



Taizé:

Prayerful Song &
Quiet Meditation

May 18, 2022
7:00 pm



**East Liberty
Presbyterian Church**

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Prelude by Merryn Spence

Welcome and Opening Centering by The Rev. BJ Woodworth

This worship space is created to enhance your prayer. As you enter, grab a prayer stone or palm cross to hold. Feel free to come forward to the craft table to doodle or color a mandala, come sit on prayer cushion and be closer to the front, pray with one of the icons, light a candle, or move with the music. There are prayer stations up on the altar that you are welcome to explore.

If the songs are new to you, let their simple repeated refrains be sung over you and join in as you are able.

We hope that you will become aware of the presence of the living God as you pray in this place and that you might take that awareness out with you into the world.

CLM35 The Kingdom Of God

The king - dom of God is jus - tice and peace and joy in the Ho - ly

Spir - it. Come, Lord, and o - pen in us the gates of your_ king - dom. The

(Last time ☺)

NB6 Dona Nobis Pacem (Give Us Peace Of Heart)

Do - na no - bis pa - cem cor - di - um. Do - na no - bis pa - cem. —

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Psalm 85 (from "Psalms for Praying" by Nan C. Merrill)

Sung Response: * Lord, Let Us See Your Kindness



Lord, let us see your kind-ness, — and grant us your sal - va-tion.

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Michael Bogdan
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O Beloved, how gracious you are
To your people;
You restore their souls time and time again.
You forgive their distractions
When they wander far from you;
You give them new Life.
Yes, you bless them and raise up new hope;
You awaken their hearts to love.

**LORD, LET US SEE
YOUR KINDNESS**

Restore us again, O Spirit of Truth;
Burn us with the refining Fire of Love!
We cannot live separated from you;
Cast out the demons of fear, doubt and illusion.
Revive us again, we pray;
May your people rejoice in you!
Have compassion on your people, O Holy One,
And grant us your forgiveness.

**LORD, LET US SEE
YOUR KINDNESS**

Listen, O people, in the silent
Chapel of your heart;
And the Beloved will speak of peace to you,
To the hidden saints,
To all who turn their hearts to Love.
Surely new life is at hand
For those who reverence Love;
O, that harmony might dwell
Among the nations.

**LORD, LET US SEE
YOUR KINDNESS**

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
Righteousness and peace
Will embrace one another.
Wisdom will spring up from the ground
And truth will look down from the sky.
Yes, the Eternal Giver will grant what is good,
And the lands will yield abundantly.

**LORD, LET US SEE
YOUR KINDNESS**

Mercy and compassion are Love's way;
You will guide our footsteps
Upon the path of peace
As we recognize with open hearts
That you are our peace.

**LORD, LET US SEE
YOUR KINDNESS**



The Word: John 14:27 (NRSV translation)

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you... Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

Musical Meditation

Our meditation time tonight is enfolded by Merryn Spence on the Handpan, may it illuminate and speak to your heart. The Handpan is a recently construed instrument from Switzerland whose inspiration came from the steel pan, first created and played in Trinidad and Tobago. This Handpan is tuned to 432 Hertz (Hz) to invoke the creative and intuitive right brain.

Words from Saint Francis de Sales

Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset.

CLM19 Peace I Leave You

The musical score is written for a Handpan in 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains the melody with lyrics in German and English. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: 'Frie - den, I leave you, my peace I give. euch. Me - nen Frie - den ge - be ich euch. Eu - er Herz ver - za - ge nicht. Let your hearts be free from fear. My peace I give to you.'

Frie - den, I leave you, my peace I give. euch.
Peace I leave you, my peace I give. give.

Mei - nen Frie - den ge - be ich euch. Eu - er Herz ver - za - ge nicht.
Let your hearts be free from fear. My peace I give to you.

Prayers of Intercession (*"Being Peace: A Prayer," adapted from Lao-Tzu, 6th century BCE*)

Sung Response: 31 Give To Us Your Peace

♩ = 72 *mp* Am C Dm ES US E

Do - na no - bis pa - cem Do - mi - ne.
Give to us your peace, O Je - sus Christ.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. The voice part is on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The piano accompaniment is on a bass clef staff. The tempo is marked as 72 beats per minute. The dynamics are marked as mezzo-piano (mp). The chords are indicated above the staff: Am, C, Dm, ES US, and E. The lyrics are written below the voice staff.

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If there is to be peace in the world,
There must be peace in the nations.
Grant us your peace in the nations.
GIVE TO US YOUR PEACE

If there is to be peace in the nations,
There must be peace in the city.
Grant us your peace in the city.
GIVE TO US YOUR PEACE

If there is to be peace in the cities,
There must be peace between neighbors.
Grant us your peace between neighbors.
GIVE TO US YOUR PEACE

If there is to be peace between neighbors,
There must be peace in our homes.
Grant us your peace in our homes.
GIVE TO US YOUR PEACE

If there is to be peace in our homes,
There must be peace in our heart.
Grant us your peace in our heart
And out into the world...
GIVE TO US YOUR PEACE



Silent and Spoken Prayers

Please feel free to add your spoken petitions.

A note about praying for others out loud: Some people are comfortable with having their prayer concerns lifted up in public worship. Others are not. Before you share aloud any prayer concerns, please be sure that you are not breaking confidentiality.

Whether or not you say the person's name out loud, God hears and receives the intentions of your heart.

NB53 The Lord's Prayer

Our Fa - ther who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name; thy king - dom come;

thy will be done, on earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread;

for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us;

lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the King - dom,

and the pow - er, and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Prayer over the Anointing Oil *(in unison)*

We have an anointing station this evening for those seeking individual prayer to share joys or concerns. Any desiring prayer, and/or anointing with oil, are invited to come forward, waiting in the center aisle if the station is full. To assist in hearing prayer concerns, anointing happens to the left in the columbarium.

Bless this oil, O Lord, pressed from the fruit of the earth. Let it be a holy ointment for the wounds and worries of those who receive it. May it be a sign to all of us of your constant desire to touch our lives and bring us to health and wholeness. Amen.



44 Give Peace To Every Heart

Canon
♩ = 72

(A) Cm F Cm F

Da pa - cem cor - di - um. Da pa - cem cor - di - um. Da
Give peace to ev - 'ry heart. Give peace to ev - 'ry heart. Give

(B) (C)

pa - - - - - cem. Da pa - - - - - cem. Da
peace, Lord. Give peace, Lord. Give

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38 My Soul Is At Rest

A Dm A^{SUS} A Dm C F C Dm A Dm

My soul is at rest in God a-lone, my sal - va - tion comes from God. My

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* Let There Be Peace On Earth

C Am Dm7 G7 C F C Dm G7

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me;

C B7 Em B7 G G7

let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

Am Em C7 F G7 C

*With God our cre - a - tor, chil - dren all are we.

Am7 D7 G Am7 D7 G7

Let us walk with each oth - er in per - fect har - mo - ny.

C Am Dm7 G7 C F C Dm G7

Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment now.

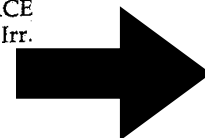
* Original words: "With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony."

WORDS: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson, 1955

MUSIC: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson, 1955; harm. Charles H. Webb, 1987

WORLD PEACE
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C B7 Em B7 G

With ev - ery step I take, let this be my sol - emn vow:

C C+ F D7 D°7

to take each mo - ment and live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly.

C E7 F C F G7 C

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.



Eastertide Blessing *(in unison)*

God of Life and Light, awaken us to your presence among us in the ordinary activity of our lives. Jesus, the Christ, walk with us, forgive us, and make us your wounded healers. Spirit, produce your fruit in us that we may become the beloved community of God.

Leader: Thanks be to God. Amen.

People: Amen.

SPIRITUAL LIFE EVENTS

Contemplative Prayer

In the Season of Eastertide we will be mediating and dwelling in the stories of resurrection and new life. The group will take a break starting May 30 through Labor day, and resume on Monday, Sept 12. Join Rev. BJ Woodworth on Zoom for this on Monday mornings.

Mondays, 7:30 am to 8 am • Meeting ID #959 8065
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Wednesday Morning Yoga and Contemplation Series

Join Katrina Woodworth for a Hatha yoga class on Wednesdays at 8 am on Zoom in May and June to explore our relationship with creation through the 4 elements of water, wind, earth and fire. The ancient Yogis understood that our bodies contain all 4 elements. In this class we will explore the elements through movement, posture, breath and meditation. Each class will end with a contemplative reading and 15 minutes of silent meditation. Register in advance at us02web.zoom.us/j/zoommeeting/register/tZEscOqvqzMvHNXq7TKKgnoekVRX2nVZVa6A. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Cathedral Yoga

Yamuna will lead yoga in-person in the Sanctuary before the 7 pm Taizé Prayer service.

Wednesdays, 6 to 7 pm

JourneyDance

Enjoy an evening of healthy, energizing, funky and divine dancing on the 3rd Friday of every month (with a few exceptions).

June 17, July 15, Aug 19, Sept 16,
Oct 21, Nov 18, Dec 9 (*second Friday*)
6:30-7:45 pm

Enneagram Study Group

Join facilitator Lynn Holden on the third Mondays now through June and Sept through Dec, from 12:15-1:30 pm on Zoom (www.Zoom.us; Meeting ID: 966 6904 5127, Passcode: 9types) for an Enneagram Study Group. Required book is *The Sacred Enneagram: Finding Your Path to Spiritual Growth* by Christopher L. Heuertz. (*Please note: During May, the group will meet on May 23, instead of May 16.*)

Decolonizing our Spiritual Practices – June 4

Join us on Saturday, June 4 from 9 am–3pm at ELPC or on Zoom for a day of teaching, conversation, and spiritual practice, as we seek to continue in our journey to be a Matthew 25 church and decolonize our spiritual practices.

We will be led by Leeann Shaw Younger. Under her leadership, we will look at the world and the story of Jesus through the eyes of those impacted by the work of colonial missionaries here in the U.S. and around the world. We will deepen our relationship with the Divine by considering how we might begin to unlearn the spiritual practices we've inherited that ignore and even denigrate the way indigenous cultures see the world and the Divine. We will consider what we can learn about the story of Jesus through the eyes of those finding a story of liberation and healing for both our human and other-than-human relatives.

RSVP to Norma by Sunday, May 29.

(412.441.3800 x111)

The suggested donation is \$10 (lunch included).

About Our Facilitator

Leeann Shaw Younger is the lead pastor of Cityview Church in Pittsburgh's East Deutschtown/Spring Garden neighborhood. She co-founded the Evangelical Covenant Church congregation in 2010 with her husband, Wayne. Leeann has a breadth of vocational experiences in her background as a nonprofit executive leader, campus minister, and pastor, but most recently has enjoyed her role as a Democratic committee woman. She is in the process of completing a Master of Theological Studies, with a focus on decolonizing church practice from the Pacific School of Religion.



The Rev. BJ Woodworth is Minister of Taizé Prayer here at ELPC.

BJ is also Director of Spiritual Life Ministries and is available to provide spiritual direction to anyone who is a part of the ELPC community (attending Taizé makes YOU a part of that community).

**He can be reached at:
412.441.3800 x141; BJW@coh.net**

ELPC EVENTS

Child Care Worker Needed

ELPC is looking to hire a Child Care worker to provide care for infants and toddlers on Sunday mornings in our nursery. The ideal candidate for this position will create a welcoming, engaging, safe, and age-appropriate environment for infants and toddlers. If you know someone who might be interested, please visit www.elpc.church/careers for more info.

Volunteer Flower Planting Day – May 21

Join the Gardening Crew from 9 am-Noon on Saturday, May 21 for their annual volunteer flower planting day. Each spring a group of dedicated members and friends refresh the Highland Ave entrance and the Courtyard. Bring your generous spirit and a pair of work gloves to the Highland driveway. If you're interested in helping, or would like to learn about upcoming garden workdays, please contact Don Breitbarth (donbreitbarth@gmail.com).

Congregational Meeting – May 22

There will be a *Congregational Meeting* on Sunday, May 22 in the Sanctuary immediately after the 11 am service.

GCF Sidewalk Seedling Sale – May 22

Garfield Community Farm will be hosting a Sidewalk Seedling Sale on Penn Ave in front of ELPC on Sunday, May 22 from 12–2 pm. Stop by after Sanctuary worship and get started on your garden while supporting a local neighborhood community farm.

Making a Difference Together Panel Presentation – May 22

Join the Environmental Team of the Justice Committee on Sunday, May 22 at 12:30 pm for the *Making a Difference Together Panel Presentation*, led by Local Active Hope Innovators: Stefani Danes (founder of Rachel Carson Ecovillage), John Creasy (founder of Garfield Community Farm), and Fred Kraybill (renewable energy advocate). Attend in-person in the McKelvy Room or via Zoom (Meeting ID: 81600563547). Light refreshments, stimulating ideas, good company and inspiration provided. For more info, contact Nancy (n.heastings@comcast.net).

LGBTQ Ministry Gathering – May 22

All are invited to the next monthly spiritual gathering of ELPC's LGBTQ Ministry on Sunday, May 22 at 12:30 pm both in person and via Zoom. Contact Wil Forrest to attend (Wil@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x118).



Church Tour – May 29

All are invited to join a *Hidden Places Tour* after the 11 am Sanctuary service on Sunday, May 29. Please gather in the Highland Lobby to join this exciting tour!

Brass and Organ Concert – May 29

The Brass Roots and conductor/arranger Jim Nova return to team up with Dr. Edward Alan Moore in a concert of music adapted from the movies and video games at 3 pm in the Sanctuary on Sunday, May 29. A freewill offering will be accepted. The concert will also be live-streamed on YouTube and Facebook.

Environmental Book Club – June 2

The Environmental Team of the Justice Committee invites you to read *This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs The Climate* by Naomi Klein. Then join the book club for a discussion on Thursday, June 2 at 7 pm, led by Amanda DeWitt. For more info, please contact Nancy Heastings (n.heastings@comcast.net).

The Chapel Marketplace is Re-Opening! – June 6

We've been waiting for this day!

Keep it on your calendar and in your prayers!

The Chapel Marketplace is a clothing ministry of ELPC where people from the community can come and shop (no cost) for clothing. To re-open, we need your help, especially help sorting clothes and staffing the Chapel Marketplace. We also need donations of new or gently used clothes (spring/summer seasonal – please, no men's suits or ties right now). You can leave your donations in the bins near the main desk at Highland Ave. If interested, please contact Frank Bauerle (frbauerle@yahoo.com). Someone will contact you about how and when you can help.

Inquirers Class – June 12

If you are interested in learning more about ELPC and would like to join our faith family, please attend the next *Inquirers Class* on Sunday, June 12 after the 10 am Sanctuary worship service in the Fellowship Room. To register or for more info, please contact Megan (MeganL@coh.net).

Registration is Open for VCS!

ELPC will be hosting Vacation Church School for children in pre-K (age 4 and potty-trained) through grade 5 (completed), during the week of June 20–24 from 9 am–3 pm. Our theme will be *Passports to Peace*. Registration is now open for students and volunteers. Visit our website for registration forms and more info (www.ELPC.church).