
2019



Elderton Presbyterian Church
P. O. Box 159
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PASTOR'S PAGE FOR MAY NEWSLETTER

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

Hebrews 13: 8

Spring has sprung. The grass is green. The trees are budding. The flowers are in bloom. The winter is over. The beautiful world around us is changing with the renewal of life.

You can count on the fact that things will change. I came back to Elderton to find that some of the hardest working adults in the church were children when I left in 2,000. Butterfly Hill has more than doubled in size. The beautiful windows in the sanctuary have been restored. Some of the saints that were such an integral part of the church when I left are now part of the church triumphant. Change happens.

Change can be scary sometimes. We depend on things being as they have always been. But things never stay the same for long. That is, except for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. His love and his grace and his inspiration never change. We should take comfort in that verse from Hebrews. He is the same yesterday, today and forever.

Yesterday, this church had a number of good pastors who led the way. It had a number of good and committed church members who worked hard to follow the leadership of the Lord. In recent yesterdays, we experienced a wonderful spiritual event in Bow the Knee. So many worked so hard to lift us in spirit. Jesus was with us in every yesterday.

Today, we have a great spirit among us once again. There were a lot of children searching for eggs in the sanctuary. We welcomed a confirmation class of nine. That could be the beginning of a new youth group. Our choir is as strong as any I have heard in my ministry. Our deacons have led the way in the renovation of the manse and repairs to the church. Our Pastor Nominating Committee is working hard and making progress in its search for a new full time pastor. Jesus is clearly present in our church today.

And tomorrow; who knows? I see so much potential for great things for this church. Nobody can see what is to come. But there is one thing that is certain. Whatever else will be true, Christ will be with us guiding us all the way. I think spring is just breaking for the Elderton Church. And Jesus is leading the way.

Blessings,

Pastor Rick

GREETERS, NURSERY & ACOLYTE'S **(Mark Your Calendars)**

This is the only list you will receive – so PLEASE look this over & PUT A REMINDER NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR OR REFRIGERATOR!!

If the date assigned you conflicts with your schedule, **PLEASE TRADE with someone else on the list and**

let the church office know of this change.

GREETERS should be at the door at 10:10 AM and the bell should be rung 10 times at 10:15 and again at 10:30 AM. Greeters also will be responsible for having people help to receive the offering.

Please hand out the morning bulletin. Before worship – open doors into the sanctuary and close when the service begins.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>ACOLYTE'S</u>
<u>May 5</u>	<u>Kris and Dave Hilty</u>	<u>Braden Tutak</u>
<u>May 12 (Mother's Day)</u>	<u>Tom Spencer & Chet Schall</u>	<u>Allyson Tutak</u>
<u>May 19</u>	<u>Chuck and Jo Foster</u>	<u>Travis Johns</u>
<u>May 26</u>	<u>Bob and Sue Stitt</u>	<u>MaKayla Scrips</u>
<u>June 2</u>	<u>Vaughn and Margie Wood</u>	<u>Kirsten Manarelli</u>
<u>June 9</u>	<u>Tom and Sandy Wingard</u>	<u>Braden Tutak</u>



FLOWERS FOR MAY

Flower Person – Sue Quinn

May 5 – Jean Quinn

May 26 – Toots Shugart

May 26 – Linda Prugh
(Communion table)

NURSERY

May 5 – Sheila Brumbaugh

May 12- Hannah Schrecengost

May 19 – Carmen Riggle

May 26 – Laurie Pritt

June 2 – Kathy Jo Scrips

June 9 – Terri Maughan



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Brooks Fleming – 2nd
 Robert (Bobby) Anderson – 2nd
 Paul Meyers - 4th
 Jamey Brumbaugh – 6th
 Rodney Howard – 9th
 Kaely Klonowski – 10th
 Amanda Schrecengost – 10th
 Emily Alexis Johns – 10th
Katherine Jean Amanlou – on her 2st (2018)
 Steven Hankey – 13th
 Russell Schall – 14th
 Tandi Spencer – 14th
 Kris Hilty – 15th
 Austin Cessna – 15th
 Peg Rowan – 16th
 Mark Schrecengost, Jr. – 16th
 David Popp - 17th
 Jennifer Johns - 18th
 Olivia Daquilante – 19th
 Harry Johns - 20th
 Jodi Rearick – 20th
 Kurt Flickinger – 20th
 Braden Tutak – 21st
 Adam Quinn – 23rd
 Rylee Riggle – 23rd
 Blythe Johns – 24th
 Luke Schrecengost – 24th
 Melissa Rupert – 26th
 Evan Hilty – 28th
 Carmen Riggle – 31st

**Thank You to everyone
 who donated to the
 Blanket Offerings!!!
 Total collected:
 \$1350.00**

**Guest speaker
 May 26 – Dave Knox**



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Will and Val Orr – 1st on their 12th
Gerald and Doris Howard – 4th on their 68th
Vaughn and Margie Wood – 16th on their 52nd
Chuck and Judy Allison – 18th on their 56th
 Nick and Jenny Shultz – 20th on their 19th
 Tim and Brandi Bertolino – 23rd on their 21st
 Dan and Lisa Brumbaugh – 23rd on their 38th
 Larry and Linda Prugh – 26th on their 40th
 Adam and Ashley Quinn - 28th on their 8th
 Roy and Colleen Cessna – 33rd

Happy Mother's Day – May 12

A Mother's Prayer For You

~Anon

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you
 to thank the Lord above
 for blessing me with a lifetime
 of your tenderhearted love.
 I thanked God for the caring
 you've shown me through the years,
 for the closeness we've enjoyed
 in time of laughter and of tears.
 And so, I thank you from the heart
 for all you've done for me
 and I bless the Lord for giving me
 the best mother there could be!





Butterfly Hill Preschool

Spring is finally here and everyone is looking forward to warmer weather and lots of sunshine. Looking forward to the spring flowers coming up in the flower garden in front and the side entrances of the church. Everyone is ready for some warmer temperatures.

On April 3 the Pre-K classes went to the Elderton Senior Citizen's Center to share some songs and poems with the seniors. 30 Preschoolers and their teachers walked to the Senior Center – it was a sunny day! The children sang “their hearts out” for the seniors. The mini program was enjoyed very much. The children were full of energy and enjoyed the walk to get outside. Our inside source tells us “the seniors talked about the children's visit all day long”. One of those things as a preschool we love to do!

Pre-K classes will be having a Field Trip to the Kindergarten classroom here at the Elderton Elementary on May 6. They will visit the Kindergarten classroom and a tour of the building. Field trips to Vale Wood Farms for Pre-K students and Living Treasures Wild Animal Park for 3 year olds are all set up and we are ready to go. Many activities for the month of May....end of the year is always activities one after the other! It is a very busy month! Graduation and promotion programs will be the week of May 20th. Also, Larry Prugh has scheduled a couple of days for the local policeman to come and visit with all of the students. That visit is always a very positive day with the classes.

Registrations are open for the 2019-2020 preschool year. Classes are filling up. Call for availability in Pre-K, Caterpillar and Toddler Time classes.



“Children coming out of their cocoons and developing as beautiful Butterflies in a Christian-based preschool.”



“Happy safe and healthy summer to everyone!”



Butterfly Hill Preschool

Preschool Graduates

May 2019

Sophie Miller

Daughter of Jeremy & Angela Miller
Granddaughter of Chet & Brenda Schall
Sophie will attend Elderton Elementary

Adalyn Quinn

Daughter of Adam & Ashley Quinn
Granddaughter of Tom & Sue Quinn
Great-Granddaughter of Jean Quinn
Adalyn will attend Lenape Elementary

Zane Spangler

Son of Alex & Adriann Spangler
Grandson of Barb Spangler
Great-Grandson of the late Bill & Betty Wood
Zane will attend Elderton Elementary



The family of Edna Wells is hosting an open house in honor of her **100th** birthday. It will be held on Saturday, **May 25** in Fellowship Hall from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

May 4 – Helping Hands

May 16- Helping Hands

Supplies needed for Bible School (June 24-28) on a poster board, located in the Upper Room. Please take a tag and return with item to the Shelocta Church no later than Monday, June 17th

BUTTERFLY HILL PROMOTION AND GRADUATION

May 20- Toddler Promotion

May 21- Caterpillar Promotion

May 22- Butterfly Pre-K Graduation

May 23- Shut Down Day



Welcome to the newest members
of Elderton Presbyterian Church!!!

Travis Johns, Grant Johnston, Jaden Klonowski,
Kirsten Manarelli, Emma Orr, Brynn Salley,
MaKayla Scrips, Allyson Tutak & Braden Tutak.

There are many people that I need to thank for guiding me through the last 3 yrs. **Rev. Ed's** recommendation for the position, **Shirley Schall** for all her wonderful help in the inner workings of the church/office, **Jeanne Speer & Martha Dyott** my "go-to people" for questions especially when I was floundering & frustrated. **Bill Creighton** for his invaluable help with the computer, **Rev. Sweeney** for his monthly schedules enabling me to work ahead. **Merilyn Meyers & Dee Craig** the clerks of Session for giving me the minutes for the book. The **Session** for allowing me some leeway in my schedule. And last of all the **Congregation** for the warm welcome I received.

It has been a great learning experience & one that I will treasure. Thank you for your Support,

Mary Kowaluk

BOW THE KNEE CANTATA & CAST

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Jesus – Cory Srips

Marcus – Eric Schrecengost	Eli – Mark Schrecengost
Anthony – Nathan Johns	Benjamin – Dave Smail
Blind Man – Kent Mummert	Crippled Man – Jeff Elgin
Wither Hand Man – Justin Cook	Deaf Man – John Craig
Sick Child – Raina Grimes	Pharisee – Joe Srips
Judas – John Craig	High Priest – Tom Quinn
Pilate – Terry Johns	Angel – Travis Johns

Soldiers - Justin Cook, Dave Smail

Adulterous Woman – Cassie Clowser

Disciples – Jeff Elgin and Kent Mummert

Crowd Member Speaking – Chris Grimes

Mary, Mother of Jesus – Patti Srips

Women at the Tomb – Terri Maughan and Beth Schrecengost

Children: Jaylin Freeman, Emily Johns, Alexandra Maughan,
Kylie Meyer, Adalyn and Aaron Quinn, Jonah and Mia Srips,
Liam and Makayla Srips, Emma Woznick
Baby – Raina Grimes

CHOIR MEMBERS

Sopranos:

Blythe Johns, Jennifer Johns, Travis Johns, Linda Richardson,
Hannah Schrecengost, Nancy Schrecengost, Patti Srips

Altos:

Cassie Clowser, Dee Craig, Marcia Elgin, Sarah Pritt,
Beth Schrecengost, Kathy Jo Srips

Tenors:

Nathan Johns, Adam Quinn, Dan Spencer

Basses:

Terry Johns, Tom Quinn, Eric Schrecengost, Joe Srips

GREETERS – John and Helen Bowser

SOUND SYSTEM – Luke Schrecengost and Tom Spencer

CURTAIN – Mike Flickinger

LIGHTING – Pam Flickinger, Kelsey Pfeister, Lisa Smail

VIDEOGRAPHER – Mark Clowser

CHILD CARE FOR CHILDREN IN DRAMA – Alissa Meyer

BEHIND THE SCENES – Candy Mummert, Ryan and Sarah Srips

COSTUMES – Susan Schrecengost and Patti Srips

SOCIAL HELPERS – Betsy Bertolino, Sharon, Aikins,
Sheila Brumbaugh, Shawnee Hohl, Krista Johnston, Linda Prugh,
Shirley Schall, Regina Schrecengost

(A special thanks to all who provided cookies)

PUBLICITY – Martha Dyott, Terri Maughan, Chet and Brenda Schall

PROPS – Cassie Clowser, Marcia Elgin, Blythe Johns, Terri Maughan, Candy Mummert, Tom Quinn, Cory and Kathy Jo Srips, Joe and Patti Srips and Tom Spencer.

BULLETINS – Shirley Schall



Anyone wishing to receive a copy of the Cantata
"Bow The Knee" - \$5.00.

Contact: Bythe Johns or Kathy Jo Scrips
814-659-4732 724-664-4607



PIANO—FREE!!!

YOU MUST HAUL!!!

Contact: Bythe Johns 814-472-8853
814-659-4732 (cell)
tbjohn@comcast.net

Geranium Sale

4" potted flowers at \$3.50/ea.

Available in White, Red, or Pink!

Proceeds benefit EPC missions.

Orders due: May 16 to Sarah Pritt

Pick up: May 24 & 25 @ 5-8:00pm

****Make checks payable to Elderton
Presbyterian Church****



Our heartfelt thanks to Local
Union 459, I.B.E.W,
Johnstown, PA for their
generous donation to our
Food Bank.



Butterfly Hill Preschool
working with churches in the area
of the Elderton Ministerium
Project runs now through
November 1, 2019

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – A small shoebox can have a big impact. What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out of it is eternal. Be a part of changing children's lives all over the world in Jesus' Name through the power of a simple gift with Operation Christmas Child.

Each year, Samaritan's Purse delivers millions of gift-filled shoe boxes to boys and girls all over the world.

Butterfly Hill Preschool and the Elderton Presbyterian Church have decided to help with Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoe Box Mission Project again this year.

How can you help?

We are collecting from now until November 1, 2019:

Pencils, pencil erasers that fit on the pencil, pencil sharpeners, & ink pens (blue, black & red ink).

Please bring items to church / preschool now so we can get a "head start" on the collection process!! Thank You!

If you do not wish to shop for these items, you may donate "money" and we can purchase these items in "bulk". Place any money donations in an envelope clearly marked "Samaritan's Purse Donation" and give to Kathy Jo Srips. Thank you!

OPEN YOUR HOME AND HEART

Learn More about being a Foster Parent

Armstrong County Children, Youth & Family Services

When: Saturday, May 18th
Where: St. Pau's Episcopal Church
Kittanning
Time: 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Door prizes for those attending

For information and/o RSVP, contact Carol at
724-548-346

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CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP

Armstrong • Day of Giving

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Armstrong, Indiana and Westmoreland Counties is participating in the 9th annual Day of Giving, sponsored by the Armstrong County Community Foundation in partnership with NexTier Bank and the Richard G. Snyder YMCA.

Any eligible donation you make to Child Evangelism Fellowship on the Day of Giving will help us further our mission of reaching children for the Lord Jesus Christ and will get us a portion of the bonus fund! Please help us raise more money for the Summer Ministries of 5 Day Clubs and Camp Good News by making a donation on the Day of Giving, Thursday, May 9, 2019. The check must be dated May 9, 2019!. The minimum donation is \$20.00 or more to receive the bonus fund.

Two options for making your donation*:

1. Write a check to Child Evangelism Fellowship and hand deliver it on May 9, 2019 to NexTier Bank, 222 Market St., Kittanning, PA 16201.
2. Write a check to Child Evangelism Fellowship and mail it to Day of Giving, PO Box 895, Kittanning, PA 16201- the postmark must be May 9, 2019, *not delivered* on May 9).

* Please see complete rules & guidelines for eligible donations at www.servingtheheart.org

Thank you for your continued support, and don't forget to mark your calendar for the Day of Giving, May 9, 2019!

May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 8:30 – Choir 9:15 Sunday Sch. 10:30 - Worship	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 8:30- Choir 9:15 Sunday Sch. 10:30 – Worship MOTHER'S DAY	13	14	15	16	17 5-K Race	18
19 8:30 –Choir 9:15 Sunday Sch. 10:30 - Worship	20 Butterfly Hill Toddler Promotion	21 Butterfly Hill Caterpillar Promotion	22 Butterfly Hill Pre-K Graduation	23 Butterfly Hill Shut Down	24	25
26 8:30 – Choir 9:15 Sunday Sch. 10:30 – Worship Dave Knox	27 MEMORIAL DAY 	28	29	30	31	

