



# 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 14, 2019 — 10 AM SANCTUARY WORSHIP FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### PRAYER FOR THE MORNING:

Arouse my heart,  
O God, to your love,  
and let me love my  
neighbor with the same  
consideration I desire for  
myself. Through Christ  
I pray. Amen.

The hymn *Come! Live in  
the Light!* uses a refrain  
based on the familiar  
words of Micah 6:8.  
That entire verse is  
inscribed over one of the  
side doors in our  
ELPC chapel.

Evangelism and the  
local church are  
**inseparable. It's like the**  
Good Samaritan seeking  
an inn for the one he  
rescued.  
(Reinhard Bonnke)

### TIME OF PREPARATION

"Here I am, Lord; here is my body, my heart, my soul. Grant that I may be big enough to reach the world, strong enough to carry it, pure enough to embrace it without wanting to keep it. Grant that I may be a meeting-place, but a temporary one, a road that does not end in itself, because everything to be gathered there leads toward you." (Michael Quoist)

### WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

### OPENING SONGS OF PRAISE

"Bind Us Together" (songbook #1)

"Joyful, Joyful" (songbook #2)

*Please use this time to fill out the red Friendship pads and for quiet worship preparation.*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Carol and JoAnn Chonoska

Leader: Prepare our minds to listen to you today, O God.

People: Prepare our hearts to be filled with your love today.

Leader: Prepare our lips that they can shout your praise today.

People: Prepare our souls that we can be attuned to your will today.

Leader: Prepare us to feel your presence in the world today, as we come to worship and give you praise. Amen!

### \* PROCESSIONAL HYMN

WE ARE CALLED

"Come! Live in the Light!" (songbook #3)

### CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

God of mercy, we confess that we have failed to live as your beloved children. We have set our minds on the things of this world, and we have neglected the inheritance of love you bestow upon us. We have pursued selfish aims in our daily business; we have harbored unkind thoughts toward our enemies; we have avoided difficult responsibilities in caring for our neighbors. Forgive us, we pray. Strengthen us in the ways of faithful discipleship, ever following Jesus Christ, our Savior, Guide, and Redeemer. Hear our silent prayers.

### TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

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

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PRAYER FOR THE MIDDAY:  
Give us, as your church,  
O God, the grace to  
serve you with courage,  
that our lives may be a  
witness to your  
compassion and our  
actions a testimony to  
your mercy. Through  
Jesus Christ our Lord, by  
the power of the Holy  
Spirit, we pray. Amen.

On the parable of the  
Good Samaritan: "I  
imagine that the first  
question the priest and  
Levite asked was: 'If I  
stop to help this man,  
what will happen to me?'  
But by the very nature of  
his concern, the good  
Samaritan reversed the  
question: 'If I do not stop  
to help this man, what  
**will happen to him?**'"  
(Martin Luther King Jr.,  
*Strength to Love*)

Like the Good  
Samaritan, may we not  
be ashamed of touching  
the wounds of those who  
suffer, but try to heal  
them with concrete acts  
of love.  
(Pope Francis)

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

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

## SUNG RESPONSE HYMN

"Breathe" (text below)

This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe. Your holy presence, living in me. This is my daily bread, this is my daily bread. Your very word, spoken to me. **And I, I'm desperate for you. And I, I'm lost without you.**

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**And I, I'm desperate for you. And I, I'm lost without you. I'm lost without you. I'm lost without you.**

This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe.

## RESPONSIVE HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Carol and JoAnn Chonoska

Psalms 25:1-9

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you.

People: Let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Leader: Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

People: Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

Leader: Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of our salvation; in you have we trusted all the day long.

People: Remember, O God, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting. Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O God.

Leader: Gracious and upright are you, God; therefore you teach sinners in your way.

People: You guide the humble in doing right and teach your way to the lowly.

Leader: Thanks be to God!

## NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE LESSON

Kalyn Stewing

Luke 10:25-28

## RECOGNITION OF KALYN STEWING

The Rev. Dr. Bush  
The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

## MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN

The Rev. Dr. Bush

*Children of any age are welcome to come forward for Moments with our Children. Those who have completed kindergarten 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.*

## \* HYMN

"Give Thanks" (songbook #4)

## GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 10:29-37

The Rev. Dr. Bush

## SERMON

"Misdirected Conversations"

The Rev. Dr. Bush

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

ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY:

Adoniram and Anne Judson, the first American foreign missionaries, landed in Rangoon, Burma (1813); Commodore Matthew Perry relayed to Japanese officials a letter requesting trade relations (1853); outlaw Billy the Kid was killed in Fort Sumner, New Mexico (1881); all German political parties except the National Socialist party were outlawed (1933); Jimmy Carter won the Democratic presidential nomination at their New York convention (1976); and today is *Bastille Day*, the French national day recalling the storming of the Bastille in 1789.

PRAYER FOR THE NIGHT:

O God, you have held me and cared for my wounded soul in ways I may not have been aware. Let me now rest from the labors of this day, secure in your love. Through Christ I pray. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Bush

*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. 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

"Just Want to Thank You"

Journey Praise Team

*Just want to thank you for ever and ever and ever for all you've done for me. Blessings and glory and honor, they all belong to you. Thank you, Jesus, for saving me.*

\* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION

OLD HUNDREDTH



\* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION

The Rev. Dr. Bush

The Rev. Callahan

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, O God. May our lives be an offering that is pleasing to you, and may the questions we ask about eternal life always be answered by your forgiveness, your mercy, and your love. In Christ's name we pray.	
People:	Amen.	

\* HYMN

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" (songbook #5)

\* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Bush



*As part of ELPC's mission to extend radical hospitality to all, our full worship service is now being livestreamed on Facebook and archived at [www.ELPC.church](http://www.ELPC.church). This notice is to inform you that by being in attendance, you give permission for incidences where you appear within the video. Should you have any questions, please see one of our pastors.*

♦ PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush  
Liturgists: The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy  
The Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan  
Carol and JoAnn Chonoska  
Kalyn Stevwing  
Musicians: *Journey Praise Team:*  
Michael Warren, *Music Director*  
Adrianna Cleveland  
Delana Flowers  
David Jennings-Smith  
Jon Nelson  
Jack Phillips  
Judy Roberts  
Kalyn Stevwing  
Sound: Tim Benedict  
Wayne Gaines

♦ FELLOWSHIP TIME

Please join us in the Fellowship Room after worship for our *Fellowship Time*. All are welcome to attend.

♦ WORSHIP FLOWERS

The flowers today are to the glory of God and in honor of Joan Heckel's 90th birthday on July 17, given by her children.

♦ SUNDAY WORSHIP

*Our summer worship schedule has begun. Journey Worship will resume on Rally Day Sunday, Sept 8 at 8:45 am.*

*Our 10 am service will move to the Courtyard during the month of August.*

10 am.....Sanctuary Summer Worship. Our largest service with a multi-cultural congregation and music from organ, piano and choir.  
*July 21* — The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf preaching.

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 38-foot floor mat with curved paths leading inward; an ancient tool for walking and seated meditation.

Mondays, 8 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 (*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 also:*

Stay after today's service for our Fellowship Time in the Fellowship 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 an *Inquirers' Class* 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 for future classes ([GloriaK@coh.net](mailto:GloriaK@coh.net)).

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

## TODAY AT ELPC

### Postcard Campaign to Senators and Congressional Reps

The Justice Committee invites and encourages you to put your faith into action following worship this morning in the Garth Overlook Room by writing a postcard message to your federal elected officials regarding the treatment of migrants and children at our Southern border. *The alien who resides with you shall be treated as the citizen among you; you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God. (Leviticus 19:34)*

### Summer Film Festival

You are invited to join us after worship today in the Good Samaritan Room (ground floor) for the first film in the Mission Board Committee's 2019 Summer Film Festival *Won't You Be My Neighbor*. This documentary paints a portrait of the philosophy and work of cardigan-wearing children's entertainer Fred Rogers, star of the popular show *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*. A former minister, Fred Rogers creatively communicated themes of empathy and acceptance, race relations, kindness, and tolerance using a colorful cast of puppets and friends for more than 30 years. Along with archival footage, Rogers' contemporaries and cast-mates reflect on his legacy. *Sponsored by the Neighbors Committee.*



### LGBTQ Ministry Spiritual Gathering

You are invited to the spiritual gathering of ELPC's LGBTQ Ministry today at 11:30 am when we will begin with lunch and then the Rev. Mary Lynn Callahan will guide us for an experience on the new rainbow labyrinth. Allies and LGBTQIA+ folks alike are welcomed. Talk with Wil Forrest to attend. *God created you. God loves you. Be yourself.*

### Sanctuary and Chapel Tour

Join us after worship for an architectural tour of our beautiful, Gothic Sanctuary and Romanesque Chapel. Please gather in the Highland Lobby after the service.

### New Members' Brunch

There will be a *New Members' Brunch* today at 11:15 am in the 3rd floor Music Room.

### Today's Deacon-On-Duty (DOD)

Every Sunday, a DOD (Deacon-on-Duty) is available to assist with any emergencies that may occur during our worship services. Today's *Sanctuary* service DOD is **David Cowan**.

### YAM Event: Tuesdays in the Park – July 16

This summer (one Tuesday a month) the Young Adult Ministry (YAM) is visiting lesser-known Pittsburgh parks to enjoy a picnic, explore nature, and expand our faith in fellowship through scripture and dialogue. On July 16, we'll visit West End-Elliott Overlook Park (Marlow St, 15205) from 5:30-7 pm. Pack your dinner, bring a chair/blanket, and let's explore! If you need a ride, contact Kelli Booher (KelliB@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x114).

### Tower Tour – July 28

Climb the heights of our church's landmark central tower, and gain insights into its history and construction during a *Tower Tour* on Sunday, July 28 after worship. The climb requires a bit of stamina; comfortable shoes and pants are suggested. The tour is not recommended for small children. Please gather in the Highland Lobby.

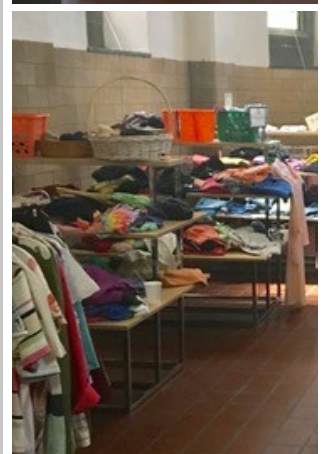
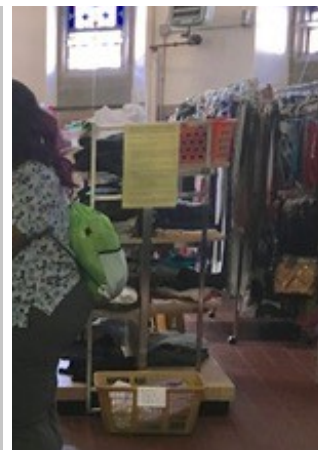
### Café Justo Coffee for Sale – July 28

Café Justo Coffee will be available for sale during our *Fellowship Time* on July 28. For just \$10/pound, your purchase will support this fair trade cooperative and help provide a sustainable income for Mexican coffee farmers. Check or cash only please.

## The Chapel Market

### Needs Donations and Volunteers

Donations of summer clothing and toiletry items are being requested by ELPC's Chapel Market. Please leave donations in the indicated receptacle at the South Highland Ave entrance. Volunteers are also needed to serve in the Chapel Market on Mondays from 10 am–12 pm. Please contact Linda and Harold Deiss to volunteer (DeissHL@consolidated.net; 724.443.1826).







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

Craig Cannon, Chuck Carson's partner Jake,  
Molly Dimond-Stephany's sister-in-law Andrea,  
Jan Herzer, Liz Hopkins' mother Margery, Morris Jordan,  
Jean Kennedy, Lee Lewand, Ashley Parker, Henry Petrilli,  
ELPC employee Robert Polk and his wife,  
Heather Schoenewolf's friend Tony and uncle Jim,  
Tim Sergi's sister Kimberly, Pat Valoon, and  
for those in the criminal justice system who  
have broken relationships.

*Condolences to David and Heather Schoenewolf  
on his father's passing.*

### Committee Meeting This Week

Faith Formation Board.....Monday, 5:30 pm (Highland Rm)  
Session.....Tuesday, 7:00 pm (Garth Overlook Rm)

### Summer Film Festival – Aug 4 and 18

The Mission Board Committee's 2019 Summer Film Festival includes these films:

- August 4 — *Urban Roots*

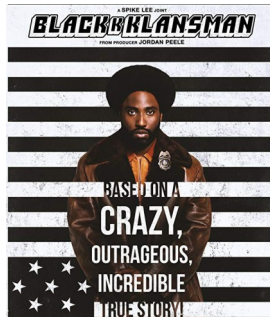
Once an industrial powerhouse of a lost American era, Detroit has been devastated by the loss of half its population due to the collapse of manufacturing. But now, in the empty lots, in the old factory yards, and in-between the sagging blocks of housing, seeds of change are taking root. Dedicated citizens have started an urban environmental movement with the potential to transform not just a city after its collapse, but also a country after the end of its industrial age. *Urban Roots* shows Detroiters working to fulfill their vision for locally-grown, sustainably farmed food in a city where people—as in much of the county—have found themselves cut off from real food.

*Sponsored by the Justice Committee (94 minutes)*

- August 18 — *BlackKlansman*

From visionary filmmaker Spike Lee comes the incredible true story of an American hero. African-American detective Ron Stallworth sets out on a dangerous mission: infiltrate and expose the Ku Klux Klan with the aid of a more seasoned colleague, Flip Zimmerman. Together, they team up to take down the extremist hate group as the organization aims to sanitize its violent rhetoric to appeal to the mainstream.

*Sponsored by the Peace Committee (134 minutes)*



IN OUR

## COMMUNITY



### ACHD Community Health Survey

Have you taken the new Allegheny County community health survey (ACHD)? It's available online at <http://bit.ly/ACHDchs>, in paper versions at ACHD offices and at local libraries starting July 17. The survey includes questions about equity. Your voice matters!

### Concert by Choir of Selwyn College – July 19

The acclaimed Choir of Selwyn College, University of Cambridge in the UK is returning to the USA after 7 years and is adding Pittsburgh, home to choir member Christiana Howell, as its newest city to the tour. They will perform their concert *Times and Seasons: A Choral Journey through the Liturgical Year* on Friday, July 19 at 8 pm at St Andrew's Episcopal Church (Highland Park). Tickets are \$15 (adults), \$8 (youth) at the door. Purchase tickets in advance by calling 412.661.1245. For more info, please email Caille Sugarman-Banaszak, Choir Administrator ([cps29@cam.ac.uk](mailto:cps29@cam.ac.uk)).

### Trinity Youth Conference – July 21-27

Trinity Youth Conference is a regional Presbyterian leadership conference for youth who have completed grade 9 through college-age students at Living Waters Camp in Schellsburg, PA. The week will be full of faith formation, intentional Christian community, play, worship, and thoughtfulness. More info about cost, workshops, registration and schedule can be found online at [www.TrinityYouthConference.org](http://www.TrinityYouthConference.org).

### Youth Ministry Events

- **July 21–27: Trinity Youth Conference**

Youth (grade 9 completed) and college-age students are invited to this Presbyterian leadership conference.

- **Aug 4–9: High School Mission Trip**

Youth in grades 9–12 will be serving around Pittsburgh this summer.



**Stream Our Sanctuary  
Worship Service**  
[www.tiny.cc/elpc-stream](http://www.tiny.cc/elpc-stream)

Did you know ELPC livestreams its Sanctuary worship service each Sunday? If you find yourself unable to attend worship or are enjoying a summer vacation, we hope you will join our faith family in spirit. Subscribe to us on

YouTube or follow us on Facebook—and tune in! Past services also are available at [www.ELPC.church](http://www.ELPC.church).