Maundy Thursday
March 24, 2016
7 PM Sanctuary Worship

Prelude
“O Waly Waly” by Emma Lou Diemer
(An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare)
Our worship begins with the Prelude.
Please use this as a time for silent prayer and preparation.

Welcome and Sharing God’s Peace
The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush
Leader: La paz de Cristo está con ustedes.
The peace of Christ be with you.
People: Y también contigo. And also with you.

Call to Worship
The Rev. Dr. Bush
Leader: On this day in Holy Week, we remember how Jesus gathered with his friends for a meal together.
People: We remember how Jesus said, “I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.”
Leader: He went further and said, “Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.”
People: By this everyone will know that we are Christ’s disciples, if we have love for one another.
Leader: Thanks be to God for this special night.

* Opening Hymn #203
“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love” by Chereponi

Call to Confession
The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

Prayer of Confession & Intercession
The Rev. Schoenewolf

Time of Silent Reflection

* Indicates where you may please rise in body or spirit.
Sung Response Hymn #202 (verses 1 and 2 only)  
“An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare”  
O Waly Waly

An upper room did our Lord prepare for those he loved until the end:  
And his disciples still gather there to celebrate their risen friend.  
A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: to share his bread, his loving cup.  
Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.

Assurance of God’s Forgiveness  
Leader: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Sisters and brothers, believe the good news of the gospel:  
People: En Jesucristo tenemos perdón. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
¡Alaben a Dios! Praise God!

Hebrew Scripture Lesson  
Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14  
Darrell Bupp

Anthem  
“Ubi Caritas”  
Maurice Duruflé

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ’s love has gathered us into one.  
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God.  
And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

Gospel Lesson  
Luke 21:29-33  
The Rev. Dr. Bush

Sung Response Hymn #466  
“Come And Fill Our Hearts”  
Confitemini Domino

Gospel Lesson  
The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy

Sung Response Hymn (music above)  
“Come And Fill Our Hearts”  
Confitemini Domino

Gospel Lesson  
The Rev. Schoenewolf

Sung Response Hymn (music above)  
“Come And Fill Our Hearts”  
Confitemini Domino

Sermon  
“Paths to the Table”  
The Rev. Dr. Bush

Prayer  

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**HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION #528** (remain seated)  
“Come, Let Us Eat”  
Dr. Moore, cantor

Cantor will sing 1st and 3rd lines marked “Leader.” Congregation joins on 2nd and 4th lines marked “All.” The communion bread is being presented by Ike and Ada Ezekoye.

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**THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**INVITATION TO THE TABLE**  
The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**  
The Rev. Dr. Bush

Leader: El Señor esté con ustedes.  
People: Y también contigo.  
Leader: Levantemos nuestros corazones.  
People: Lo tenemos levantado al Señor.  
Leader: Demos gracias al Señor nuestro Dios.  
People: Es justo dar gracias y alabanzas a Dios.

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**  
The Rev. Fowler-Searcy and The Rev. Schoenewolf

Note: The communion elements are bread and grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are also available. The congregation is invited to come forward by using the center aisle to the communion servers to partake of the bread and the cup, placing the used cup in the basket provided, then returning to seats via the side aisles. Those not able to come forward will be served in their seats.

**SHARING THE BREAD & CUP**

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**  
“Ubi Caritas et Amor”  
Gerald Near

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  
The Rev. Dr. Bush

Gracious God, you open wide the doors to let us approach you, to gather in your house, to come to your table of mercy. We thank you for your love and hospitality. May we go forth from this place as ambassadors of your justice and loving-kindness. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING**  
The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

**SUNG RESPONSE HYMN #205** (remain seated) “Live in Charity”  
Ubi Caritas

**SCRIPTURE READING**  
The Rev. Schoenewolf

**SUNG RESPONSE HYMN** (music above) “Live in Charity”  
Ubi Caritas

**SCRIPTURE READING**  
John 13:31-35  
The Rev. Dr. Bush

**BENEDICTION**  
The Rev. Dr. Bush

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Please remember to turn off cell phones during worship. Hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.

♦ Participants in Today’s Service
Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush
Liturgists: The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy
Dr. Heather Schoenewolf
Darrell Bupp
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore, Organist and Music Director
Gabriel T. D’Abruzzo, Music Associate
ELPC Chancel Choir
Laura Ristau, Violin
Kathy Benninger, Flute
Beadle: Lenore Williams
Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

♦ Weekday Worship
Prayer Room (Room 135, in Highland Ave hallway)
Come to sit and pray in silence. Come to listen for the still, small voice of God. Come to experience the quiet in the midst of the wonderful busyness that is ELPC.
Open everyday

Labyrinth Prayer Walk
The labyrinth, a 35-foot floor mat with curved paths leading inward, is an ancient tool for walking and seated meditation. The ELPC labyrinth is a replica of the stone labyrinth laid in the floor of Chartres Cathedral in France.

The labyrinth will be available during Holy Week:
Maundy Thursday, March 24......9:00 am to 9:00 pm
Good Friday, March 25 .............9:00 am to 9:00 pm
Saturday, March 26....................9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Taizé Sung Prayer
Chants and periods of meditative silence modeled after the Taizé community in France.
Wednesdays, 7 pm

♦ Worship Services
Following is a listing of the remaining Holy Week and Easter Sunday services we are offering at East Liberty Presbyterian Church. We invite you to join us on our journey.

Good Friday, March 25

Holy Saturday, March 26
7:00 pm......Easter Vigil Service. The Great Vigil includes reaffirmation of baptism vows, communion and announcement of Christ’s resurrection. Service begins in the Chapel. The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan preaching.

Easter Sunday, March 27
8:45 am......Journey Worship. In Social Hall. While the good news of Christ’s resurrection will be shared, the worship space will not have Easter lilies out of respect for people allergic to plant aromas. Communion will be celebrated. The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf preaching.
9:30 am......Fellowship Time. Please join us in the Small Dining Room from 9:30-10:30 am for a special time of fellowship and hospitality.
11 am ......Sanctuary Worship. Our largest service, with music from the Chancel Choir and guest instrumentalists. Special music begins at 10:45 am. The Rev. Dr. Randy Bush preaching.

Welcome Visitors!

We are grateful to have you join us for worship this evening and ask you to register your name in our Friendship Book.

To learn more about our programs, church activities and volunteer services, we invite you to:
Identify yourself as a newcomer, and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have about ELPC.
Pick up a copy of our newsletter, the Reaching Out, either in the Narthex or at the Hospitality Desk near the Highland Avenue doors.
Attend an Inquirers’ Class on April 3 and 10 for an opportunity to learn more about ELPC and Presbyterian theology. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Gloria Knopp (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x22) for more information.
Call the Church Office (412.441.3800), or visit the ELPC website at www.ELPC.church.