**January 19, 2020 — 11 AM Sanctuary Worship**

**Second Sunday After Epiphany**

**TIME OF PREPARATION**

“Where there is no vision, the people perish” — Proverbs 29:18, KJV  
“Where there is no prophecy, the people cast off restraint.” — Proverbs 29:18, NRSV

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC**

Dr. Edward Alan Moore, organ  
“Grave and Adagio (Sonata II)” Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy  
Please use this time to fill out the red Friendship pads and for quiet worship preparation.

**WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS**

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

* **Sharing God’s Peace**

Leader: La paz de Cristo está con ustedes.  
People: Y también contigo.  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 40)

Barbara Griffin, Kira Mukogosi  
Leader: O God, you put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise I lift up to you.  
People: Many will see and hear this song, and stand in awe; may we ever put our trust in you, O Lord.  
Leader: Happy are they who trust in the Lord! There is none who can be compared with you.  
People: Great are the things you have done, O God; they are more than I can count.  
Leader: May your love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.  
People: You are our helper and deliverer, O God. Let us worship you together on this, the Lord’s Day.

* **Procesional Hymn #720**

“Jesus Calls Us” Galilee

**Call to Confession**

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

**Prayer of Confession**

Mothering God, we have chased after foolish things, and spent our strength on vanity. Too much of our labor has been in vain. Forgive our waywardness and our self-concern. May we ever find our reward with you, as servants of your dream and disciples of your gospel. Hear now our silent prayers.

**Time of Silent Reflection**

* Indicates where you may please rise in body or spirit.
ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS
The Rev. Schoenewolf
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!

RESPONSE OF PRAISE HYMN #740
“Lead Me, Guide Me”
Lead Me, Guide Me, Hymn #740

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON
I Corinthians 1:1-9

MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN/PRAYER OF SENDING: RANDY & BETH BUSH
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 #746
“Send Me, Jesus”

GOSPEL LESSON
John 1:35-51

SERMON
“Come and See”

Prayers of Intercession
The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

The Lord's Prayer
The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

Offering Invitation
Samantha Coggins
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.

Offertery Anthem
“I Waited for the Lord”

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**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.
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: Gracious God, you have done wondrous things. You enrich us in every way. Receive our tithes, gifts and offerings this day. Receive all that we have and all that we are, in praise and love of Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior.
People: Amén.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN #744**

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

Postlude

“Allegro maestoso e vivace (Sonata II)”

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.

* This date in history is the birthday of Scottish inventor James Watt (1736), Civil War general Robert E. Lee (1807), author Edgar Allan Poe (1809), painter Paul Cezanne (1839), and singers Janis Joplin (1943) and Dolly Parton (1946). Also, the first filmed presidential news conference happened with Dwight Eisenhower (1955), and the U.S. and Iran signed an agreement leading to the release of 52 American hostages (1981).

Gather us in: we worship only Thee; In varied names we stretch a common hand; In diverse forms a common soul we see; In many ships, we seek one spirit-land. (G. D. Matheson)
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
Samantha Coggins
Barbara Griffin
Kira Mukogosi
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore, Organist/
Music Director
Michael Painter, Organ A co-organist
ELPC Chancel Choir
Carly Noel Black, Soloist
Gail Mosites, Soloist
Acolytes: Youth
Beadle: Mark Statler
Crucifer: Volunteer (*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!

♦ 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 $175 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.
Jan 26 — 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.
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*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.
* Preschool 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 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 on Sundays, Feb 9 and 16 from 9:45-10:45 am to learn more about ELPC, Presbyterian theology, and to explore membership. Please contact Kate Carlson (KateC@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x116) for info.

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

**“Tech the Halls” Fellowship Time**
Need help with your technology, social media or anything else “techy” you may have been gifted this Christmas? Do you just have questions about your social media but no one to ask? Come to the McKelvy Room after today’s worship service where you can bring your tablets, cell phones, laptops, fitbits, or any other technology device with which you may need help. All are welcome!

**Church Tour**
Feel free to join the Sanctuary and Chapel tour offered after the 11 am Sanctuary worship service today. Please gather in the Highland Lobby.

**Today’s Deacons-On-Duty (DOD)**
Every Sunday, a DOD (Deacon-on-Duty) is available to assist with any emergencies that may occur during our worship services. The *Journey* service DOD is Doug Cooper. The *Sanctuary* service DOD is Linda Harrington.

**Surprise Arts & Crafts Night — Jan 23**
Young adults are invited to a *Surprise Arts & Crafts Night!* on Thursday, Jan 23 at 6:30 pm to get creative and maybe learn a new skill. Contact Kelli Booher for info (KelliB@coh.net).

**Facing Systemic Racism Planning Team — Jan 23**
Interested in learning more about systemic racism in our society and church, and how our ELPC church community can recognize the systems and institutions that support racial privilege? We invite you to attend the Facing Systemic Racism (FSR) planning team meeting on Thursday, Jan 23 from 5-7 pm. We will be developing activities and events for 2020. For more info, please contact Emily Rosenthal (EJR116@gmail.com).

**Tween Night/Ice Cream Social — Jan 24**
Tweens in grades 4–6 are invited to Tween Night/Ice Cream Social & Game Night on Friday, Jan 24 from 6-8 pm. Please contact Sara Hackett for info (SaraH@coh.net).

**Confirmation Class Oversight — Jan 25 to 26**
ELPC’s Confirmation Class will gather for an overnight retreat at ELPC from Saturday, Jan 25 at 3 pm until after Journey worship on Sunday, Jan 26. During our time together, we will focus on discipleship through participation in the sacraments and mission. Please contact Pastor Heather for details (HeatherS@coh.net).

**Fitness, Fun and Mission — RSVP by Jan 30**
Support *Open Hand Ministries* in the 2020 Pittsburgh Marathon on May 3! Last year the ELPC relay team *Towering Lights* raised over $1700. This year we hope to have runners in the marathon, half marathon, and 5K races, and two relay teams. If you are over 14 years of age you can participate in the relay team. Registration is free with met fundraising goals (fundraising help provided). Please contact ELPC’s Team Captain Molly Davidson Welling (mollydw@yahoo.com; 412.478.8953) or Emily Rosenthal (EJR116@gmail.com; 412.963.0139) by Jan 30 if you are interested in participating or for more info!

**Overnight and OHM Workday — Jan 31**
Youth in grades 6–12 are sleeping over at the church on Friday, Jan 31 before joining the All Church OHM workday. We will be done on Saturday, Feb 1 at 12:30 pm. Bring your sleeping bag and your work clothes (dress for construction mess and/or cold). For more info, please contact Sara Hackett (SaraH@coh.net).

**Mission Ministry Opportunities — Feb 1 and 4**
Please join us in February for two opportunities of fellowship and fun as we support *Open Hand Ministries* (OHM) and neighborhood families! OHM is a ministry partner of ELPC that addresses and promotes justice in the East End by building diverse community focused on financial wellness, equity creation, and home-ownership.

- **Saturday, Feb 1, 9 am-3 pm:** Work day at a house in Garfield that is being rehabbed for an OHM family. No special skills are needed, just willing hands and hearts.
- **Tuesday, Feb 4:** ELPC is providing dinner for the OHM Circles community gathering of families. Donations of salads, side dishes, desserts, plus people to help serve the meal are needed.

For more info, contact Frank Bauerle (817.705.6856; fbauerle52@gmail.com); Henry Petrilli (hlp615@gmail.com); or Doris Dick (dadick629@gmail.com).

**BECOME A MEMBER OF OUR FAITH FAMILY**
**Sundays, Feb 9 and 16**
Attend an *Inquirers’ Class* on Sundays, Feb 9 and 16 from 9:45-10:45 am to learn more about ELPC, Presbyterian theology, and to explore membership. Please contact Kate Carlson to register (KateC@coh.net).
As a caring congregation of faith, we ask you to remember the following people in your prayers:

Kathy Callahan's friend Shane,
David Carl's friend's son Morgan,
Molly Dimond-Stephany’s sister-in-law,
Lee Lewand, Polly McQueen's brother Clay,
Molinaro/Karacuz family friend Jacob,
Carolyn Russ' friend Norman,
Vivienne Selia’s sister Sandra, Tiffany Sudar's friend David,
Chenoa Stock Claure’s sister Eva, and Pat Valoon.
Condolences to Jan Pressman on her stepdaughter’s passing.

Committee Meetings This Week

Youth & Young Adult........Tuesday, 5:30 pm (Highland Rm)
Session........................................... Tuesday, 7:00 pm (McKelvy Rm)
Facing Systemic Racism......Thursday, 5:00 pm (Trustees’ Rm)
Peace.............................................Thursday, 5:00 pm (Highland Rm)

Thinking About Consciousness — Feb 2
Mark your calendar for a conversation on Thinking about Consciousness on Sunday, Feb 2 from Noon–3 pm. Are the “mind” and the “brain” separate? Do we really have free will or are all of our behaviors the result of a pattern of brain function? Is consciousness separate from the brain? Join the Spiritual Life Committee in the 2nd floor Parlor to ponder these topics and more! Lunch will be provided.

Presbyterian Women Bible Study — Feb 3 and 4
Join PW for their Bible study titled Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the 10 Commandments on Monday, Feb 3 at 7pm, and Tuesday, Feb 4 at 10:15am. Monday’s group will be facilitated by Amy Stabingas and meet in the Trustees Room. Tuesday’s group will be led by Linda Lane in the 2nd floor Parlor, and is followed by a potluck lunch.

Conversation on Race & Faith — Feb 7
Young adults are invited to attend the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary’s 6th annual Community Conversation on Race & Faith on Friday, Feb 7 from 6:30-9:30 pm. Conversation will be primed by viewing the documentary Backs Against the Wall: The Howard Thurman Story, which explores the extraordinary life and legacy of one of the most important religious figures of the 20th century. The event is free, but you will need to register at www.pts.edu. Please contact Kelli Booher for info (KelliB@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x114).

Chatham Baroque to Perform — Feb 15
ELPC’s Cathedral Concerts series continues on Saturday, Feb 15 at 8 pm with a performance by Chatham Baroque in the Chapel. Purchase tickets at www.ChathamBaroque.org. Some complimentary tickets are available to ELPC members. Contact Dr. Edward Alan Moore for details.

In Our Community

Youthprenuer Market Place — Today!
Today from 11:30 am-4:30 pm, all are invited to the Youthprenuer Market Place at Gallery on Penn (5935 Penn Ave, 15206). Support local youth to help them launch their own business ideas and chat with them about their business start-ups.

Hospice Volunteers Needed
If you would like to become a hospice volunteer, please reach out to Chaplain Tony Richardson-Eckes for more info (overthepond_50@hotmail.com).

Retirement Reception for Gloria Knopp — Feb 16
After more than 17 years of service and countless hours of administrative, logistical, and faithful ministry on behalf of ELPC, Gloria Knopp will be retiring as of Feb 28. A reception to honor Gloria and offer our thanks to her will be held after worship on Sunday, Feb 16.

LGBTQ Ministry — Feb 16
All are invited to the monthly spiritual gathering of ELPC’s LGBTQ Ministry on Sunday, Feb 16 at 12:30 pm when we will share lunch, fellowship and more. Allies and LGBTQIA+ folks are welcome. For info or to attend, contact Wil Forrest (Wil@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x118).

In the Refuge of One Another Retreat — Feb 28 to March 1
All are invited to our In the Refuge of One Another meditation retreat from Friday–Sunday, Feb 28 to March 1, at the Kearns Spirituality Center. More info is available online at www.ELPC.church.

Sunday School Classes for All Ages
Jan 26 ♦ 9:45 to 10:45 am
♦ Adults ♦

Contemporaries (McKelvy Rm) — “The Fight Against Human Trafficking” presented by Sherrill Rudy

Journey with Scripture (Highland Rm) — Exodus 18:13–27; Psalm 135; James 2:18–26; Acts 6:1–15 facilitated by Lora Bethea and Jan Irvin

Seekers (Garth Overlook Rm) — “Medical Mission in Central America” led by Tim VanFleet

Soul Food (Good Samaritan Rm) — A discussion of Just This by Richard Rohr, led by the Rev. Joe Hajdu, David Carl, Vivienne Selia, and Tom Whalen

Parenting Circle (Harambe Rm) — Share experiences, resources, prayer and scripture as we explore how our faith builds and nourishes our family lives and helps us nurture our parent/child relationships