



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)

ALL SAINTS' DAY SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 1, 2020 — 11 AM LIVESTREAM WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"Toccata in D Minor, BWV 565"

Dr. Edward Alan Moore, *organ*
Johann Sebastian Bach

OPENING WORDS

The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

Leader: La paz de Cristo esté con ustedes.

The peace of Christ be with you.

People: Y también contigo.

And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Psalm 34; responsive reading)*

Ali Carpenter

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times;

People: **God's praise will continually be on my lips.**

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt God's name together.

People: **O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in God.**

Leader: With hearts and hands and voices, let us praise God together!

HYMN #326 *(vs. 1-3)*

"For All the Saints"

SINE NOMINE

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

All Saints' Day Acknowledgement of Those Who Have Died:



Lois Fetzer
Julianne McAdoo
Bill Nicholson
Mike O'Donnell
Linda Parry
Jeannette Pressman
Norman Shaner
Charlotte Smith
Linda Stuft
Seldon Whitaker

(vs. 4)

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & INTERCESSION

The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush

SUNG RESPONSE HYMN #544

“Bless the Lord”

BLESS THE LORD

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s holy name.**Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.****NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

I John 3:1-3

The Rev. BJ Woodworth

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!**TIME FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES**

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISMThe Rev. Dr. Bush, The Rev. Fowler-Searcy
The Rev. Schoenewolf*Presentation of Children:*Karon Grace Dames, *daughter of Elizabeth and Ketric Dames*William Fitzpatrick Teacoach, *son of Cami and Jon Teacoach**Profession of Faith**Act of Baptizing***HYMN #485 (vs. 1, 2, 4)**

“We Know That Christ Is Raised”

ENGELBERG

**We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold,
And our despair he turned to blazing joy. Alleluia! Alleluia!****We share by water in his saving death, reborn we share with him an Easter life,
As living members of a living Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!****A new creation comes to life and grows as Christ’s new body takes on flesh and blood.
The universe, restored and whole, will sing: Alleluia! Alleluia!****PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 65:17-25

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

SERMON

“No More”

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

HYMN #716

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

BEACH SPRING

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door:
Gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;
Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone.
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred:
Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

— THE LORD'S SUPPER —

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Rev. Dr. Bush

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Rev. Schoenewolf

SHARING THE BREAD & CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Rev. Schoenewolf

We praise you, O God, for your goodness is beyond measure. In this life you lead us, comfort us, feed us, and redeem us. In death you embrace us in your endless light and welcome us to your table of plenty. For all we have received and the portion we are able to return to the world in your service, we give you all glory, honor and praise. In Christ's name. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE FOR MISSION

Lis Bischoff-Ormsbee

OFFERING INVITATION

Lis Bischoff-Ormsbee

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. Please visit www.ELPC.church/donate if you would like to make a contribution.

HYMN #515 (vs. 1, 3, 5)

“I Come with Joy”

DOVE OF PEACE

I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and free,
The life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends, and strangers now are friends.
Together met, together bound by all that God has done,
We'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

BLESSING & BENEDICTION

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

POSTLUDE

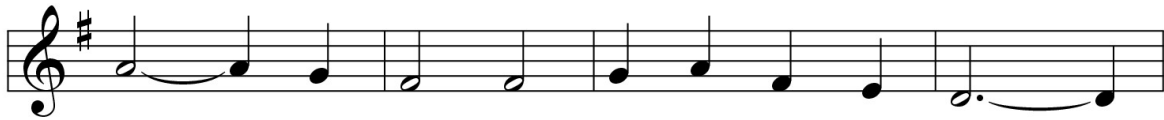
“Fugue in D Minor, BWV 565”

Dr. Moore, *organ*
Johann Sebastian Bach

FOR ALL THE SAINTS (*vs. 1-3, pause, vs. 4*)



1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
 3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low-ship di - vine!
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
 5 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well-fought fight;
 We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 all are one in thee, for all are thine.
 hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints' Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine" celebrated by this text.

Harmony, stanza 3

3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!

We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet

all are one in thee, for all are thine.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

to stanza 4

BLESS THE LORD, MY SOUL

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

This refrain based on Psalm 103:1 is meant for repeated singing. To "bless God's holy name" (which could not be spoken by observant Jews) is a reminder to be grateful even for what we cannot comprehend, trusting that God's providence will show us "the path of life" (Psalm 16:11).

WE KNOW THAT CHRIST IS RAISED (vs. 1, 2, 4)

Capo 3: (D) F (Asus) (A) Csus C (A/G) C/B^b (D/F#) F/A

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
 3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows

(D) F (A) C (D) F (E7) G7 (A) C

Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold,
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life
 The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the church of God.
 as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.

(Am) Cm (D) F (G) B^b (Em) Gm (Bm) Dm

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
 Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One.
 The u - ni - verse, re - stored and whole, will sing:

1-3 (Em) Gm (D) (Asus) (A) F Csus C (Em) Gm (D) F

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Beginning with an allusion to Romans 6:9, this exuberant baptismal hymn unfolds the implications of our incorporation into Christ's new life, making us "a new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The text was written to fit this expansive tune by a distinguished British composer.


TEXT: John Brownlow Geyer, 1967, alt.
 MUSIC: Charles Villiers Stanford, 1904
 Text © 1972 John Brownlow Geyer

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 (this tune in a higher key, 641)

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GOD, WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING

Capo 3: (D) F (Bm) Dm (G) B \flat



1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
 2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
 3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D) F (Bm) Dm




end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
 Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
 grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G) B \flat (D) F (A) C



cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
 joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
 spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm) Dm (F \sharp m) Am (Bm) Dm (G) B \flat (A) C (D) F



to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
 la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
 shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm) Dm (G) B \flat (D) F

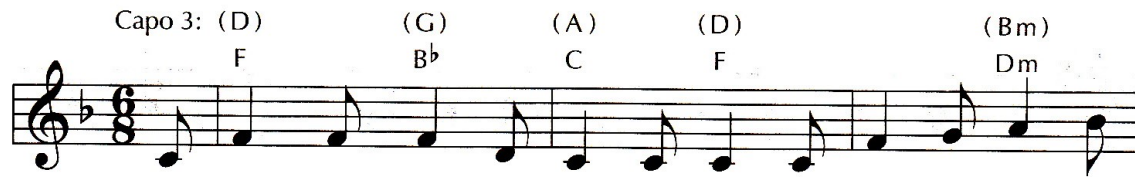


rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
 make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
 and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

I COME WITH JOY (vs. 1, 3, 5)



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
 2 I come with Chris-tians far and near to find, as all are
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
 4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call, in
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
 Christ's com-mu - nion bread, in Christ's com-mu - nion bread.
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text affirms that Christian unity is not achievement but gift, one renewed each time we gather for the Lord's Supper. Each of us enters as an "I" and leaves as part of "we." The unadorned language of this text is well matched to the simple shape note tune that sets it here.

TEXT: Brian Wren, 1968; rev. 1993

MUSIC: American folk melody; arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1977

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DOVE OF PEACE

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HAPPENINGS @ ELPC

Even though we cannot yet gather in full community,
we invite you to join us for any of our online happenings below.

More details and other event info are available on our website:

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PRAYING WITH THE ELEMENTS

Are you experiencing Zoom fatigue or do you feel stuck inside? If so, the Spiritual Life Committee invites you to get out in creation! Today at 1 pm, we will explore, connect, and pray with and in God's creation, guided by Christine Valters Paintner's book, *Water, Wind, Earth & Fire: The Christian Practice of Praying with the Elements*.

Contact the Rev. BJ Woodworth for info
(BJW@coh.net).

Zoom info:

Meeting ID: 896 1843 1427, Passcode: Creation

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

BIBLE STUDY: *Women's Lament*

Monday, Nov 2 from 7–8 pm

Tuesday, Nov 10 from 10 am–12 pm

In scripture and tradition, women have carried much of the burden of lament for society. All of these women have been mocked, praised and dismissed: Hannah, Sarah, Rachel, Elizabeth, and other biblical sisters offer very public and vocal examples of lamenting for their children. On Tuesday, Nov 17 from Noon-1 pm, all women are invited to discuss contemporary laments of women.

Zoom info:

Please email PW.ELPC@gmail.com

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY – NOV 8

In order to preserve the celebratory experience of stewardship during quarantine, we invite you to drive by ELPC on Stewardship Sunday, Nov 8 from 1:30–3 pm, and personally (and safely) give your pledge card and food donations (*canned fruit and tuna, pastas, instant potatoes, etc.*) to volunteers. If you are unable to come to the church, volunteers will drive to your home on Sunday, Nov 15 to pick up your gifts so that everyone can enjoy the celebration. You also may mail your pledge to the church or submit it at ELPC.church.

BAKING FOR OUR NEIGHBORS – NOV 8

Youth in grades 6–12 will gather on Sunday, Nov 8 from 12:30–1:30 pm to bake cookies for ELPC's neighbors.

Zoom info:

Please email Sara Hackett (SaraH@coh.net)

WAIT UPON THE LORD: *A Virtual Advent Retreat*

Friday–Sunday, Nov 20–22

Amidst all that is happening and will be happening in mid-November, why would one go on a 24-hour retreat.

Perhaps what we all need after nine months of a pandemic, continued racial injustice, and increasing political division and unrest is to take 24 hours to pull into the locks, rest, be still, attend to our breath, grieve, lament, light a candle, and find our strength in quietness and trust for the continued journey. A retreat creates space to ponder and prepare our lives for the new thing God may want to birth in and through you. The cost is \$25 (supplies will be sent to you). RSVP by Friday, Nov 6 to Norma (Norma@coh.net).

Contact the Rev. BJ Woodworth for info (BJW@coh.net).

Zoom info:

To be provided to participants

REFUGE OF THE HEART: *Bilingual Meditation Group*

Begins Tuesday, Nov 11 at 7 pm

ELPC is offering a new space for reflection, prayer and meditation called *Refuge of the Heart*, a bilingual meditation group. All meditations given in Spanish and English. We will meditate on how God accompanies us in life and the path toward hope, peace, love, joy and wellbeing. If you're interested, contact Kathryn Ophardt (kophardt@pts.edu) or the Rev. BJ Woodworth (BJW@coh.net).

Zoom info:

Meeting ID: 923 4025 3394, Passcode: STwDhM

NEW CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY NOW AVAILABLE

ELPC recently published a new church photo directory.

Click here to download a copy (password is:

2020Directory). To request a hardcopy, make changes, or add a new photo, email Megan Leisher (MeganL@coh.net).



**Scott Smith and the
new Sanctuary cross,
made from salvaged wood
at East Liberty
Presbyterian Church.**

**The new cross
will be installed in
the Sanctuary soon!**

CHURCH LIFE CONTINUES

Please join us by
**Livestream
& Zoom**
for these events

More information
is available at
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Worship Services

Journey Worship Service
Returns September 13 at 8:45 am

Sundays ▪ 11 am
Sanctuary Worship Service
Livestream ▪ YouTube ▪ Facebook

Wednesdays ▪ 7 pm
Tai   Prayer Service
Archived Livestream ▪ www.ELPC.church

Prayer Time

*Pastors Randy, Heather, and Patrice are offering brief
Prayer Services with scripture readings, responsive
prayer, and interactive dialogue.*

Tuesdays ▪ 8-8:15 am
Watch Online ▪ zoom.us/join
Call to join ▪ 929.205.6099
meeting ID 293 707 645

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Preaching: The Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy
Liturgists: The Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush
The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf
The Rev. BJ Woodworth
Lis Bischoff-Ormsbee
Ali Carpenter
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore,
Organist/Music Director
Michael Painter, *Cantor*
Denise Sheffey-Powell, *Cantor*
A/V: Tim Benedict
Wayne Gaines

As part of ELPC's mission to extend radical
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<http://tiny.cc/elpc-youtube>

and **archived** at **www.ELPC.church**

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