March 19, 2017 • 11 AM Sanctuary Worship
Third Sunday in Lent

**Time of Preparation**
“‘It’s the action, not the fruit of the action, that’s important. You have to do the right thing. It may not be in your power, may not be in your time, that there’ll be any fruit. But that doesn’t mean you stop doing the right thing. You may never know what results come from your action. But if you do nothing, there will be no result.’”
— Mahatma Gandhi

**Ministry of Music**
Dr. Edward Alan Moore, organist
“Meditation on Brother James’ Air”
Harold Darke

Our worship begins with the Ministry of Music.
Please use this as a time for silent prayer and preparation.

**Welcome & Church News**
The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

* **Sharing God’s Peace**
  Leader: La paz de Cristo esté con ustedes.  The peace of Christ be with you.
  People: Y también contigo.  And also with you.

**Call to Worship** (from Psalm 86)
Henry and Lisa Petrilli
  Leader: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.
  People: All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you and shall glorify your name.
  Leader: For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.
  People: Teach us your ways, O Lord, that we may ever walk in your truth.
  Leader: Let us worship God together.

* **Processional Hymn #494**
  Quebec
  “Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

**Call to Confession**
Henry and Lisa Petrilli

**Prayer of Confession**
Henry and Lisa Petrilli

Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us. We commit ourselves to things that will never last. We worship things that will never bring salvation. Lovingly, you offer us the gift of living water. Graciously, you offer us the gift of eternal life. Forgive us our sins, O Lord, and give us this living and merciful water, so that we may never thirst again. Amen.

**Time of Silent Reflection**
ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

Leader: Once we were lost and dead, but now Christ has become our life and salvation. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

People: En Jesucristo tenemos perdón. ¡Alaben a Dios!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Praise God!

GOSPEL LESSON

John 4:3-14, 15-26

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 86:1-7

The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy

Cantor sings verses. Congregation sings refrain as directed.

Dr. Moore

MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN

The Rev. Schoenewolf

Our Extended Session program is provided for infants and toddlers up to age 3 in the first floor Nursery and pre-school age through grade 1 in Room 151.

* HYMN #479 “Ho, All Who Thirst” JACOB’S WELL

GOSPEL LESSON

John 4:27-29, 39-42

The Rev. Dr. Bush

SPECIAL MUSIC “Mister Cellophane”

John Kander

Lyrics: Fred Ebb

If someone stood up in a crowd and raised his voice up way out loud and waved his arm and shook his leg you’d notice him. If someone in the movie show yelled, “Fire in the second row, this whole place is a powder keg” you’d notice him. And even without clucking like a hen everyone gets noticed, now and then unless, of course, that person it should be invisible, inconsequential me. Cellophane, Mister Cellophane should have been my name, Mister Cellophane. ‘Cause you can look right through me, walk right by me and never know I’m there. I tell ya, Cellophane, Mister Cellophane should have been my name, Mister Cellophane. ‘Cause you can look right through me, walk right by me and never know I’m there. A human being’s made of more than air with all that bulk, you’re bound to see him there. Unless that human being next to you is unimpressive, undistinguished, you know who. Should have been my name, Mister Cellophane, ‘cause you can look right through me, walk right by me and never know I’m there. Never even know I’m there. I hope I haven’t taken too much of your time.
SERMON  “Unfaithful Phrases: I Can’t Make a Difference”  The Rev. Dr. Bush

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION & THE LORD’S PRAYER  The Rev. Fowler-Searcy
The Lord’s Prayer can be found on pg. 35 (English), on pg. 40 (Español) or on pg. 45 (한국어) in the Glory to God hymnal.

OFFERING INVITATION  The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

OFFERTORY ANTHEM  “The Lord Is My Shepherd”  Howard Goodall
Text from Psalm 23

* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION #607

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION  The Rev. Schoenewolf
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.
Leader:  Loving God, from your goodness we have received so much. Receive our time, talents and resources and use them as you will for the sake of those in need around us and to the glory of your eternal realm. In Christ’s name. Amen.

* RECENSIONAL HYMN #708  Schumann
“We Give Thee but Thine Own”

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION  The Rev. Dr. Bush

POSTLUDE  “Little Prelude and Fugue in G Minor, BWV 558”  attr. Johann Sebastian Bach
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
Henry and Lisa Petrilli
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore, Organist/Music Director
Gabriel T. D’Abruzzo, Music Associate
ELPC Chancel Choir
Juddson Poeseke, soloist
Acolytes: Brianna Allison and Lydia Delp
Beadle: Liz Hopkins
Crucifer: Ian Bush
Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

- **Fellowship Time**

Please join us in the McKelvy Room after worship for our Fellowship Time. All are welcome to attend.

If you would like to make a food or monetary donation in support of our Fellowship Time, please call Pamela Kimmel (412.441.3800 x118).

- **Worship Flowers**

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 x111). The cost is $150 a Sunday.

- **Worship Next Sunday**

8:45 am.......Journey. An interactive, energetic service for those seeking a fresh encounter with the gospel of Jesus Christ. In Social Hall. March 26 — The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf preaching.

11 am...........Sanctuary Worship. Our largest service, with music from the Chancel Choir and an organ prelude prior to the service. March 26 — The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush preaching You Can’t Teach Me a Thing (part of the Lenten sermon series Unfaithful Phrases).

- **Extended Session**

After the Moments with the Children during the 11 am Sanctuary service, a children’s ministry is offered with songs, Bible or mission stories, prayer, sharing and creative activities. A simple snack is served.

In an effort to best know and care for your child, we ask that all families fill out a green Extended Session “Ticket” and that your child bring it with him/her to Extended Session every week.

- Young Children’s Ministry for infants and toddlers (up to age 3) — First Floor Nursery. Every Sunday.
- Preschool age children (through grade 1) — Room 151.

- **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 experience the quiet in the midst of the wonderful busyness that is ELPC.

Open everyday

- **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 McKelvy 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 to learn more about ELPC and Presbyterian theology. Please contact Gloria Knopp for more information, or to register for a future class (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x122).

Call the Church Office (412.441.3800), or visit the ELPC website at www.ELPC.church.
TODAY AT ELPC

Free Blood Pressure Screenings
Free blood pressure screenings are available after today’s 11 am service in the 1st floor Library. All are welcome!

Today’s DODs
Every Sunday, a DOD (Deacon-on-Duty) is available to assist with any emergencies that may occur during our worship services. Today’s Journey service DOD is Mary Evrard. The Sanctuary service DOD is Sonya-Marie Morley.

Church Family Baby Shower for Pastor Heather
Presbyterian Women invites everyone to a baby shower for Pastor Heather Schoenewolf in the Social Hall today from 1–4 pm.

The main course and cake will be provided for the potluck lunch. Diapers will be collected and donated to the Presbytery Diaper Drive in honor of Heather and David’s baby (raffle tickets will be awarded for each diaper package donated). Please note that donating diapers isn’t necessary!

ELPC Hospitality
Our church strives to be hospitable to all who gather for worship or special events. This hospitality extends to our restrooms, which people may use according to their own sexual identity preferences. Because of concerns around this topic (raised by laws in Texas and NC) and the positive reality of having transgender people participating in our church programs and ministry, it was deemed important by the staff to place explanatory signs related to this form of hospitality by our restroom doors. If you have questions about this, please seek out one of the pastors.

Book and Video Study — March 23
All are welcome to a study series sponsored by the Spiritual Life Committee from 6:30-8 pm beginning Thursday, March 23 as we read and discuss Teilhard de Chardin’s Mysticism: Seeing the Inner Face of Evolution (Orbis Books, 2014), and watch several videos by other scholars on cosmology and theology. Join the conversation, which will continue on April 6 and 20, May 4 and 18 and June 1.

Tween Game Night — March 24
Youth in grades 4–6 and their friends are invited to come have dinner and play gym and board games at ELPC on Friday, March 24 from 6-8 pm. Please contact Sara Hackett to register (SaraH@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x120).

OHM Circles Dinner — March 28
ELPC provides dinner for OHM (Open Hand Ministries) families who are working hard on improving their financial situation and reaching their goals. Consider helping them along the way by donating food and/or serving dinner on Tuesday, March 28, a simple, impactful way to get to know the families. Contact Carol Bonner (lobonner@gmail.com) to help or with any questions.

PW Spring Retreat — March 31 to April 1
Please see the Presbyterian Women bulletin board in the Highland Ave hallway for brochures and registration forms for the PW Retreat Unnamed Women of the Bible with Sara Hackett from March 31 to April 1 at Camp Crestfield. Contact Kay Shissler (412.681.2047) for info.

Gifts of Women Sunday — April 2
On Sunday, April 2, our 11 am worship service will include a special celebration of the Gifts of Women. The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf will preach and her sermon will be titled Unfaithful Phrases: You’re Unlovable. Our service will include women liturgists, ushers and greeters, as well as music from The Color Purple, a Tony Award winning musical.

DG2! Event — April 2
ELPC and Rodef Shalom youth in grades 4–12 will be showing acts of loving kindness for DG2! (Doing Good Together) by assisting in the coordination of a “Classic Hollywood” themed Senior Prom for the residents of Charles Morris Nursing and Rehabilitation Center on Sunday, April 2. Meet at ELPC in the Harambe Room for lunch immediately following the 11 am worship service and we will return to the church for pick up at 3:15 pm.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering — Received April 2 and 9
ELPC will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering on Sundays, April 2 and 9 (Palm Sunday).

PW Bible Study — April 3 and 4
Join Presbyterian Women to continue the study Who is Jesus according to the Other Abrahamic Faiths? on Monday, April 3 at 7 pm or Tuesday, April 4 at 10 am. A potluck lunch follows the Tuesday study, with soup and beverages provided. Please bring your own table setting and soup bowl, as well as a side to share.

TRAIL Young Adult Event — April 7
Spend the evening of Friday, April 7 playing games with friends at the TRAIL young adult event First Friday@Games with Friends at 7 pm at the Quaker Meeting House (4836 Ellsworth Ave, Shadyside 15213). Bring a board game to share. Contact Wil for info (Wil@coh.net).
As a caring congregation of faith, we ask you to remember the following people in your prayers:

Elizabeth Alcorn, Ray Anthony, 
Kathy Callahan’s mother Ginny, 
David Carl’s co-worker Linda and her grandson Kain, 
Kate Carlson’s brother-in-law Ray, 
Doris Dick’s mother Mary, 
Ruth Donalson, Steve Evrard’s mother, 
Barbara Goodwin’s husband John, Lee Lewand, 
Judy Mancini’s sisters June and Joan, 
Deborah Marx’s friends Monica and Chris 
and her cousin Eileen and her family, 
Polly McQueen’s brother Clay, 
Mary Randolph’s mother Cecilia, 
Tim Sergi’s mother Jean, 
and Pat Valoon and her friend Robert.

Our condolences to William Nicholson on his mother’s passing.

There are Prayer Boxes, with cards for prayer requests, available on the tables in the Narthex and East Transept entrances to the Sanctuary.

Committee Meetings This Week

Officer Training.................................Today, 12:30 pm (Rm 234) 
Chapel Market Planning .............Wednesday, 5:00 pm (Rm 244) 
Peace..............................................Thursday, 5:30 pm (Pastor’s Conf Rm) 
Session.......................................Thursday, 6:30 pm (Zelienople)

LGBTQ Ministry Spiritual Gathering — April 9

LGBTQ Ministry’s next spiritual gathering will be on Sunday, April 9 after the 11 am service. During this monthly meeting we will share food, fellowship and our stories as we welcome local college students and plan for summer events. To learn more or to get involved, please contact Wil Forrest (Wil@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x114). All people are welcome!

Adult Sunday School Classes

March 26 ♦ 9:45 to 10:45 am

Contemporaries — “Passover Offering” led by Adam Cleaver

Journey with Scripture — 1 Samuel 16:1–13; Psalm 23; 
Ephesians 5:8–14; John 9:1–41, facilitated by Lora Bethea and Jan Irvin

Seekers — “Daring to Doubt (part 2)” led by the Rev. 
Heather Schoenewolf

Soul Food — A concluding discussion of Week 4 of Open the Door by Joyce Rupp, led by the Rev. Joe Hajdu, Liz Gonda and David Carl

YAMs — “YAM-led discussion and Prayer Series throughout Lent” facilitated by Wil Forrest

City of Pittsburgh Job Announcements

The City of Pittsburgh has released new employment opportunities available within the city, including positions for a police officer, recreation leader, paramedic, staff engineer and equipment repair specialist. For application requirements, please visit www.pghjobs.net.

“Walk On By” Exhibit — Begins March 24

View homelessness as seen through the eyes of local artists at the exhibit Walk On By beginning on Friday, March 24 from 6-9 pm at Future Tenant Gallery (819 Penn Ave, Cultural District, downtown) at the opening reception. On Thursday, March 23 from 6-8 pm, a panel discussion about the intersection between homelessness and the lack of affordable housing will take place at the gallery. Admission is free for these two events, and there will be free admission weekends from March 24-April 2. For more info, visit www.ncmin.org.

Annual Women and Biking Forum — April 1

On Saturday, April 1 from 10 am-3 pm, BikePGH will host the 4th annual Women and Biking Forum presented by Dollar Bank at the Ace Hotel, featuring keynote speaker Victoria Robinson, Black Girls Do Bike’s first “Shero.” Workshop choices include learning the basics of bike mechanics, getting around town comfortably, methods to access athletic bike events, and becoming a stronger advocate for safe cycling.

To register for the event, please visit BikePGH’s online event page (http://bikepgh.org/forum) or call the BikePGH office (412.325.4334). Save 20% on the registration with discount code COMMUNITYBIKES.

African American Heritage Day at Kennywood — June 15

Spend the day at Kennywood Park with your church family and fellowship with other congregations on Thursday, June 15. Lenore Williams, a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter of the National Black Presbyterian Caucus, will be collecting money for discounted admission tickets through April 23 ($20 for seniors, $30 for others). Admission is free for these two events, and there will be free admission weekends from March 24-April 2. For more info, visit www.ncmin.org.

Looking for a way to put your love in action?

Visit the iSERVE webpage at www.ELPC.church/programs/iserve-2 to learn about other service opportunities, or contact Wil Forrest (412.441.3800 x14).

Vacation Church School Volunteers Needed *(teens and adults)*