JUNE 24, 2018 • 10 AM SANCTUARY WORSHIP
5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

TIME OF PREPARATION
“Music, the greatest good that mortals know
And all of heaven we have below.”
— Joseph Addison

MINISTRY OF MUSIC
Dr. Edward Alan Moore, organ
“Adagio from Symphonic III, Op. 28”
Louis Vierne

WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS
The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy

* 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 92)
Leader: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to God’s name;
People: It is good to declare God’s steadfast love in the morning, and remember God’s faithfulness in the night.
Leader: We lift our hearts to the Lord with the music of the lute and harp, the melodies of our faith;
People: For God has made us glad by all God’s works — at the works of God’s hands, we sing for joy.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN #450
“Be Thou My Vision”

CALL TO CONFESSION
The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

PRAYER OF CONFESION
Merciful God, there is much for which we seek your forgiveness. We imagine that we can live without you, even as you give us our very breath and spirit and life. We seek control over others, although you call us to live in unity and peace. We allow fears to overtake us, even though our every moment is in your hands. Draw us back into your embrace. Shape us into the likeness of your Son. And by the power of your Holy Spirit, forgive us this day. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

* Indicates where you may rise in body or spirit.
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come.
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON
2 Corinthians 6:1-13

MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN
Children of any age are welcome to come to the steps of the chancel for Moments with our Children.
Those who have completed Kindergarten or younger are invited to attend our Extended Session program for the remainder of our worship time in the Nursery Suite on the first floor.

* HYMN #39 “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

SERMON “Spiritual Music”
Prelude in C Major
Prelude op. 28, no. 20
Prelude op. 28, no. 15

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION & THE LORD’S PRAYER
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
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 “Why Do We Sing?”

Gale Jones Murphy, a native of Memphis, Tennessee, is Music Director at Conway United Methodist Church in Orlando, Florida.
DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all creatures here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION

Leader: El Señor esté con ustedes. The Rev. Dr. Bush
People: Y también contigo. The Rev. Fowler-Searcy
Leader: Levantemos nuestros corazones. The Rev. Dr. Bush
People: Lo tenemos levantado al Señor. The Rev. Fowler-Searcy
Leader: Demos gracias al Señor nuestro Dios. The Rev. Dr. Bush
People: Es justo dar gracias y alabanzas a Dios. The Rev. Fowler-Searcy
Leader: How grateful we are, O God, that you provide the strong melody for the song of our life and the firm foundation upon which we walk for all our days. We return to you a portion of what you’ve first given us. May it be used faithfully for your ministry both in this place and out in the world you’ve redeemed. In Christ’s name we pray.
People: Amen.

* RECESSIONAL HYMN #641

“When in Our Music God is Glorified”

ENGELBERG

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

POSTLUDE

“The Rhapsody in Blue”

George Gershwin

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 L. Fowler-Searcy  
           The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf  
           Vince Ponder  
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore, Organist/  
           Music Director  
           Gabriel T. D’Abruzzo, Music Associate  
           ELPC Chancel Choir  
Acolytes: Christian and Ramsey Lewand  
Beadle: Polly McQueen  
Crucifer: Julia Lewand  
Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

♦ FELLOWSHIP TIME

Our Fellowship Time will be held in the Fellowship Room, the newly renovated space on the 1st floor leading to the South Highland Ave entrance. Please join us there following the service. 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

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 ($75 during July and August when we worship in the Courtyard).

♦ WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

Journey Worship will resume on Rally Day Sunday, Sept 9 at 8:45 am in the Social Hall.

10 am........Summer Worship. Our largest service moves to the Courtyard (weather permitting), with music from the Chancel Choir and gathering music prior to the service.  
July 1 — The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush preaching.

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 Ave 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.  
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.  
Available 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 Fellowship Room, the newly renovated space on the 1st floor. 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 Sunday, July 8 to learn more about ELPC, Presbyterian theology, and to explore membership. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Gloria Knopp for more info or to register (GloriaK@coh.net).

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

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

Today's Deacon-On-Duty (DOD)
The Sanctuary service DOD is Tony Richardson-Eckes.

Climb the Tower Heights
Join Steve Evrard following today’s worship service to climb the heights of our church’s landmark central tower. The climb requires a bit of stamina. Comfortable shoes and pants are suggested; not recommended for small children. Please gather at the Highland Lobby entrance.

VCS Volunteer Training
All VCS volunteers are required to attend today’s training session from 11:15 am-2 pm in the Social Hall.

Calling All Graduates
We acknowledge that many people from within our faith family have graduated or will be graduating from high school, college, trade school, graduate school, etc. We would like to celebrate these achievements by honoring our graduates in the August issue of Reaching Out. To be included, please submit name, degree, and school attended to Gloria Knopp (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x122).

First Friday @ the Garth — July 6
Enjoy an evening in the ELPC Garth (courtyard) to share fellowship and watch a movie outside around a fire pit (with ‘smores!) at the First Friday TRAIL young adult event on July 6 at 7 pm. Contact Wil Forrest for info (Wil@coh.net).

2018 SUMMER FILM SERIES

Each year in July, the Mission Board and mission committees sponsor a film series. The themes of this year’s documentaries and movies are a continuation of our ongoing systemic racism series. Join us in the Social Hall following worship to view the movies, discuss the themes, and enjoy lunch together.

Fenceline: A Company Town Divided — July 8
Hosted by the Justice Committee
This film documents African-American residents in Norco, Louisiana who believe that increasing pollution is negatively impacting their health, and demand to be relocated from under the shadow of a Shell oil refinery. Thaddeus Popovich, co-founder of Allegheny County Clean Air Now, will lead our discussion.

The White Man’s Burden — July 15
Hosted by the Peace Committee
In an alternate universe, successful African-Americans live in gated communities, while impoverished Caucasians populate crime-ridden inner-city ghettos. When African-American mogul Thaddeus Thomas (Harry Belafonte) wrongly accuses Caucasian Louis Pinnock (John Travolta) of being a Peeping Tom, Pinnock loses his job and watches as his family falls apart. In a desperate attempt to repair his life, Pinnock takes Thomas hostage.

We Wear The Mask:
The Hidden Face of Women in Poverty — July 22
Hosted by the Neighbors Committee
We Wear the Mask, which was filmed in Pittsburgh, digs deeply into the psychology of poverty to shine a spotlight on women, an often underestimated segment of society. Tammy Thompson, the film's producer and executive director of Circles of Greater Pittsburgh, will lead our discussion afterwards.

The Canary Effect — July 29
Hosted by the Mission Board
This 2006 documentary looks into the effects that the U.S. and its policies have on Indigenous peoples (Native Americans). Delving deeply into the historic realities of the American Indian, this film details the genocidal practices of our government and its effects on present-day Indian country. Featuring interviews with the leading scholars and experts on Indian issues, the film brings together the past and present on film.
As a caring congregation of faith, we ask you to remember the following people in your prayers:

Tim Benedict’s brother Mark,
Kate Carlson, Carol Chontos’ father David,
Richard Depperman, Doris Dick’s mother Mary,
Molly Dimond-Stephany’s sister-in-law Andrea,
Shirley Fair, Carole Forloines,
Crystal and Sean Gilroy and their family,
Beverly Kreger, Heather Lawrence’s sister Christine,
Lee Lewand, Nicole Molinaro’s friend Joyce,
Marti Moore, Gail Noden, David Phillips’ mother Nellie,
Erin Starzynski’s mother Judy and Pat Valoon.

Condolences to Alysha Carroll on her grandmother’s passing.
Condolences to Harold Deiss on his brother’s passing.
Condolences to Bobby Egelston on her mother’s passing.
Condolences to the family of Garland Hawkins on his passing.

Committee Meetings This Week
Membership & Outreach...... Today, 11:00 am (Highland Rm)
Planned Giving............................Today, 11:00 am (Trustees Rm)
Spiritual Life ................................Saturday, 10:00 am (TBD)

LGBTQ Ministry — July 7
All are invited to the LGBTQ Ministry’s next monthly spiritual gathering on Saturday, July 7 at 1 pm. Contact Wil Forrest for more details or to attend (Wil@coh.net).

Commissioning Our Mission Trip Teams — July 8
Join us in worship on Sunday, July 8 as we pray for and commission our youth for their upcoming mission trips — Jr High Mission Trip Team will be serving in the Slippery Rock and New Castle communities from July 8–13; Sr High Mission Trip Team will be doing mission work in Hampden, West Virginia, from August 4–10.

Hope Academy Offers Summer Camps
Hope Academy will be offering two Summer Camps this year at ELPC!
• Pittsburgh Girls Choir Co-Ed Musical Scenes Camp (July 9-13)
• Hip Hop Orchestra Summer Music Camp (July 23-28)
The Suzuki Institute at Winchester Thurston will offer a special program for Hope Academy violin, viola, cello, and piano students (Aug 5–10). Visit www.ELPC.church/ HopeAcademy for more info, or contact Karly Threets (KarlyT@coh.net).

Looking for a way to put your love in action?
If you have something to share, visit the iSERVE webpage at www.ELPC.church/ programs/iserve-2, or contact Wil Forrest (Wil@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x114).

Church Tours

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following 10 am worship service

Below Ground — July 8
Discover the huge boilers and see the blowers that feed air to our more than 7,000 organ pipes!

Tower — July 22
Gain insights into the history and construction of our landmark tower, as you ascend many sets of spiral stairs to enjoy unparalleled views of East Liberty and beyond.

Please gather in the Highland Lobby to join any tour.