WORDS FOR PREPARATION
“The women whom I love and admire for their strength and grace did not get that way because [things] worked out. They got that way because [things] went wrong, and they handled it. They handled it in a thousand different ways on a thousand different days, but they handled it. Those women are my superheroes.” — Elizabeth Gilbert

GATHERING MUSIC
“O Sing to the Lord” (songbook #2) Holy Manna
“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” (songbook #3) Cantai Ao Senhor

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

SHARING GOD’S GOOD NEWS
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
Leader: God meets us in our greatest need and satisfies us with divine presence and provision.
People: God comes in history, in women and men, in a Savior and in sacraments, to make real the promise of God’s eternal covenant.
Leader: In gratitude, let us worship the Lord our God.

HYMN
“My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout” (songbook #4) Star of the County Down

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & INTERCESSION
The Rev. Dr. Bush

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS
Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!
People: En Jesucristo tenemos perdón! ¡Alaben a Dios!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Praise God!

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON
Judges 4:1-9 David Carl

MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN
Heather Lawrence
Children of any age are welcome to come to the front of the worship space for Moments with our Children. 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 Avenue entrance.

* Indicates where you may please rise in body or spirit.
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* **HYMN**
  “Woman in the Night” (songbook # 5)  
  NEW DISCIPLES

**HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON**
  Judges 4:17-22  
  The Rev. Dr. Bush

**SERMON**
  “Judges’ Wisdom: Women of Might”  
  The Rev. Dr. Bush

**OFFERING INVITATION**
  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**
  “Come to the Feast”  
  Hyun Kook  
  text by Carol McClure

  Come in to the feast that our Lord has provided,
  Brothers and sisters, who gather in this place;
  Come savor this meal as you savor this moment;
  Come giving thanks as you meet him face to face.

  Come offering your hearts to be bathed in his mercy,
  Humble and open to follow after Christ;
  Come, laying aside all your strife and your anger;
  Come in repentance to the One who offers life.

  Bread of redemption, Cup of salvation,
  Served by our Savior, this sweet celebration;
  Glory and honor, praise, adoration;
  Unto our Lord, for his table set with grace.

  Partake of this bread, for you it is broken;
  Come drink this wine: for you, it has been poured.
  Then, brothers and sisters, who meet at his table;
  Go out to serve in the name of our Lord.

* **DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION**
  The communion bread is being presented by Misia Goodson and Luisa Bonavita.

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all creatures here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.
— SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER —

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Rev. Dr. Bush

THE LORD’S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush and The Rev. Callahan

SHARING BREAD & CUP

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 where each may 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.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“In the Singing” (songbook #6)  BREAD OF PEACE
“Bless the Lord, O My Soul” (songbook #7)  BLESS THE LORD
(choir sings ‘Leader,’ congregation sings ‘Response’)

PRAYERS FOR HEALING & WHoleness

After receiving communion, worshipers may go to the prayer station for intercessory prayers, anointing with oil, the laying on of hands.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Generous God, the whole creation looks to you and you provide safety, strength, food, and drink in due season. We thank you for this time of worship and sacrament. May it satisfy us deeply, even as it sends us out this day to serve you faithfully. In Christ’s name. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN

“The Days Are Surely Coming” (songbook #8)  LLANGLOFFAN

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

* Indicates where you may rise in body or spirit.
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. Mary Lynn Callahan
David Carl, Heather Lawrence
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore, Organist/
Music Director
Gabriel T. D’Abruzzo, Music Associate
ELPC Summer Choir
Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

♦ Fellowship Time

Following the service, please join us in the Narthex for our Fellowship Time. All are welcome!

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

The flowers today are in loving memory of Captain and Mrs. Alfred Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis W. Hicks, Mr. Lewis W. Hicks, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Wenman A. Hicks.

If you would like to purchase flowers for our worship service in honor or memory of a loved one, please call Norma (412.441.3800 x111). The cost is $75 a Sunday during our outdoor worship services.

♦ Worship Next Sunday

8:45 am........Journey Prayer Time. An extended prayer time and bible reflection with a few songs. In Social Hall.

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

Summer Extended Session

After the Moments with the Children during the 10 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. There is only one Extended Session class available in the summer for children who have completed Kindergarten and younger — Nursery Suite on the first floor near the Highland Avenue entrance. It is available every Sunday.

♦ Weekday Worship

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

M ondays, 7 am to 1 pm
W ednesdays, 9 am to 9 pm

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

W ednesdays, 7 pm

Prayer Room (Room 135, in Highland Avenue 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 Narthex. 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 info on future classes (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x122), or the Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush (RandyB@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x123).

Call the Church Office (412.441.3800), or visit the ELPC website at www.ELPC.church.
Return Book Please...
We invite you to please return the book *Race in a Post-Obama America* if you have finished it, so others can read it. Please put books in the basket on the communion table.

Journey Prayer
Now through Labor Day weekend, a **Journey Prayer Time** will be held at 8:45 am in the Social Hall, with a few songs, an extended prayer time and bible reflection.

Today’s Deacon on Duty
Today’s summer service DOD is **Paul Miller**.

Pre-Sold Faith Night Pirate Game Tickets
If you pre-ordered Pirate tickets for *Faith Night* on Aug 17, please get your tickets from David Carl today or next Sunday (final day to pick up your tickets). Please contact David with questions (dbcasl333@gmail.com).

All Over the Burgh Event — Aug 18
*All Over the Burgh*, ELPC’s meet-up group, is all about fellowship and fun by exploring free (or mostly free) events around town. All members and friends are welcome to join us on Friday, Aug 18 for **Friday at Frick** for the American/folk foot-stomping sounds of *The Mixus Brothers*. Bring your own picnic basket and blanket, and meet on the grounds across from the Playhouse entrance around 5:45 pm. Music starts at 6:30 pm. Look for the ELPC sign! **There will be wine sales and food trucks. Suggested donations accepted.**

YAM Event: Good Old-Fashioned Lock-In — Aug 19 to 20
The Young Adult Ministry (YAM) will get locked in ELPC with friends for a night! Beginning on Saturday, Aug 19 at 4 pm, we’ll gather for ice breakers, dinner, educational experiences, Bible study, worship, snacks, relaxation time, a service project, games, and fellowship. Then, we’ll join our church family the next morning for worship. RSVP to Wil Forrest by Aug 13 (Wil@coh.net).

View ELPC Members’ Energy Efficient Home — Aug 20
Visit *Passive House* and learn about efficient building construction. Lucyna de Barbaro and Ayres Freitas believe that their heating and cooling bills will be 60-80% lower than in a similar size home.

Their newly constructed *Passive House* is a state-of-the-art demonstration of energy efficiency in building construction. Technology like this is widely used in Western Europe, but hardly known in the U.S. The house is virtually air-tight and features an energy recovery ventilator. The house also features sustainable materials, low VOC finishes, permeable driveway, rain water retention on site and green roof on the porch.

Lucyna and Ayres will host an **Open House** on Sunday, Aug 20 from 11:30 am-4 pm. Their address is 2883 Fernwald Rd, 15217. All interested people are welcome.

Save the Date to Celebrate — Aug 24
All who have served in our church and community this year are invited to our **Summer Celebration of Service and Volunteers** on Thursday, Aug 24 from 6–7:30 pm in the Courtyard. Save the date and plan to share food and fellowship. Contact Wil (412.441.3800 x114) for info.

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**SUNDAY Church Tours**

**Trinity Chapel — Aug 13**
Join tour guide Penn Hackney following the Courtyard worship service on a tour of the Trinity Chapel with its special stained glass window. Meet Penn after the service in the Narthex/Penn Ave lobby.

**Tower Tour — Aug 20**
Tour guide Tim VanFleet will take you on a climb up the majestic Church Tower. This tour will focus on the history and construction of this magnificent structure. The tour requires some stamina and it is best to wear sturdy shoes. Please gather following the service in the rear of the chapel.
As a caring congregation of faith, we ask you to remember the following people in your prayers:

Diana Armstrong,
John Bavaro, John Buckley’s mentee David,
David Carl’s friend Madelyn and her mother,
Martha DeMarzi, Dave Gilliland,
Patrice Fowler-Sarcy’s mother,
Pam Kimmel’s niece Jen,
Gloria Knopp, Lee Lewand,
Gail Mallory’s friend Ailene,
Jon Nelson’s cousin Rayna and friend Theo,
Pat Valoon, and Andrew Wilkinson’s mother Leslie.

Condolences to Pastor Patrice Fowler-Sarcy on her grandmother’s passing.

Condolences to the family of Ronald Frye on his passing.

Committee Meetings This Week
Deacons..............................Tuesday, 7:00 pm (McKelvy Room)
Mission Board.....................Thursday, 5:00 pm (McKelvy Room)
Neighbors.........................Next Sunday, 11:30 am (Session Room)
Membership & Outreach.......Next Sunday, 11 am (2nd fl Lib)

LGBTQ Ministry Events — Aug 27
All people are welcome to join the LGBTQ Ministry at our Rainbow Connection Picnic at Randyland on Sunday, Aug 27 at Noon. Contact Wil (412.441.3800 x114) for info.

Pathways to a More Contemplative Life
The way to contemplation is through meditation, and ELPC offers a number of meditation alternatives to assist you along your journey towards healing, wholeness, joy, and peace. On Monday mornings, the Labyrinth is available as a walking meditation until 1 pm. Centering Prayer, a form of Christian meditation, is offered on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm. On Wednesdays, experience Cathedral Yoga at 6 pm, and meditative moments during and following our Taizé Prayer Service at 7 pm. The Labyrinth also is available all day on Wednesdays until 9 pm. Beginning the 2nd Thursday in September, Qi Gong will resume on Thursdays at 6:30 pm, followed by Mindfulness Meditation led by Susan Spangler. On the second Friday of the month, Yamuna Morgenstern leads Journey Dance, at 7 pm. And finally, if you’re looking for a quiet, prayerful spot, visit the Prayer and Meditation Room any time the church is open.

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 x114).

♦ Considering your options to serve this fall? Talk to Wil now....there is much to do! ♦

Building Community to Protect/Empower Families — Aug 19
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (615 N Highland Ave, 15206) is hosting the event Building Community to Protect and Empower Youth and Families from 10 am-3 pm on Saturday, Aug 19. The day will feature workshops, lunch, entertainment and a community dialogue with parents and community organizations. For more info, please call 412.212.8775 or email cav.pgh@gmail.com.

Volunteer at Ten Thousand Villages
Ten Thousand Villages is looking for volunteers. Join them for a Volunteer Orientation and learn about the behind-the-scenes work that goes into a fair trade, non-profit retail store and why volunteers allow us to carry more handicrafts from our artisan groups in developing countries. Those interested in supporting the mission can expect to volunteer at least 8 hours per month. Please contact Karen McCarthy or Abbie Godollei (412.421.2160; volunteer.pittsburgh@tenthousandvillages.com).

The Chapel Market
The Chapel Market needs donations of men and women’s summer, new or gently used clothing. Donations are preferred during shopping hours, Monday 10 am-Noon, but can be left at the church during business hours.

Faith, Science, and Our Spiritual Life
Got questions? Interested in connections between faith and science?
Join in the conversation on the last Thursday of each month (AUG 31, 6:30 PM) as we read, watch videos, and discuss the faith that we share, ways in which it overlaps with science, and how all of that affects our spiritual life.