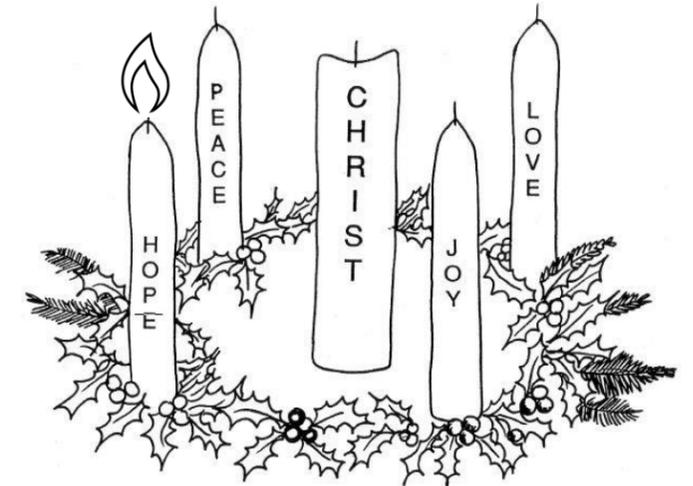


THE FOLLOWING LEADERS WERE ELECTED FOR 2017

<u>SESSION</u>	<u>DEACONS</u>	<u>TRUSTEES</u>
Nicole Graco	Marge Cain	Bob Anderson
Steve Heere	Mark Dudgeon	Floyd Dierker
Nancy Kriek	Ron Park	Janell Haygood
Jeff Mulkern	Robyn Smith	Robert Hughes
Patty Robinson		Matt Kolodziej
Jim Saraceno		
<u>NOMINATING COMMITTEE</u>		
Bethann Dolan	Joanne Pearson	Charline Tomer

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SESSION

Moderator – Dr. Dirk M. Lesnett
 Clerk of Session – Mr. Mark Riethmuller

2016	2017	2018
Bethann Dolan	Mark Feris	Wendy Boody
Steve Heere	Amy Meyer	Kristin Coco
Nancy Kriek	Dwight Pearson	Mark Connelly
Bob Lindeman	Kyle Pinta	John Hart
Patty Robinson	Ann Ritter	Bob Siar
Becky Winek	Bob Wegner	Kelly Simile

DEACONS

President – Mr. Ron Park
 Secretary – Mrs. Robyn Smith

2016	2017	2018
Linda Barto	Jenny Dayton	Sue Anderson
Pat Graham	Linda Kaiser	Bev Feris
Ron Park	Beth Meyer	Bev Friedline
Robyn Smith	Patti Zahnhausen	Dick Friedline
		Dorothy Thompson
		Penny Young

TRUSTEES

President – Mr. Bob Anderson
 Secretary – Mr. Jim Giel

2016	2017	2018
Bob Anderson	Len Colaizzi	Doug Boody
Janell Haygood	Mike Gaydos	Dorothy Winter
Pam McKern	Jim Giel	Steve Coco
Peggy McNeil	Tim Keenan	
	Don Pritchard	
	Matt Schlegel	
	Bev Weber	

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 Email: epchurch@elfinwildchurch.org

FINANCIAL GIVING 2016

Year-end giving is always important in our financial life. If you are able to satisfy your pledge or give beyond that amount it will greatly benefit our fiscal picture and ability to continue to do effective ministry in the name of Christ now and in the years to come. **THANK YOU** for your faithfulness in financial stewardship. You have made a difference in the lives of children and families, locally and around the world. You have provided a place of worship for hundreds of new people. You are providing meals to our local seniors each and every day. You are being the light of Christ through Elfinwild Church!

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church		
Financial Statement		
October 31, 2016		
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$524,703
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$558,772
Unfavorable	(Y.T.D.)	- \$34,069

**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
 THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
 November 27, 2016
 10:00 AM Worship**

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

“In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, “Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.” Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great and be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end.” Luke 1:26-33

PRELUDE “A Christmas Hallelujah” Cloverton
 Praise Team & Youth Choir

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

INTROIT “An Invitation for Advent” Ruth Elaine Schram
 Elfinwild Choirs

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

The Beck Family

Scripture reading
Lighting of the Candle of Hope

Jeremiah 33:14

COLLECT (UNISON PRAYER)

Dear God, help us calm our hearts this season of Advent and to step out of the chaos of our daily lives. Fill our hearts and minds with the hope and anticipation of Jesus' birth. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 2 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Words of Introduction
Questions to the Parents – Scott and Katie (Spagnolo) Grzybowski
Questions to the Congregation
Presentation of Gifts
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Baptism of Liliana Rose Grzybowski
Hymn No. 25 "Away in a Manger"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Prepare the way of the Lord! Let us make our confession to God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, always with us, always coming: We confess that we do not know how to prepare for Advent. We have forgotten how to hope in miracles; we have ignored the promise of Your kingdom; we get distracted by all the busyness of this season. Forgive us, God. Grant us the simple wonder of the shepherds, the intelligent courage of the Magi, and the patient faith of Mary and Joseph, that we may journey with them to Bethlehem and find the good news of a child born for us. Now, in the quiet of our hearts, we ask You to make us ready for His coming. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The good news of the Advent season is forgiveness of sin and new life. Let us commit our lives to Christ's way of hope and peace.

All: **Thanks be to God, who comes among us, setting us free to love and serve.**

* 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 "Kumbaya" Marc Robinson
Elfinwild Choirs
Derek Bowen, Mandie Radich, Anna Meyer - Soloists

*DOXOLOGY

**O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in,
Be born in us today,
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel.**

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.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 24:36-44
(page 927 in the pew Bible)

SERMON "Keeping Watch" Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT No. 23 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Toccata Jubiuloso" Gerald Peterson
The Elder of the Week is Ann Ritter

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS: TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

"The world asks, 'What does a person own?'" God asks, "How does a person use what he or she has been given?"

A note from Dirk ~

I was thinking ... that this time of year I make it a point to reflect on the importance of this season of waiting for Jesus! I often return to some poems and letters that I have discovered in my reading journey, such as two essays by CS Lewis, or a devotional putting together several favorite authors like Eugene Peterson and Richard John Neuhaus. But this morning I want to share with you a poem from Ann Weems in her collection of poems titled, Kneeling in Bethlehem.

THE COMING OF GOD

*Our God is the One who comes to us
in a burning bush,
in an angel's song,
in a newborn child.*

*Our God is the One who cannot be found
locked in the church,
not even in the sanctuary.*

*Our God will be where God will be
with no constraints,
no predictability.*

*Our God lives where God lives,
and destruction has no power
and even death cannot stop
the living.*

*Our God will be born where God will be born,
but there is no place to look for the One who comes to us.*

*When God is ready
God will come
even to a godforsaken place
like a stable in Bethlehem.*

*Watch...
for you know not when God comes.*

*Watch, that you might be found
whenever
wherever
God comes.*

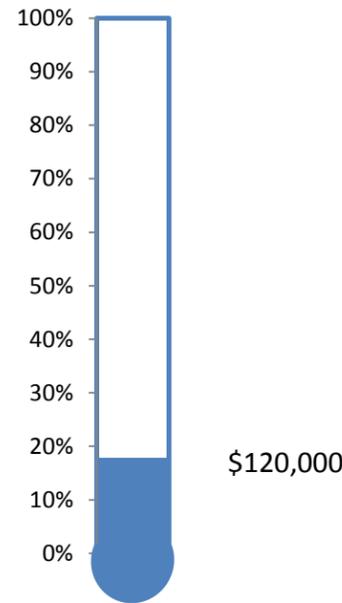
FINANCIAL ESTIMATES FOR 2017

It is important that we have as accurate a picture of our 2017 financial commitments as possible so we can budget and plan accordingly.

Please be prayerful about your Estimate of Giving for 2017 and turn in your cards as early as possible. Your giving will provide opportunities for our students to serve in mission, discipleship classes and small groups for our children and adults, outreach to our communities and a people who are welcoming and caring for those lost and in need of the Savior.

Thank you!

2017 STEWARDSHIP GOAL - \$674,000.00



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 _____

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 11-27-16

- TODAY** (11-27-16)
 8:30 AM – Advent Outreach Breakfast – FH
 10:00 AM – Worship Service – SA
 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM – Advent Community Outreach – FH, CE
 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Club – YH
- MONDAY**
 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act One – CE
 7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH
- TUESDAY**
 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE, UGR
 10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL
 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM – Praise Team – SA
 6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose
 6:30 PM – All Church Retreat Meeting – KL
 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Financial Peace – YH
- WEDNESDAY**
 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE, UGR
 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Handbells – CR
 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Jr. High Girls’ Bible Study at Harbaugh’s
 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM – Chancel Choir – CR
- THURSDAY**
 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE, UGR, CH
 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
 6:00 PM – Lions’ Club – CCR
 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Elementary Choir – CR
 7:00 PM – Webelos II – PR
 7:15 PM – 8:30 PM – Youth Choir – CR
- FRIDAY**
 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Preschool– CE, UGR, CH
 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR
 4:15 PM – 6:45 PM – Act One – CE
 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM – Den 8 Bear Cub Scouts – PR
 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Wolf Den – TR
 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Tiger Cubs – Red Room
- SATURDAY**
 6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – CLC – YH
 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM – McCaffrey Fundraiser – FH
 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Act One – CE
- SUNDAY** (12-11-16)
 Communion
 8:30 AM –& 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA
 9:45 AM – Sunday School
 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM – Cantata Rehearsal – All Parts – SA
 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH
 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Club – YH

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in honor and memory of all first responders and military personnel by Ray Adomonis.

THE ELDER OF THE WEEK is Ann Ritter.

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.

USHERS

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| Pau Braddock | Mel Stoker |
| Max Smith | Jennifer Muszynski |
| Kim Szymoniak | Patti Zahnhausen |
| Bob Szymoniak | Dorothy Thompson |
| Ron Tiedeman | |

SOUND TECHNICIANS

- Marge Cain
 Jerry Nist

UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday, December 4, 2016
 Rev. Jason Rea 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. CALLING ALL KIDS—GRADES 3-5! M&MS: MESSIAH & ME

YOUTH GROUP Get ready for a year of fun, games, growing and serving in Jesus Christ. Our next meeting will be December 7th at 6:30 PM in Friendship Hall. Please join us!

MUSIC MINISTRIES

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

4. 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!

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| Praise Team – Tuesdays 6-7:30 PM | Handbell Choir – Wednesdays 6-7:00 PM |
| Chancel Choir – Wednesdays 7-8:30 PM | Youth Choir – Thursday, 7:15-8:30 PM |
| Elementary Choir – Thursdays 6-7:00 PM | |

5. CHRISTMAS CANTATA – Rehearsals have begun for this year’s Christmas Cantata, but it’s not too late to sign up! We will be offering Joel Raney’s “Love Came Down at Christmas” on Sunday, December 18th at the 11:10 service. Rehearsals are being held on Sunday’s from 1pm-2:30 PM. I hope you’ll join us!

6. YOUTH MUSIC MINISTRY FUNDRAISER – Have you seen the shirts the Youth Choir wears for their end of the year performances? Have you ever wondered where you could buy a shirt like theirs? For the next three weeks in the Upper Gathering Room, orders will be taken for the same t-shirts which will benefit the Youth Music program. Youth sizes are \$10 and regular adult sizes are \$12. As believers we are called to actively spread the word of God’s love and desire to make a positive difference in the world. Psalm 96:3 states, “Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples.” Actively show your devotion to God by wearing your life on the “outside” just like our Youth Choir members do.

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. 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 at the Youth House. We hope to see you there!

8. 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 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 on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00 PM at Bethany’s house. We hope you will come and bring a friend!

ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS

9. FILL THE TRUCK! We will be filling a truck of food items to be donated to the Bread of Life Food Pantry on Sunday, December 18, 2016. Please contact Jim Giel, Jr. at 412-486-2774 with any questions or how you can help this worthy cause. Items that are needed are: package/box noodle side dish mixes, package/box rice side dish mixes, boxed hot dinners or salads, package/box rice, boxed potatoes, pasta (single serve Chef Boyardee), pasta Sauce, canned salmon, sardines, crab, tuna, soup, broth – chicken/beef /vegetable, canned fruit, condiments such as ketchup, mustard, mayo, pickles, salad dressings, peanut butter, puddings, gelatins (ready-made or boxed), Baking items: cake, cookie, or brownie mix, single serve cereals or instant oatmeal, single serve items such as granola bars, fruit cups, Easy Mac, applesauce, sandwich crackers, Ramen/Oodles of Noodles, sugar, flour, baby food and diapers, paper towels and napkins, toilet paper and facial tissues, personal items such as soap, shampoo, shaving cream, and disposable razors.

10. CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS – It’s time to order your Christmas Poinsettias! Please use the special white envelopes in the pews. Plants are \$12.00 each and checks should be made payable to Elfinwild Presbyterian Church. Monday, December 1st is the last day to order. Any orders received after that date will be applied evenly to the Bread of Life Food Pantry and North Hills Community Outreach.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. 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 8:00 AM – 11:30 AM to assist, please contact Marian Berberich at 412-486-8000.

14. 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.

15. NURSERY HELP WANTED: We are looking for some extra coverage for the 8:30 service. Please contact Emily Cooper for more information if you are willing to help care for the smallest of our congregation.

16. AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRL NEW TROOP FORMING – Elfinwild Church is starting a new American Heritage Girls troop. The troop is open to girls ages 5-18. Please feel free to contact Pam McKern with any questions at: pamela_mckern@hotmail.com or 412-512-3461.

17. SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES – September through May

* The Story taught by Dr. Dirk Lesnett (Fellowship Hall)

* “The Wired Word” taught by Mike Radich in the Fall (Cornerstone Room)

Thursday Evening Classes-

January 5 through January 26 (4 weeks)

1. “Elfinwild Unplugged: Telling our Stories” taught by Reverend Jason Rea and Mark Connelly (Fellowship Hall)
2. Bible Study on 1 John taught by Bob Siar and Bob Wegner (Cornerstone Room)

18. COMING TO THEATERS FOR ONE INSPIRING NIGHT

It’s the story that shook the world ... and challenged the faith of those who lived through it. Now, the amazing true story of how Samaritan’s Purse staff trusted God in the midst of the devastating Ebola crisis in Africa is coming to theaters for one night. Plan now to see **FACING DARKNESS** on Thursday, March 30th only. **Tickets Are Now Available!** You can find a preliminary list of theaters and tickets can be purchased online from participating theaters at facingdarknessmovie.com. Don’t miss out on the ministry movie event of the year.

19. 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.

20. COFFEE, TREATS AND FELLOWSHIP

We gather after the 8:30 a.m. Worship Service and before Sunday School Classes start. Volunteers prepare and serve coffee, juice and treats. Would you like to volunteer? Contact: Tessa Connelly, connthree07@gmail.com (724) 939-7665.

21. 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, connthree07@gmail.com (724) 939-7665.

22. WOMEN’S ADVENT REFLECTION – Please join us on Monday, December 5, 2016 at 7:00 PM for “*Gingerbread Wishes*”. God made each of us different so that we can serve the Lord in a unique way. “I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.” Psalm 139:14.

23. A BAKE SALE/CHINESE AUCTION will be held on December 3, 2016 from 8 AM to 2 PM in Fellowship Hall. This will help offset the medical bills for Caiden McCaffrey, five year old grandson of Harold and Cheryl McCaffrey. Caiden underwent a kidney transplant on November 8th and is doing well. Donations of baked goods and Chinese auction items would be appreciated. Please contact Cheryl McCaffrey about donations or questions at 412-527-4655. Thank you.

24. THE PRESBYTERIAN PROJECT, A group of local churches including; Elfinwild, Fox Chapel, Glenshaw, Hiland, John McMillan and Parkwood, are planning a mission trip to the Carolinas the week of January 15-21, 2017. There has been significant damage to homes along the East coast, but we will focus our efforts in the Carolinas to try to keep the destination within a reasonable driving distance. The cost of the trip is estimated at \$400/person at this time, but more details will follow, keep checking back!! We do have scholarship money available if you would like to experience this type of mission work. Please think and pray about it!! If you have any questions or are interested please contact Penny Young at (412) 767-4325 or youngp@fcpc.us.

COMMUNITY NEWS

25. TOY DRIVE – This year the Bread of Life Food Pantry will be hosting the Christmas lunch with Santa Claus at the Calvert Presbyterian Church hall. They are anticipating more children than they have had in the past. Your help is needed with unwrapped toys for ages newborn to 12 years old. A bin will be located in the hallway by the old Chapel entrance for your donations. Please contact Alexis at the Food Pantry at 412-781-3056 with any questions. Donations of wrapping paper, tags and tape are also welcome.

26. 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.