

East Liberty Presbyterian Church

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As a diverse community of believers, we strive to follow God — the Creator who calls us, Jesus who teaches us, and the Spirit who empowers us. We show God's unconditional love by providing a refuge for spiritual growth, ardently pursuing justice, and extending Christ's radical hospitality to all. (Strategic Vision mission statement, 2011)

July 3, 2016 — 10 am Summer Worship Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

TIME OF PREPARATION

"Love casts out fear, but we have to get over the fear in order to get close enough to love them."

— Dorothy Day

GATHERING MUSIC

"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand" (songbook #1)

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" (songbook #2)

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (songbook #3)

NATIONAL HYMN LINSTEAD FAITHFULNESS

The Rev. Dr. Bush

WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

* Sharing God's Good News

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 David Jennings Smith

Leader: Sing to the Lord, all you faithful!

People: Together let us give thanks to God's holy name.

Leader: God has turned our mourning into dancing! Our hearts sing without ceasing! People: When we asked for freedom, we were given liberty beyond measure!

Leader: Our God is Lord of our going forth and our coming in; each and every day, let us praise

the Lord!

* HYMN "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" (songbook #4)

America

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & INTERCESSION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

Text: Trad. Liturgical text; rev. *The Worshipbook*, 1970 Music: Appalachian folk melody; arr. Richard D. Wetzel, 1972. © The

Westminster Press (admin. Westminster John Knox Press)

SUNG RESPONSE HYMN "You Are The Lord, Giver of Mercy!" (sing 2x)

Wayfaring Stranger



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

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Assurance of God's Forgiveness

The Rev. Dr. Bush

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!

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 5:14-16 Lenore Williams

Moments with our Children

The Rev. Dr. Bush

There is an Extended Session class available in the summer for children who have completed Kindergarten and younger in the Nursery Suite on the first floor near the Highland Ave entrance.

* HYMN "This Is My Song" (songbook #5) FINLANDIA

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON Jeremiah 31:15-17, 21-26 The Rev. Dr. Bush

SERMON "Coming To Our True Home" The Rev. Dr. Bush

Offering Invitation The Rev. Dr. Bush

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Now Let Us From This Table Rise" John Henderson text by Fred Kaan

Now let us from this table rise, renewed in body, mind, and soul;

With Christ we die and rise again, his selfless love has made us whole.

With minds alert upheld by grace to spread the word in speech and deed,

We follow in the steps of Christ at one with all in hope and need.

To fill each human house with love it is the sacrament of care,

The work that Christ began to do we humbly pledge ourselves to share.

Then grant us grace, Companion-God to choose again the pilgrim way,

And help us to accept with joy the challenge of tomorrow's day.

* Doxology at the Presentation

OLD HUNDREDTH

The communion bread is being presented by Brent House and Kathy Glass-House.



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— SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER —

Invitation to the Table

The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Rev. Dr. Bush

Leader: El Señor esté con ustedes.
People: Y también contigo.
Leader: Levantemos nuestros corazones.

And also with you. Lift up your hearts.

The Lord be with you.

People: Lo tenemos levantado al Señor.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Demos gracias al Señor nuestro Dios. People: Es justo dar gracias y Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Es justo dar gracias y alabanzas a Dios.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush and The Rev. Callahan

SHARING BREAD & CUP

Note: The communion elements are bread and grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are also available. The congregation is invited to come forward by using the center aisle to the communion servers where each may partake of the bread and the cup, placing the used cup in the basket provided, then returning to seats via the side aisles. Those not able to come forward will be served in their seats.

COMMUNION HYMN

"I Come With Joy" (songbook #6)

Dove of Peace

Prayers for Healing & Wholeness

After receiving communion, worshipers may go to one of the prayer stations for intercessory prayers, anointing with oil, the laying on of hands.

Prayer after Communion

The Rev. Callahan

In your mercy, O Lord, you have given us life everlasting, freedom from death, and the strength to continue on our journey. Be with all your children who travel across sea and land and national borders that they may be fed and nourished, just as you have cared for us this day. For in you we trust and in your name we pray.

* Closing Hymn

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" (songbook #7)

Pescador de Hombres

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

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Please remember to turn off cell phones during worship. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

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♦ PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush Liturgists: The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan

David Jennings Smith

Lenore Williams

Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore,

Organist/Music Director

Gabriel T. D'Abruzzo, Music Associate

ELPC Chancel Choir

Beadle: Lenore Williams

Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

♦ FELLOWSHIP TIME

Following the service, please join us in the Narthex for our Fellowship Time. All are welcome!

If you would like to make a food or monetary donation in support of our Fellowship Time, please call Pam Kimmel (412.441.3800 x18).

♦ Worship Flowers

The flowers today are given for the glory of God and in memory of Robert E. Riethmiller, Bobby Egelston's father.

♦ WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

During the summer, we adjust our Sunday worship schedule to enjoy the glory of the season.

8:45 am Journey Prayer. A service that includes singing, reading of scripture and shared prayer in the style of the *Journey Worship* service. This time of prayer will be alternately led by Pastors Randy, Patrice

and Mary Lynn. In Social Hall.

July 10 — The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush.

10 am Courtyard Summer Worship. Our largest service, with music from the Chancel Choir and gathering music prior to the service.

July 10 — The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush preaching.

Extended Session

After the *Moments with the Children* during the 10 am Summer 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 in the Nursery Suite on the first floor near the Highland Ave entrance. It is available every Sunday.

♦ WEEKDAY WORSHIP

Labyrinth Prayer Walk

A 35-foot floor mat with curved paths leading inward; an ancient tool for walking and seated meditation.

Mondays, 7 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 (Room 135, in Highland Ave hallway) Come to sit and pray in silence. Come to listen for the still, small voice of God. Come to experience the quiet in the midst of the wonderful busyness that is ELPC.

Open 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:

Stay after today's service for our Fellowship Time in the Narthex. 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 a New Members and Friends Class to learn more about ELPC and Presbyterian theology. Lunch provided. Please contact Gloria Knopp for more info (Gloria K@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x22) on future classes.

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

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Church Events and Announcements

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TODAY AT ELPC

Journey Prayer

Beginning this morning at 8:45 am in the Social Hall and concluding on Sunday, Sept 4, a Journey Prayer time of sharing and gathering of the Journey worshipping community will be held. Journey Prayer will include singing, reading of scripture and shared prayer in the style of the Journey Worship service. This time of prayer will be alternately led by Pastors Randy, Patrice and Mary Lynn. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Hand Fans

Keep cool while at worship this summer with the new hand fans available near each entrance to the worship area. Please leave them at the exit when worship is over.

Nametags

Don't have a nametag yet? If you wish to have a nametag made for you, please sign up on the list on the Narthex table. Print your name clearly and expect your nametag to be hung on the holders in about two weeks. Visitors are encouraged to get a stick-on nametag found in the basket on the Narthex table (where you can also find rainbow stickers for your nametag).

Today's Deacon-On-Duty

The Summer service DOD is Paul Miller.

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Calling All Graduates!

We'd like to celebrate the accomplishment of everyone who has graduated from high school or beyond! Please contact Gloria Knopp (Gloria K@coh.net) by July 6 with the graduate's name, degree earned, and name of the school from which they have graduated.

Youth Car Wash — July 9

ELPC youth will be washing cars at Vento's Pizza (in front of Home Depot on N Highland), on Saturday, July 9 from 9 am-2 pm. Donations in exchange for a clean car will be greatly appreciated, and will help fund the youth mission trip in Pittsburgh this summer. For more info, please email Sara Hackett (SaraH@coh.net).

Renovation Presentations — July 10

Join with representatives of our architectural firm, Pfaffmann + Associates, to hear about the current plans for church renovations. They will be leading a presentation on Sunday, July 10 at 8:30 am and again at 11:30 am in the Chapel. It is our hope to begin construction in early Fall 2016, so come learn more about the work and improvements soon to begin!

Summer Film Series — Begins July 10

ELPC's Mission Board invites you to attend their 2016 Summer Film Series. Just Eat It. A Food Waste Story kicks off the series on Sunday, July 10 after the 10 am service. Hosted by the Neighbors Committee, the viewing of this film will show food lovers Jen and Grant diving into the issue of food waste from the farm, through retail, and all the way to the back of their own fridge. The additional films are:

- ♦ *The Canary Effect* July 17 (host: Justice Committee)
- *The Imitation Game* July 24 (host: Justice Committee)
- ♦ Making a Killing: Guns, Greed, and the NRA July 31 (host: Peace Committee)

Young Adult Ministry (YAM) Event - July 16

This summer, young adults are exploring the intersections of Christianity with other faith traditions and other cultures. We are seeking how to interact with and learn from other traditions while concurrently respecting them and honoring our own beliefs. Each event includes time to explore but also time to reflect as a group. Young adults are invited to express interest in a selection of summer programs by RSVPing via Facebook (or via Wil if not on Facebook, Wil@coh.net). On Saturday, July 16 at 10:30 am, young adults are invited to get a personalized tour and learn about Islam at the Pittsburgh Islamic Center.

LGBTQ Ministry Spiritual Gathering — July 16

God created you. God loves you. Be yourself.

The next LGBTQ Ministry spiritual gathering will be at 4 pm on Saturday, July 16. We will seek understanding, healing and celebrate God's love for all together. To learn more about this gathering or the LGBTO Ministry, please contact Wil Forrest (Wil@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x14).

Crafter's Gathering — July 23

On Saturday, July 23 from 10 am-3 pm, ELPC will host a free gathering for those who use their sewing, knitting, crochet or other skills to give comfort and joy to others. Our guests will include visitors from some of our sister churches in the area. We will share ideas, project patterns, plans, and contact information for distribution to those who need our help. A light lunch will be served. Please call Diane Jackson (412.441.6021) to ask questions, volunteer to help, or sign up to attend. RSVP by Monday, July 18.

Soul Food Summer Session — July 24

The Soul Food class will hold the second of its three monthly summer sessions after the 10 am service on Sunday, July 24 in the 2nd floor Library (Room 250). The final class will be held on August 28.

As a caring congregation of faith, we ask you to remember the following people in your prayers:

Sue Bailey, Suzanne Bennett,
Chuck Carson, Mike Dillon's sister Carol,
Katelyn Haas's friend Kathleen,
Kathey Hackney's brother Kevin, Cathie Hajdu,
Jan Herzer's friends Bob, Sharon and Francine,
Deborah Marx's friends Monica and Chris,
Jan Pressman's daughter Caryn, Judy Roberts,
and Pat Valoon's friend Kristen.

Our condolences to Ray Anthony on his brother's passing.
Our condolences to Nancy Wright on her sister's passing.

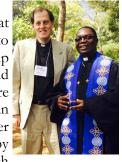
There are **Prayer Boxes**, with cards for prayer requests, available on the tables in the Narthex and East Transept entrances to the Sanctuary.

Committee Meeting This Week

The church building will be closed on Monday, July 4. Have a safe and happy holiday!

International Partnership Gala — July 31

A special gala celebration will be held at ELPC on Sunday, July 31 at 4:30 pm to celebrate 25 years of partnership between Pittsburgh Presbytery and Malawi Presbyterians (as well as more recent connections with the Presbyterian Church in South Sudan). Please register online at bit.do/gala2016 or by contacting Kate Carlson in the church



office (KateC@coh.net). Tickets are \$25. The gala dinner will be followed by a worship service in our Sanctuary at 7 pm, to which all are invited.

Summer Celebration of Service — Aug 18

Join us for the sixth annual *Summer Celebration of Service and Volunteers* on Thursday, Aug 18 from 6–7:30 pm in the Courtyard.

Centering Prayer — Tuesdays

Jon Nelson will lead *Centering Prayer* on Tuesdays at 7 pm in the Prayer and Meditation Room. Please note the day and time changes from Wednesdays. All are invited.

Contemplative Prayer — Wednesdays after Taizé

Following the 7 pm Taizé prayer service each Wednesday, you are invited to the front of the Chapel, where we will sit together in silence for 20 minutes. If you have never practiced Centering Prayer, someone will be there to help get you started. Meditation cushions and back jacks will be provided, or you can sit in the front pew.

In our

Community



PDA Support for West Virginia

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) has deployed the National Response Team to support the Presbytery of West Virginia and Synod of the Trinity as they begin outreach to those affected by flooding in West Virginia. If you would like to donate, please do so via one of these methods:

- Visit https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000191;
- Mail a check to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), PO Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA, 15264-3700;
- Call 1.800.872.3283 Monday through Friday, between 8 am to 6 pm.

Elias David Moncado in Concert — July 15

Rising violin star Elias David Moncado will perform at ELPC on Friday, July 15 at 7 pm, as part of a cultural exchange with New Castle's Eintracht Maennerchor and Platin



Scala of Wenden, Germany. The 15-year-old phenom is one of the top violinists of his age in the world. Join us in welcoming this incredibly talented young man to America. Tickets are \$10; \$8 for seniors/students; \$5 for children, and they may be purchased at the door. Visit ELPC.church for details.

Farmers' Market — Mondays

The East Liberty Famers' Market is held every Monday from 3-7 pm in the parking lot between Station St & N Euclid Ave.

Donations to EECM

East End Cooperative Ministry (EECM) is in need of these donations: tooth paste, foot powder, deodorant. Their July food-of-the-month is macaroni and cheese. Please leave your donations in the basket near the Hospitality Desk.



SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

♦ Food for Thought Mentor ♦

Looking for a way to put your love in action?

Contact Wil (412.441.3800 x14). Visit the iSERVE webpage at www.ELPC.church/programs/iserve-2 to learn about other service opportunities.