

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)

MAUNDY THURSDAY

MARCH 29, 2018 — 7 PM SANCTUARY WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Dr. Edward Alan Moore, organist

Gerald Near

"Ubi Caritas et Amor"

Where charity and love are, God is there.

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

Leader: What shall we offer for all of God's goodness to us?

People: Let us lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

EVENING PRAYER

The Rev. Schoenewolf

Holy God, source and sovereign, you put all power and authority into the hands of Christ – Christ, who washes our feet in humble service. Teach us to love one another as Christ has loved us, so that everyone will know that we are his disciples; through Jesus Christ, our Teacher and Lord, we pray. Amen

* OPENING HYMN (printed in bulletin)

"Love One Another"

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

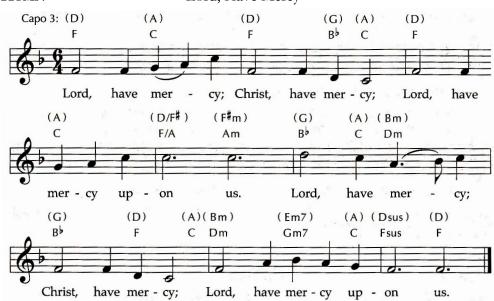
The Rev. Dr. Bush

Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken; we confess that we fail to fulfill your will. Though you have bound yourself to us, we will not bind ourselves to you. In Jesus Christ you serve us freely, but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love you fully or love one another as you commanded. In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Lead us once again to your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow. Amen.

SUNG PRAYER HYMN

"Lord, Have Mercy"

LAND OF REST



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

March 29 • Maundy Thursday

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

The Rev. Dr. Bush

Leader: After Jesus washed the disciples' feet, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?

If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. I

have set an example that you also should do as I have done to you." (John 13:12-17)

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: :Gracias a Dios! Thanks be to God!

Leader: Let us share Christ's peace with one another as a sign of love and reconciliation.

— THE WORD —

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 12:1-14 The Rev. Schoenewolf

The Rev. Dr. Bush **GOSPEL READING** John 13:21-30

SERMON "Broken Trust, Broken Bread" The Rev. Dr. Bush

CHORAL ANTHEM "Where True Charity and Love Dwell" Kaye Saunders

Where true charity and love dwell, God is also there.

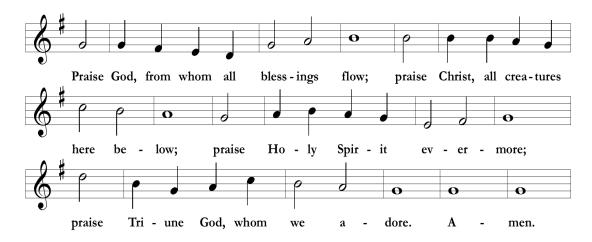
Since the love of Christ has joined us in one body, let us all be glad and rejoice now and always.

As we love and serve our Lord, the living God, so let us with sincerity love each other.

* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION

OLD HUNDREDTH

The communion bread is being presented by Todd Farwell and Robert Gallaway.



- THE LORD'S SUPPER —

INVITATION TO THE TABLE The Rev. Schoenewolf

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: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Demos gracias al Señor nuestro Dios. 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. Schoenewolf

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The congregation is invited to gather at the tables for prayers of the people, and sharing of the Bread and the Cup by intinction, breaking off a piece of bread, and dipping it in the juice. For those who are unable to stand at each table, a roaming server will come to you.

TABLE LITURGY

People: Loving, listening God, ever-attentive to the voices of those in need, we call on your name so that we might live. Now hear our prayer:

A time for people to offer their own prayers.

People: Answer us in the day of trouble, O God, so that we may lift up the cup of salvation in the presence of your people, giving thanks for all your goodness to us; through Jesus Christ

our Savior. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

Leader: We have received the mandate to love one another. Christ sends us out as disciples of love.

People: We are messengers of the new covenant. We will share Christ's invitation to the table.

Leader: We have observed Christ's example of servanthood. Now send us out to serve in Christ's name.

People: We are eager to live for Christ today. We commit ourselves to walk in Jesus' way.

Leader: In the shadow of death, God's love is made real. Before the cross, we are blessed and

empowered.

People: The love of God goes with us everywhere we go. In Jesus Christ, we are strengthened to

love. Amen.

DEPART IN SILENCE

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

♦ PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush Liturgist: The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

Musicians: Dr. Edward Moore, Organist/Music Director

Gabriel T. D'Abruzzo, Music Associate

ELPC Chancel Choir

Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

♦ LABYRINTH PRAYER WALK

The labyrinth, a 35-foot floor mat with curved paths leading inward, is an ancient tool for walking and seated meditation. The ELPC labyrinth is a replica of the stone labyrinth laid in the floor of Chartres Cathedral in France.

♦ HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 30

12 Noon... **Good Friday Service.** In the Chapel. The Rev. Dr. Randy Bush preaching.

7:00 pm..... **Tenebrae Service.** In Sanctuary. Service of light and darkness. The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf preaching.

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 31

7:00 pm..... Easter Vigil Service. Includes reaffirmation of baptism vows, communion, announcement of Christ's resurrection. Led by The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 1

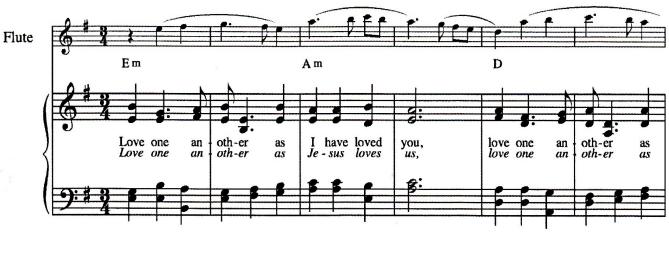
8:45 am **Journey Worship.** The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf will preach at this communion service in the Social Hall.

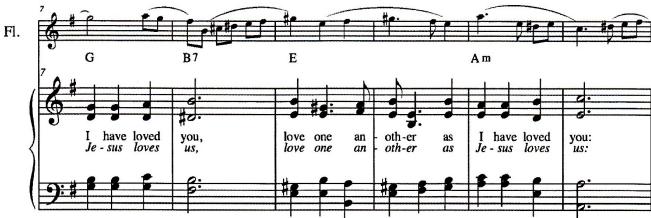
11 am **Sanctuary Worship.** Special music begins at 10:45 am. The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush preaching and leading communion.

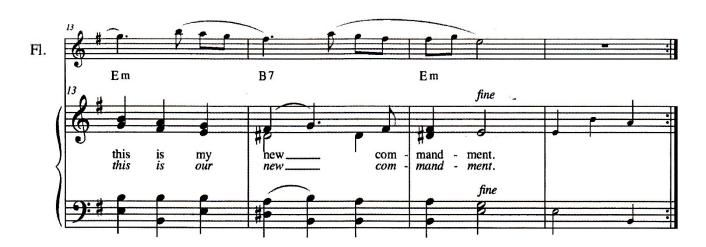
The worship spaces will not have Easter lilies out of respect for people allergic to plant aromas.

John 13:34-35

David Gambrell







Suggestions for use in worship: (1) Have a soloist (or a series of soloists) sing the words of Jesus ("as I have loved you"), alternating with the congregation singing the other set of words ("as Jesus loves us"). (2) The song may be repeated a number of times during the communion of the people or footwashing.