JUNE 26, 2016 — 10 AM SUMMER WORSHIP
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TIME OF PREPARATION
“Let all the world in every corner sing my God and King.
The heavens are not too high, [God’s] praise may thither fly;
The earth is not too low, [God’s] praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing my God and King.
— George Herbert, The Temple

MINISTRY OF MUSIC
Dr. Edward Alan Moore, organist
“Prelude in C”
David Johnson
ELPC Ringers
“Triumphant March”
Michael Bedford

WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS
The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

* SHARING GOD’S PEACE
Leader: La paz de Cristo esté con ustedes.
People: Y también contigo.
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP
Florence Johnson
Leader: The world belongs to God,
People: The earth and all its people.
Leader: How good and lovely it is
People: To live together in unity. Let us worship the Triune God together.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN #610
“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

CALL TO CONFESSION
The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)
The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

Lord God, we confess that the circle of love is repeatedly broken because of our sin of exclusion. We create separate circles - the inner circle and the outer circle, the circle of power and the circle of despair, the circle of privilege and the circle of deprivation. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us. We confess that the circle of love is broken whenever there is alienation, whenever there is misunderstanding, whenever there is insensitivity or a hardening of the heart. Renew in us the spirit of grace, mercy and compassion that our broken circles may be healed. As always, Lord, forgive us our sins as we forgive all who have sinned against us. Amen.

* Indicates where you may rise in body or spirit.
ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS  The Rev. Fowler-Searcy
Leader: Through God’s grace we are forgiven, by the mercy of our Creator, through the love of Christ, and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!
People: En Jesucristo tenemos perdón! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! ¡Alaben a Dios! Praise God!

HANDBELL ANTHEM  “Rondo in E-flat”  Michael Helman

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON  Galatians 4:1-7  Florence Johnson

MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN  The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf
There is an Extended Session class available in the summer for children who have completed Kindergarten and younger in the Nursery Suite on the first floor near the Highland Ave entrance.

SABBATICAL PRAYER  The Rev. Dr. Bush

* HYMN #373  “O Day of Peace”  JERUSALEM

REFLECTION ON CURRENT EVENTS  The Rev. Dr. Bush

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION & THE LORD’S PRAYER  The Rev. Dr. Bush
The text can be found on page 35 in the purple Glory to God hymnal.

OFFERING INVITATION  The Rev. Dr. Bush
We offer our gifts in response to God's love, and the grace of Jesus Christ, which we seek to make known through the ministries of this congregation.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM  “Jesus Loves Me”  William Bradbury
arr. Doris Nelson

Jesus loves me! This I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong.
They are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.
Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me, all the way.
If I love Him when I die,
He will take me home on high.

* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION #607  OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Christ, all people here below.
Praise Holy Spirit evermore.
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY:
Mozart wrote his Symphony no. 39 in its entirety in a single day (1788); the charter of the United Nations was signed in San Francisco (1945); the Berlin Airlift began in earnest after the Soviet Union cut off land and water routes to that city (1948); Muhammad Ali’s third and final retirement was announced in a letter to the World Boxing Association (1979).

The verses to Jesus Loves Me were written by Anna Bartlett Warner (1827-1915). William Bradbury (1816-1868) set the words to music in 1862 and added the refrain, “Yes, Jesus loves…”
**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION**

Leader: El Señor esté con ustedes. The Lord be with you.

People: Y también contigo. And also with you.

Leader: Levantemos nuestros corazones. Lift up your hearts.

People: Lo tenemos levantado al Señor. We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Demos gracias al Señor nuestro Dios. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: Es justo dar gracias y alabanzas a Dios. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader: Lord, you've called us to be agents of reconciliation. Your grace is overflowing; your mercy is endless as the rain; your power ensures deliverance for all. Bless these gifts, the hearts and hands that have given them that we may be your agents of peace and reconciliation in the world. Amen.

**HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON** Psalm 98

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song, for the Lord has done marvelous things. The right hand and the holy arm of the Lord have secured the victory.

Leader: The Lord has made known this victory and has openly showed righteousness in the sight of the nations.

People: The Lord remembers mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice and sing.

People: Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn, shout with joy before the Sovereign One, the Lord.

People: Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein. Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who is coming to judge the earth.

People: In righteousness shall the Lord judge the world and the peoples with equity. O sing to the Lord a new song!

**SERMON**

“News from Pittsburgh - The Water is Wide” The Rev. Dr. Bush

**RECESSIONAL HYMN #693** “Though I May Speak” GIFT OF LOVE

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION** The Rev. Dr. Bush

**POSTLUDE**

“Toccata (EAM)” Marvin Mills

Our worship concludes with the postlude. For the benefit of those who wish to listen to the postlude, please refrain from visiting with your neighbors until you have left the sanctuary, or until the postlude has concluded.
Please remember to turn off cell phones during worship. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

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♦ Participants in Today’s Service

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush
Liturgists: The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy
The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf
Florence Johnson
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore,
Organist/Music Director
Gabriel T. D’Abruzzo, Music Associate
ELPC Chancel Choir
ELPC Ringers
Acolytes: Dylan Geibel
Cameron Mackey—Piccolo
Beadle: The Rev. Joe Hajdu
Crucifer: Lynne Irvin
Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

♦ Fellowship Time

Following the service, please join us in the Narthex for our Fellowship Time sponsored by Joe and Jean Kennedy to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with their ELPC family and friends. All are welcome!

♦ Worship Flowers

The flowers today are in honor of Joe and Jean Kennedy’s 50th wedding anniversary.

If you would like to purchase flowers for our Sanctuary worship service in honor or memory of a loved one, please call Norma (412.441.3800 x11). The cost is $100 a Sunday.

♦ Worship Next Sunday

During the summer, we combine our Sunday worship services into a 10 am service in the Sanctuary. During July and August and the first week in September, the service will move into the Courtyard, weather permitting.

10 am ........ Courtyard Summer Worship. Our largest service, with music from the Chancel Choir and gathering music prior to the service.

July 3 — The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush preaching.

♦ Weekday Worship

Labyrinth Prayer Walk
A 35-foot floor mat with curved paths leading inward; an ancient tool for walking and seated meditation.

Mondays, 7 am to 1 pm
Wednesdays, 9 am to 9 pm

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

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

Extended Session
After the Moments with the Children during the 10 am Summer service, a children’s ministry is offered with songs, Bible or mission stories, prayer, sharing and creative activities. A simple snack is served.

There is only one Extended Session class available in the summer for children who have completed Kindergarten and younger in the Nursery Suite on the first floor near the Highland Ave entrance. It is available every Sunday.

Welcome Visitors!

We are grateful to have you join us for worship this morning 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:

Stay after today’s service for our Fellowship Time in the McKelvey Room. 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 a New Members and Friends Class today in the Pastor's Conference Room to learn more about ELPC & Presbyterian theology. Lunch provided.

Please contact Gloria Knopp to register, or for more info (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x22) on a future class.

Call the Church Office (412.441.3800), or visit the ELPC website at www.ELPC.church.
Vacation Church School Volunteer Training — Today
There will be a training session for all volunteers following the 10 am worship in Room 234.

Justice Committee Meeting — Today
The Justice Committee will meet directly after worship in the courtyard. Please join us to work addressing immigration, refugees, building relationships with Islamic partners, full inclusion of GLBTQIA folk, racism and moving forward with the prison ministry.

Soul Food Summer Session — Today
The Soul Food class will hold the first of its three monthly summer sessions shortly after this service in the Second Floor Library (Room 250). The other two classes will be held on July 24 and August 28.

Get Your ELPC Tie-Dyed T-shirt
Don’t you just love those colorful tie-dyed ELPC t-shirts created by the LGBTQ Ministry? Purchase your own from the bookstore for $10. The shirts have the church name on the front and God created you. God loves you. Be yourself. on back.

Today’s Deacon-On-Duty
The Sanctuary service DOD is Mary Evrard.

Hand Fans
Keep cool while at worship this summer with the new hand fans available near each entrance to the Sanctuary. Please leave them at the exit when worship is over.

New Members and Friends Class
TODAY • following 10 am worship
Interested in becoming part of the ELPC church family?
Join us in the Pastor’s Conference Room to learn about ELPC and Presbyterian theology.

Journey Prayer — Begins July 3
Beginning Sunday, July 3 and concluding September 4, 8:45 am in the Social Hall, a Journey Prayer time of sharing and gathering of the Journey worshipping community will be held. Journey Prayer will include singing, reading of scripture and shared prayer in the style of the Journey Worship service. This time of prayer will be alternately led by Pastors Randy, Patrice and Mary Lynn. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Calling All Graduates!
We’d like to celebrate the accomplishment of everyone who has graduated from high school or beyond! Please contact Gloria Knopp (GloriaK@coh.net) by July 6 with the graduate’s name, degree earned, and name of the school from which they have graduated.

Renovation Presentations — July 10
Join with representatives of our architectural firm, Pfaffmann + Associates, to hear about the current plans for church renovations. They will be leading a presentation on Sunday, July 10 at 8:30 am and again at 11:30 am in the Chapel. It is our hope to begin construction in early Fall 2016, so come learn more about the work and improvements soon to begin!

Youth Car Wash — July 9
ELPC youth will be washing cars at Vento’s Pizza (in front of Home Depot on N Highland), on Saturday, July 9 from 9 am-2 pm. Donations in exchange for a clean car will be greatly appreciated, and will help fund the youth mission trip in Pittsburgh this summer. For more info, please email Sara Hackett (SaraH@coh.net).

Summer Film Series — Begins July 10
ELPC’s Mission Board invites you to attend their 2016 Summer Film Series. Just Eat It. A Food Waste Story kicks off the series on Sunday, July 10 after the 10 am service. Hosted by the Neighbors Committee, the viewing of this film will show food lovers Jen and Grant diving into the issue of food waste from the farm, through retail, and all the way to the back of their own fridge. The additional films are:
- The Canary Effect — July 17 (host: Justice Committee)
- The Imitation Game — July 24 (host: Justice Committee)
- Making a Killing: Guns, Greed, and the NRA — July 31 (host: Peace Committee)

Bike Rack Installed on Baum Boulevard
Interested in riding your bike to ELPC? There’s a new bike rack on the Baum Blvd side of the church!
As a caring congregation of faith, we ask you to remember the following people in your prayers:

Suzanne Bennett, Mike Dillon’s sister Carol, Katelyn Haas’s friend Kathleen, Kathey Hackney’s brother Kevin, Cathie Hajdu, Grace Confer-Hammond and her aunt’s family, Jan Herzer’s friends Bob, Sharon and Francine, Deborah Marx’s friends Monica and Chris, Jan Pressman’s daughter Caryn, Nancy Thomas, and Pat Valoon’s friend Kristen.

Our condolences to Ray Anthony on his brother’s passing. Our condolences to Darrell and Gloria Knopp on their brother-in-law’s passing.

Committee Meetings This Week

Justice.................................. Today, 11:15 am (Courtyard)
Session............................... Tuesday, 7:00 pm (2nd Floor Parlor)

Young Adult Ministry (YAM)
Spend the summer with other young adults exploring the intersections of Christianity with other faith traditions and other cultures. We will be seeking how to interact with and learn from other traditions while concurrently respecting them and honoring our own beliefs. Each event will include time to explore but also time to reflect as a group. Young adults are invited to express interest in a selection of summer programs by RSVPing via the YAM Facebook page (or via Wil if not on Facebook – Wil@coh.net). On Friday, July 1 at 7 pm, young adults are invited to get a personalized tour and to observe a service at the Hindu Jain Temple. This is a TRAIL young adult event.

LGBTQ Ministry Spiritual Gathering — July 16
God created you. God loves you. Be yourself. Now more than ever we need to stand in loving solidarity with all God’s children. Wear a rainbow ribbon (found in the pews). Pray for your neighbor. Welcome a stranger. Come together with others. The next LGBTQ Ministry spiritual gathering will be on Saturday, July 16 at 4 pm. We will seek understanding, healing and celebrate God’s love for all together. To learn more about this gathering or the LGBTQ Ministry, please contact Wil Forrest (Wil@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x14).

In our

Community

Elias David Moncado in Concert — July 15
Rising violin star Elias David Moncado will perform at ELPC on Friday, July 15 at 7 pm, as part of a cultural exchange with New Castle’s Eintracht Maennerchor and Platin Scala of Wenden, Germany. The 15-year-old phenom is one of the top violinists of his age in the world. Join us in welcoming this incredibly talented young man to America. Tickets are $10; $8 for seniors/students; $5 for children. Visit ELPC.church for details.

Donations to EECM
East End Cooperative Ministry (EECM) is in need of these donations: lotion, shampoo and conditioner. Their June food-of-the-month is hamburger helper. Please leave your donations in the basket near the Hospitality Desk.

Summer Celebration of Service — Aug 18
Join us for the sixth annual Summer Celebration of Service and Volunteers on Thursday, Aug 18 from 6–7:30 pm in the Courtyard.

Centering Prayer — Tuesdays
Jon Nelson will lead Centering Prayer on Tuesdays at 7 pm in the Prayer and Meditation Room. Please note the day and time changes from Wednesdays. All are invited.

Contemplative Prayer — Wednesdays after Taizé
Following the 7 pm Taizé prayer service each Wednesday, you are invited to the front of the Chapel, where we will sit together in silence for 20 minutes. If you have never practiced Centering Prayer, someone will be there to help get you started. Meditation cushions and back jacks will be provided, or you can sit in the front pew.

The Chapel Market
The Chapel Market is accepting donations of clean, gently used spring and summer clothing. Men’s casual shirts and pants are especially needed. The Chapel Market is open for donations, as well as shopping, on Mondays from 10 am to Noon and Thursdays from 6 pm to 8 pm.

Sponsor Our Chancel Flowers for Worship
If you would like to purchase the chancel flowers used in our Sanctuary worship service, please contact Norma (Norma@coh.net). A brief notation of your choosing will be included in the printed Sunday bulletin when you sponsor that week’s flowers.

The cost is $100 per Sunday from Sept to June, and $50 per Sunday for July and August (outside summer courtyard worship). Available Sundays are July 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31.

Looking for a way to put your love in action?
Contact Wil (412.441.3800 x14). Visit the iSERVE webpage at www.ELPC.church/programs/iserve-2 to learn about other service opportunities.