**TIME OF PREPARATION**

“Here I am, Lord; here is my body, my heart, my soul. Grant that I may be big enough to reach the world, strong enough to carry it, pure enough to embrace it without wanting to keep it. Grant that I may be a meeting-place, but a temporary one, a road that does not end in itself, because everything to be gathered there leads toward you.” (Michael Quoist)

**WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS**

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

**OPENING SONGS OF PRAISE**

“Bind Us Together” (songbook #1)

“Joyful, Joyful” (songbook #2)

Please use this time to fill out the red Friendship pads and for quiet worship preparation.

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Prepare our minds to listen to you today, O God.

People: Prepare our hearts to be filled with your love today.

Leader: Prepare our lips that they can shout your praise today.

People: Prepare our souls that we can be attuned to your will today.

Leader: Prepare us to feel your presence in the world today, as we come to worship and give you praise. Amen!

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

“Come! Live in the Light!” (songbook #3)

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of mercy, we confess that we have failed to live as your beloved children. We have set our minds on the things of this world, and we have neglected the inheritance of love you bestow upon us. We have pursued selfish aims in our daily business; we have harbored unkind thoughts toward our enemies; we have avoided difficult responsibilities in caring for our neighbors. Forgive us, we pray. Strengthen us in the ways of faithful discipleship, ever following Jesus Christ, our Savior, Guide, and Redeemer. Hear our silent prayers.

**TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION**

* Indicates where you may please rise in body or spirit.
ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS  The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

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!

SUNG RESPONSE HYMN “Breathe” (text below)

This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe. Your holy presence, living in me. This is my daily bread, this is my daily bread. Your very word, spoken to me. And I, I’m desperate for you. And I, I’m lost without you.

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And I, I’m desperate for you. And I, I’m lost without you. I’m lost without you. I’m lost without you.

This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe.

RESPONSIVE HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON  Carol and JoAnn Chonoska

Psalm 25:1-9

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you.
People: Let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
Leader: Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

People: Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.
Leader: Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of our salvation; in you have we trusted all the day long.

People: Remember, O God, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting. Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O God.
Leader: Gracious and upright are you, God; therefore you teach sinners in your way.
People: You guide the humble in doing right and teach your way to the lowly.
Leader: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE LESSON  Kalyn Stewwing


RECOGNITION OF KALYN STEWING  The Rev. Dr. Bush

Moments with our Children  The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

The children of any age are welcome to come forward 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 “Give Thanks” (songbook #4)


Sermon “Misdirected Conversations”  The Rev. Dr. Bush
* Indicates where you may rise in body or spirit.

**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**

“Just Want to Thank You”

Journey Praise Team

Just want to thank you for ever and ever and ever for all you’ve done for me. Blessings and glory and honor, they all belong to you. Thank you, Jesus, for saving me.

**DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION**

**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.

**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: Receive these gifts, O God. May our lives be an offering that is pleasing to you, and may the questions we ask about eternal life always be answered by your forgiveness, your mercy, and your love. In Christ’s name we pray.

People: Amen.

* HYMN

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” (songbook #5)

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush
As part of ELPC’s mission to extend radical hospitality to all, our full worship service is now being livestreamed on Facebook and archived at www.ELPC.church. This notice is to inform you that by being in attendance, you give permission for incidences where you appear within the video. Should you have any questions, please see one of our pastors.

♦  PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY’S SERVICE

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush
Liturgists: The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy
            The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan
            Carol and JoAnn Chonoska
            Kalyn Stevwing
Musicians: Journey Praise Team:
           Michael Warren, Music Director
           Adrianna Cleveland
           Delana Flowers
           David Jennings-Smith
           Jon Nelson
           Jack Phillips
           Judy Roberts
           Kalyn Stevwing
Sound: Tim Benedict
       Wayne Gaines

♦  FELLOWSHIP TIME

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

♦  WORSHIP FLOWERS

The flowers today are to the glory of God and in honor of Joan Heckel’s 90th birthday on July 17, given by her children.

♦  SUNDAY WORSHIP

Our summer worship schedule has begun. Journey Worship will resume on Rally Day Sunday, Sept 8 at 8:45 am.

Our 10 am service will move to the Courtyard during the month of August.

10 am...........Sanctuary Summer Worship. Our largest service with a multi-cultural congregation and music from organ, piano and choir.

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 38-foot floor mat with curved paths leading inward; an ancient tool for walking and seated meditation.
            Mondays, 8 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 (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. Available everyday

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 also: Stay after today’s service for our Fellowship Time in the Fellowship 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 an Inquirers’ Class 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 for future classes (GloriaK@coh.net).

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

Postcard Campaign to Senators and Congressional Reps
The Justice Committee invites and encourages you to put your faith into action following worship this morning in the Garth Overlook Room by writing a postcard message to your federal elected officials regarding the treatment of migrants and children at our Southern border. The alien who resides with you shall be treated as the citizen among you; you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God. (Leviticus 19:34)

Summer Film Festival
You are invited to join us after worship today in the Good Samaritan Room (ground floor) for the first film in the Mission Board Committee’s 2019 Summer Film Festival Won’t You Be My Neighbor. This documentary paints a portrait of the philosophy and work of cardigan-wearing children’s entertainer Fred Rogers, star of the popular show Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood. A former minister, Fred Rogers creatively communicated themes of empathy and acceptance, race relations, kindness, and tolerance using a colorful cast of puppets and friends for more than 30 years. Along with archival footage, Rogers’ contemporaries and cast-mates reflect on his legacy. Sponsored by the Neighbors Committee.

LGBTQ Ministry Spiritual Gathering
You are invited to the spiritual gathering of ELPC’s LGBTQ Ministry today at 11:30 am when we will begin with lunch and then the Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan will guide us for an experience on the new rainbow labyrinth. Allies and LGBTQIA+ folks alike are welcomed. Talk with Wil Forrest to attend. God created you. God loves you. Be yourself.

Sanctuary and Chapel Tour
Join us after worship for an architectural tour of our beautiful, Gothic Sanctuary and Romanesque Chapel. Please gather in the Highland Lobby after the service.

New Members’ Brunch
There will be a New Members’ Brunch today at 11:15 am in the 3rd floor Music Room.

Today’s Deacon-On-Duty (DOD)
Every Sunday, a DOD (Deacon-on-Duty) is available to assist with any emergencies that may occur during our worship services. Today’s Sanctuary service DOD is David Cowan.

YAM Event: Tuesdays in the Park — July 16
This summer (one Tuesday a month) the Young Adult Ministry (YAM) is visiting lesser-known Pittsburgh parks to enjoy a picnic, explore nature, and expand our faith in fellowship through scripture and dialogue. On July 16, we’ll visit West End–Elliott Overlook Park (Marlow St, 15205) from 5:30-7 pm. Pack your dinner, bring a chair/blanket, and let’s explore! If you need a ride, contact Kelli Booher (KelliB@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x114).

Tower Tour — July 28
Climb the heights of our church’s landmark central tower, and gain insights into its history and construction during a Tower Tour on Sunday, July 28 after worship. The climb requires a bit of stamina; comfortable shoes and pants are suggested. The tour is not recommended for small children. Please gather in the Highland Lobby.

Café Justo Coffee for Sale — July 28
Café Justo Coffee will be available for sale during our Fellowship Time on July 28. For just $10/pound, your purchase will support this fair trade cooperative and help provide a sustainable income for Mexican coffee farmers. Check or cash only please.

The Chapel Market

Needs Donations and Volunteers
Donations of summer clothing and toiletry items are being requested by ELPC’s Chapel Market. Please leave donations in the indicated receptacle at the South Highland Ave entrance. Volunteers are also needed to serve in the Chapel Market on Mondays from 10 am–12 pm. Please contact Linda and Harold Deiss to volunteer (DeissHL@consolidated.net; 724.443.1826).
As a caring congregation of faith, we ask you to remember the following people in your prayers:

Craig Cannon, Chuck Carson’s partner Jake, Molly Dimond-Stephany’s sister-in-law Andrea, Jan Herzer, Liz Hopkins’ mother Margery, Morris Jordan, Jean Kennedy, Lee Lewand, Ashley Parker, Henry Petrilli, ELPC employee Robert Polk and his wife, Heather Schoenewolf’s friend Tony and uncle Jim, Tim Sergi’s sister Kimberly, Pat Valoon, and for those in the criminal justice system who have broken relationships.

Condolences to David and Heather Schoenewolf on his father’s passing.

Committee Meeting This Week
Faith Formation Board .......... Monday, 5:30 pm (Highland Rm)
Session ....................... Tuesday, 7:00 pm (Garth Overlook Rm)

Summer Film Festival — Aug 4 and 18
The Mission Board Committee’s 2019 Summer Film Festival includes these films:

- August 4 — Urban Roots
  Once an industrial powerhouse of a lost American era, Detroit has been devastated by the loss of half its population due to the collapse of manufacturing. But now, in the empty lots, in the old factory yards, and in-between the sagging blocks of housing, seeds of change are taking root. Dedicated citizens have started an urban environmental movement with the potential to transform not just a city after its collapse, but also a country after the end of its industrial age. Urban Roots shows Detroiter working to fulfill their vision for locally-grown, sustainably farmed food in a city where people—as in much of the county—have found themselves cut off from real food.
  Sponsored by the Justice Committee (94 minutes)

- August 18 — BlacKkKlansman
  From visionary filmmaker Spike Lee comes the incredible true story of an American hero. African-American detective Ron Stallworth sets out on a dangerous mission: infiltrate and expose the Ku Klux Klan with the aid of a more seasoned colleague, Flip Zimmerman. Together, they team up to take down the extremist hate group as the organization aims to sanitize its violent rhetoric to appeal to the mainstream.
  Sponsored by the Peace Committee (134 minutes)

ACHD Community Health Survey
Have you taken the new Allegheny County community health survey (ACHD)? It’s available online at http://bit.ly/ACHDchs, in paper versions at ACHD offices and at local libraries starting July 17. The survey includes questions about equity. Your voice matters!

Concert by Choir of Selwyn College — July 19
The acclaimed Choir of Selwyn College, University of Cambridge in the UK is returning to the USA after 7 years and is adding Pittsburgh, home to choir member Christiana Howell, as its newest city to the tour. They will perform their concert Times and Seasons: A Choral Journey through the Liturgical Year on Friday, July 19 at 8 pm at St Andrew’s Episcopal Church (Highland Park). Tickets are $15 (adults), $8 (youth) at the door. Purchase tickets in advance by calling 412.661.1245. For more info, please email Caille Sugarman-Banaszak, Choir Administrator (cps29@cam.ac.uk).

Trinity Youth Conference — July 21-27
Trinity Youth Conference is a regional Presbyterian leadership conference for youth who have completed grade 9 through college-age students at Living Waters Camp in Schellsburg, PA. The week will be full of faith formation, intentional Christian community, play, worship, and thoughtfulness. More info about cost, workshops, registration and schedule can be found online at www.TrinityYouthConference.org.

Youth Ministry Events
- July 21–27: Trinity Youth Conference
  Youth (grade 9 completed) and college-age students are invited to this Presbyterian leadership conference.

- Aug 4–9: High School Mission Trip
  Youth in grades 9–12 will be serving around Pittsburgh this summer.

Did you know ELPC livestreams its Sanctuary worship service each Sunday? If you find yourself unable to attend worship or are enjoying a summer vacation, we hope you will join our faith family in spirit. Subscribe to us on YouTube or follow us on Facebook—and tune in! Past services also are available at www.ELPC.church.