OCTOBER 20, 2019 — 11 AM SANCTUARY WORSHIP
ECONOMIC JUSTICE SUNDAY

TIME OF PREPARATION
“It is idle to talk of good will until there is first justice, and idle to talk of justice until the people who make the world possess the work of their own hands.”
— Upton Sinclair

MINISTRY OF MUSIC
Dr. Edward Alan Moore, organ
“Adagio in E”
Frank Bridge

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. Patrice Fowler-Searcy

MINUTE FOR MISSION
Open Hand Ministry
Doris Dick

* SHARING GOD’S PEACE
Leader: La paz de Cristo esté con ustedes.
People: Y también contigo.
The peace of Christ be with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP
Barbara Griffin

Leader: No matter how far from God we seem to be, we do not lose heart:
People: For the days are surely coming, says the Lord.
Leader: No matter how many obstacles we face in life, in the church and in the world, we do not lose heart:
People: For the days are surely coming, says the Lord.
Leader: No matter how hard it is to pray and work for justice, we do not lose heart:
People: For the days are surely coming, when you, O God, will forgive and restore your people, when you will equip them for every good work, and when you will grant justice in our land.
Leader: Let us worship God together!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN #687
“Our God, Our Help in Aages Past”
St. ANNE

CALL TO CONFESSION
The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & INTERCESSION
The Rev. Schoenewolf

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.

* Indicates where you may please rise in body or spirit.

Frank Bridge (1879-1941) was an English composer, violist, and conductor. Benjamin Britten studied composition privately with Bridge. The Adagio in E is the second of a set of three pieces for organ composed in 1905, and is one of his most frequently performed organ compositions.
**ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY:** The U.S. Senate ratified the Louisiana Purchase (1803); the U.S. bought the eastern part of Florida from Spain for $5 million (1820); jazz musician Dizzy Gillespie was born (1917); and seven men were convicted in Meridian, MS of murdering three civil rights workers (1967).

It is Mr. Mellon’s credo that $200,000,000 can do no wrong. Our offense consists in doubting it... A Government to perform even a minimum of service to its people, must take steps to suppress avarice, to strike down privately built-up schemes of economic exploitation or oppression, to uproot privilege, and to assure justice and economic opportunity to the masses. (Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson, quoted in his obituary, 1954)

The judge described in Luke 18 is, by biblical standards, a bad judge, as he neither feared God nor had respect for people. Judges were to settle disputes fairly and to restore justice, acknowledging how the weaker members of the community were dependent on their integrity.

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**SUNG RESPONSE HYMN #469**

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”


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**HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Jeremiah 31:27-34

**MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN**

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.

**RECOGNITION OF PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING**

Class of 1969 (and earlier classes)

**ALMA MATER**

(please see insert)

**GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 18:1-8

**SERMON**

“Justice Grants”

The Rev. Dr. Dr. Bush

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**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS & FRIENDS**

**Members:** Diana Donnelly, Annabelle Javier, Jerry Johnson, Kristen “Kay” Slagle, Karl “Andrew” and Molly Swagler, Lance and Melanie White, Jason Wilburn

**Friends:** Sarah Campbell, Allan Slagle
STEWARDSHIP MINUTE FOR MISSION

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
“Be Still”
Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know God. (Psalm 46:10)

DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION

* 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: God of generous providing, you have given us so many gifts that enrich our lives: the scriptures, the church communities of faith, the Advocate Holy Spirit, the Savior Jesus Christ. Use these offerings, we pray, in service of the justice you are establishing so no one may struggle or want or ever be afraid again. In Christ’s name we pray.

RECESSIONAL HYMN #100
“My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout”

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
“March”

* Indicates where you may rise in body or spirit.

Rick Sowash (b. 1950) was born in Mansfield, OH and received dual degrees in composition and comparative literature. Be Still was composed for the Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church in Cincinnati, OH.

They who are of the opinion that money will do everything, may very well be suspected to do everything for money. (George Savile)

Louis James Alfred Lefébure-Wély (1817-1869) was a prolific composer and virtuosic organist. He was very influential in the development of the French symphonic organ, but his compositions never gained the prominence as those of his contemporaries, such as César Franck.

Blessing:
May the love of God dwell in your heart; may the grace of Christ uphold you in faith; may the Holy Spirit equip you for ministry; until Christ’s kingdom, already in view, comes in fullness among us.

The Rev. Dr. Bush
The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

Dr. Moore, organ
Louis Lefébure-Wély

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. Heather Schoenewolf
          David Carl, Doris Dick
          Barbara Griffin, Michael Stanton
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore, Organist/
           Musc Director
           ELPC Chancel Choir
Acolytes: Youth
Beadle: Aura Jirau
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. All are welcome to attend!

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

♦ WORSHIP FLOWERS

The sanctuary flowers are in loving memory of our mothers, Cenell Haynes Lane (1922-2018) and Gloria Holland Bowman (1924-1977) presented by Coleman, Linda S. Lane and family.

♦ 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 at 27 — The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy preaching.

11 am.........Sanctuary Worship. Our largest service with a multi-cultural congregation and music from organ, piano and choir.
0 at 27 — The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy 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 to learn more about ELPC, Presbyterian theology, and to explore membership. Lunch will be provided. Please see contact Gloria Knopp (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x122) for more info on future classes.

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

Welcome to Our Special Guests Today
Today we welcome the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations (NCUSCR), an NGO based in New York City. Since their founding in 1966, the Committee’s exchange, educational, and policy programs have been underpinned by the notion that face-to-face contact and the forthright exchange of ideas between Chinese and Americans are essential to reducing mistrust. The Diplomat Orientation Program (DOP) gives 14 mid-career diplomats the opportunity to gain a more hands-on understanding of America’s history and values and how these may shape American policies and perspectives. The 14 delegation members hail from the five Chinese Consulates, Permanent Mission to the UN, and Embassy. The group is very excited to be in Pittsburgh and very grateful for the East Liberty Presbyterian Community for warmly welcoming them this morning.

We also welcome members of the Presbyterian-University Hospital Nurses’ Alumnae Association to worship this morning. Please see the bulletin insert for more info on this organization.

Tower Tour
Join Bob Starzinski to climb the heights of our church’s landmark central tower, and gain insights into its history and construction. The tour begins following worship; please gather in the Highland Lobby.

Heretics, Doubters, & Other Saints
What do/don’t we believe/think/know about the Bible? If you have questions or doubts, join us in the 2nd fl Parlor today from Noon-2:30 pm as we talk about the book often referred to as “the Word of God.” Nearly all of the “big” church controversies come down to a difference in the way that people understand the Bible: literally, symbolically, spiritually, and even as history. So, what do you think? All ideas and questions are welcome! Lunch will be served.

Racial Wealth Gap Simulation
The next event in the Facing Systemic Racism series will be a Racial Wealth Gap Simulation, an interactive event presented by our mission partner, Open Hand Ministries. Please join us in the Social Hall today from 12:30-2 pm as we learn more about the connection between poverty, wealth, racial equity and federal policy. Who has opportunity gains? Who has lost opportunities? Using federal policies that created and perpetuated systemic inequity, this simulation shows policy impact on education, income, hunger and property ownership. A light lunch will be served.

Church Events and Announcements
Oct 20, 2019 • 19th Sunday after Pentecost

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 Beth Minnigh. The Sanctuary service DOD is Antwone Wright.

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.

Annual Fall Cleanup and Tulip Planting — Oct 26
On Saturday, Oct 26 from 9 am-Noon, we will be removing the existing plants at the Highland Ave entrance, planting tulips and emptying the container plantings in the Garth. All are welcome to help. For more info, please contact Chuck Lukehart (412.782.6447).

Environmental Justice Sunday — Oct 27
Join the Justice Committee’s Environmental Team on Sunday, Oct 27 after the 11 am service for a summary and celebration of the Earth Care Challenge. Everyone who pledged is encouraged to come and share what you accomplished (small or large) and your experience. A basket of sustainable household articles will be raffled off. All are welcome, even if you have not yet made a pledge to reduce your energy or meat consumption, or plastic usage. It’s not too late to join the effort to avoid climate crisis. Lunch will be served.

Requiem
by Gabriel Fauré

Sunday
November 3
2019
3:00 PM

JOIN US FOR THE NEXT CATHEDRAL CONCERT!
A FREEWILL OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED.
Committee Meeting This Week
Nominating............................... Today, 12:15 pm (Highland Rm)

Taizé All Saints Procession — Oct 30
Join us for a special Taizé service on Wednesday, Oct 30 at 7 pm for a contemplative procession through the Sanctuary and Trinity Chapel (crypt) as we remember those who have gone before us. Don’t miss this touching prayer experience of our unity and eternity in God.

Mission Opportunities with Open Hand Ministries — Nov 2, 5
Please join us in November for one or both of these opportunities to serve our neighbors with OHM and share fellowship with ELPC friends.
- Saturday, Nov 2 — Saturday Intergenerational Work Day
  Join ELPC youth from 8:45 am-3 pm for interior and exterior work on a Garfield house. No special skills needed. For more info, contact Frank Bauerle (frbauerle@yahoo.com; 817.705.6856).
- Tuesday, Nov 5 — OHM Circles Dinner
  Each month families involved in OHM’s family development program gather to work together on goals and community building. We supply and serve the food, and share in the dinner with OHM families and staff. If you are able to donate a side dish or dessert or help serve, contact Henry Petrilli (HLP615@gmail.com).

Science and Theology — Nov 3
In anticipation of the production of The De Chardin Project performance on Saturday, Nov 23 at 7:30 pm in the Chapel, we will watch Pierre Teilhard de Chardin: The Wings of Spirit on Sunday, Nov 3 from Noon-3 pm, and review the fascinating life and theology of this 20th century visionary.