



# 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 2, 2017 • 10 AM SUMMER WORSHIP FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### TIME OF PREPARATION

"Our Father God, who dost overarch our fleeting years with thine eternity, you undergird our weakness with thy strength in the midst of the pressures of another day, as we face its vast concerns. Above all else save us from succumbing to the tragic temptation of becoming cynical."

— Martin Luther King, Jr. (1956)

### GATHERING MUSIC

"Morning Has Broken" (songbook #1)  
"I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table" (songbook #2)  
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (songbook #3)

BUNESSAN  
I'M GONNA LIVE  
FAITHFULNESS

### WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

### \* SHARING GOD'S GOOD NEWS

The Rev. Dr. Bush

Leader: La paz de Cristo esté con ustedes.  
People: Y también contigo.

The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Valire Carr Copeland

Leader: God calls us by name into the presence of holiness.  
People: God calls us individually, as a church family, as one nation under God.  
Leader: We answer this call, not by our own merits, but by the grace of God through the power of the Holy Spirit.  
People: We answer this call individually and together, trusting in the love and mercy of the one who lived and died and was raised for the sake of all nations.  
Leader: Come, let us worship God!

### \* HYMN

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" (songbook #4)

MATERNA

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION & INTERCESSION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

### SUNG RESPONSE HYMN

"This Is My Song" (songbook #5; verse 3 only)

FINLANDIA

**This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms; thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.**  
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him, and hearts united learn to live as one.  
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations: myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

The Rev. Dr. Bush

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!  
People: En Jesucristo tenemos perdón!  
¡Alaben a Dios!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
Praise God!

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

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## July 2 • 4th Sunday after Pentecost

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GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 10:40-42

Dr. Copeland

MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN

The Rev. Dr. Bush

*Children of any age are welcome to come to the front of the worship space for Moments with our Children. 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

“God of Our Life” (songbook #6)

SANDON

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 22:1-14

The Rev. Dr. Bush

SERMON

“Walking On Together”

The Rev. Dr. Bush

OFFERING INVITATION

The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan

*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

“Light of a Clear Blue Morning”

Dolly Parton/Craig Hella Johnson

*It's been a long dark night, and I've been a waiting for the morning.*

*It's been a long hard fight, but I see a brand new day a dawning.*

*I've been looking for the sunshine 'cause I ain't seen it in so long.*

*Everything's gonna work out fine.*

*Everything's gonna be all right, it's gonna be okay.*

*I can see the light of a clear blue morning.*

*I can see the light of a brand new day.*

*I can see the light of a clear blue morning.*

*Everything's gonna be all right, it's gonna be okay.*

*I can see the light...brand new day.*

*I can see the light...blue, blue morning blue.*

\* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION

OLD HUNDREDTH

*The communion bread is being presented by Antwone Wright, Sarah Bendal and Kyle Kim.*



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### — SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER —

#### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The Rev. Callahan

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

#### 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.*

#### 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

“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts” (songbook #7)

QUEBEC

#### 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

Gracious God, thank you for calling us by name, for providing for our needs, for freeing us to live in union with Christ and one another. Thank you for the gift of this shared meal, and for the joy that comes with serving the common good. May our lives, our gifts and our service ever be done in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

#### \* CLOSING HYMN

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending” (songbook #8)

BEACH SPRING

#### \* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush



*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  
Dr. Valire Carr Copeland  
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore, *Organist/*  
*Music Director*  
**Gabriel T. D'Abruzzo**, *Music Associate*  
ELPC Chancel Choir  
Carly Noel Black, *soloist*  
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 Pamela Kimmel (412.441.3800 x118).*

◆ WORSHIP FLOWERS

*If you would like to purchase flowers for our worship service in honor or memory of a loved one, please call Norma (412.441.3800 x111). The cost is \$150 a Sunday.*

◆ WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

8:45 am.....Journey Prayer Time. An extended prayer time and bible reflection with a few songs. In Social Hall.  
*July 9* — The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush.

10 am.....Summer Worship. Our largest service, with music from the Chancel Choir and music prior to the service.  
*July 9* — The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy preaching.

Summer Extended Session

After the *Moments with the Children* during the 10 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.

*There is only one Extended Session class available in the summer for children who have completed Kindergarten and younger — 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 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* on Sunday, July 9 to learn more about ELPC and Presbyterian theology. Please contact Gloria Knopp for more info, or to register (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x122).

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

## TODAY AT ELPC

### Summer Worship Schedule

During July and August and the first week in September, the 10 am summer worship service will move into the Courtyard, weather permitting. Additional seating is available on the 3rd floor balcony and Music Room.

### Journey Prayer Time Begins

Beginning today through Labor Day weekend, a **Journey Prayer Time** will be held at 8:45 am in the Social Hall, with a few songs, an extended prayer time and bible reflection.

### Today's Deacon on Duty

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

### Hand Fans

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



### Young Adult Ministry: First Friday @ Prayer Walk — July 7

The TRAIL young adult *First Friday @ Prayer Walk* event on July 7 starting at 7 pm will begin and end at ELPC. While we will ride together to experience, learn about and pray over different parts of our hometown, we will also do some recreational and contemplative walking too. Come ready to walk and pray! See Wil for details (Wil@coh.net).

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Attend a *New Members and Friends Class* on Sunday, July 9 after the 10 am worship service in the McKelvy Room to learn more about ELPC and Presbyterian theology. Please contact Gloria Knopp for more info, or to register (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x122).

### Commissioning Our Youth Mission Trip Teams — July 9

Join us in worship on Sunday, July 9 at 10 am as we pray for and commission our youth for their mission trips. Our Junior High Mission Trip Team will be serving in the Slippery Rock and New Castle communities from July 9–14. Our Senior High Mission Trip Team will be doing mission work in New York City from August 6–12. We ask that you continue to hold these two groups in your prayers as they experience God's grace and call in our world and in their own lives.

### Flute Performance — July 14

Join us for an evening of flute music on Friday, July 14 at 7 pm, as we welcome Brittany Trotter to the Hope Academy teaching staff, and say good-bye to teaching artist Kristine Rominski. Instructor Laura Carmichael will accompany on piano.



### LGBTQ Ministry: Spiritual Gathering — July 16

*God created you. God loves you. Be yourself.*

All are invited to attend the next *Spiritual Gathering* of the LGBTQ Ministry on Sunday, July 16 at 11 am. See Wil Forrest for details or to attend. All people are welcome!

### Faith Night and Pirates Baseball — Aug 17

All are welcome for a night of fun and faith when the Pittsburgh Pirates take on the St. Louis Cardinals on Thursday, Aug 17 at the 7:05 pm home game. Immediately following the ballgame, Mgr. Clint Hurdle and Pirate players will share how and why their faith is the driving force in their lives. **The ticket price is \$20 (due by July 9)** and that includes sitting with your church family for the game and a free hat. Join us for a wonderful evening of faith, connections, and baseball. Please contact David Carl (Dbcarl333@gmail.com) or Jan Herzer (412.780.2345).

## Summer Film Festival Begins July 9

A different film will be shown every Sunday in July:

- July 16: A Justice that Heals, *host: Justice Committee*
- July 23: Locked in Box, *host: Justice Committee*
- July 30: Brainwashing of My Dad, *host: Peace Committee*

ELPC's Mission Board is again hosting a summer film festival, beginning **Sunday, July 9 after the 10 am service with the viewing of *The Secret Life of Your Clothes*.**

In this revealing 1 hour

film, paralympian Ade Adepitan tells the story of the afterlife of our clothes.

He follows the trail to Ghana, the biggest importer of our castoffs, where thousands of tons of our old clothes arrive.

Ade meets the people who make a living from our old clothes, from wholesalers and market traders to the importers! The ELPC's Neighbors Committee is hosting this viewing.



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

Ray Anthony, Lynn Buchanan,  
Kathy Callahan's mother Ginny,  
Martha DeMarzi and her friend Noah,  
Dave and Bobby Egelston's grandson Nathaniel,  
Barbara Griffin's brother Jim,  
Jan Herzer's friend Francine and niece Amanda,  
Gloria Knopp, Lee Lewand,  
Gail Mallory's friend Ailene,  
Chris Markwell, Marti Moore,  
Jon Nelson's cousin Rayna,  
Pat Valoon, and Jon Walker.

*Our condolences to Barbara Goodwin on her husband's passing.*

*Our condolences to Mary Randolph 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.

### No Committee Meetings This Week

*The church office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday in observance of the holiday.*

### Summer Service and Fellowship – Aug 8

ELPC is providing dinner for the Open Hand Ministries Circles group on Tuesday, Aug 8. We are seeking people to donate salads, side dishes, and desserts, as well as to help serve the meal. This is a great opportunity to support and meet the OHM families who are preparing for home ownership. If you are available to donate food and/or help serve dinner, contact Henry Petrilli (hlp615@gmail.com) or Pastor Patrice (412.441.3800 x130).

### Save the Date to Celebrate – Aug 24

All who have served in our church and community this year are invited to our *Summer Celebration of Service and Volunteers* on Thursday, Aug 24, from 6–7:30 pm in the Courtyard. Save the date and plan to share food and fellowship. Visit [ELPC.church/programs/iSERVE](http://ELPC.church/programs/iSERVE) to learn more about becoming a member of the weSERVE list or other service opportunities. For more information or to ask questions, please contact Wil Forrest (Wil@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x114).

#### Looking for a way to put your 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).

♦ **Want to serve on a flexible schedule?**  
**Join the weSERVEList today! ♦**

IN OUR

COMMUNITY



### The Arsenal Duo Performs in Ohio – July 3

Dr. Ed Moore will be performing with *The Arsenal Duo* (Nathan Carterette, piano) at Youngstown's historic Stambaugh Auditorium on Monday, July 3 as part of a regional convention of the American Guild of Organists. The concert is open to the public. More info is available at <https://tinyurl.com/ArsenalDuoYoungstown>.

### Trinity Youth Conference "TYC" – July 23 to 29

TYC is a regional Presbyterian leadership conference for youth who have completed grade 9 through college-age students at Living Waters Camp (Schellsburg, PA). More info can be found at [www.TrinityYouthConference.org](http://www.TrinityYouthConference.org).

### Paid Research Opportunity

Would you like to join a study testing the effects of a stress reduction class for healthy aging? For more info on this paid research opportunity at Carnegie Mellon University, please call 1.866.627.1923.

### Fill Backpacks to Address Summer Hunger – July 19 and 26

FOCUS, the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank and the Pittsburgh Public Schools collaborate to fill and distribute 1500 backpacks to address summer weekend hunger. Volunteers are needed to fill the backpacks on Wednesdays, July 19 and 26 from 12:15-2:15 pm at Martin Luther King school on the North Side (near Hazlett Theater). Please contact Nancy Heastings (412.930.0879; [n.heastings@comcast.net](mailto:n.heastings@comcast.net)) if you are interested.



### CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

If you walk around the Ground Floor or Second Floor of our church, you can see that construction work is well underway now. Current work is focused on two main areas and one secondary area. Primary work is happening around the Whitfield St church entrance and up on the Second Floor, including demolition/renovation work in the bathrooms, flooring removal in many of the classrooms, removal of the stage area in Room 234, and some necessary asbestos remediation.

Secondary work continues on the Third Floor regarding some duct work needed to supply air-conditioning/air improvements on the floor below it.

The current schedule is to have the bulk of work done on these two floors by the beginning of September, with work on the First Floor to commence thereafter.