



# 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)*

## JANUARY 22, 2017 • 11 AM SANCTUARY WORSHIP THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

**"We are only as strong  
as we are united, as  
weak as we are divided."**  
(J.K. Rowling, *Harry  
Potter and the  
Goblet of Fire*)

For over 30 years  
Dr. Gerre Edward  
Hancock (1934-2012)  
was Organist and  
Choirmaster at  
St. Thomas Episcopal  
Church, New York City.  
Dr. Ed Moore studied  
with him at the Eastman  
School of Music. The  
tune *Schönster Herr  
Jesu (Beautiful Savior)* is  
based on a Silesian folk  
song from the early 19th  
Century.

**"We are each other's  
harvest; we are each  
other's business; we are  
each other's magnitude  
and bond."**  
(Gwendolyn Brooks)

### TIME OF PREPARATION

"In me there is darkness,  
But with you there is light;  
I am lonely, but you do not leave me;  
I am feeble in heart, but with you there is help;  
I am restless, but with you there is peace.  
In me there is bitterness, but with you there is patience;  
I do not understand your ways,  
But you know the way for me.  
Lord Jesus Christ, ...  
It is your will that I should know you  
And turn to you.  
Lord, I hear your call and follow;  
Help me."

— Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Letters and Papers from Prison*

### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Dr. Edward Alan Moore, *organist*  
"Schönster Herr Jesu (Beautiful Savior)" Gerre Hancock  
"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" arr. Wayne L. Wold

*Our worship begins with the Ministry of Music.  
Please use this as a time for silent prayer and preparation.*

### WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS

The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy

### \* 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 (Isaiah 9:2)

Alan and Marilyn McIvor

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who  
lived in a land of deep darkness — on them a light has shined.  
People: Thanks be to God.  
Leader: Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service.  
People: Strengthen us by your Spirit and make us worthy of your call, that  
we might, with boldness, follow Jesus Christ, the Light of the  
world. Amen.

### \* PROCESSIONAL HYMN #377

HOUSTON

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

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ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY:  
African American almanac author, surveyor, naturalist and farmer Benjamin Banneker assisted in the surveying and planning of what would become Washington, D.C. (1793); Nat Turner, leader of the Virginia slave revolt, was born (1800); E.W. Griffith, film director of *Birth of a Nation* was born in Kentucky (1875); English monarch Queen Victoria died after a 63 year reign; Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize-winning play *Our Town* premiered at McCarter Theater in Princeton, NJ (1938); and the first regularly scheduled commercial flight of the Boeing 747 began in New York and ended in London (1970).

God of our lives, by the power of your Holy Spirit we have been drawn together by one baptism into one faith, serving one Lord and Savior. Do not let us tear away from one another through division of hard argument. May your peace embrace our differences, preserving us in unity, as one body of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

Almighty God, we confess that we have not been faithful to you in our thoughts and actions. We have allowed fear to divide us from those who seem different, and let distrust separate us from our brothers and sisters. Shine your light in our darkened hearts that we might embrace the unity we have found in **you. Like Christ's first apostles, may we hear his call to discipleship, repent of our old ways, and proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world.**

## TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

### SUNG RESPONSE *(please remain seated and see music insert)*

#### "The Lord Is My Light"

The Lord is my light and my salvation, the Lord is my light and my salvation.  
The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear?

*(Refrain):* Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the strength of my life. Whom shall I fear?

In the time of trouble he shall hide me, in the time of trouble he shall hide me.  
In the time of trouble he shall hide me. Whom shall I fear? *(refrain)*

Wait on the Lord and be of good courage, wait on the Lord and be of good courage. Wait on the Lord and be of good courage. Whom shall I fear? *(refrain)*

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

The Rev. Dr. Bush

Leader: God calls us to repent of our sins, offering us the promise of forgiveness through Jesus Christ. Let us trust in God, who breaks the bonds of our oppression and covers us in mercy. 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 4:12-23

Alan and Marilyn McIvor

## MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

*Our Extended Session program is provided for infants and toddlers up to age 3 in the first floor Nursery and pre-school age through grade 1 in Room 151.*

### \* HYMN #726

#### "Will You Come and Follow Me"

KELVINGROVE

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

The Rev. Schoenewolf

## SERMON

#### "When the Answers are Tough"

The Rev. Schoenewolf

## TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

*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.*

## OFFERING INVITATION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

*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.*

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

The Rev. Dr. Donald D. Kettring (1907-1981) was Minister of Music at ELPC from 1947-1972. He was previously Minister of Music at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Lincoln, Nebraska, where he composed *Light of the World* in 1942. Anglican clergyman John S. Monsell (1811-1875) was born in Londonderry in Northern Ireland.

The inclusive version of the Doxology in *Glory to God* (#607) modifies the word "creatures" to read "people." We have changed it back to the original "creatures" to be inclusive of all God's creation.

Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643-1704) composed six settings of the *Te Deum Laudamus* (*We praise thee, O God*). It is believed that this setting was composed to celebrate a French military victory in 1862.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Light of the World"

Donald D. Kettring  
text by John S. Monsell, alt.

Light of the world, we hail thee, flooding the eastern skies; never shall darkness veil thee, again from human eyes; too long, alas, withholden, now spread from shore to shore; thy light, so glad and golden, shall set on earth no more.

*Light of the world we follow; lighten thou our way;*

*Through the darkness gleams the dawn of thy new day.*

Light of the world, thy beauty steals unto every heart, and glorifies with duty life's poorest, humblest part: thou robest in thy splendor the simple ways of all, helpst them to render light back to thee again.

*Light of the world we follow...*

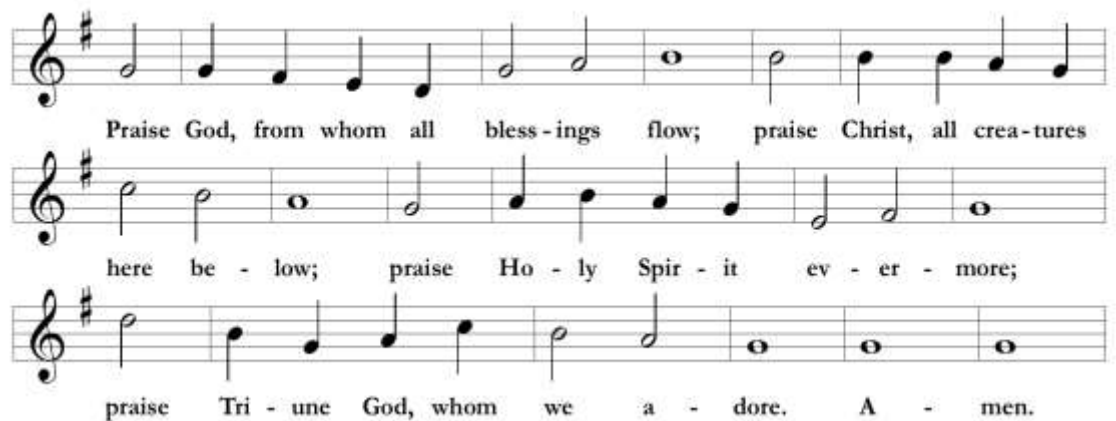
Light of the world, illumine this darkened land of thine, till everything that's human shall glow with Love Divine; till every tongue and nation from gloom and darkness free, rise in the new creation which springs from love and thee.

*Light of the world we follow...*

Vision of Christ victorious! Pillar of fire before us! Christians, arise and proclaim him! Hasten ye the coming day! Amen.

\* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION #607

OLD HUNDREDTH



\* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

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: Receive these gifts we offer and bless them for the work of your kingdom. May we continually be responsive to your call, offering of ourselves anew each day for your good work here, and throughout the world, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN #720

"Jesus Calls Us"

GALILEE

\* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The Rev. Schoenewolf

\* POSTLUDE

"Prélude (from the *Te Deum*)"

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

*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. Heather Schoenewolf  
Liturgists: The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush  
The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy  
Alan and Marilyn McIvor  
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore,  
*Organist/Music Director*  
**Gabriel T. D'Abruzzo**, *Music Associate*  
ELPC Chancel Choir  
Acolytes: Zaida Collins  
Charlotte Brake-Hoffman  
Beadle: Liz Hopkins  
Crucifer: Ian Bush  
Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

◆ FELLOWSHIP TIME

Following the service, please join us in the McKelvy Room 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 Pamela Kimmel (412.441.3800 x18).*

◆ 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 x11). The cost is now \$150 a Sunday.*

◆ WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

8:45 am.....Journey. An interactive, energetic service for those seeking a fresh encounter with the gospel of Jesus Christ. In Social Hall.  
*Jan 29* — The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf preaching.

11 am.....Sanctuary Worship. Our largest service, with music from the Chancel Choir and an organ prelude prior to the service.  
*Jan 29* — The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush preaching.

Extended Session

After the *Moments with the 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 "Ticket" and that your child bring it with him/her 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 151.

◆ 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 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 McKelvy 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 a *New Members and Friends Class* on Sundays, Feb 5 and 12 to learn more about ELPC and Presbyterian theology. Lunch is provided. Please contact Gloria Knopp for more info or to register (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x22).

Call the Church Office (412.441.3800), or visit the ELPC website at [www.ELPC.church](http://www.ELPC.church).

## TODAY AT ELPC

### Today's DODs

Today's *Journey* service DOD is **Mary Evrard**.

The *Sanctuary* service DOD is **Kathy Kiewra**.



### Feeling Crafty? – Jan 25

Join the *Toymakers* on Wednesday, Jan 25 from 9 am-Noon. Please contact Diane Jackson (dnjcks@verizon.net).

### Tween Bowling – Jan 27

Youth in grades 4–6 are invited to a night of bowling, pizza, trophies, and fun on Friday, Jan 27 from 6-8 pm. Please bring a beverage or snack to share, and your friends! Contact Sara Hackett to participate (SaraH@coh.net).

### Neighbors Committee Mission Coffee Hour – Jan 29

Please join the Neighbors Committee next Sunday, Jan 29, as we recognize and honor Fran Wilson for her vision, opening and running *The ELPC Chapel Market* since its inception. Fran has worked tirelessly to outfit, organize and manage *The Chapel Market*, as well as its volunteers. She is stepping back to pursue other interests, but we are thankful for her faithful service. We also invite you to browse the mission tables to learn about the work of this Committee and how you can be involved in providing meals, housing rehab and community development in our community. An opportunity to write Congress about the need to provide adequate funding for childhood nutrition programs in 2017 will be also be available.

### Young Adult Peace Retreat – Feb 3 to 5

All TRAIL young adults are invited to join us from 6 pm on Friday, Feb 3 until 2 pm on Sunday, Feb 5 at Camp Crestfield. Our time will be spent in our cozy cottage with wonderful people, meditations, nature galore, games, plenty-o-snacks, worship and much more. The focus will be finding peace in a turbulent world. There will be a \$50 fee that includes everything (limited scholarships are available). Please RSVP TODAY to Wil Forrest (Wil@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x14).

### Youth Ministry Workday with OHM and GCF – Feb 4

Students in middle and high school are welcome to spend time working on projects with Open Hand Ministries and Garfield Community Farm from 9 am-3 pm (or for part of the day) on Saturday, Feb 4. Please contact Sara Hackett for details or to participate (SaraH@coh.net).

### Nervous System's Role in Spiritual Growth – Begins Feb 6

From conception, our brains develop from the bottom up: brain stem, limbic system, and then cortex. The nervous system is the first to develop, with the primary responsibility of protecting us from danger. It operates through *approach* or *avoid*—going toward what nurtures us and away from what threatens us. From a young age, we perceived our caregivers as doing both. Our personality becomes hardwired into our nervous system as a survival strategy, setting patterns of thinking, feeling, and behavior. While they served us well in childhood, these patterns limit us in adulthood.

Learn about your individual patterns using the Enneagram as a map, and how to work with the nervous system to expand your capacity for spiritual growth. This class will be taught in two five-week terms:

- ✦ **Term 1: Mondays, Feb 6–Mar 6, from 7–9 pm**  
Will focus on understanding the nervous system and the Enneagram (suggested donation is \$35).
- ✦ **Term 2: Mondays, Mar 13–Apr 10, from 6:30–9 pm**  
Will continue the learning, but will add an experiential element to the academic teaching. You must have completed *Term 1* to take *Term 2* (suggested donation is \$50).

The required book is *The Enneagram: Understanding Yourself and the Others In Your Life* by Helen Palmer (available on Amazon). The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan has a limited number of used copies for \$10 or by scholarship if requested.

Visit [www.ELPC.church](http://www.ELPC.church) or stop by the Spiritual Life Committee's bulletin board for a registration form and information on the instructor, Kerry O'Donnell.





**Experience a  
Choral  
Fantasy**

**Sunday, Jan 29 ♦ 3 pm**

Join us on Sunday, Jan 29 at 3pm as the Duquesne University Choirs, directed by Dr. Caron Daley, perform with The Arsenal Duo (*Nathan Carterette on the piano and Dr. Edward Alan Moore on the organ*) for the next Cathedral Concert in the Sanctuary.

*The performance is free, but a  
freewill offering will be received.*







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

Ray Anthony, John Bavaro,  
Kathy Callahan's mother Ginny,  
Kate Carlson's brother-in-law Ray,  
Patricia Fountain and her daughter Summer,  
Sharon Geibel, Barbara Goodwin's husband John,  
Joe Hajdu, Jan Herzer's friends Francine, Bob and Mick,  
Justin Johnson, Eric Kalsey, Nancy Latshaw,  
Heather Lawrence's sister Christine,  
Lee Lewand, Pen Lytle's friend Kelly, Gail Mallory,  
Deborah Marx's friends Monica and Chris,  
Polly McQueen's brother Clay,  
Sonya-Marie Morley's friend and Deborah Marx's  
cousin Eileen and her family,  
Jan Pressman's daughter Caryn,  
Heather Schoenewolf's cousin Louise, and  
Pat Valoon and her friends Robert, Steven and David.

*Our condolences to Kelli Booher on her uncle's passing.*

*Our condolences to Martha DeMarzi on her friend's passing.*

*Our condolences to Libby Ferda on her mother's passing.*

*Our condolences to Pam Napier-Barnes on her mother'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 Meetings This Week

Chapel Market Planning ..... *Today, 12:30 pm (Rm 244)*  
Mission Trip Planning..... *Today, 12:30 pm (2nd fl Parlor)*  
Membership & Outreach..... *Thursday, 7 pm (Rm 244)*

### PW Bible Study: Who is Jesus? – Feb 6 and 7

Join Presbyterian Women as they explore the lesson *Who is Jesus?* on Monday, Feb 6 at 7 pm, or on Tuesday, Feb 7 at 10 am in the 2nd floor Parlor. A potluck lunch follows the study on Tuesday (bring a side dish to share); and childcare is available by request for Tuesday only.

### LGBTQ Ministry's Spiritual Gathering – Feb 11

The next LGBTQ Ministry *spiritual gathering* will be on Saturday, Feb 11 starting at noon with a progressive meal and discussion. To learn more or to attend, please contact Wil Forrest (Wil@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x14).

### Looking for a way to put your love in action?

**iSERVE**  
LOVE IN ACTION

Visit the iSERVE webpage at [www.ELPC.church/programs/iserve-2](http://www.ELPC.church/programs/iserve-2) to learn about other service opportunities, or contact Wil Forrest (412.441.3800 x14).

### ◆ Club 116 Dinner Provider ◆

*Still needed for April 19 and May 3*

IN OUR

## COMMUNITY



### Solarize Allegheny – Feb 2

Help us build a bridge to the new energy future. Be a part of the climate solution-Go Solar! Join us for a solar seminar at ELPC in Room 234 on Thursday, Feb 2 from 6:30-8:30 pm. This event is sponsored by Solarize Allegheny (advocates for solar) and by 350 Pittsburgh (climate action group). For more info or to register, please visit [www.solarizeallegheny.org](http://www.solarizeallegheny.org), or call Sharon Pillar (412.215.5995). Registration is required to attend this free event.

### NBPC Annual Celebration of Joy Event – Feb 11

The Pittsburgh Chapter of NBPC (National Black Presbyterian Caucus) will hold the annual *Celebration of Joy* event on Saturday, Feb 11 in Knox Hall at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (616 N Highland Ave, 15206). The program begins at 2 pm, and will highlight a history of African Americans in the Presbyterian Church. Performers include former Coleman/Patrick Scholarship recipients. A small donation in support of the Coleman/Patrick Scholarship Fund is requested.

### A Celebration of Black Song – Feb 12

Join us on Sunday, Feb 12 at 3 pm for an uplifting afternoon of song in honor of Black History Month, featuring musicians from the ELPC Music Ministry. This performance is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be received.

### Hope Academy Students Compete: Shakespeare – Feb 13

Hope Academy students will present their Shakespeare monologues and scenes on Monday, Feb 13 at 3 pm at the Pittsburgh Public Theater (O'Reilly Theater) for the 2017 Shakespeare Monologue and Scene Contest. The Showcase of Finalists will be on Monday, Feb 20 at 7 pm at the Pittsburgh Public Theater.

### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Jan 29 ♦ 9:45 to 10:45 am

**Contemporaries** – “Luke-Acts: the Early Church (part 2)” led by Tucker Ferda

**Journey with Scripture** – Micah 6:1–8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18–31; Matthew 5:1–12 led by Jan Irvin

**Seekers** – “The Prophet Amos” led by the Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy

**Soul Food** – An introductory discussion of our new text, *Open the Door*, led by Joe Hajdu, Judy Roberts, and Linda Harrington