUDENT MINISTRIES COULD USE SOME OTTOMANS.** If you would happen to have some ottomans that are not really being used at your house, the Youth House could really use them. Contact Kyle Pinta at 412-487-6163 or leave a message on the Youth Ministries telephone.
10. **STUDENT MINISTRIES:** Parents, students or friends of Student Ministries – if you would like to be on our e-mail list to receive updates and important information, please e-mail your address to Kyle Pinta at KJPinta@aol.com.



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11. **THE MEN'S LUNCHEON** will be held on Tuesday, November 3, at 12 noon in Fellowship Hall. Be sure to make your reservation.
12. **SENIOR ACHIEVERS' MEETING** will be held Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Entertainment: Storyteller Vonnie-Kaye Brough. Bring a bag lunch. Beverage and dessert are provided. Guests and visitors are welcome.
14. **CALLING COOKIE BAKERS OF THE CONGREGATION.** The Deacons are asking you to donate cookies as the dessert for the luncheon preceding the congregational meeting on Sunday November 8. Cookies should be brought to the kitchen by 11:00 am that day.

15. **PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY** – Elfinwild's Professional Directory is now available. A directory was sent to anyone who submitted an advertisement. Additional copies are located outside of the chapel and in the church office for anyone desiring one. Thank you to everyone who participated. John and Cindy Neil

16. **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY** is sweeping the nation. Over 650,000 families have taken best selling author Dave Ramsey's 13 week, biblically based course teaching us how to improve our financial affairs. No matter what you know about finances, you don't know enough! Subjects include: HOW to save, understanding investments, insurance, retirement, college planning, real estate, mortgages, careers, dumping debt, and more. Check out Dave on the Fox Business Network weeknights at 8 PM (Comcast channel 106), on the radio (2-5 PM M-F AM 910) and at www.daveramsey.com. The course will be offered on Thursdays, beginning November 5 from 7 to 9 P.M. We have just purchased a limited number of FPU course "kits" for \$49.76! Sign up as soon as you can to enjoy this special price. After these kits are sold, we will have to purchase them at the usual rate of \$93. You can't truly be spiritually free until you are financially free! Please call Henry Tomer with any questions: 412-487-4437.

17. **Calling All 'Gingerbread Carpenters' and Crafters!**

We would love to have your help and fellowship in building the gingerbread houses that we will decorate at the Advent Celebration on December 6th. Learn great techniques in gingerbread carpentry. All hands are welcome. We will meet in the Green Room of the C.E. building.

Preparation dates: Tuesday, November 3, and 10 at 7:00pm
Call Nancy Tiernan with any questions. 412-486-5400.

18. **ON BEHALF OF THE BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY,** the Deacons would like to thank everyone who brought boxes of potatoes and rice (September's donation of the month) and paper towels and jelly (October's donation of the month). The director of the pantry was most appreciative. Looking ahead to November, the following items will be collected – baking items (mixes, chocolate chips, flour, sugar, etc.). Remember to bring your contribution to church on one of the first three Sundays of the month.
19. **APNC UPDATE** – The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC) is made up of the following people: Dave Frazier, Mike Gaydos, Donna Gottschalk, Margaret Hartley, Steve Heere, Douglas Riethmuller, Patty Robinson, Lauren Shideler and Dale Weisenstein. The group began meeting in June with the initial task of completing the Church Information Form (CIF). The form has been approved by Session and will be posted online for review by potential candidates and sent on to Presbytery. A computerized match with Pastor Information Forms (PIF's) will follow and matching forms will be sent to the APNC for consideration. In addition, prospective pastors may self-referral to the APNC, and members of Elfinwild may refer candidates for review. As referrals are made, the APNC will begin the process of screening and selecting individuals for interview.

20.

Women's Retreat

Where: Camp Crestfield, Scott Lodge, Slippery Rock, PA

When: November 13-14, 2009

Cost: \$80 Double Room \$70 Triple Room

Name _____ Phone# _____
 Room preference: Double _____ Triple _____ No preference _____
 Roomate(s)names: _____

\$30 Deposit Due today, November 1, 2009

A meeting of the congregation will be held on Sunday, November 8, 2009 at 1:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. The agenda includes election of church officers, a construction update and a summary of the 2010 budget. A light lunch will be served after the 11:10 worship service and before the meeting.

Mark Riethmuller
 Clerk of Session

22. **GLENSHAW CENTURY CLUB** – Please join us for our Annual Holiday House Tour, traditional tea table and craft fair to be held Saturday, November 7, from 10am-3pm at the Glenshaw Presbyterian Church, 300 Glenn Avenue. Tickets are available in advance by calling Linda @412-487-8753, or the Shaler North Hills Library, or on the day of the event the Glenshaw Presbyterian Church. A gala event will be held Friday evening, November 6, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. For info and tickets call Betty @412-486-5302. All proceeds benefit the Glenshaw Century Club's Shaler Area High School Scholarship Program and various local charities.

23. **GLOBAL LINKS URGENTLY NEEDS** wheelchairs, walkers, canes, and crutches in good condition, and Devilbiss Nebulizers for overseas donation to the poor. To donate, please contact Betty Samuels at 412-487-4555. She will pick up the items.

24. **A SPAGHETTI DINNER** will be held on Saturday, November 7 from 4:00-7:00 pm at the Epworth United Methodist Church, 1300 Burchfield Road, Allison Park, PA. The menu consists of spaghetti with meatballs and sausage, tossed salad, Italian bread, dessert and beverages. Cost: Adults - \$6.00, Children - \$3.00 and children under 3 years are free.

25. **GLENSHAW AARP #3744** will meet November 10, 2009 at 7:30 pm at Elfinwild Presbyterian Church, 3200 Mt. Royal Boulevard, Glenshaw, PA. Entertainment: singer Brian Mahan. Bring gifts for Vincentian-Regency, Vincentian Home and food for the food bank.

26. **COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE**. The annual Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Wednesday, November 25 at 7:30 pm at St. Catherine of Sweden Roman Catholic Church in Wildwood. The preacher that evening will be the Rev. Garrett Dorsey from St. Ursula Roman Catholic Church

21. OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The Power of a Simple Gift.....Do you have a few hours to spare in the afternoon or evening? Are you looking for some volunteer hours for a project? Can you bake cookies? Do you like to meet and greet new people? Can you pack a cardboard box? Can you unload shoe boxes from a car? Do you have access to a box truck? If you can answer yes to just ONE of these questions then we have a need for you!!!!

This year Elfinwild Church again has volunteered to be a relay center for Operation Christmas Child. Relay Centers have the opportunity to be the first step of many in the journey of shoe box gifts as they travel around the world delivering joy, hope, and the Gospel of Jesus Christ to children in need. During the week of November 16-23, OCC's National Collection Week, churches and organizations in our area will be delivering their shoe box collection here to be processed and prepared for their next destination. We need many happy faces to greet people, unload cars, pack and seal cardboard boxes, help with gathering information, keeping our refreshment area supplied and loading a box truck. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this amazing ministry that reaches out and shows God's love to so many. If you feel you can help in any way and share your powerful gift of time, please give Julie Panza a call @ 412-492-0539.



in Allison Park. This service is sponsored by the Hampton-Shaler–Clergy Association.

27. FALL VOLUNTEER TRAINING – CRISIS CENTER NORTH. Providing direction to victims of domestic violence. There is a critical need to increase the awareness of the devastating effect that domestic violence has on families in our community. By casting light on this subject, Crisis Center North hopes to fulfill its mission: *to empower victims of domestic violence and cultivate community attitudes and behaviors that break the cycle of violence.* Please consider our immediate need for volunteers. On November 3 we will be starting the Fall Direct Service Training. The training will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 pm and Saturday mornings from 9-12. The training runs for a total of 10 three hour group sessions and 15 hours of outside self-study work, all concluding on Tuesday, November 24. This 45-hour training is state mandated by the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence (PCADV). We hope you will consider this opportunity. Please contact Glenn Sauer, Volunteer Coordinator, at 412-364-6728 x 18 or gsauer@crisiscenternorth.org, if you have any questions or wish to get involved.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:00 am 9:45 am 9:45 am 4:30-6:00 pm 6:30-8:00 pm 7:00 pm	Handchimes – Choir Room Choir Help Session – Choir Room New Members Class – Peach Room Jr. High Club – Youth House Sr. High Club – Youth House Women’s Bible Study – Peach Room
MONDAY	7:30 am 9:00-11:00 am 2:00 pm 6:00-8:30 pm 7:00 pm	Preschool - C. E. Building Preschool Moms’ Bible Study – Youth House Worship Committee - PS Act 1 – Friendship Hall & C.E. Building Boy Scout Troop Meeting - FH
TUESDAY	7:30 am 9:00-11:00 am 12:00 Noon 5:00-6:00 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Preschool - C. E. Building Preschool Moms’ Bible Study – Youth House Men’s Luncheon - KL Gr. 2-5 Elementary Choir TOPS Girl Scouts – C. E. Building Men’s Bowling – Fun Fest Lanes Gingerbread Crafters – C.E. Building - Green Rm. Handbells – Choir Room Praise Team – Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY	7:30 am 8:30 am 6:30-7:15 pm	Preschool – C. E. Building Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Room HS & older Chancel Choir Music Reading – Choir Rm.

	7:00 pm 7:15 pm	Israel Meeting - Lesnetts Chancel Choir – Choir Rm.
THURSDAY	7:00 am 7:30 am 8:30 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:15 pm	Men’s Bible Study – Kennedy Library Preschool - C. E. Building Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Room Lions Club – Cor. Conf. Rm. Spiritual Warfare Prayer Meeting – Chapel Financial Peace Presentation – Peach Rm. Youth Choir – Gr. 6-12 – Choir Room
FRIDAY	7:30 am 8:30 am 4:15-6:45 pm 7:00 pm	Preschool - C.E. Building Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Room Act 1 – Fr. Hall & C. E. Building Troop 157 Camping at Costaluga – Webelos Invited Student Ministries – Jr. High Laurelville Trip
SATURDAY	7:00 am 9:00 am-3:00 pm	CLC – Kennedy Library Act 1 – Fr. Hall & C. E. Building Jr. High Laurelville Trip

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