

SERMON

“Joseph: From the Cell to the High Courts”
Dr. Dirk M. Lesnett

**SONG OF
PREPARATION (8:30)**

“Come to the Feast” Christopher Grundy
Youth Choir

(11:10) *“Lord of Feasting and of Hunger”* Edwards/Schalk
Chancel Choir

Lord of feasting and of hunger, Give us eyes to see your bread
In the miracle of wonder, Till all tables will be fed.
See the silent ones who wait when the blessing seems too late.

Lord of seed and Lord of harvest, Turn the desert into bloom:
Purify the sky and forest, Give your wisdom, send it soon.
See the silent ones who wait when the blessing seems too late.

Lord of storm and heat and danger, Deep inside and high above,
Break into all fear and anger, Till you reign the earth in love,
See the silent ones who wait when the blessing seems too late.

Lord of taking and of giving, Give us back our dignity;
In our universal living, Break down all inequity.
See the silent ones who wait when the blessing seems too late.

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

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. 439 *“In Christ There Is No East or West”* St. Peter

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

***BENEDICTION**

***RECESSION**

POSTLUDE *“Plein Jeu a la Couperin”* Gordon Young



***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
World Communion

October 2, 2011

Eight-thirty and Eleven-ten O'clock

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

"We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE "Sonata No. 2" Felix Mendelssohn
Grave, Adagio, Allegro Maestoso e vivace, Allegro moderato (Fuga)

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 24:1-4, NRSV

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;

People: for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?

People: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

***HYMN NO. 138**

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Nicaea

***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

In spite of God's love for us and gift of love to us, we often act in destructive and hateful ways. We close our hearts to God and disobey God's law. Together let us confess our sin.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God: from the ends of the earth you have gathered us around Christ's holy table. Forgive our separate ways. Forgive everything that keeps us apart; the prides that prevent our proper reunion. O God, have mercy on your church, troubled and divided. Renew in us true unity of purpose; that we may break bread together, and, with one voice, praise Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Christ is our peace; those who are divided he has made one. He has broken down the barriers of separation by his death and has built us up into one body, with God. To all who repent and believe he has promised reconciliation. So live as people reconciled. Amen.

Leader: Friends believe the Good News!

People: 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, Amen.

***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; 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 the life everlasting. Amen.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY (8:30)

"SISI GUMBO WE"

Youth Choir

(11:10)

"If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott
Arr. by Georg Neumark

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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 50:15-21

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THIS WEEK'S USHERS ARE:

8:30 a.m.	11:10 a.m.
Donna Rea Thompson	Bill Piel
Len Anderson	Carle Schnelle
James Young	Debbie Piel
Tim Keenan	Don Grau
Jim Thompson	Scott Muszynski

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, October 9, 2011
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching
“Deliverance”
Exodus 1-7;10-17

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 Nancy Kriek in the chapel.

THE SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION are extended to Jerry Mackey and family on the death of Tom whose funeral was held in the sanctuary on Friday, September 30, 2011.

CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

8:30 a.m. through 12:10 p.m.

Cradle Roll (birth to toddlers)

Location – end of hall from sanctuary

9:45 - 10:45 a.m.

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) welcome in Young Child & Worship

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

WE WELCOME AS GUEST ORGANIST THIS MORNING Jeffry Anwyll. Jeff is an accomplished church organist...having begun his music ministry at the age of 16! He has played and performed locally, as well as world-wide. His musical gifts also include voice, piano, drums, bass guitar and handbells. He is currently the Director of Substitutes and Placement for the Pittsburgh Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

1. **ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Nancy Kriek.
2. **THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** this morning are given in loving memory of Fred Lucas and in honor of his birthday on Sept. 26 by Lois Lucas.
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



4. **SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR PRESCHOOL – GRADE 6:** The Sunday school hour begins at 9:45 am with music in Friendship Hall (ground floor of the C.E. building). At 10:00, teachers will take their children to the classroom for a lesson, activities, art, and more! All are welcome!
5. **YOUNG CHILD IN WORSHIP (11:10) ONLY** (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 Noah is being taught by Carolyn Hervey, Elaine Jans, and Bonnie DeMatteo.
6. **M & ms "MESSIAH & ME"**. All 4th through 6th grade students are invited to join us on the 3rd Wednesday of each month for M&m's. We gather from 6:30-8:00 pm in Fellowship Hall for games, activities, prayer, a lesson and snack. Mark your calendars for the following dates – October 19, November 16 and December 21. Please call Kristin Coco (412-767-4539) or Bethann Dolan (412-492-9991) with any questions.

YOUTH MINISTRY



7. **JR. HIGH CLUB TONIGHT 4:30-6:00 PM:** This is our youth group time for students in 6th-8th grades. We have a great time hanging out, playing games, singing songs, eating snacks and talking about what it means to follow Jesus. We hope to see all our 6th-8th grade students at Club!
8. **SR. HIGH CLUB TONIGHT 6:30-8:00 PM:** This is our youth group time for students in grades 9-12. We also have a great time hanging out, playing games, singing together, eating snacks and talking about what it means to follow Jesus. All Elfinwild 9th-12th graders and their friends are welcome to attend.
9. **UPCOMING TRIPS AND RETREATS:**
Laurelville Weekends: Jr. High November 4th-6th. Sr. High December 2nd-4th.
 These are both wonderful retreats for students. Cost for each retreat is \$100 per student. Students can use their fundraising accounts to pay for all or part of the retreat cost. To register for Laurelville students must let Jason know they wish to attend and turn in a \$25 nonrefundable deposit (this deposit can come by check or from a student's fundraising account). Spots for the retreats are limited and thus will be filled on a first come first served basis so get your deposits into Jason soon!

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:45 am	Inquirer's Class – Peach Room
	4:30-6:00	Jr. High Club – Youth House
	6:30-8:00	Sr. High Club – Youth House
MONDAY	7:00 am	Pre-School – C.E.
	5:30 pm	Act I – Friendship Hall & C.E.
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY	7:00 am	Pre-School – C.E.
	11:00 am	Staff Meeting – Kennedy Library
	12:00 noon	Men's Luncheon - Fellowship Hall
	1:00 pm	Caring Hands – Fellowship Hall
	6:00 pm	Music Min. Committee – Pastor's Study
	6:30 pm	TOPS
	7:30 pm	Praise Team – Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY	7:00 am	Pre-School – C.E.
	8:00 am	Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Rooms
	6:30-7:15	Elementary Choir – Chapel
	7:00 pm	CLC #2 – Kennedy Library
	7:15 pm	Chancel Choir – Choir Room
	7:30-8:00	Chime Choir – Bell Rm. – 1 st Fl. - Church
THURSDAY	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study – Pastor's Study
	7:00 am	Pre-School – C.E.
	8:00 am	Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Rooms
	1:00 pm	Women's Bible Study – Kara Rea's House
	6:00 pm	Girl Scouts – Peach Room
	6:30 pm	Cub Scouts – Green Room
	7:00 pm	CLC #3 – Youth House
	7:15 pm	Youth Choir – Choir Room
FRIDAY	7:00 am	Pre-School – C.E.
	8:00 am	Mom & Me – Peach & Toddler Rooms
	3:00-6:00	Lion's Club Dinner Prep - Kitchen
	4:15 pm	Act I – Friendship Hall and C.E.
	7:00 pm	Cub Scouts
Friday and Sat		Women of Faith Conference – Consol Energy Center
SATURDAY		THE CALL DEADLINE
	6:00 am	CLC #4 – Kennedy Library
	7:00 am	Lion's Club Dinner Prep - Kitchen
	9:00am-3:00pm	Act I – Friendship Hall & C.E.
	4:00 pm	Lion's Club Spaghetti Dinner

- 22. **GLENSHAW AARP #3744** will meet Tuesday, October 14, at 7:30 pm at Elfinwild Presbyterian Church. Entertainment will be provided by Karen Durham, Mae West impersonator. Bring food for the food bank.
- 23. **STONERIDGE COVENANT CHURCH OFFERS NEW MINISTRY.** It is a ministry called "New Journey". It is created to provide Christian support for those with cancer and their families. It will begin on Monday, October 3, from 7:00-8:30 pm at the Stoneridge Church, 811 Dressel Road, Allison Park, PA 15101. It will meet monthly, on the first Monday of each month. Each monthly meeting will include a devotion, prayer, sharing and support. They hope to provide an outside speaker on the topic of cancer and the evening will also provide a casual time for fellowship as well. There are brochures on the table outside the chapel if you are interested in more information.
- 24. **GENTLY WORN WINTER COATS NEEDED FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.** Through October 31, North Hills Community Outreach is accepting donations of new and gently worn CLEAN winter coats to be distributed to low-income families in need. All sizes are needed, but highest demand is for children's and adult sizes XL and larger. Donations may be dropped off weekdays at 1975 Ferguson Road in Allison Park. For more information, contact Vicki at 412-487-6316, option 1, x3143.

**PUBLIC MEETING
New Code Re-write
Shaler North Hills Library
Wednesday, October 26, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.**

- 25. The public is invited to the first of three public meetings for a new code re-write of the Township of Shaler. If you would like to submit input regarding the code of the Township, please mail to: **Shaler Township, Attention: Tim Rogers, 300 Wetzel Road, Glenshaw, PA 15116; or e-mail to: codeupdate@shaler.org**

Environmental Planning and Design, LLC (EPD) will be reviewing all existing Shaler Township ordinances and our code book to determine which ones are obsolete and which ones need updated to reflect changing times. There will be 3 separate Public input meetings to gather your input on any changes you would like to see to certain ordinances. EPD will report monthly on their progress to the Planning Commission and quarterly to the Board of Commissioners.

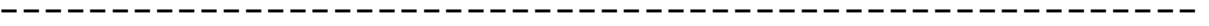
10. JOIN THE BUCKET BRIGADE

From time to time small cleaning, painting, landscaping or other similar projects arise at the church. While our custodians are busy doing the everyday cleaning and maintenance required to operate our campus, other small projects and tasks come up that can be handled by members of the congregation who have a skill, interest or expertise that they would like to share, but don't know what needs done, or who to contact.

With this in mind, the Board of Trustees has formed **The Bucket Brigade**. Don Duncan has volunteered to lead this group of volunteers in completing some projects that need attention around the church property at various times throughout the year. These projects will range from minor painting projects, cleaning and dusting, washing walls, etc. – the opportunities are endless.

If you are interested in joining **The Bucket Brigade**, please complete the form and provide the information requested below. Serving the church through this volunteer opportunity is a great way to meet other members of the Elfinwild family, as well as help the church through use of your time and talents.

If you have any questions, please contact Don Duncan at 412-367-3827 or JNDUNCAN@verizon.net



THE BUCKET BRIGADE

NAME _____
 TELEPHONE NUMBER _____
 E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

WHEN I CAN HELP (Check where appropriate):

MONDAY	_____	Morning _____	Evening _____
TUESDAY	_____	Morning _____	Evening _____
WEDNESDAY	_____	Morning _____	Evening _____
THURSDAY	_____	Morning _____	Evening _____
FRIDAY	_____	Morning _____	Evening _____
SATURDAY	_____	Morning _____	Evening _____

SPECIAL SKILLS _____

Please return to the church office or place in the offering plate.

Thanks for considering this service opportunity.



Elfinwild Church
News

11. **THE MEN'S LUNCHEON** will be held on Tuesday, October 4, at 12 noon in Fellowship Hall. Be sure to make your reservation. You can use the Response Cards found in the pews or call the church office at 412-486-5400.
12. **DID YOU KNOW** that the Deacons will provide a meal for you and your family if you are in need? For example, perhaps you, or a family member that you are caring for, are too ill to prepare dinner for a few days. Our Hospitality Ministry can deliver a meal to your home! Or perhaps you have a doctor's appointment, but have no transportation or are unable to drive. The Deacons' Hospitality Ministry is able to help. The Deacons are here to **SERVE YOU**. Do you have a need for either of these services? If so, please call Suzanne Whitaker at 412-487-0663 and she will be glad to help you.
13. **THE INQUIRERS' CLASS** begins today, Sunday, October 2, 2011 at 9:45 am in the Peach Room which is located downstairs across from the kitchen. If you are interested in asking questions about the Christian faith or what it means to be part of this community of faith, please plan to attend. Dr. Lesnett will be leading this six week course on "Who We Are" as followers of Christ, Presbyterians and members of Elfinwild Church. Each week will be a new topic and every Sunday's lesson stands on its own. Attendance at all six sessions is preferable, but not required if you want to become a member of this congregation. Call Dr. Lesnett at the church, 412-486-5400 with any questions, or email him at dirk@elfinwildchurch.org.
14. **SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR**. Everyone enjoys gathering for our fellowship time so why not lend a hand. In an attempt to get more volunteers, Tessa is going to change things up a bit. Anyone who would like to donate juice or coffee but doesn't have the time to come help set up or clean up, please let me know. And if you would rather just come and give a hand with set up or just help with clean up, please let me know. Call 412-213-0384 or tconnelly08@verizon.net. Thank you.
15. **COUPLES BIBLE STUDY**. Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom. Psalm 90:12. Come join us every other Saturday night which began on Saturday, October 1 at 7:00 pm at the Youth House for fellowship and study as we learn that every day counts. We will be working through John Ortberg's guide, **When the Game is Over It All Goes Back in the Box**. Our next meeting will be Saturday, October 15 from 7-9 pm. Any questions, please call Robert and Eileen Hughes at 412-821-7950.

16. **THE BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY** for Autumn would especially appreciate ceiving rice, condiments, and broths. You can put these in the bins at the north and south entrances to the sanctuary.
17. **GOD AND ME RELIGIOUS EMBLEM CLASS** (1st, 2nd and 3rd Grade) A class is being put together for those in scouting, children and parents, who are interested in exploring their faith together and becoming best friends with Jesus. This class would be led by Associate Pastor Jason Rea. This is the first of a series of classes in developing faith. On completion of the classes, scouts would have earned their religious emblem. The class would begin mid-October with classes being scheduled Friday afternoons from 4:00 to 5:00 pm. The cost of the workbook is \$3.50. Those who are interested should contact Chris Baird by phone at (412) 782-1989 or e-mail baird.chris@verizon.net
18. **GINGERBREAD HOUSES**: Do you like food and like to craft and build things? If so, we would love your help building Gingerbread Houses! People will gather Wednesday Oct. 12, 19, and 26 from 6:30-8 p.m. to construct house frames so that they can be decorated by children and families at our community-wide Advent event on Dec. 4. All are welcome to join the fun!
19. **SENIOR ACHIEVERS** will meet Thursday, October 20, 2011 at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Entertainment will be Sally Chopping, comedian from England. Bring a bag lunch. Dessert and beverage will be provided. Guests and friends are welcome.



20. **THE 5TH ANNUAL VENDOR & CRAFT FAIR** will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1719 Mt. Royal Blvd., Glenshaw (across from Shaler Area Middle School) on Saturday, October 29, 2011 from 9 am – 2 pm. Free Admission, Bake Sale, Refreshments, Chinese & 50/50 Raffles, Flowering Mums for Sale. Profits will benefit Bethlehem's Youth Ministries.
21. **VEHICLE DONATIONS NEEDED**. North Hills Community Outreach needs donated vehicles for its Community Auto program. There are more than 50 low-income people waiting for a car so they can get to work. Donors can take the maximum possible tax deduction. Call 724-443-8300 or visit www.community.auto.org.