Sunday Morning Worship Services
*Holy Communion. Celebrated the first Sunday of every month.
8 am Good Samaritan Worship
* June 4 ... The Rev. Jermaine McKinley, Assistant Director, Metro Urban Institute, PTS.
June 11 Karen Fraser and Clark Smith, Mississippi Mission Tour.
9 am Morning Glory Worship
* June 4 The Rev. Dr. Suzanne Bennett.
June 11 The Rev. Dr. Randy Bush.
11 am Sanctuary Worship
* June 4 The Rev. Dr. Randy Bush.
June 11 Youth Sunday.

Summer Schedule, June 18–Sept 3
8 am Good Samaritan Worship
June 18 The Rev. William Thomas, Stated Supply, First United Presbyterian Church, Boston.
June 25 Betty Angelini, Executive Director, Crestfield Camp and Conference Center.
10 am Summer Worship
June 18 The Rev. Dr. Randy Bush.
June 25 The Rev. Dr. Randy Bush.
Koinonia Contemporary Service of Praise
Second Sunday of each month.
Sunday, June 11 .......................... 7 pm
Holy Ground Service of Wholeness and Healing
Sundays, bimonthly, March through Nov.
Sunday, July 16 ............................ 6 pm
Labyrinth Prayer Walk
Mondays ................................ 10 am to 3 pm
Wednesdays ............................ 10 am to 9 pm
Taizé Sung Prayer

Pentecost Sunday, June 4
The presence of the Spirit of God is often symbolized in the Bible by fire. In the New Testament, fire is said to have “rested” on each of the believers gathered together on Pentecost (Acts 2:3). It has been common for many believers to speak of feeling an electrical current or a strangely warm feeling in their hearts when they have encountered God. Those who have had such experiences feel compelled to share the Good News of Christ with others. The flame of faith inside one Christian is likely to kindle a fire in the hearts of others when the message is shared.

On Pentecost Sunday (11 am worship), experience the Word through musical interpretation that will warm your heart in such a way that you will feel compelled to share the Good News of Christ and of God’s love. Music begins at 10:45 am with the Handbells and Chancel Choir in procession; Luis Harold Sanford’s “Romance” for piano, harp and organ with the Rev. Dr. Randy Bush at the piano, guest harpist Julia Scott and Dr. J. Richard Szeremany at the organ. Music during the service will include the Joyful Noise Children’s Choir; a choral setting of the Prophecy of Joel (Joel 2) lifting up the event of the Day of Pentecost and a contemporary setting “Pentecost Alleluias” for choir, bells, harp and organ by John Weaver and Richard Szeremany.

Teacher Appreciation and Presentation of Bibles
Also at the 11 am service on Pentecost Sunday will be Christian Education and Youth & Young Adult Ministries Teacher Appreciation. See page 3 for details.

Pentecost Sunday Labyrinth Prayer Walk
Celebrate Pentecost Sunday by walking the labyrinth from 12:45 to 3 pm in the Courtyard (weather permitting, or in the Social Hall if not). Special live

Youth Sunday, June 11
Join us on Sunday, June 11 for a special 11 am worship service designed and led by our senior-high youth in service to God and our ELPC community. Graduating seniors will share their faith stories and will be commissioned by the church as they move on after graduation and take their next steps in life.

The Rev. Dr. Randall Bush’s Installation at ELPC
All are invited to the installation service of the Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush on Sunday, June 11 at 3 pm in the ELPC Sanctuary, when the Pittsburgh Presbytery will officially install the Rev. Dr. Bush as pastor of ELPC. This festive service will include the Chancel Choir in a variety of musical genres, a brass quintet, organ prelude and other guest musicians. A reception in the Social Hall will
Life’s Transitions and the “Big Picture” of Faith

I had a speech professor at seminary who began each class by singing a refrain from Psalm 103 — “Bless the Lord, O my soul” — to which we were to respond — “And all that is within me bless God’s holy name.” It was a nice way to focus the class when it was time to begin our work together, as well as a reminder of the “big picture” of faith as we grappled with the minutiae of classroom assignments.

As my kids are getting older, I am more aware of how June is a month of transitions. It marks the transition from school days to vacation time, with its ripple effect upon individuals and families who begin making plans to get away in the next few weeks. We see that same ripple effect in the life of the church. We adjust our Sunday worship schedule from three morning services down to two, and our committee meetings become a bit more sporadic during the summer months. This June also contains my installation service, which officially will mark the transition from my arrival at East Liberty Presbyterian Church to installed ministry with this wonderful congregation.

In many ways, life is a continual process of transition. We transition through varieties of relationships, responsibilities, locations and schedules during the span of our life’s years. Some we can prepare for and organize in advance, like vacation time noted on a work calendar. Some transitions catch us off guard, like an accident or serious medical diagnosis or death in the family.

The model of my seminary professor offers faithful advice for navigating life’s transitions. (“Bless the Lord, O my soul.”) In times of transition and life-changes, we need to take time to focus on what is most important. We need to silence the voices around us, even for just a few seconds, and breathe deeply a quiet prayer that gives thanks for the sheer fact of being alive. (“And all that is within me bless God’s holy name.”) Then we remember the “big picture” of faith precisely while we consider the choices facing us in our moments of transition. Are my decisions at this moment in some small way glorifying God and celebrating the sacred quality of all of life? Can I find a blessing in the midst of this change or challenge?

May the transitions of June and the summer...

Pastoral Message

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush, Pastor

Summer Worship Schedule Begins June 18

Beginning Sunday, June 18 (and ending on Sept 10) we change to our summer worship schedule with two services: 8 am Good Samaritan service of music, prayer and personal witness; and 10 am Summer Worship service, combining the liturgies of our 9 am Morning Glory and 11 am Sanctuary services.

The 10 am Summer Worship service will continue to be held in the Sanctuary until Sunday, July 2 when we will move outside to the shaded beauty of our Courtyard (except in preventive weather when the service will be moved inside to the Sanctuary). We look forward to you worshiping with us again this summer, and ask you to invite those visiting with you to join us as well.
"Portraits of Protest" A Powerful Photo Exhibit

A two-part photo exhibit of powerful images taken by ELPC member Linda Meadowcroft “Portraits of Protest” is on display in the ELPC Art Gallery on the ground floor daily from 10 am to 9 pm through Sunday, July 2.

"It's a Matter of Life or Death!" records Faith in Action's vigil against the death penalty and includes a story of healing. These photos won a judge's award in a Christian art show last Fall and were featured in the December 2005 Thomas Merton Center newsletter.

"The War in Iraq" chronicles the March 18, 2006 peace rally that gathered on the steps of ELPC, with portraits reflecting energy, agony and hope for peace.

Church School Teacher Appreciation and Presentation of Bibles to the 4th Graders

Church School will meet for their final class of the school year on Sunday, June 11. On the previous Sunday, June 4 during the 11 am Sanctuary worship service, Christian Education and Youth & Young Adult Ministries will recognize our Church School teachers, coordinators and Extended Session leaders; and, CE will presents Bibles to the 4th graders.

Becoming disciples of Jesus is a life-long journey. Please join us on Sunday June 4 for Teacher Appreciation as we celebrate the educational ministries and recognize the following persons:

**Young Children's Ministry**

*Infants–2 year-olds* Frances Irvin (coordinator), Elaine Bellin, Howard Degenholtz, Andrea DeVries, Jan Irvin, Anne Matthews, Clayton Matthews, Chad Stacy, Sarah Stacy, Molly Stephany, Rob Stephany, Erin Teague, Rodney Teague

**Church School Teachers**

*3 and 4-year olds* Mary Ruth Johnson, Vanessa Johnson, Jan Pressman

*K and 1st grade* Valire Copeland, Roberta London, Judy Menk

*2nd and 3rd grades* Carol Hoehn, Nancy Magee

*4th and 5th grades* Linda Benedict, Kay Shissler

**Middle School** Maurice Gordon, Heather Tunney

**Senior High**

*Contemporaries*—Joe Kennedy, Mary Alice Lightle

*Seekers*—Damon Bethea, Marti Moore

*Lectionary Bible Study*—Jan Irvin

**Extended Session Leaders**

*3 and 4-year olds* Michelle McClung, Diane Reckless, Rose Ward

*K through 5th grade* Rev. Cynthia Jackson

**Joyful Noise Children’s Choir**

**Choir Director** Robyn Peterson

It has been delightful to gather on Sunday mornings for study, discussion, and sharing of our faith journeys. Please remember to pray for continuing opportunities for spiritual growth throughout the summer. Our regular Church School classes for all ages will resume in the fall with Rally Day on Sept 10. If you wish to express your thoughts to specific individuals for their time and effort, personal notes of appreciation would be a lovely way to do

“Young at Heart Luncheon”

Recognizing Senior Members of Our Congregation

Save the date Sunday, June 25 on your calendar and plan to attend the annual “Young at Heart Luncheon” in recognition of the senior members our church. The luncheon will be held following the 10 am Summer Worship service (at approximately 11:30 am) in the Social Hall.

All senior members will be invited to bring a guest, and both will be our guest at the luncheon. Others may join us for a cost of $6 per person. We ask that you make reservations if you plan to attend by calling Doris Cook in the church office at 412/441-3800 by June 19.

“Music of the 50s”

Our theme this year is “Music of the 50s” and will feature the Rev. Dr. Randy Bush playing music from the 50s on the piano. We hope to make it a celebration for the whole congregation. This is a very special event sponsored by the Board of Deacons.

The Membership and Growth Committee is selling specially designed ELPC t-shirts for $10 each. Order forms are available in the church office along with sample sizes and t-shirt design.

Those who ordered t-shirts by Sunday, May 25 will receive them on Sunday, June 11. For orders received by Sunday, June 25, a July delivery is scheduled.
Church School (for all ages) — Sundays, 9:45 to 10:45 am
Class meeting rooms are posted on the schedule board on the second floor.

ADULT CHURCH SCHOOL

Contemporaries
Presentations and discussions on a variety of subjects including theology, spirituality and current events. Second Floor Parlor.

June 4 Integrity. . . More Hits on the Internet Than Any Other Word During this Past Calendar Year. Led by Wil Forrest. Why are so many people today searching for leaders with integrity? Could it be that such a person is becoming extremely rare? A short definition of integrity is complete honesty. Even within the church, can we truthfully say that complete honesty truly prevails?

We will explore both integrity and honesty within the secular domain as well as the sacred world. As always, scripture provides a discerning path toward the pursuit of these spiritual attributes. Integrity is essential within the body of Christ because Jesus modeled the example of its application. Many individuals are searching, but does the spiritual community have any answers for them? Perhaps we need to be asking our questions differently. If integrity is important to you, your presence is requested for this timely lesson. Come and share your insights with others as you listen to new revelations.

June 11 ‘Tis the Gift to Be Simple. Led by Joe Kennedy. An enormous amount of wisdom is present within this Shaker hymn. Our lives have become far too complicated and, as a result, sometimes our spirit and our faith suffers. The writings of Richard Foster have been essential in bringing us back toward the premise that “Less Is More!” According to Foster, simplicity is a disciplined grace. As we learn how to simplify our lives, we discover that God can speak to us in new and powerful ways. We must learn to start where we are, making small changes in the numerous distractions that hamper us in establishing a deeper relationship with God.

Seekers
Explores issues of faith and spiritual growth through a variety of lenses such as focused Bible readings, books by current authors’ presentations of theology and study of religious art. Room 234.

June 4 Pentecost. This is the day when the Spirit abounds and words are carried into the ears and hearts of those who listen. Listen to the spiritual journeys of those who traveled to Mississippi in April to bring a measure of help and healing to the Gulf Coast still so ravaged by the affects of Katrina. Sharing their stories: Don Ad-
to celebrate the Pentecost, God chose to give God’s followers the gift of the Holy Spirit. They received the power to take the gospel to everyone. After the Day of Pentecost, we return to Ordinary Time—the Season after Pentecost.


On Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the transforming nature of God’s Spirit at work—always and everywhere. This is also the day that many Christians celebrate as the birthday of the church. Living in the presence of the Holy Spirit, the community that began the Easter season behind closed doors is reborn and moving out to the ends of the earth!

June 11 Readings: Isaiah 6:1–8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12–17; John 3:1–17.

Imagine these texts for Trinity Sunday, the first Sunday in the Season after Pentecost, as a bold painting. They proclaim that God is the powerful creator and keeper of all life—the one who invites us into relationship and calls us to lives of purpose and service. We respond with awe, celebrating the wonder of God’s presence in our lives.

YOUTH CHURCH SCHOOL
Church School classes for youth in grades 6–12 are offered through our Youth & Young Adults Ministries. See page 6 for information.

CHILDREN’S CHURCH SCHOOL
Preschool ages 3, 4 and 5; kindergarten and grade 1; grades 2 and 3; grades 4 and 5. The children get to know new friends, learn Bible stories and find ways to share God’s love. As they learn more about the life of Jesus and others in the Bible, they discover that people long ago had feelings, disappointments, and hopes and dreams.

YOUNG CHILDREN’S MINISTRY
Infants to 2-year olds. Childcare is offered with an integrated Bible-based theme each week, including nurture, stories, play, craft, snack and music. This time is interactive and joyful! This ministry is available for parents wishing to attend 9:45 am adult Church School and/or the 11 am worship service.

Fellowship Time for Families with Children
On Sunday, June 18 (the first day of our Summer Worship schedule) following 10 am worship, ELPC families with young children are invited to a special fellowship time to get acquainted with other families with children and to welcome new members. Refreshments for adults and children will be provided. Location TBA.

Please plan to attend. Sponsored by Christian Education. For more information, call the Rev. Cynthia Jackson at 412/441-3800 x
Taizé Prayer
The Rev. Christiane Dutton, Minister of Taizé Prayer

Taizé Prayer Service
Every Wednesday at 7 pm. A candlelight service with silent meditation, music and prayer, in the Chapel.

After-Taizé Classes
Wednesdays at 8:15 pm, following the Taizé Prayer at 7 pm. McKelvy Room.

June 7, 14 and 21  InterPlay
Could there be such a thing as holy play? Could play be a form of spiritual discipline? Let's explore together through InterPlay. InterPlay is an experiential playful practice involving movement and music, sound and stillness. In three 1-hour play/workshops, we will review messages from various spiritual traditions that encourage playfulness, humor and the return for adults to the light-heartedness we find in children. We will practice fun InterPlay forms that assist people to find grace and ease, and to handle the stress of busy lives. Led by Sheila K. Collins, PhD.

If you missed the InterPlay series last fall or would like to participate once again, here is another opportunity for you! Bring any musical instrument you might play, or one will be provided for you.

About the leader. Shelia Collins is a new arrival to Pittsburgh. She has been a professional dancer, a college professor, an author and a therapist. Her current mission is to bring InterPlay forms and practices to the Pittsburgh community.

June 28  Birthday’s and Other Celebrations
After Taizé, we will have a celebration cake in the Narthex for all. If you celebrate a birthday, or a milestone or an anniversary in June, please write it on a piece of paper with your name and place it in the offering plate during the month, so we can honor you and celebrate with you.

Bread & Soup Meal
All are invited to join us in the McKelvy Room on the last Wednesday of
Youth & Young Adult Ministries

Heather Tunney, Director, Youth & Young Adult Ministries

Koinonia Fellowship and Koinonia Service of Praise
For all youth and young adults. See pages 8 and 11 for details.

YOUTH (grades 6 through 12)

Youth Sunday, June 11
On June 11, ELPC senior-high youth will be leading us in worship at the 11 am service. The youth will write the liturgy, serve as worship leaders, and the graduating seniors will share their faith stories. Please join us for this special day of worship together.

Sunday Church School Classes
9:45 to 10:45 am. Church School junior-high and senior-high youth classes use the Seasons of the Spirit curriculum which follows the Revised Common Lectionary Readings for each week. Note: June 11 is the last day for Church School before summer recess. Classes will resume on Rally Day, Sept 10.

ELPC Youth Group
Sundays, 12:30 to 3 pm. Lunch, Bible Study and fellowship. Note: Last day for Youth Group before summer recess is June 11. Youth Group will resume meeting on Rally Day, Sept 10.

Youth Basketball for Young Men Grades 9–12
Youth basketball for young men grades 9–12 is held on Saturdays from 5 to 8 pm in the ELPC Gym. Note: June 10 is the last day for basketball before summer recess. Basketball will resume in the fall. Date TBA.

Junior High’s “Mission Possible” Pre-Trip Meeting
Junior-high youth who have RSVP’d to participate in “Mission Possible” at Camp Crestfield in Slippery Rock from June 18–23 are required to attend a pre-trip meeting on Sunday, June 11 during Youth Group to go over the details of our trip. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Tunney at 412/441-3800. Trip Note: On June 18, all youth going to Crestfield will be commissioned by the church during the 10 am Summer Worship service. At 1:30 pm, we will meet at ELPC to leave for Camp Crestfield, and will return home by 8:30 pm on Friday, June 23.

Senior-High Mission Trip to Chicago
If you have completed grades 9 through 12 by this summer, are active in ELPC youth activities (Youth Group, Church School or special events) and have completed two or more service projects by July 23 (including serving in worship as ushers, liturgists or acolytes/crucifers), you are invited to participate in the Senior-High Mission Trip to Chicago from August 13-19. If you haven’t completed your service projects, contact Heather to make arrangements.

Our trip is being organized by the Center for Student Mission. We will be serving the Chicago community in a range of ways, such as assisting with Vacation Bible School, helping at a local food pantry and serving meals at a homeless shelter.

Each youth is responsible for $125, plus spending money for our day off, but don't let cost be a deterrent as there are limited scholarship funds available. To inquire about scholarships and to RSVP (required) contact Heather Tunney by Sunday, June 25.

Required Training Sessions:
There will be 2 required training sessions in July—Sundays July 9 and 16 from 11 am to 12:30 pm. If you are unable to make these times, please call Heather to reschedule.

CROSSROADS
(young adults ages 18–23)

Crossroads Fellowship
Recent high school graduates, college students and young adults in their late teens or early 20s are invited to gather with us for food, fellowship and Spirit-filled discussions. Note: College students who are home for the summer are also invited to join us!

June Schedule
Sunday, June 4
Crossroads Fellowship, 3 to 5 pm in Room 51.

Wednesday, June 14
Movie night at Flagstaff Hill in Schenley Park, 9 pm.

Sunday, June 25
Summer Crossroads Fellowship (following 10 am Summer Worship), 11:30 am to 1 pm in Room 74

Youth & Young Adults cont’d on page 8
Two Hope Academy Student Events—Saturday, June 3
All are welcome to attend two events put on by the students from Hope Academy’s Playwriting class and private music classes for Instruments and Vocals, on Saturday, June 3. Your attendance at each event is a wonderful way of encouraging these young students in their creative endeavors.

Young Playwright’s Festival, 2:30 pm  
ELPC Music Room, 3rd floor. Ten students from Hope Academy’s Playwriting class will entertain you with staged readings of their plays.

Instrument and Vocal Recitals, 5:30 pm  
ELPC Chapel. Thirty students from Hope Academy’s private Instrument and Vocal classes will each entertain you with a recital. Everyone is invited to a reception which follows.

Experience Urban Culture through Dance and Music  
On Saturday, July 1 at the Kelly-Strayhorn Theater (Penn Ave across from ELPC), the Hope-Xpress dance company will perform “Urban Development” with Xpressions Contemporary Dance Company (XCDC) featuring the choreography of Rennie Harris Puremovement—2 pm Family Matinee and 7:30 pm General Public. The performance begins in Africa, travels through slavery and the civil rights movement and lands in present day USA on a voyage exploring the dance culture and music of Africans in America and their influence on Western culture. Tickets will be available at the door: $10 general admission; $6 students and seniors; $5 children under 12.

Koinonia Fellowship and Pot-Luck Supper  
Everyone Invited!  
Everyone is invited to a special youth and young adults Koinonia Fellowship and pot-luck supper on Sunday, June 11 from 6 to 6:45 pm in the Second Floor Parlor. A main course will be provided, but please bring a side dish or dessert to share. RSVP by Wednesday, June 7 to Heather Tunney at 412/441-3800 x14. Following our meal together, for those of you who wish to, plan to stay for the Koinonia Contempory Service of Praise at 7 pm in the
Special World Prayer Concerns

The Justice & Global Concerns Committee is asking that we keep in our prayers this month the following special concerns:

Drought in Africa. The people in the Horn of Africa face the worst drought in decades. The death of livestock and poor crop yield creates a potential famine that puts the entire population, especially children, at risk of malnutrition, starvation, and deadly diseases. Pray for the people and relief organizations as they respond to the famine. Pray that the region may receive sufficient aid, assistance, and relief personnel to address the impact of the drought.

Stability in Haiti. Haitians recently elected a new president. Pray for a productive and peaceful transition of power so that Haiti might focus on economic and environmental concerns.

Human Trafficking. Pray for an end to human trafficking that enslaves and dehumanizes innocent people, especially the poor.

ELPC Participates in Pittsburgh Pride Fest 2006

East Liberty Presbyterian Church has made a commitment to the inclusion of diversity among our members and welcome God’s call to service in the church. This year, many local churches, including ELPC, and faith groups are participating in Pittsburgh Pride Fest 2006 through events sponsored by the Gay & Lesbian Community Center of Pittsburgh (GLCC).

On Saturday, June 17 at noon, there will be an awareness march in demonstration of inclusivity, starting at Ross & Fifth, through downtown Pittsburgh, over the Clemente Bridge, and ending at River Front Park by Heinz Field. The march is to show gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) persons that they can find a spiritual home in Pittsburgh. We will also be a witness to spectators, letting them know that many faith-filled persons do not use their religious belief to denounce the GLBT community.

Following the march, from 1 to 4 pm, ELPC and other churches and non-church organizations supporting diversity and inclusivity will have booths set up at the River Front Park. There will also be food and entertainment during the afternoon. At 7:05 pm, all are invited to attend PrideNight with the Pirates for a Pittsburgh Pirates baseball game against the Minnesota Twins.

For more information about Pride Fest including ticket information for the Pirate’s baseball game, visit the GLCC’s website: www.glccpgh.org or the Mission bulletin board at the Highland entrance of the church.

On Sunday, June 18 following the 10 am Summer Worship service at East Liberty Presbyterian Church (the first day of our Summer Worship Schedule) join us from 11:30 am to 2 pm for a Family Pride Pancake Brunch in the Social Hall and an audio/video display of the “Telling Our Stories” project in the Small Dining Room and balcony of the Social Hall. The cost for the brunch is $5 for adults, $2.50 for children 12 and under, with a $20

Join Our Summer Worship Service Musical Ensemble or Choir

Why not step up to the musical plate and join us for eight weeks of happy, joyous singing and playing of music?

All persons playing instruments other than guitar and keyboard are invited to join ELPC’s new Symphonietta music ensemble which will be part of our 10 am Summer Worship services beginning June 18. Rehearsals are from 12:25 to 1 pm in the third floor Music Room Sundays, June 4 and through Sunday, June 18. Our Summer Worship Choir rehearses every Thursday evening from 7 to 8:30 pm and will also be part of the 10 am Summer Worship services.

If interested in joining either, call Norma Meyer or Dr. Szermany at 412-441-3800.

PC (USA) General Assembly Biennial Meeting

The General Assembly of our Presbyterian Church (USA) denomination will be meeting in Birmingham, Alabama from June 17–24, 2006. This is the first General Assembly since 2004, when it was decided to go to biennial meetings.

The Pittsburgh Presbytery will be represented by 10 delegates (5 clergy, 5 elders) as well as youth advisory delegates. Important issues before the General Assembly include considering the Report of the Theological Taskforce on Peace, Unity, and Purity of the Church, and voting on overtures dealing with justice, peace and investments in the Middle East. Please keep this important meeting and its delegates in your prayers.
ELPC Stewardship Report

In the spirit of openness, the Stewardship Committee wants to share the status of financial gifts, both pledges and other offerings, through April 30, 2006.
$119,880 — Budget amount through April 30, 2006.
$128,532 — Actual giving through April 30, 2006.
$126,123 — Actual giving to April 30, 2005.

As you review these figures, please consider these facts as well:
· Reduced giving is typically experienced during the summer months when attendance is less due to summer vacations. Please keep up with your pledges and offering during these summer months.
· Some members elect to make their pledges in one single check at year’s end. Thus, their contributions are not reflected until that time.

The ELPC Stewardship Committee reminds our members that one’s sharing of financial wealth is one response of gratitude for the love and blessings that God has bestowed on each of us. Please be generous in your giving!

Presbyterian Women

Heather Lawrence, Moderator

Horizons Bible Study

All women of the church are invited to attend the last of our discussions based on this year’s lessons relating to the theme “For Everything, A Season: A Study of the Liturgical Calendar” by the Rev. Dr. Kathleen Long Bostrom.

     June 27 — Lesson 9: Pentecost and Ordinary Time
     5:45 pm, fellowship and a light dinner; 6:30–7:30 pm, Bible study.

PW Churchwide Gathering in Louisville

Creation! Celebration! God’s Word—Light for the Journey

Experience the bounty and diversity of creation in a community of thousands of sisters and brothers at the Presbyterian Women's triennial conference in Louisville, Kentucky, July 7–11, 2006. The gathering is open to all women and men. Our theme: Creation! Celebration! God’s Word—Light for the Journey.

Come and hear guest speakers; attend workshops; visit rooms for music, art, mission projects, exhibits, conversation and creativity; and witness the election and installation of PW leaders for the 2006-2009 triennium. We will also be celebrating several important anniversaries through prayer, song, worship and education: 100th anniversary of women as deacons; 75th anniversary of women as elders; 50th anniversary of women as ministers of Word and Sacrament; and 50th anniversary of the Fellowship of the Least Coin.

Help Us Identify ELPC Members Who Are Graduating

With the graduation season upon us, we want to take time to celebrate this important milestone reached by several members of our ELPC church family. In our August issue of the Reaching Out, we plan to list the names of ELPC members who have graduated from high school, college or other institutions of higher learning (i.e. trade school, business school, graduate school) in 2006. To be included on this list, call Kelly Stanfill at the church at 412/441-3800 x19 or drop off your information in the church front office.

   Include:
Name and name of school graduating from. You may also include honors received and future plans (i.e. employment, continuing on with schooling and area of interest/academic major, etc.).

Copy deadline is July 13.

We rejoice in the accomplishments of our graduates with thanksgiving for God's guidance and provision
ELPC People —
Thanks, Good News and Prayers

Good News
Congratulations to Becky and John Maiman on the birth of their daughter Evelyn Mary Maiman. Evelyn was born on May 9, 2006.

Congratulations to Angelina, Gabriel and Sophie Winbush, recipients of the President's Volunteer Service Award created by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation during this year's Easter Egg Roll at the White House. The Winbush children have been working with a Somali family for almost a year through the Pittsburgh Refugee Center, and visited them nearly every week to help with shopping, reading books and watching the younger children.

Thank You
The ELPC Youth Group would like to extend a very heartfelt thanks to all of those in our church family who prepared or purchased lunches for the Youth Group throughout the year. Your help, kindness and generosity has been a tremendous blessing to each of us! Thank you!

Fran and Jim Wilson would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, visits and phone calls during Jim’s recent illness.

Hope Academy of Music and the Arts would like to thank three young women who volunteered their time, talents and expertise to be teaching assistants in the Hope Academy program:

Maggie Carroll (CAPA High School) who helped with our Pittsburgh Ballet Theater Creative Movement and Pre-Ballet classes for three years.

Sophia Levine (CAPA High School) who assisted our dance teacher Staycee Walters and helped to choreograph much of HA’s showcase performance of “Once on this Island,” and did hair and makeup backstage.

Kate Barutha (Mt. Lebanon High School) who helped in so many ways that I can't possibly list them all, but most importantly she has been a friend and role model for the kids at Hope Academy.

We have prayer for.

KOINONIA CONTEMPORARY SERVICE OF

SUNDAY, JUNE 11
7 PM

Everyone is invited to our Koinonia contemporary worship service to praise and worship God, the center of our community of faith.

The service, led by ELPC youth and young adults, is offered the second Sunday of each month in the Music Room, third floor.

ELPC
www.cathedralofhope.org

Calendar Highlights

June 2006

3 ...... Hope Academy One-Act Festival and Recitals
4 ...... Pentecost, Communion, Teacher Appreciation, Labyrinth Event
5 ...... Hope Academy Blues Concert
11 ..... Youth Sunday
11 ..... Rev. Bush Installation Service, 3 pm
11 ..... Koinonia Service of Praise, 7 pm
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18 ..... Family Pride Pancake Brunch and “Telling Our Stories” project
19-23...Vacation Bible School
25 .... Deacon's Young at Heart Luncheon

July 2006

1...... Hope-Express dance performance
2 pm and 7:30 pm, Kelly-Strayhorn
2 ...... Communion, 10 am Summer Worship moves to the Courtyard
4 ...... BUILDING CLOSED, 4th of July
7-11 . PW Churchwide Gathering
9 ...... Koinonia Service of Praise, 7 pm
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