**TIME OF PREPARATION**

“The opposite of poverty is not wealth; the opposite of poverty is justice…The true measure of our character is how we treat the poor, the disfavored, the accused, the incarcerated, and the condemned.”

— Bryan Stevenson

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC**

Dr. Edward Alan Moore, organ

"In Christ There Is No East or West" Charles Callahan

"Let Us Break Bread Together" Dale Wood

Our worship begins with the Ministry of Music/Prelude. Please use this time to fill out the red Friendship pads and for quiet worship preparation.

**WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS**

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

* **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**

Damon and Lora Bethea

Leader: As we look around, it appears that war, violence, homelessness, and loss are everywhere.

People: The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.

Leader: We see much that disturbs and troubles us; much that fills our spirits with unrest.

People: The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.

Leader: Yet you, O God, are greater still — the One in whom all things are possible.

People: As we gather for worship and celebrate World Communion Sunday, increase our faith so we can trust you truly hold the whole world in your hands.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN #310**

St. Thomas

“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION & INTERCESSION**

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

**TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION**

* Indicates where you may please rise in body or spirit.
The world is a book, and those who do not travel only read one page. (St. Augustine)

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.
¡Alabén a Dios! Praise God!

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON
Psalm 137:1-6
The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan

MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN
The Rev. Schoenewolf
Children of any age are welcome to come forward for Moments with our Children. Those who have completed first grade 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 #720
“Jesus Calls Us”
Galilee

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON
2 Timothy 1:1-14
The Rev. Dr. Bush

SERMON
“Prison Wisdom”
The Rev. Dr. Bush

OFFERING INVITATION
The Rev. Schoenewolf
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
“Agnus Dei”
Gabriel Fauré

The Chancel Choir and Chamber Orchestra will be presenting the Requiem in its entirety on November 3 at 3 pm in the sanctuary.

* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION
The communion bread is being presented by Mike, Angela, Lila and Nora Chang.

PRAayer of illumination:
These are your words, O God. Humble us to speak their weight. Strengthen us to hear their truth. Unbind us to live their call. In Christ’s name, the Word made flesh. Amen.
--- SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER ---

INVIATION TO THE TABLE
The Rev. Callahan

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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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION
The Rev. Callahan
The Rev. Schoenewolf

SHARING BREAD & CUP
Note. The communion elements are bread and grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are also available. The congregation will be served communion in their seats.

COMMUNION MUSIC
Hymn #504
“Wie Lieblich Ist Der Maien”
“He’s Got the Whole World in His Hand”
arr. Margaret Bonds
African-American Spiritual

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
The Rev. Dr. Bush
Gracious God, you are good news for a weary world. You are hope for all people in despair. As you have generously fed us through this sacred meal, send us forth to feed others. Use us according to your own purpose and grace. In Christ’s name we ask this. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN #509
“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION
The Rev. Dr. Bush

POSTLUDE
Dr. Moore, organ
Madeleine Alain

“Grande Marche”
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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. Heather Schoenewolf  
           The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan  
           Damon and Lora Bethea  
Musicians:  Dr. Edward Alan Moore, Organist/  
           Music Director  
           ELPC Chancel Choir  
           Michael Painter, A ccompanist  
           Adrianna Cleveland, Soprano  
           Denise Sheffey-Powell, Soprano  
Acolyte:    Annie Cowan  
Beadle:     Liz Hopkins  
Crucifer:   Could be you*  
Sound:      Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

♦ FELLOWSHIP TIME

Please join us in the Fellowship Room after worship for our Fellowship Time. The Board of Deacons will host an International Fellowship, featuring foods and treats from a variety of countries and ethnicities. All are welcome to attend!

♦ 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.

♦ SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:45 am........Journey Worship. An interactive, energetic service for those seeking a fresh encounter with the gospel of Jesus Christ. In Social Hall.  
0:10:13 — The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf preaching.

11 am........Sanctuary Worship. Our largest service with a multi-cultural congregation and music from organ, piano and choir. Full Inclusion Sunday.  
0:13:10 — The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush preaching.

*Interested in joining the team of adults and youth who help lead worship in this way? Contact Sara Hackett (SaraH @ coh.net).

Extended Session

After the Moments with our 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 NAMETAG that your child wears to Extended Session every week.  
* Young Children’s Ministry for infants and toddlers (up to age 3) — First Floor Nursery. Every Sunday.  
* Pre-school age children (through grade 1) — Room 110B.

♦ WEEKDAY WORSHIP

Labyrinth Prayer Walk

A 38-foot floor mat with curved paths leading inward; an ancient tool for walking and seated meditation.  
Mondays, 9 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 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 also:

Stay after today’s service for our Fellowship Time in the 1st floor 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 today in the 3rd floor Music Room to learn more about ELPC, Presbyterian theology, and to explore membership. Lunch will be provided. Please see Pastor Randy Bush immediately after the service if you are interested in attending today.

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

Peace & Global Witness Offering
Today is World Communion Sunday, and ELPC will join congregations around the world to celebrate our oneness in Christ and receive the Peace & Global Witness Offering, and focus on justice for migrants seeking a better life in the U.S. The Board of Deacons will host an International Fellowship after the 11 am service, featuring foods and treats from a variety of countries and ethnicities. All welcome!

Board of Deacons’ Wholistic Wellness Ministry
October 6-12 marks Mental Illness Awareness Week (MIAW), and is a national observance in response to the increasing incidence of mental illness. Information will be available during today’s International Fellowship after worship. Please visit https://bit.ly/2dcenov for more info.

Sanctuary and Chapel Tour
Join us after today’s 11 am worship service in the Highland Lobby to join the architectural tour of our Sanctuary and Chapel.

Confirmation Class Info Meeting
Youth in grades 8–9 (and older), who are interested in exploring adult membership at ELPC are invited to attend an informational meeting after today’s 11 am worship in the 2nd fl Parlor to learn about our 2019–2020 Confirmation Class. Parents/guardians are welcome.

Become a Member of our Faith Family
Attend an Inquirers’ Class today in the Music Room to learn more about ELPC, Presbyterian theology, and to explore membership. Lunch will be provided. Please see Pastor Randy Bush immediately after the service if interested.

Tamale Pick-Up
Please see María Elena or Yamuna today if you purchased her homemade tamales last week!

Get Your Own ELPC Shirt Today
Want to spread the message of God’s love for all people while wearing a colorful shirt that welcomes people to ELPC? Before and after both worship services today, the rainbow tie-dyed ELPC shirts will be sold for just $10. Get yours and plan to wear it for Full Inclusion Sunday.

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 Journey service DOD is Rev. Tony Richardson-Eckes. The Sanctuary service DOD is Peta Harrigan-Cole.

Cathedral Concert Volunteers Needed
Help us show hospitality to our Cathedral Concerts guests by distributing programs and taking the collection at each concert. Please contact Kelli Booher if you are interested (KelliB@coh.net).

Volunteers / Video Interns Needed
Volunteers / video interns are needed to help stream our Sunday worship service each week. If you are interested in being trained to do this, please contact Tim Benedict (tim@tbenedict.com) or Wayne Gaines (wayneg75@msn.com) for more info.

Presbyterian Women Bible Study — Oct 7

Terrell Thomas to Guest Speak — Oct 7
All are invited to hear Terrell Thomas speak on Monday, Oct 7 at 6:30 pm. He will be on hand as a guest speaker for the Young Adult Ministry’s Just Engagement study series. Terrell currently serves as senior field organizer for the ACLU of Pennsylvania’s Smart Justice Campaign in Allegheny County, and has an extensive background in organizing, advocating and creating social change. He will share his experiences working in advocacy and organizing, as well as his work in reducing Pennsylvania’s jail and prison population while combating racial disparities in the criminal justice system.

Silent Retreat — Oct 11 to 13
The Spiritual Life Committee invites you to a silent retreat from Friday, Oct 11 to Sunday, Oct 13 at The Ark and The Dove in Gibsontown. In silence, we’ll celebrate the beauty of autumn and draw closer to God. Registration forms are available on the info tables, or online at www.tiny.cc/silent-retreat.

Racial Autobiography Workshop — Oct 12
The remaining workshop in the Facing Systemic Racism Autobiography series will be held on Saturday, Oct 12 from 5:30-7:30 pm, and is open to all who are high school age or older. Writing materials are provided; photos are optional. Feel free to bring your fully charged laptop, and bring a dish for the potluck meal. RSVP for childcare to Pastor Patrice (412.441.3800 x140).

Café Justo Coffee for Sale — Oct 13
Café Justo Coffee will be available for sale during next Sunday’s Fellowship Time. For just $10/pound, your purchase will support this fair trade cooperative. Check or cash only.
As a caring congregation of faith, we ask you to remember the following people in your prayers:

Linda Benedict’s friends, Carol Bonner, David Carl’s friend’s son, Katie Haas-Conrad’s friend’s mother, Molly Dimond-Stephany’s sister-in-law, Patrice Fowler-Searcy’s mother, Liz Hopkins’ mother Margery, Heather Lawrence’s sister Christine, Lee Lewand, Julianne McAdoo, Tom Menk, ELPC employee Robert Polk and his wife, Heather Schoenewolf’s parents and friend Tony, Pat Valoon, and Pam Walaski’s friend Carol.

Committee Meetings This Week
Justice .................................................. Today, 12:00 pm (Rm 211)
Nominating........................................... Today, 12:30 pm (2nd fl Library)
Youth Worker Search ......................... Monday, 5:30 pm (Highland Rm)
Deacons.............................................. Tuesday, 7:00 pm (Garth Overlook)

LGBTQ Ministry Spiritual Gathering — Oct 13
You are invited to the next spiritual gathering of ELPC’s LGBTQ Ministry on Sunday, Oct 13 at Noon as we share food, fellowship and celebrate National Coming Out Day. All welcome! Contact Wil Forrest to attend (Wil@coh.net).

Full Inclusion Sunday — Oct 13
We will continue lifting up our unity and uniqueness in Christ during Sanctuary worship on Sunday, Oct 13 by celebrating all of God’s people. The Renaissance City Choir, western Pennsylvania’s only LGBTQA choral group, will be with us.

Forum on Sudan and South Sudan — Oct 13
You are invited to join the Peace Committee, the International Partnership of the Pittsburgh Presbytery, and Crossroads Presbyterian Church for the 7th Annual Forum on Sudan and South Sudan next Sunday, Oct 13 at 1:30 pm in the Music Room, which will honor Congressman Mike Doyle, Esther Sprague, and the Enough Project. A light lunch will be provided.

DG2! — Oct 13
Doing Good Together!—a partnership between ELPC and Rodef Shalom—is a monthly interfaith service group for youth in grades 4-12. After the 11 am service on Sunday, Oct 13, we will meet in the Harambe Room and go to Rodef Shalom for lunch, fun, and a variety of service projects until 3:30 pm. Please RSVP to Sara Hackett (SaraH@coh.net). A permission slip is required.

Confirmation Class Overnight — Oct 19 to 20
The Confirmation Class will have an overnight retreat at ELPC from Saturday, Oct 19 at 3 pm to Sunday, Oct 20 after the Journey worship service as we explore the question Who is God? Please RSVP to Sara Hackett (SaraH@coh.net).

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Yom Kippur Events in Our Area — Oct 9
Jewish Community Center (5738 Darlington Rd, 15217)
• From 3-4:30 pm in the Katz Performing Arts Center, explore the role that forgiveness and repentance have in our lives and in light of traumatic circumstances. For info, call Rabbi Ron Symons (412.697.3235).

Temple Sinai (5505 Forbes Ave, 15217)
• From 4-5 pm, join a community unity sing-in to carry the strong message of hope from collective voices.
  Please RSVP to Laura Berman (412.421.9715 x112).

Film: “Gay Chorus Deep South” — Oct 12
The ELPC Justice Committee is sponsoring the film Gay Chorus Deep South with ReelQ.org on Saturday, Oct 12 at 7:30 pm at the Row House Cinema (4115 Butler St, Lawrenceville). Contact Carol Chonoska for a comp ticket (724.272.9722; carolechonoska@gmail.com), or purchase tickets for $15 at https://reelq.org/2019-tickets.

Crestfield Camp Scrabble Tournament Fundraiser — Oct 24
Join us on Thursday, Oct 24 from 6-9 pm at Honest John’s Bar and Restaurant (Homestead) for a fun night of delicious food and a Scrabble competition at 7 pm to benefit Crestfield Camp and Conference Center. For more info, visit Crestfield’s Facebook page, or contact Sara Hackett (SaraH@coh.net).

Train Trip through the Fall Foliage — Oct 19
The Young Adult Ministry (YAM) is invited to join the Happy Wanderers on Saturday, Oct 19 from 9:45 am-8:30 pm to enjoy a relaxing three-hour round-trip through beautiful Oil Creek State Park. We will leave ELPC at 9:45 am, travel to Titusville, eat lunch at a nearby restaurant, enjoy a train ride at 3 pm, and then travel back to ELPC. YAM tickets are $20, Happy Wanderers tickets are $18. Bring money for lunch and train snacks. We need to buy tickets soon, so please RSVP to Kelli Booher immediately (KelliB@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x114).

— SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES —
Oct 13 ♦ 9:45 to 10:45 am
Contemporaries (McKelvy Rm) — “Our Brothers and Sisters in South Sudan” led by Benedict Killang
Journey with Scripture (Highland Rm) — Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalm 66:1-12; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19 facilitated by Lora Bethca, Jan Irvin and Samantha Lowery
Seekers (Garth Overlook Rm) — “Lessons from South Africa” led by Pastor Patrice Fowler-Searcy
Soul Food (Good Samaritan Rm) — A discussion of Inspired—Loving the Bible Again, Deliverance Stories, led by the Rev. Joe Hajdu, Michelle Yamada, Beth Urbaitis, and Bill Newcomer
YAM (Good Samaritan Rm) — “Back to (Church) School” by joining the Soul Food Sunday School Class