



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)

JUNE 3, 2018 • 11 AM SANCTUARY WORSHIP YOUTH SUNDAY

SLANE is an Irish folk tune named for a hill near Tara in County Meath, Ireland.

The power of youth is the common wealth for the entire world. The faces of young people are the faces of our past, present and our future. No segment in the society can match with the power, idealism, enthusiasm and courage of the young people. (Kailash Satyarthi)

TIME OF PREPARATION

"An individual has not started living until he (or she) can rise above the narrow confines of their individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity."

— *The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Prelude on *Slane*"

David Schelat

"Love Divine, All Love Excelling"

arr. Sondra K. Tucker

WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS

Charlotte Bush and Isaiah Wilson

* SHARING GOD'S PEACE

Isaiah Wilson

Leader: La paz de Cristo esté con ustedes. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: Y también contigo. And also with you.

Leader: Let us greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Charlotte Bush

Leader: Listen – the Lord is calling out to you.

People: Here I am, for you called me.

Leader: The Lord calls you to follow God's word.

People: Speak, for your servant is listening.

Leader: Let us hear what the Lord is calling us to do.

People: **We are ready to rise up and answer God's call.**

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN #749

WE ARE CALLED

"Come! Live in the Light!"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Hallie Mattila

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION & INTERCESSION

Hallie Mattila

Glorious God, we are all your children, and every day we strive to love right by you. We try to follow your word, but when we falter, we know we can come to you for forgiveness. We pray that you can help and forgive those struggling with sin all around the world. We pray that the wrong in the world can be righted.

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

* Indicates where you may rise in body or spirit.

June 3 • Youth Sunday

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ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Hallie Mattila

Leader: Friends, we are given the chance to come before God and confess. Together we must work with God and strive to be better Christians. This is possible because in Christ, God has redeemed us and makes us new. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

People: En Jesucristo tenemos perdón. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
¡Alaben a Dios! Praise God!

* HYMN #623

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 139:1-6

Kiara Rockymore

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Ramsey Lewand

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO THIRD GRADERS

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf
Sara Hackett, Graduating Seniors

Mabel Buben, Sabeel Collins, Suraya Collins, Genevieve Engelhardt, Kevin Lee,
Luca Leisher, Tatum Marks, Joshua Odom, Owen Shope, Sonora Valencheck

MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN

Sonia Degenholtz
Brianna Hackett

Children of any age are welcome to come to the steps of the chancel for Moments with our Children. Those who have completed first grade or younger are invited to attend our Extended Session program for the remainder of our worship time in the Nursery Suite on the first floor.

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy
The Rev. Schoenewolf

Elder: Isaac Degenholtz

Deacon: Trish Buben

SPECIAL MUSIC

“I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry”

Charlotte Bush, *soloist*
Cecelia Novelli, *guitar*

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 2:23-3:6

Amos Chapman

SENIOR MESSAGES

We give thanks for the graduating seniors who have been a part of our congregational life.

Chelsea Brown, Margaret Edgecombe, Jordyn Ford, Lynne Irvin,
Aniya Jackson, Anastasia Morin-Hutty, Cecelia Novelli, Allen Olivis,
Ashwin Srinivasan, Isaiah Wilson

CHARGE TO THE GRADUATES

The Rev. Schoenewolf

COMMISSIONING PRAYER

The Rev. Schoenewolf

SLIDESHOW

OFFERING INVITATION

Isaac Degenholtz

It is more blessed to give than to receive. With grateful hearts we will now accept the morning offering.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“O Sing Joyfully”

Adrian Batten

O sing joyfully unto God our strength; make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take the song, bring hither the tabret, the merry harp with the lute. Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast-day. For this was made a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob. (Psalm 81:1-4)

Do you wish to rise?
Begin by descending.
You plan a tower that will
pierce the clouds?
Lay first the foundation
of humility.
(St. Augustine)

Adrian Batten
(c.1591 – c.1637) was
an English chorister and
organist who held
positions at Winchester
Cathedral, Westminster
Abbey, and St. Paul's
Cathedral, London.

* Indicates where you may rise in body or spirit.

Lord, you placed me in
the world to live in
community. Thus you
taught me to love, to
share in life, to struggle
for bread and for justice,
your truth incarnate in my
life. So be it, Jesus.
(Peggy M. de Cuehol in
Women of Prayer)

* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION OLD HUNDREDTH
The communion bread is being presented by the Middle School Church School members.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Christ, all creatures here below. Praise Holy Spirit evermore.
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

— SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER —

INVITATION TO THE TABLE The Rev. Schoenewolf

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

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	Let us give thanks to the Lord
nuestro Dios.	our God.
People: Es justo dar gracias y	It is right to give God
alabanzas a Dios.	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. Fowler-Searcy and The Rev. Schoenewolf

SHARING BREAD & CUP

*Note: The congregation is invited to come forward to receive the communion of bread and grape juice;
gluten free wafers are also available. Those not able to come forward will be served in their seats.
Children are welcome to receive communion as a special reminder of how God’s love includes them.*

PRAYERS FOR HEALING & WHOLENESS

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

COMMUNION ANTHEM arr. Sondra K. Tucker

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Samuele Novelli

We are thankful to be able to partake in a sacred act with a community of
such loving people. May the gift we have just received remind us of the gifts
we can share with the world. Today the act of communion reminds us that we
all derive strength from the same force and that we are united in this moment.
As we leave this microcosm of peace, allow us to carry this peace with us and
to share our gifts. As Jesus shared his body and soul with the world, let us all
find our own ways of giving back to the people who share this earth. Let
peace and justice dwell among us, and love and compassion exist between us
all. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

* RECESSIONAL HYMN #740 “Lead Me, Guide Me” LEAD ME, GUIDE ME

* BENEDICTION Margaret Edgecombe

POSTLUDE “Festive Trumpet Tune” David German

Composer David German
(b. 1954) was minister of
music and organ at
Calvary Church in
Charlotte, NC. He wrote
this trumpet tune for his
wedding and dedicated it
to his wife, Kathleen.

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

♦ PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Messages: Margaret Edgecombe, Jordyn Ford
Cecilia Novelli, Isaiah Wilson
Liturgists: The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy
The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf
Sara Hackett
Charlotte Bush
Amos Chapman
Isaac and Sonia Degenholtz
Brianna Hackett
Ramsey Lewand
Hallie Mattila
Samuele Novelli
Kiara Rockymore
Isaiah Wilson
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore, *Organist/*
Music Director
Gabriel T. D'Abruzzo, *Music Associate*
ELPC Chancel Choir
ELPC Ringers
Charlotte Bush, *soloist*
Cecelia Novelli, *guitar*
Acolyte: Quinn Seif
Beadle: Erich Stein
Crucifer: Ian Bush
Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

♦ FELLOWSHIP TIME

Our Fellowship Time will be held in the newly renovated suite of rooms on the 1st floor leading to the South Highland Ave entrance. Please join us there following the 11 am service. All are welcome!

♦ WORSHIP FLOWERS

The flowers today are in loving memory of Mrs. Virginia E. Evans.

♦ WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

Our summer worship schedule begins next week. Journey Prayer will resume on Rally Day Sunday, Sept 9 at 8:45 am.

10 am.....Sanctuary Worship. Our largest service, with music from the Chancel Choir and an organ prelude prior to the service.
June 10 — The Rev. Dr. Randy 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.

Available 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 newly renovated suite of rooms on the 1st floor. 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 an *Inquirers' Class* on Sunday, July 8 to learn more about ELPC, Presbyterian theology, and to explore membership. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Gloria Knopp for more info or to register (GloriaK@coh.net).

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

TODAY AT ELPC

Advocacy on Behalf of Children Separated from Parents

The Justice Committee is sponsoring a letter writing campaign against the US policy of separating children from their parents at border crossings. Please join them following worship to write letters to government officials demanding the discontinuation of this horrific policy and action. A template letter and supplies will be available. For more info, please see Michele Bossers.

Today's Deacons-On-Duty (DOD)

Today's *Journey* service DOD is **Beth Minnigh**.

The *Sanctuary* service DOD is **Susan Spangler**.



Facing Systemic Racism Series — June 9

The next program in our *Facing Systemic Racism* series is titled *Discovering Our Implicit Bias*. Join us on Saturday, June 9 from 6–8 pm; we will share a potluck dinner together at 5:30 pm (bring a side or dessert to share). More details are on the info tables. *Sponsored by the Mission Board.*

Explore the Sanctuary and Chapel — June 10

Join us following worship next Sunday as Bob Starzynski leads an architectural tour of our Gothic Sanctuary and Romanesque Chapel. Our guide will discuss these architectural styles, as well as the history and symbolism of these unique spaces. Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary.

Summer Solstice Celebration for Young Adults — June 21

Young adults are invited to officially welcome summer as we examine and celebrate Christianity's ties to creation spirituality and the seasons at 6 pm on Thursday, June 21, beginning on the 3rd floor Music Room balcony. We will ponder, experience and move together during this interactive time.



senior message from

Lynne Irvin

ELPC has been a major part of my life since I was born. I have hundreds of memories from my time here. I remember playing different roles in the annual Youth Christmas Pageant, taking part in, and then becoming a leader of, Vacation Church school, and running around at various youth events like the 30 Hour Famine. The fellowship and community that I experienced throughout these times with my Sunday school teachers, friends, and other members of this church showed me what a strong community looks like, and how important it is to serve and care for others. This strong community was a constant reminder to answer God's call and stand up for others who may not have the same support. I have learned to be more compassionate, kind, and caring thanks to the love I have been shown here at ELPC. I know I have made lifelong friends here at ELPC, and I will forever be grateful for what the ELPC community has done for me. Though I am leaving Pittsburgh this fall to continue my education in New York City, I know that I will always have a home in ELPC, and everything that I have learned here will stay with me as I move throughout life.

The Chapel Market Seeks Donations and Volunteers

The Chapel Market is in need of new and/or gently used summer clothing for women, children and men (please limit men's donations to basic clothing). Toiletry donations are also requested (soap, deodorant, etc.). *The Chapel Market* is open on Mondays (10 am–12 pm), and the first Thursday of each month (5–7:30 pm). Contact Linda and Harold Deiss (deissshl@consolidated.net) for info or to volunteer on the first Thursday of the month.



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

begins next week

**We begin our Summer Worship
Schedule next Sunday and will have
one Sunday worship service at
10 am in the Sanctuary.**

**From the first Sunday in July through
Labor Day weekend, we will hold our
summer worship service at 10 am in
the Courtyard (weather permitting).**



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

John Buckley's mentee David,
Kate Carlson, Carol Chontos' father David,
Doris Dick's mother Mary,
Molly Dimond-Stephany's sister-in-law Andrea,
Bobby and Dave Egelston's friend Gary
and Bobby's mother Doris, Carole Forloines,
Wil Forrest's mentee Dan,
Crystal and Sean Gilroy and their family,
Heather Lawrence's sister Christine, Lee Lewand,
Gail Noden, Erin Starzynski's mother Judy, Pat Valoon.

Congratulations to Crystal and Sean Gilroy on the birth of their son Parker.

Condolences to Cami Teacoach on her father's passing.

Condolences to Jean Thomas on her brother'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

JusticeToday, 12:15 pm (Rm 227)
Christian Ed.....Tuesday, 6:30 pm (Rm 227)
Property.....Tuesday, 7:00 pm (Highland Rm)

June Pride Events

All ELPC members are welcomed and needed to stand for love and justice - attend events, volunteer, march, and pray. See the display in the Highland Ave hallway for details.

Delta Pride Booth — June 9 (12-5 pm) and June 10 (1-7 pm)

- ✦ Shared table downtown with other inclusive Presbyterian churches
- ✦ Contact Liz Gonda via text (412.657.7823)

People's Pride March — June 10 (10:30 am-Noon)

- ✦ Public march downtown to support diverse LGBTQ+ community
- ✦ Email Tony Richardson to participate or with any questions (Overthepond_50@hotmail.com)

Pride on the Square — June 10 (12-4 pm)

- ✦ Interactive family-friendly event in Market Square
- ✦ Contact Brittney Krieger for more info (Brittney.Krieger@bayer.com; 908.723.5303)

Delta Equity March — June 10 (12:30-1:30 pm)

- ✦ March downtown to support the LGBTQ+ community, ELPC van available
- ✦ Contact Wil Forrest to participate (Wil@coh.net)

Sign up with Wil Forrest for a seat in the van to ride to/from ELPC Pride events. Departures from ELPC's South Highland Ave entrance at 9 am and 11:15 am; return to ELPC at 3 pm from Delta booth. Limited seating available both directions, so please sign up in advance.

IN OUR

COMMUNITY



RCC Pride Concert: Joined by Heart — TODAY!

The Renaissance City Choir presents the final performance of its 2018 Pride Concert *Joined by Heart: Love Will Always Win* at 4 pm today in the ELPC courtyard. Tickets are available online at www.rccpittsburgh.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

*will resume on Rally Day
Sunday on September 9.*



Climb the Heights of Our Tower — June 24

Join Steve Evrard following worship on Sunday, June 24 at 11 am to climb the heights of our church's landmark central tower. High above the bustle of the streets below, you will have an opportunity to view the entire East Liberty valley and beyond. The climb requires a bit of stamina. Comfortable shoes and pants are suggested. The tour is not recommended for small children.

Please gather at the South Highland Ave entrance.

Register for Vacation Church School!

Register now for our Vacation Church School program, which will run Monday to Friday, June 25–29 from 9 am–3 pm! Children ages 4–grade 5 (completed), are invited to attend as campers. This year's theme will be *Digging for Treasure: Parables Revealed*. Jesus often taught in stories, called parables. Our days will be filled with worship, crafts, recreation, Bible study, and fun! Registration and volunteer forms are available online (www.ELPC.church) and on the 2nd floor Christian Ed table. Please contact Gloria Knopp for more info (GloriaK@coh.net).

HELP SUPPORT VCS

Wondering how you can support ELPC's Vacation Church School program, even though you aren't able to volunteer? A donation bulletin board will be moving around the church with the treasures we need purchased for VCS. Items should be dropped off at the church by Sunday, June 17 in the Highland lobby on the cart marked "VCS DONATIONS". You can also check out our VCS Amazon wish list at <http://a.co/9hytkWW>.

