

Good Friday

April 19, 2019
Noon • Chapel



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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)

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 19, 2019 — 12 NOON CHAPEL WORSHIP

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

Leader: Behold the cross on which was hung the salvation of the whole world.

People: Come, let us worship.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Quinn Seif

Leader: Almighty God, look with mercy on your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, given over to the hands of sinners and to suffer death on the cross. Save us from hardness of heart, that, seeing him who died for us, we may repent, confess our sin, and receive your overflowing love, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

* HYMN (*printed in bulletin*)

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

HAMBURG

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

Leader: Jesus Christ spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death he endured. May those who bear his name follow the example he gave us. May our faith, hope and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and death to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

The Rev. Schoenewolf

HOMILY

“Faith + Power”

The Rev. Schoenewolf

HYMN (*printed in bulletin*)

“My Song Is Love Unknown”

LOVE UNKNOWN

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

— SERVICE OF TENEBRAE —

THE BETRAYAL OF JESUS <i>The first candle is extinguished</i> <i>Silent Meditation</i>	John 18:1-11	Mary Alice Lightle
THE ARREST OF JESUS <i>The second candle is extinguished</i> <i>Silent Meditation</i>	John 18:12-14, 19-24	Isaiah Wilson
THE DENIAL OF JESUS <i>The third candle is extinguished</i> <i>Silent Meditation</i>	John 18:15-18, 25-27	Michele Bossers
THE JUDGMENT OF JESUS <i>The fourth candle is extinguished</i> <i>Silent Meditation</i>	John 18:28-40	Paul Seif
THE SENTENCING OF JESUS <i>The fifth candle is extinguished</i> <i>Silent Meditation</i>	John 19:1-22	Sharla Yates-Seif
THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS <i>The sixth candle is extinguished</i> <i>Silent Meditation</i>	John 19:23-30	Xander Yates
THE DEATH OF JESUS <i>The seventh candle is extinguished</i> <i>Silent Meditation</i>	John 19:31-42	The Rev. Fowler-Searcy
HYMN (<i>sing 3x; printed in bulletin</i>)	“Jesus, Remember Me”	REMEMBER ME
LITANY		The Rev. Schoenewolf
Leader: Jesus, Lamb of God,		
People: Have mercy on us.		
Leader: Jesus, bearer of our sins,		
People: Have mercy on us.		
Leader: Jesus, redeemer of the world,		
People: Grant us peace.		

DEPART IN SILENCE

*You are welcome to remain in the Chapel for a time of silent prayer following our service.
Our Prayer and Meditation Room is also available for silent prayer and meditation all day.*



Please remember to turn off cell phones during worship.

♦ **PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Preaching: The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf
Liturgists: The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy
Michele Bossers
Mary Alice Lightle
Paul Seif
Quinn Seif
Isaiah Wilson
Xander Yates
Sharla Yates-Seif
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore, *Organist/*
Music Director
Members of the Journey Praise Team
Sound: Tim Benedict and Wayne Gaines

♦ **WEEKDAY WORSHIP**

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.

The labyrinth will be available during Holy Week:

Good Friday, April 19..... 9:00 am to 9:00 pm

Saturday, April 20 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Taizé Sung Prayer

Chants and periods of meditative silence modeled after the Taizé community in France.

Wednesdays, 7 pm

Prayer Room

(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

♦ **WORSHIP SERVICES**

Below is a listing of the remaining Holy Week and Easter Sunday services we are offering at East Liberty Presbyterian Church. We invite you to join us on our journey.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19

7:00 pm **Tenebrae Service.** In Sanctuary. Service of light and darkness. The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy preaching.

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20

7:00 pm.....**Easter Vigil Service.** The Great Vigil includes reaffirmation of baptism vows, communion and announcement of Christ's resurrection. Service begins in the Chapel. The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan and The Rev. Dr. Randy Bush will lead this service.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21

8:45 am**Journey Worship.** The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy will preach at this communion service in the Social Hall.

9:45 am**Fellowship Time.** Please join us in the Fellowship Room from 9:45 to 10:45 am for a special time of fellowship and hospitality.

11 am**Sanctuary Worship.** Our largest service, with music from the Chancel Choir and guest instrumentalists. Special music begins at 10:45 am. The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush will preach and lead communion.

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

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted that you have chosen to celebrate this season with us at ELPC. We invite you to register your name in our Friendship Book.

To learn more about our programs, church activities and volunteer services, we invite you to:

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 June 16 for an opportunity to learn more about ELPC and Presbyterian theology and to explore membership. Please contact Gloria Knopp to register or for more information (GloriaK@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x122).

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

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

Prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down; did e'er such love and
pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

This familiar text from the beginning of the 18th century grew out of Isaac Watts's desire to give Christians the ability to sing about gospel events. It is set here to a very restrained tune from the early 19th century inspired by the patterns of Gregorian chant.

MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to
 2 He came from heav - en's throne sal - va - tion to be -
 3 Some - times we strew his way, and his sweet prais - es
 4 Un - heed - ing, we will have our dear Lord made a -
 5 Here might I stay and sing, no sto - ry so di -

me, love to the love - less shown that they might love - ly
 stow; the world that was his own would not its Sav - ior
 sing, re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to our
 way, a mur - der - er to save, the prince of life to
 vine: nev - er was love, dear King, nev - er was grief like

be. O who am I that for my sake my
 know. But O my Friend, my Friend in - deed, who
 King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is all our breath, and
 slay. Yet stead - fast he to suf - fer - ing goes, that
 thine. This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I

Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
 at my need his life did spend!
 for his death we thirst and cry.
 he his foes from thence might free.
 all my days could glad - ly spend.

The opening line here could equally well have been a courtier's lament for a secret affair, but it soon becomes a path into a vivid and poignant reflection on Christ's Passion. This 17th-century text is beautifully embraced by its sensitive and lyrical 20th-century tune.

TEXT: Samuel Crossman, 1664, alt.

MUSIC: John Ireland, 1918

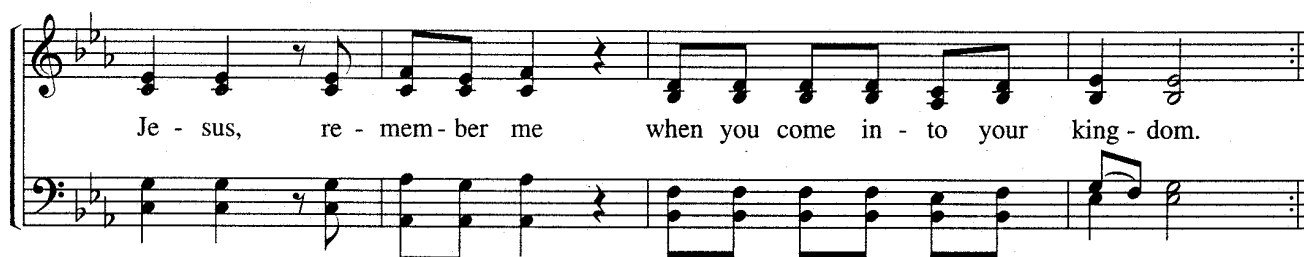
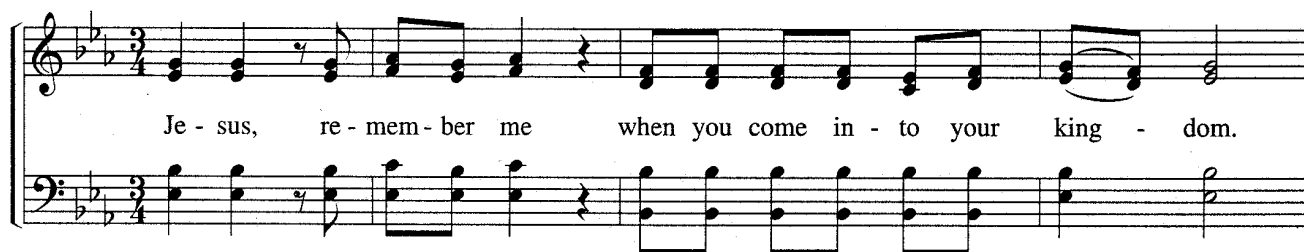
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LOVE UNKNOWN

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JESUS, REMEMBER ME *(sing 3 times)*



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Celebrating 200 Years of Ministry at ELPC
To God be the glory for our days past and our ministry yet to come!



East Liberty Presbyterian Church **BICENTENNIAL** 1819 - 2019

The year was 1819 and James Monroe was president of the United States. The outskirts of Pittsburgh, known as Negleytown, were experiencing much growth and development, prompting a group of civic leaders to pledge their resources to construct a new place of worship. Out of that act of generosity 200 years ago grew the history of East Liberty Presbyterian Church—a history we are celebrating this year.

Join us as we commemorate this milestone and prepare for what God has planned for our

Saturday, May 4 | 6–9 pm

TALENT SHOW AND TOWER LIGHT-UP NIGHT

Gather for a potluck meal in our Social Hall and celebrate the diverse talents of our congregation. Come outside for dessert and to dedicate our new tower lighting system, as ELPC “shines its light” for generations to come! There also will be a time for play and fellowship for families with children age 3 and under, beginning at 4:30 pm.

Friday, May 10 | 5–7 pm

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

Join us as we invite the community to tour our church, learn more about our history and programs, and enjoy “pay what you can” ice cream!

Saturday, May 11 | 6–9 pm

BICENTENNIAL PARTY

ELPC will host a ticketed gala event in which we will gather for refreshments, catered food, entertainment and fellowship, celebrating our church’s 200th anniversary. Tickets are \$50, with some reduced price tickets available.

Sunday, May 12 | 11 am

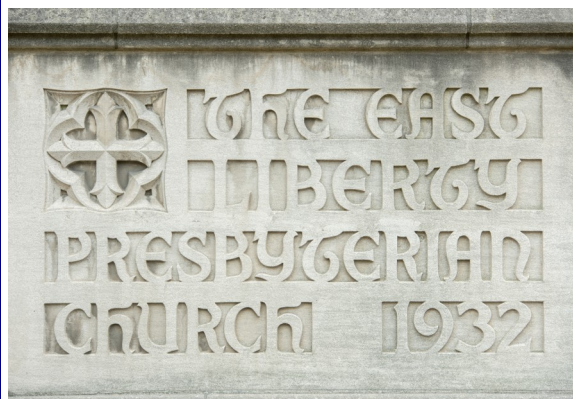
WORSHIP SERVICE

During Sanctuary worship, we will hear two new pieces commissioned for our Handbell Choir, and dedicate new labyrinths for our Spiritual Life ministry. There also will be a special piano postlude by Pastor Randy.

Sunday, May 19 | 11 am

BICENTENNIAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us for this wonderful time of celebration as ELPC welcomes past staff and friends, enjoys special instrumental and choral music, and gives thanks to the God who has led us safe thus far and whose grace leads us into the future. A reception will be in the Social Hall following worship.



Richard Beatty Melton lays cornerstone of the 5th church

