

Church Events and Announcements

November 11, 2012 • 24th Sunday after Pentecost

TODAY AT ELPC

Young Adult Ministry Events

YAM's Sunday Book Discussion is rescheduled for today from 9:45 to 10:45 am in Room 244. Join other young adults as Libby and Tucker Ferda lead the discussion for this new book discussion series. This fall we have explored Anne Lamott's much loved spiritual memoir entitled Traveling Mercies. Cafe Justo will be served!

Young adults will also be *Singing at the Coronado* from 2 to 5 pm today. Enjoy an afternoon of song and drink with friends as Jett Christensen hosts us at home. Jett will lead us as we enjoy singing and eating together.

Today is Stewardship Sunday!

Today is *Stewardship Sunday*, in which people will be invited to bring their pledges for the coming year's budget to worship to be dedicated/received. Our annual budget is supported by resources from our endowment as well as congregational gifts and pledges, with the latter category being the primary source of funding for our program ministries (education, ministry, worship, spiritual life). Thank you for your prayerful consideration and support of our church!

Thanksgiving Bags Distributed

We will distribute Thanksgiving Bags today and ask that you return them filled with non-perishable food donations for EECM's Food Pantry on Nov 18, when we will bring these bags forward as a special offering during the 11 am worship service.

Deacon-On-Duty Person

The Deacon-on-Duty (DOD) will be seated in the East Transept wearing a Deacon stole. Today's DOD is **TJ Benedict.**

Tween Pottery Making

Tweens are invited to join us today from 12:30 to 4 pm for pottery making with the *Braddock Creative Arts Program* at the Braddock Carnegie Library. Professional artists and teachers will be on hand to help. Your creations will be ready for pick up at ELPC in time to give away as Christmas gifts (if you want!). We will meet at and return to ELPC.

A permission slip is required. Please have \$10 to cover the cost of art supplies and instruction. Please see Sara Hackett immediately after the 11 am worship service.

"Dispatches to God's Household" Bible Study — Nov 13

Join PW on Tuesday, Nov 13 at 10 am in the 2nd floor Parlor as we continue the General Epistles study *Dispatches to God's Household*. Sandy Brake will lead our lesson *A Spiritual House and Household Matters* based on 1 Peter 2:1-10; 3 John 1-8. A potluck lunch will follow. Please bring a salad or snack to share and your own place setting. Beverages will be provided.

Knitting Group — Nov 13

The Knitting Group will meet on Tuesday, Nov 13 after the PW Bible study from 1 to 3 pm. All are welcome!

Thanksgiving Feast — Nov 18

Following 11 am worship on Sunday, Nov 18, our annual *Thanksgiving Feast* will be held. Turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy and corn will be provided this year, but the congregation is encouraged to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Label your dish with your name; serving utensils are not needed. Sign up on the lists outside the East Transept entrance.

Full Inclusion Sunday — Nov 18

On Sunday, Nov 18, we will celebrate the GLBT community as part of our faith family's continuous effort to show God's unconditional love. The Chancel Choir will be joined by the Renaissance City Choirs, and adding a joyous note will be a brass quartet and timpani. Join us!

Thank Offering — Nov 18

On Sunday, Nov 18, we will honor the women of East Liberty Presbyterian Church by receiving the *Thank Offering* of Presbyterian Women. For more than 120 years, the *Thank Offering* has supported programs that relieve pain, provide clean water, alleviate homelessness, provide educational opportunities and lift up the lives of women and children throughout the world. Last year, members and friends contributed nearly \$2,500 to the *Thank Offering*.

Lectio Divina Workshop - Nov 18

The Spiritual Life Committee invites you to participate in a series of *Lectio Divina* workshops. The workshops aim to deepen the relationship of participants with the Divine through a practice based on two approaches: *Lectio Divina* and the four senses of scripture. *Lectio Divina* is an ancient practice for meditating on scripture, listening and responding to the scripture as if in conversation with God. Traditionally, it involves four steps: reading, reflecting on, responding to, and resting in the Word of God. Leah Marmo and Ben Rainey will facilitate these workshops on Nov 18, and Dec 2, 16 at 6 pm. Call Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan for more info (412.441.3800 x41).



As a caring congregation of faith, we ask you to remember the following people in your prayers:

Damon Bethea's grandmother Dorothy, Curtis Blake and family,

Michele Bossers' friend Rosemary,

Darrell Bupp's mother, Gloria Clark's daughter Judith, Martha DeMarzi's cousin Herb, Wil Forrest's friend Eloise, Sharon Geibel's mother,

Liz Hopkins' mother Margery and sister-in-law Alanna, Pam's Kimmel's niece Tracy and family, Gail Mallory's friend Judy, Paul Martin's father William,

Emily Mohn's uncle Tom, Emily Rosenthal's friend Pat, Heather Schoenewolf's father John,

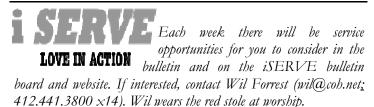
Yousamu Sisewe (a Presbyterian from a church near Bradford, PA who is far from his church family), Sherry Shaner and Clark and Nancy Smith's friend Tom.

A special note ... Thank you to everyone for their cards, prayers, calls and notes of encouragement during my recent surgery. I am recovering nicely and look forward to returning soon.

— Florence Johnson

The Giving Tree — Nov 25 and Dec 2

Every year, the Deacons organize the Christmas *Giving Tree* to benefit children and families. The *Giving Tree* will be set up near the Hospitality Area on Sundays, Nov 25 and Dec 2. You will be able to stop by and select a gift tag from 9:30 to 11 am, and 12 to 12:30 pm. Tags also will be available at the Taizé service on Wednesday, Nov 28. Deacons will be on hand to assist you. Wrapped gifts, with tags securely attached, are due back in the church office by Sunday, Dec 9. If you would like to participate by donating money, make the check payable to *ELPC Giving Tree* and deliver it to the church office. The Deacon Board thanks the congregation for its support of this ministry.



Thanksgiving Feast Helper

ELPC's annual luncheon celebration of Thanksgiving this year will be after the 11 am service on Nov 18. This event cannot happen without significant participation from the congregation. Consider setting up, bringing a side dish, bringing a dessert and/or cleaning up. Today is your last chance to sign up on the wall outside the East Transept.

Other opportunities to serve available on iSERVE webpage: www.cathedralofhope.org/about/iSERVE.html

In our

Community



Chamber Concert — Nov 24

The Dolce Appassionato Trio (Amanda Sage on flute, Rachel D'Abruzzo on cello and Gabe D'Abruzzo on piano) presents *An Autumn of Thanksgiving* free concert on Saturday, Nov 24 at 7:30 pm in the ELPC Sanctuary. A meet the artist reception follows the performance.

Hanging of the Greens — Nov 27

Please join us for a *Hanging of the Greens* in the Sanctuary on Tuesday, Nov 27 from 6 to 9 pm. Come when you can, leave when you need to! A chili supper will be provided. For more information on helping to get the church ready for Advent and Christmas, please see Laura Ristau, cochair of the Worship, Music and the Arts committee.

Club One Sixteen — Wednesdays

Club One Sixteen will not meet on Nov 21.

Committee Meetings This Week

The church office will be closed tomorrow in observance of V eterans' Day.

Finance	. Today, 12:15 pm (Rm 244)
Justice	. Today, 12:30 pm (Rm 224)
Personnel Tuesday,	2 , ,
Deacons	1 ()
Worship, Music & Arts	Tuesday, 7:00 pm (Rm 244)

Adult Church School Classes

Nov 18 * 9:45 to 10:45 am

Room locations are listed on the CE bulletin board.

Contemporaries – "Extraordinary Ordinary" led by Lenore Williams

Journey with Scripture – 1 Samuel 1:4–20, 2:1–10; Hebrews 10:11–14 (15–18), 19–25; Mark 13:1–8

Parenting Circle – Each week begins with an essay, blog, podcast or video to jumpstart the conversation. Facilitated by Pam Walaski

Seekers – "Spirituality and Ethics" led by the Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan

Soul Food — A discussion of the second part of chapter two of *You Gave Me a Wide Place -- Holy Places of Our Lives* led by the Rev. Joe Hajdu

Spanish Bible Study / Clase de Escuela Dominical en Español

Nos reunimos cada semana para descubrir lo que la Biblia nos dice. Todos están bienvenidos, y la clase está en español. Facilitated by Joaquin Anabe Lopez