

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**27. FOOD PANTRY MANAGER NEEDED** The Bread of Life Food Pantry, a community ministry of and located at the Calvert Memorial Presbyterian Church in Etna Borough is seeking resumes and letters of interest for the position of Food Pantry Manager. This position will: provide oversight, management and day-to-day administration of the Food Pantry; supervise the activities of the Manager's Assistant/Volunteer Coordinator relating to the activities of a volunteer staff and volunteer groups who assist in the operation of the Food Pantry; and, represent the Food Pantry through the local and Greater Pittsburgh community. Excellent people, record-keeping, organizational, problem solving and communications (written and oral) skills are required. Some computer skills using MS Office Suite are preferred but not necessary. Average work week is 6-10 hours. Salary negotiable; however, there is no benefit package provided for this position. This position will begin immediately. NO TELEPHONE CALLS PLEASE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT IS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2015 Candidates of interest will be contacted for additional interviews. Resumes and letters of interest (outlining background and experience) should be sent to:

Bread of Life Food Pantry  
Food Pantry Manager Position  
Calvert Memorial Presbyterian Church  
94 Locust Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15223

**28. JOIN GLENSHAW AARP #3744** on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> for an overnight coach trip to Elkins, WV. Trip includes lunch and Branson-style variety show at Gandy Dancer Dinner Theater; shopping & exploring downtown Elkins; dinner at 1863 Grill; evening award-winning show at American Mountain Theater; overnight at newly-renovated Isaac Jackson Hotel; breakfast at hotel; time to explore train station & nearby shops; and a 4-hour narrated train ride with lunch on New Tygart Flyer (which culminates at the High Falls of Cheat--an 18' high 150' wide waterfall). Call 412-487-1609 for more information or to make a reservation.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Ages of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Other applicable information: \_\_\_\_\_

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 9-13-15

**TODAY** (9-13-15) 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA  
9:45 AM – Sunday School  
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Youth Group Fall Kickoff – YH  
7:00 PM – Session Meeting – CCR

**MONDAY** 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE  
10:00 AM – Mary Circle Planning Meeting– KL  
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Act One – CE  
7:00 PM – Pack 157 Parent Meeting – PR  
7:00 PM – Personnel Committee Meeting – KL  
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – FH

**TUESDAY** 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE  
10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL  
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose

**WEDNESDAY** 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE  
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom and Me – PR, TR  
12:00 PM – OOO's Luncheon – FH  
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Wednesday Night Prayer Gathering – SA  
7:00 PM – 8:15 PM – Chancel Choir – CR

**THURSDAY** 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE  
7:00 AM – Men's Bible Study – PS  
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Mom & Me – PR, TR  
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM – Women's Bible Study – YH  
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM – Webelos I – PR  
7:15 PM – 8:30 PM – Youth Choir – CR

**FRIDAY** 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Preschool – CE  
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 Wolf Cub Scouts – PR

**SATURDAY** 6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – CLC – YH  
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Act One – CE

**SUNDAY** (9-20-15) 8:30 AM & 11:10 AM– Worship Service – SA  
9:45 AM – Sunday School  
11:10 AM – Sunday School Kids Sing – SA  
12:15 PM – Deacons' Meeting – CCR  
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM – Jr. High Club – YH  
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Sr. High Club – YH

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS THIS MORNING** are given in honor of Becky Winek's birthday by the Thompson family.

**THE ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Henry Tomer.

**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 AM USHERS

Mike Radich  
John Hart  
Ron Park  
Dwight Pearson  
Andrew Neil

### 11:10 AM USHERS

Don Pritchard  
Chris Sutton  
Jim Giel  
Dick Friedline

### SOUND TECHNICIANS

8:30 AM – Michael Beal  
11:10 AM – Skip Young

### UPCOMING SERVICE

Sunday, September 20, 2015  
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

## CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY

### Birth – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

*For more information on these ministries, please contact  
Bethann Dolan, Elder for Children's Ministries  
at: mbergd@verizon.net or 412-492-9991*

### 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** –Our classes will begin at 9:45 and end at 10:45 AM. Children 4 years old (Pre-K) through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will meet in the RED room of the C.E. for Kids of the Kingdom Music to start class at 9:45. Children in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade through 5<sup>th</sup> will meet in their classrooms.

### MUSIC MINISTRIES

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

**3. CHANCEL CHOIR BEGAN ON SEPTEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>** and will meet on Wednesdays from 7:00 PM – 8:15 PM and is open to anyone high school age and older.

**4. PRAISE TEAM** will meet on Wednesdays from 8:15 PM – 9:30 PM starting September 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you play an instrument or sing, please help us to lead the congregation in songs of praise at least 2-3 times per month.

**5. HANDBELLS** will meet on Tuesdays from 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM starting September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Join us in ringing God's praises each Tuesday. You don't need any special musical ability, just a desire to glorify God through song. We will try to ring at least once or twice every month. Open to anyone high school age or older.

**6. KIDS CHOIR** will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM starting September 22<sup>nd</sup>. All kids in grades 1 – 5 are welcome to join us. We will be singing songs, playing hand chimes and krystal bells, playing drums and percussion and much, much more! We will be participating in worship once or twice every month.

**7. SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS** will meet on Sundays from 9:45 AM – 10:00 AM starting September 13<sup>th</sup>. Kids in pre-k through 2nd grade will learn “Sunday School” songs and share their songs with the congregation on the 3rd Sunday of every month.

**8. YOUTH CHOIR** – The Youth Choir, under the direction of Heather Heere, began on Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:15 PM in the choir room. This choir is open to students in grades 6-12. We hope to see you there!

### **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.*

**9. STUDENT MINISTRIES FALL KICKOFF: TONIGHT FROM 5-7PM AT THE YOUTH HOUSE** We will officially kickoff our school year clubs on September 13<sup>th</sup>. This will be a combined club night for grades 6-12. We will play lots of games, have dinner together and then have a time of worship and sharing about what is coming up this year for our student ministries. We hope all Elfinwild students and their friends will consider coming out!

**10. JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS BIBLE STUDY** – Please join Bethany Harbaugh and Kelly Simile for a Bible Study for girls going into 6-8 grade! We will be talking about some big life questions...and how to find the answers through Christ. This study will be on Wednesdays from 6:30 – 8:00 PM beginning on September 16<sup>th</sup> at the Harbaugh house. Please let us know if you are able to attend! To contact Bethany, call 724-822-6550 or email her at: harbaugh.bl1@gmail.com. To contact Kelly, call 412-445-3562 or email her at: ksimile1@gmail.com.

### **11. THE YOUTH GROUP IS SELLING 9" POTTED**

**CHRYSANTHEMUMS** in a variety of colors from Bartsch Nursery for \$7. Choose from yellow, orange, bronze, red, lavender and white for your indoor and outdoor fall decorating. Students will be taking Chrysanthemum orders during coffee hour in The Upper Gathering Room and also outside the Chapel before/after the 11:10 service on September 13<sup>th</sup> and September 20<sup>th</sup> only. In-church orders will be available for pick-up in the Upper Gathering Room Sunday, September 27. The flower sale benefits Student Ministry’s mission trips and retreats.

### **ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS**

**12. PRAY FOR OUR SEARCH COMMITTEE!** Our search committee is seeking the right person to serve Christ with us as Director of Children and Family Ministries. Please remember them in your prayers. The committee is: Chair, Diane Hart; Secretary, Patty Robinson; Amy Meyer; Bethann Dolan, Josh Gaydos, Mark Connelly, Matt Harbaugh and Steve Heere. If you are interested in being on a prayer team please contact one of the members of this committee.

**13. THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER GATHERING** for the needs and concerns of our church family is being restarted! We will be meeting in the newly renovated chapel on the first and third Wednesday of each month, 7 to 8 PM. In September, we met on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and will meet again on September 16<sup>th</sup>. We will 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 as we restart this endeavor, 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.

**14. ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS** – We would like to compile a list of all of our students working on a post-secondary education. This includes commuter students as well as students living on campus. Please see the green insert form on the tables for more information.

**15. TRIPLE O’S ( On Our Own) LUNCHEON** will be on Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. Please make a reservation by completing the form in the bulletin or by calling the church office. Come and join this great fellowship!

**16. A MEN’S BREAKFAST** will be held on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Please note the date has been changed to allow the men to attend Shaler’s Homecoming on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Come and enjoy some good food, fun, and fellowship and learn about some future opportunities to explore how God is working in each of our lives and how we can be the men that God wants us to be. Although not required, letting us know that you are coming would be much appreciated so that we know how much food to make. Please contact the church office to RSVP.

**17. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – All women are welcome to join a time of Bible Study, prayer, and fellowship on Thursday mornings from 9:30-11AM at the Youth House beginning September 10<sup>th</sup>. This fall, we will use the study, "Running Nowhere in Every Direction" by Navigators, examining what God has to say about the stress in our lives - our schedules, expectations, limits, and happiness. Together we can seek God's direction and encourage one another to run faithfully with Him. Contact Bethany with any questions at 724-822-6550.

**18. MONDAY EVENING WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY** – Join us on Monday evenings, September 21<sup>st</sup> through October 26<sup>th</sup> for fellowship, friendship and study as we explore *What Happens When Women Say Yes to God* with author Lysa Terkeurst. We will meet at 7 PM in the Cornerstone Classroom. Come and learn how to “experience life in extraordinary ways.” Please let us know you will be attending so we can have a workbook (cost \$9.00) ready for you by calling the church office at 412-486-5400. See you there!

**19. LADIES – MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for the weekend of January 22-24, 2016 when a Women’s Retreat will be held at the beautiful Ligonier Camp and Conference Center. Don’t let distance or the possibility of snow scare you...transportation will be available if needed!

**20. THE MARY CIRCLE** will **not** meet in September. The first meeting will be on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Kennedy Library.

**21. IT’S TIME TO CLEAN OUR HOUSE!** Many items (chairs, pews, tables, etc.) that are being replaced with the renovation of the Chapel and Fellowship Hall are available if anyone would like them. The list of items is located on the tables outside of the Sanctuary. If interested, please contact the church office.

**22. ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** will begin today from 10:00-11:00 AM. Three classes will be offered this Fall.

Reverend Bethany Harbaugh will teach a split class. We are all made to worship, but what are we worshipping? Behind many of our struggles - our discouragement, lack of purpose, frustrations, desire for acceptance - there is a false god winning the war for our hearts. Join us Sunday mornings Sept. 13-Oct. 18 at 9:45 AM in the library as we read Kyle Idleman's study, "gods at war" to help us examine our lives so that we can work to put God first.

"The Wired Word," taught by Rick Dayton, will focus on current events studied and discussed from a Biblical context. This class will meet in Fellowship Hall.

A new men's class, "Courageous: Honor Starts at Home" will be led by Jason Cooper and take place in the Cornerstone Room. Class members will view the movie "Courageous" and contemplate God's call for us as husbands and fathers.

**23. JOIN US FOR AN AMAZING OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD STORY!** Vladimir Foreman, better known as "Ted", was born in Russia and received a shoebox gift at the age of nine. Ted describes his early years growing up in an orphanage as very depressed, lonely, and hopeless. He says he experienced a moment of shock as a young boy upon receiving the shoebox gift. He knows that it was in that moment that God planted a seed of hope in his heart. Invite your friends & family to hear more of Ted’s story on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM in the Sanctuary. A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall.

**24. 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 five weeks at 10:00 AM, during the Sunday school hour, in the Peach Room. Classes begin on October 4<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**25. FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY** is a 9 week biblically based course teaching us God’s ways in managing our financial affairs. No matter what you know about finances, you don’t know enough! This course, created and conducted by nationally syndicated radio host and best-selling author Dave Ramsey, has **helped over 2 million families!** (WJAS 1320 AM, 6-9 PM M-F) Subjects include: how to save, dumping debt, budgeting, real estate, mortgages, the role of insurance, college planning, retirement and much more. The course will help you set goals that you can achieve. You will be challenged and motivated to make a plan for your money and change your family tree forever! Classes will meet on 9 Tuesdays, beginning Oct 20 from 7 to 9 P.M. in the Youth House. You can order the materials through the church. Go to [www.daveramsey.com](http://www.daveramsey.com) for a further program details. Please call Henry Tomer with any questions: 412-487-4437.

**26. P.R.I.S.M. PROJECT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for the preparation and serving of a meal to approximately 80 international students on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at Bellefield Church in Oakland from approximately 5 PM to 9 PM. It is important that volunteers are willing to converse with the students and make them feel welcome. You do not need to be there to help- you can bake cookies or prepare part of the meal at home that will be picked up and delivered to Bellefield Church. Contact Beth Meyer at [froggypond.meyer@gmail.com](mailto:froggypond.meyer@gmail.com) or at 412-781-0207 for more information if interested!

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CONFORM TO THE  
PATTERN OF THIS  
WORLD

BUT BE  
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BY THE  
RENEWING OF  
YOUR MIND

ROMANS TWELVE TWO

Home-Spun Hearts

**STAFF**

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Dirk Lesnett –  
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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  
September 13, 2015  
8:30 and 11:10 AM Worship

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

**“Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled;  
set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ  
is revealed. As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you  
had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy,  
so be holy in all you do; for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.”  
1 Peter 1:13-16**

PRELUDE “Adagio” Camille Saint Saens  
Ron Bernhardt

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

INTROIT “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus” Helen Lemmel  
Chancel Choir

**Elfinwild Presbyterian Church  
Financial Statement  
July 31, 2015**

Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$358,998
Total Expenses (Y.T.D.)		\$349,798
Favorable (Y.T.D.)		\$9,200

CALL TO WORSHIP

(based on Revelation 7:9-10)

Leader: I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation.  
**People: From all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands.**  
 Leader: They cried out in a loud voice, saying,  
**People: "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"**  
 Leader: Today our voices join this ongoing heavenly hymn of praise. In Jesus' name, let us worship God!

\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 430 "Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!"

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION 2 Peter 3:8-9

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of everlasting love, we confess that we have been unfaithful to our covenant with you and with one another. We have worshipped other gods: money, power, family, and convenience. We have served our own self-interest instead of serving only you and your people. We have not loved our neighbor as you have commanded, nor have we rightly loved ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, and bring us back into the fullness of our covenant with you and one another. Through Christ, our Lord we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (based on 2 Corinthians 1:20-22)

Leader: All the promises of God find their "Yes" in Christ. That is why we utter the "Amen" through him, to the glory of God.  
**People: It is God who has established us in Christ, anointed us, and put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.**  
 Leader: In Christ, by the power of the Spirit, we are redeemed and forgiven.  
**People: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!**

\*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 "With a Voice of Singing" Martin Shaw  
 Chancel Choir

\*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
 Praise Him all creatures here below.  
 Praise Him above ye heavenly host,  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
 Amen.**

\*STATEMENT 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.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Romans 12:1-8  
 (Page 1063 in the pew Bible)

SERMON "What forms and shapes who we are?" Dr. Dirk Lesnett

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT No. 391 "Take my Life"

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Shalom to You" Elise Eslinger  
 Chancel Choir

It is good to welcome back to our staff team Ron Bernhardt. Ron was our organist/accompanist until last September. He returns as our Director of Music. We also welcome his family back to the Elfinwild family, Patti, his wife and children, Augie, Becca and Richie. Richie started at the Elfinwild Church Preschool this past week! Please be sure to greet them all and share your excitement about their presence with them.

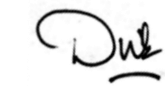
The dynamics of any staff or team are important to the success of an organization. As I reflect on the people we have had serving Christ through being on staff at Elfinwild Church I marvel at the diversity of personalities and giftedness. Currently we have a wonderful mixture of extroverts and introverts. (Do you think you know who is which?) And the gifts are varied as well. As our friend Alec left a few weeks ago, the last thing he said to me was, "You have a good team here!" I smiled and was grateful to God.

Some important characteristics to be a good staff and team member include having a servant heart, a teachable spirit and an ability to work with others. Praise the Lord that Ron has all these qualities.

Ron brings with him a lot of church music experience. He has high hopes for different groups and many of them. He is also looking for people to step up and offer their musical gifts in worship whether as a vocalist or instrumentalist. Please do not wait for him to ask you, call him and let him know you are available. There are great opportunities for people of all ages to make an offering through music.

I covet your prayers for Ron and for all of us on staff and the transition that will occur this fall. We will be learning from one another and also working hard at understanding how God will use us all for His glory.

Because God Loves Us All,



*Special thanks to our liturgists:  
 8:30 – Steve Coco 11:10 – Steve Heere*