

An aerial photograph of an outdoor church courtyard. A large group of people is seated in rows of white plastic chairs, facing a long white-clothed altar table. The courtyard is surrounded by lush green trees, and a building is visible in the background. The scene is bathed in bright sunlight, creating strong shadows.

Summer Worship

July 3, 2022

10 am • Courtyard



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 3, 2022 — 10 AM SUMMER WORSHIP FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING MUSIC *(music printed in bulletin)*

Hymn #667

Hymn #792

Hymn #752

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

“There Is A Balm in Gilead”

“Dona Nobis Pacem”

LAUDES DOMINI

BALM IN GILEAD

DONA NOBIS PACEM

WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

* SHARING GOD'S PEACE

The Rev. Schoenewolf

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

Bill Johnson

Leader: Call upon the Lord! I asked for help and I was healed!

People: We asked for freedom and we were given liberty beyond measure! Praise God!

Leader: Sing to the Lord, all you faithful; give thanks to God's holy name.

People: God turned our mourning into dancing! The Great Tailor took away the sackcloth and dressed us up in celebration! Our hearts sing without ceasing! O Lord our God, we will always give you thanks!

* OPENING HYMN #805 *(music printed in bulletin)*

ELLACOMBE

“Come Sing To God”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & INTERCESSION

The Rev. Schoenewolf

Please respond: God, lift us out of the depths.

SUNG RESPONSE HYMN #799 *(music printed in bulletin)*

I LOVE THE LORD

“I Love The Lord, Who Heard My Cry”

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

The Rev. Schoenewolf

Leader: Peace! Peace is what you receive from God when you know that your sins are forgiven. Peace is what you have when you know that the destruction of sin cannot harm you. Peace is what you have when you realize that you are not alone in your journey of life. Therefore, be at peace.

People: En Jesucristo tenemos perdón.
¡Alaben a Dios!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Praise God!

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Galatians 6:1-16

Bill Johnson

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy

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

July 3 • 4th Sunday after Pentecost

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MOMENTS WITH OUR CHILDREN

Sara Hackett

Children of any age are welcome to come forward for Moments with our Children.

Children in preschool through grade 3 are invited to the Chapel for a time of learning together. Children younger than age 3 are welcome to attend, if accompanied by their parents. Parents and caregivers should meet their children in the back of the Sanctuary during the Doxology, when children will return to the worship service.

The nursery is open to young children who are accompanied by their parents/caregivers during worship (there will be no staff/volunteers present); the service is livestreamed into that space.

* HYMN #795 (<i>music printed in bulletin</i>)	“Healer Of Our Every Ill”	HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL
PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION		The Rev. Schoenewolf
HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON	2 Kings 5:1-14	The Rev. Schoenewolf
SERMON	“A Third Way”	The Rev. Schoenewolf
TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION		

- * AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*selected stanzas from the Confession of Belhar*) The Rev. Fowler-Searcy
- We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.
- We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and **through Jesus Christ; that God’s life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God’s life-giving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world.**
- We believe that God has revealed God’s self as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people; that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever flowing stream. Amen.**

OFFERING INVITATION

The Rev. Fowler-Searcy

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.

You are invited to use the QR code to the right if you would like to make a donation in support of ELPC. A donation box is also available in the Narthex.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“With a Voice of Singing”

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!

Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.

The Lord hath delivered the people, Alleluia!

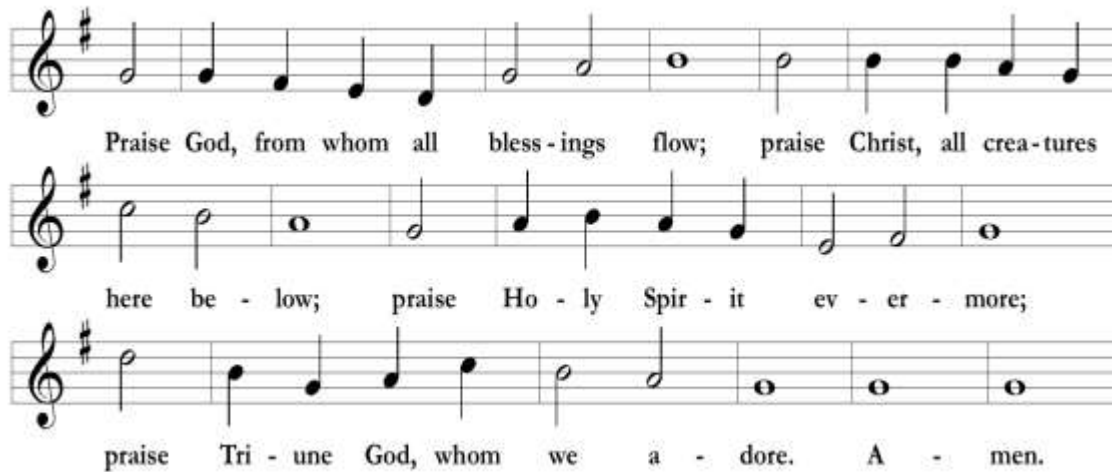
O be joyful in God, all ye lands.

O sing praises to the honor of God’s name, make God’s praise to be glorious.

* Indicates where you may rise in body or spirit.

* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION

OLD HUNDREDTH



— 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.
People: Y también contigo.
Leader: Levantemos nuestros corazones.
People: Lo tenemos levantado al Señor.
Leader: Demos gracias al Señor
nuestro Dios.
People: Es justo dar gracias y
alabanzas a Dios.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord
our God.
It is right to give God
thanks and praise.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING BREAD & CUP

The communion elements are gluten-free bread and grape juice. The congregation is invited to come forward by using the center aisle to the communion servers where each may receive the bread and the cup, then returning to their seats via the side aisles to partake of the elements. Those not able to come forward will be served in their seats.

COMMUNION HYMN #515 (music printed in bulletin)

DOVE OF PEACE

“I Come With Joy”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Rev. Schoenewolf

Merciful and gracious God, we give thanks that you have invited us to this Table. We give you thanks that you have received us as members of the body of Christ and have affirmed us as a community of faith. Lead us to live as faithful and dedicated disciples in service to all the world; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN #340 (music printed in bulletin)

FINLANDIA

“This Is My Song”

* CHARGE & BLESSING

The Rev. Schoenewolf

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.

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.

Please silence all electronic devices before the service begins.

◆ PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Preaching: The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf
Liturgists: The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy
Sara Hackett
Bill Johnson
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore
Organist/Music Director
ELPC Summer Choir
Beadle: Mario Seneca
Sound: Tim Benedict
Wayne Gaines

◆ SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Each Sunday morning, there is coffee available in the Narthex from 9 am to Noon.

◆ WORSHIP FLOWERS

The flowers today are in loving memory of Nanny Trotsch, mother of Peter Trotsch and mother-in-law of Lynne Chadwick.

Our beautiful arrangements are provided by Bloom Brigade (www.bloombrigade.com).

◆ SUNDAY WORSHIP

10 am..... Summer Worship. Our largest service with a multi-cultural congregation and music from piano and choir and soloists. The service is also livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook. Weather permitting, this service will be held in the Courtyard. Additional seating is available in the Garth Overlook Room if you prefer to sit inside.

July 10 — The Rev. Patrice L. Fowler-Searcy preaching.

◆ WEEKDAY WORSHIP

Taizé: Prayerful Song and Quiet Meditation
Chants and periods of meditative silence modeled after the Taizé community in France. Rev. BJ Woodworth leads this service in the Chapel.

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.

Available everyday

◆ WEEKLY SPIRITUAL LIFE OFFERINGS

Cathedral Yoga

Yamuna will lead yoga in-person at 6 pm in the Sanctuary (before the 7 pm Taizé Prayer service).

Wednesdays, 6 to 7 pm

Journey Dance

Enjoy an evening of healthy, energizing, funky and divine dancing on the 3rd Friday of every month

July 15, Aug 19, Sept 16,

Oct 21, Nov 18, Dec 9 (*second Friday*)

6:30-7:45 pm

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are grateful to have you join us for worship this morning and ask you to register your name in our red Friendship Books.

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

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. Contact Megan Leisher to register or for more information (MeganL@coh.net).

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

#667 — WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES



1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing
 2 Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I
 3 Let earth's wide cir - cle round in joy - ful notes re -
 4 Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di -

cries: may Je - sus Christ be praised! A -
 find: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Or
 sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let
 vine: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be

like at work and prayer to Je - sus I re -
 fades my earth - ly bliss? My com - fort still is
 air and sea and sky from depth to height re -
 this the e - ter - nal song through all the a - ges

pair: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 this: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 ply: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 long: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

This is not just a morning hymn, though this excerpt from an English translation of an early 19th-century German text may not convey how thoroughly the original deals with different kinds of time throughout the day. The tune was composed as a setting for this English text.

#792 — THERE IS A BALM IN GILEAD

Refrain

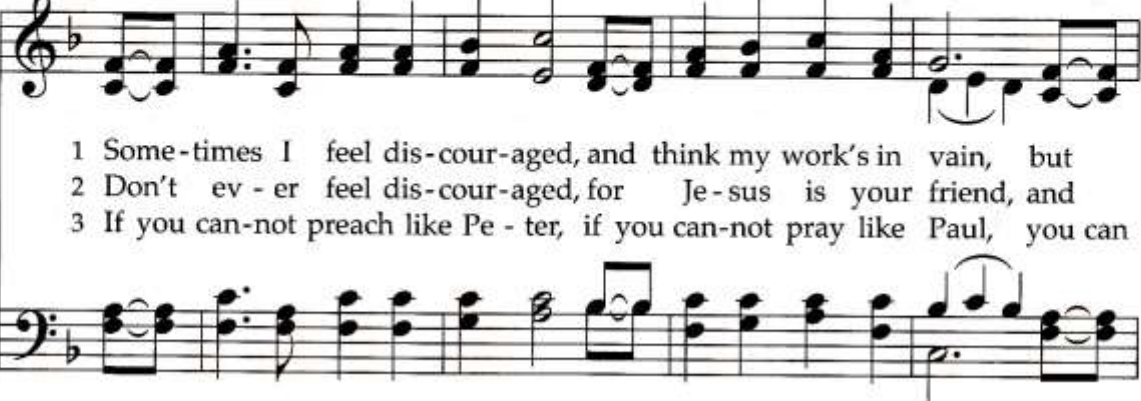


There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole;

Fine

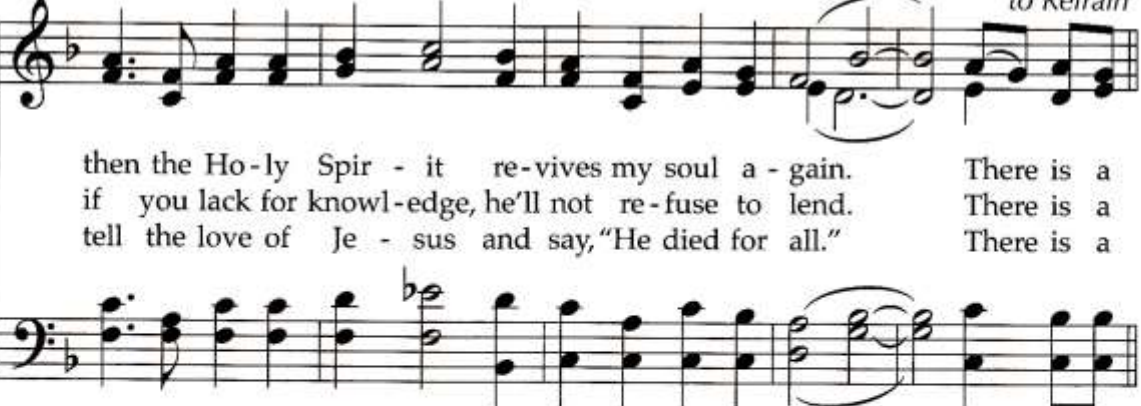


there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.



1 Some-times I feel dis-cour-aged, and think my work's in vain, but
 2 Don't ev - er feel dis-cour-aged, for Je-sus is your friend, and
 3 If you can-not preach like Pe - ter, if you can-not pray like Paul, you can

to Refrain



then the Ho-ly Spir - it re-vives my soul a - gain. There is a
 if you lack for knowl-edge, he'll not re-fuse to lend. There is a
 tell the love of Je - sus and say, "He died for all." There is a

This African American spiritual offers a long-delayed answer to the prophet Jeremiah's question, "Is there no balm in Gilead?" (Jeremiah 8:22). No earthly remedy can compare with the healing that comes from a sense of God's presence; nothing else can heal "the sin-sick soul."

TEXT: African American spiritual

MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Melva Wilson Costen, 1989, alt. CCLI #689547
 Music Arr. © 1990 Melva Wilson Costen

BALM IN GILEAD
 7.6.7.6 with refrain

#752 — DONA NOBIS PACEM

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (A)

*1 F C F C

Latin Do - na no - bis pa - cem, pa - cem.
 Hebrew Sim sha-lom, sim sha-lom, sim sha - lom.
 Arabic Rab - bu hab - na sa - la - mann tam - man.

*2

Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

*3

Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

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

Do - na no - bis pa - cem.
 Sim sha - lom a - lei - nu.
 Rab - bu hab - na sa - la - mann.

Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

*May be sung as a canon.

HEBREW

שִׁים שְׁלוֹם עֲלֵינוּ

ARABIC

رَبِّ هَبْنَا سَلَامًا تَامًا.
 رَبِّ هَبْنَا السَّلَامَ.

Whether sung in Latin, Hebrew, Arabic, or any other language, there is no common human prayer deeper than the longing for peace: peace among people and peace in our hearts. The style of this familiar musical setting suggests that it dates from the late 18th or early 19th century.

1 Come sing to God, O liv - ing saints; sing prais - es to God's name.
 2 In my suc - cess I felt se - cure; how good you've been to me.
 3 What good is gained by my dis - grace, what prof - it in de - feat?
 4 You change my grief to joy - filled dance; my sor - rows you de - stroy.

God's an - ger is not per - ma - nent; God's love will nev - er wane.
 I said that this is my own work, as - crib - ing all to me.
 My grave can - not con - fess your name, nor praise for you re - peat.
 In faith - ful - ness you hear my cry and fill my life with joy.

Though tears may tar - ry for the night with sighs of deep - est pain,
 But when you turned a - side your face, my life was filled with fears.
 Now hear, O Lord, my plain - tive cry; be mer - ci - ful to me.
 And so to you my heart shall sing; my voice your good - ness raise.

yet joy comes with the morn - ing sun, a peace that is not vain.
 I begged for help; to you I cried with loud and bit - ter tears.
 Ac - cept my long - ing heart's re - quest and from death set me free.
 You are my God, for - ev - er - more. My life shall sing your praise.

In effect, the first stanza of this paraphrase of Psalm 30 states the general truth that has been learned from the personal experience described in the last three stanzas. It is set to an 18th-century German tune brought into use with English hymnody in the 19th century.

#799 — I LOVE THE LORD

1 I love the Lord, who heard my cry
2 I love the Lord, who heard my cry

and pit - ied ev - ery groan.
and chased my grief a - way.

Long as I live and trou - bles rise,
O let my heart no more de - spair

I'll has - ten to God's throne.
while I have breath to pray.

This setting of stanzas from a metrical psalm draws on an African American singing tradition marked by a slow pace and individual improvisation. Vestiges of that practice appear here in the pattern of extended syllables occurring at regular intervals without regard to meaning.

TEXT: Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.

MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Richard Smallwood, 1975

Music Arr. © 1975 Richard Smallwood CCLI #689547

I LOVE THE LORD

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#795 — HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL

Refrain D Em7 G A D Bm Bm7 G A



Heal - er of our ev - ery ill, light of each to - mor - row,

F#m7 Bm Em7 F#7 G Em A D *Fine*



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.

Bm F#m G F



1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your peace and
 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is still un -
 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - ery sis - ter, ev - ery
 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your way of

Em D/F# G Bm A G A *to Refrain*



glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.
 fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.
 broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.
 heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

As soon becomes apparent, this sung prayer is not limited to personal physical healing. It deals with the larger and intangible gifts of peace and hope to vanquish fear and sorrow, and it is cast in the plural because it is concerned with the healing of a wounded community.

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



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

(Asus) (Am) (G) (F \sharp m) (D)
Csus Cm B \flat Am F



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

(Em) (D/F \sharp) (G) (A) (Am7) (D)
Gm F/A B \flat C Cm7 F



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

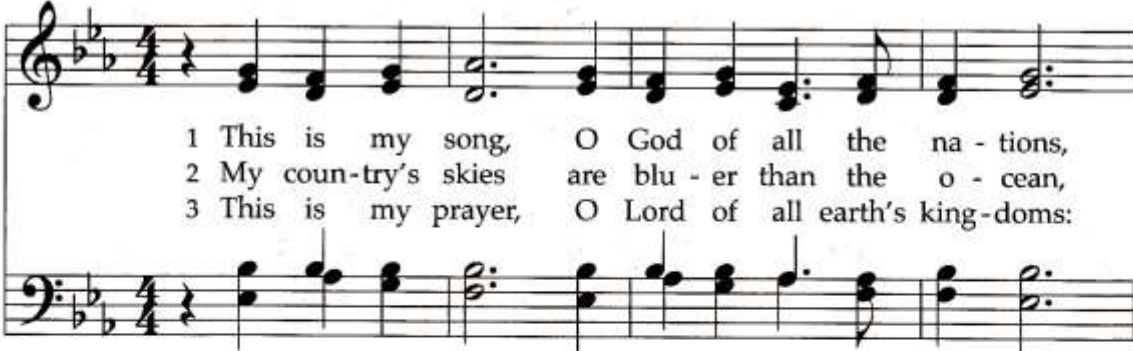
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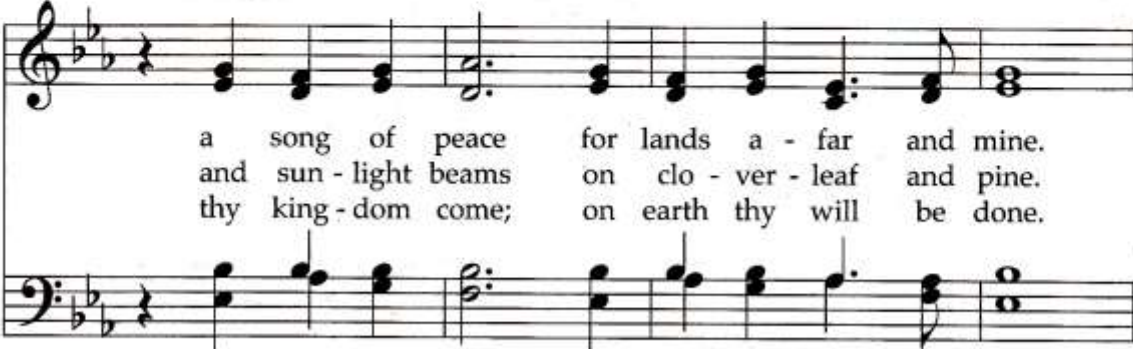
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to everyone who helped and participated in Vacation Church School!

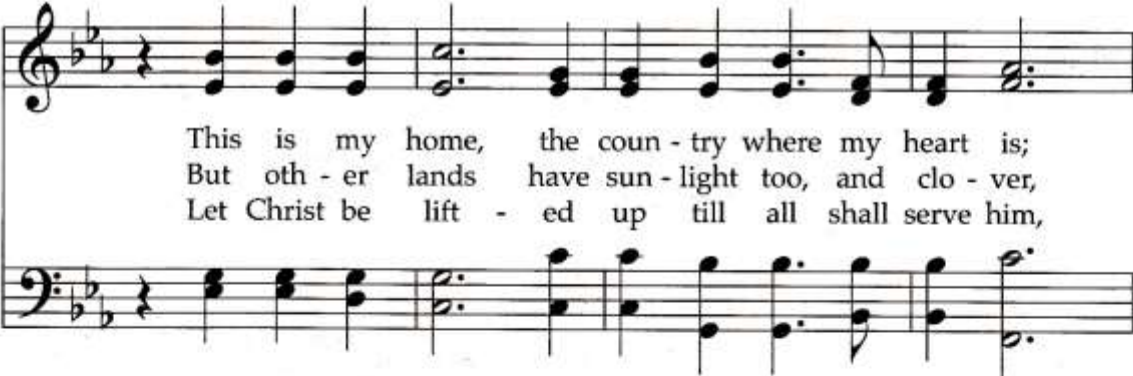
#340 — THIS IS MY SONG



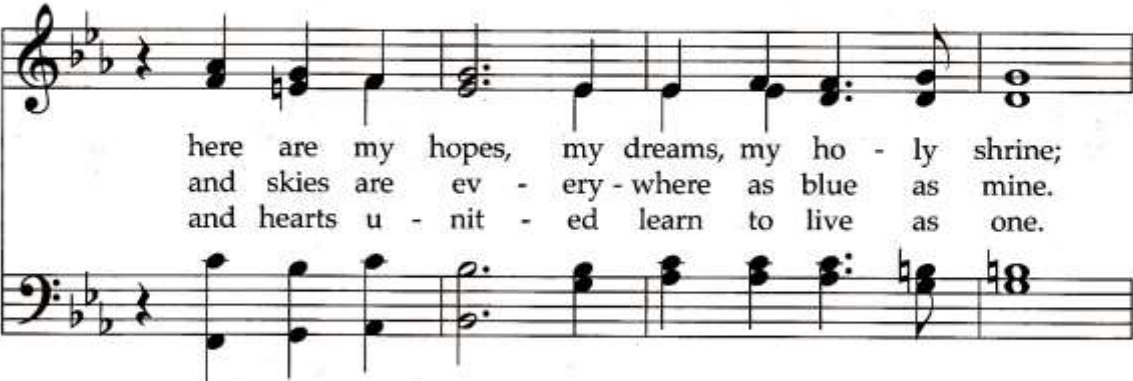
1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
 3 This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king - doms:



a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
 and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
 thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.



This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
 Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,



here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

The first two stanzas of this hymn were written between the 20th century's two world wars and focus on the theme of international peace. The third stanza, by another author and added later, uses the language of the Lord's Prayer to voice a distinctly Christian perspective.

TEXT: Stanzas 1–2, Lloyd Stone; stanza 3, Georgia Harkness, alt.

MUSIC: Jean Sibelius, 1899; arr. *The Hymnal*, 1933, alt.

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FINLANDIA

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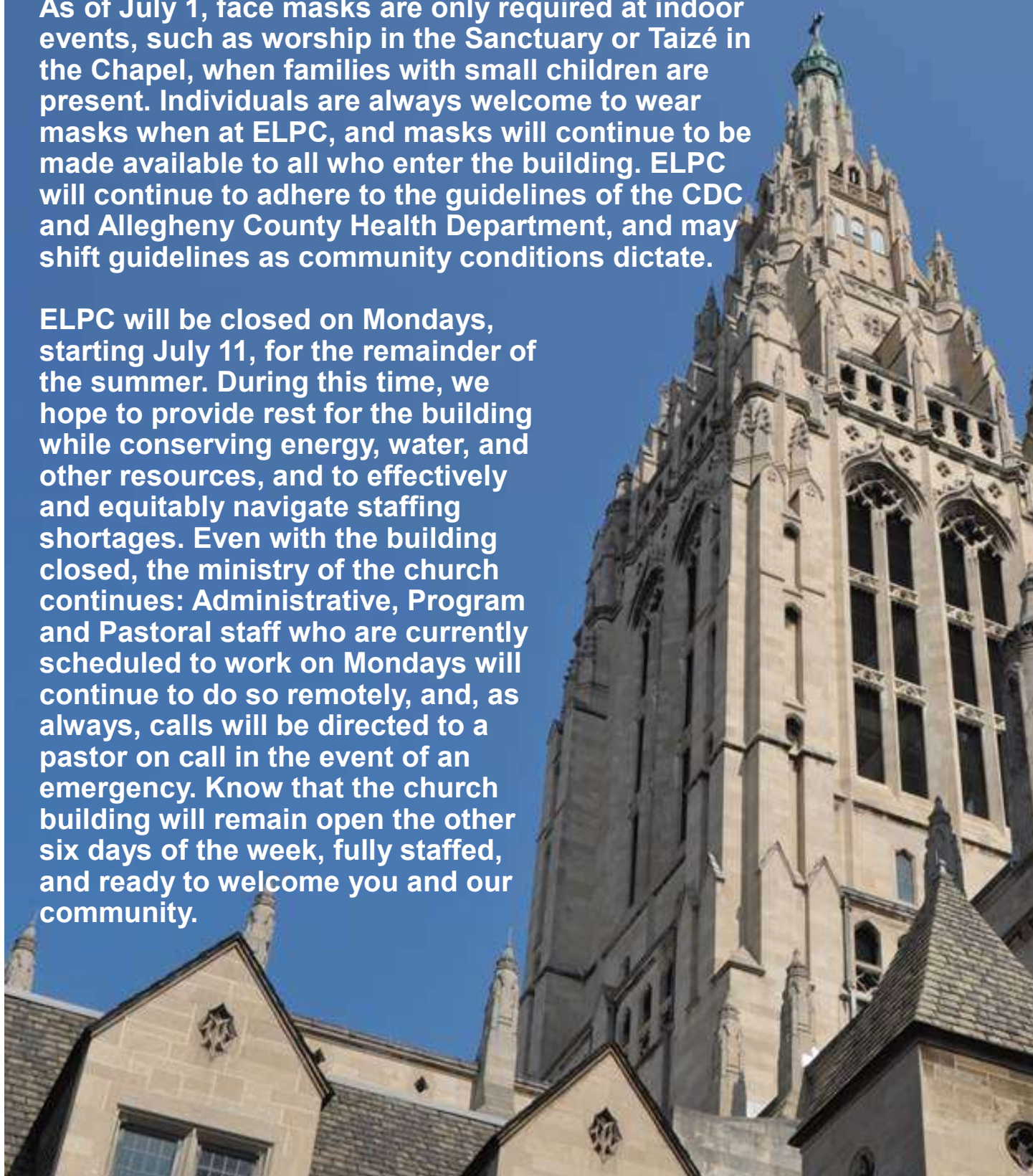
but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions:

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.

INFORMATION ABOUT ELPC's MASK POLICY AND SUMMER BUILDING HOURS

As of July 1, face masks are only required at indoor events, such as worship in the Sanctuary or Taizé in the Chapel, when families with small children are present. Individuals are always welcome to wear masks when at ELPC, and masks will continue to be made available to all who enter the building. ELPC will continue to adhere to the guidelines of the CDC and Allegheny County Health Department, and may shift guidelines as community conditions dictate.

ELPC will be closed on Mondays, starting July 11, for the remainder of the summer. During this time, we hope to provide rest for the building while conserving energy, water, and other resources, and to effectively and equitably navigate staffing shortages. Even with the building closed, the ministry of the church continues: Administrative, Program and Pastoral staff who are currently scheduled to work on Mondays will continue to do so remotely, and, as always, calls will be directed to a pastor on call in the event of an emergency. Know that the church building will remain open the other six days of the week, fully staffed, and ready to welcome you and our community.



TODAY AT ELPC

New Summer Building Hours

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Sundays.....	8 am—4 pm
Mondays.....	Closed
Tuesdays.....	9 am—8 pm
Wednesdays.....	9 am—8 pm
Thursdays.....	9 am—8 pm
Fridays.....	9 am—5 pm
Saturdays.....	8 am—4 pm

Please note the building will be closed tomorrow, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.



New COVID Protocols at ELPC

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The Chapel Marketplace Re-Opened

The Chapel Marketplace is a clothing ministry of ELPC where people from the community can come and shop (no cost) for clothing. We need your help, especially help sorting clothes and staffing the Chapel Marketplace. We also need donations of new or gently used clothes (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).

Summer Choir

If you would like to sing with the summer choir when we worship in the Courtyard, please contact Dr. Ed Moore (EdM@coh.net). Rehearsals will be at 9 am on Sunday mornings to sing for the 10 am service.

LGBTQ Ministry Spiritual Gathering — July 10

You are invited to the next spiritual gathering of ELPC's LGBTQ Ministry on Sunday, July 10 at 11:30 am. Both allies and LGBTQIA+ folks alike are encouraged to attend. Contact Wil Forrest for more info and/or to attend (412.441.3800 x118; Wil@coh.net).



Church Tours — July 10 and 31

There will be a tour of the Sanctuary and Chapel with guide Jo Ellen Aleshire on Sunday, July 10. On July 31, Steve Evrard will guide a tour of the tower. All tours are held after the 10 am summer worship service. Please gather in the Highland Lobby to attend.

Middle School Mission Trip — July 10 to 15

Students who have completed grades 6–8 are heading to Crestfield Camp in Slippery Rock for a week of mission work and fun from July 10-15! The cost is \$200 (scholarships available). Register online at ELPC.church.

Film Viewing: "Torture in Our Name" — July 17

The Justice Committee invites you to a screening of *Torture in Our Name* following worship on Sunday, July 17 in the Garth Overlook Room. Snacks will be provided.

In this compelling 35-minute documentary for faith audiences, filmmaker Matthew Gossage showcases the tenacity and resilience of people who have faced the torture of solitary confinement first-hand and are working to end it once and for all.

The film traces the stories of state organizers in Louisiana, New Jersey and New York, where survivors of solitary and their allies have mounted successful legislative campaigns in their respective states. New Jersey (2019) and New York (2021) were the first two states in the nation to legislate bans on long-term isolated confinement. Learn more about the film at nrccat.org.



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

Linda Benedict, JCarol Bonner's mother,
Carol Chontos' niece Kailey and her family,
Dave and Bobby Egelston's daughter-in-law Natasha,
Joe and Cathie Hajdu's son Jeremy,
Morris Jordan, Joe Kennedy, Gerald McClendon,
Jon Nelson's wife Nancy and cousin Rayna,
Rev. Heather Schoenewolf's mother, and
Vivienne Selia's friend Peg.

Condolences to the family of Carla Coles on her passing.

Condolences to Sam Ditka on her father's passing.

Condolences to the family of Anthony White on his passing.

Send your prayer requests to Megan Leisher (MeganL@coh.net).

Film Discussion: Day of the Stranger — July 24
Join us on Sunday, July 24 after the 10 am worship service for a short 30 minute film made in 2021 about Trappist monk Thomas Merton, one



of the most influential spiritual writers of the twentieth century. Through rare audio recordings, this film explores the final years of Merton's life from 1965-1968, when he lived as a hermit in the Kentucky woods. Interweaving meditative images of his hermitage nestled deep in the woods of Kentucky and rare audio recordings he made as a hermit, the film pieces together a first-person narrative of **one of the twentieth century's most brilliant minds**. For more info, visit www.dayofastranger.com/home. RSVP to Pastor BJ by Saturday, July 23 (BJW@coh.net). Snacks will be provided.

YAMs to Host a Game Day for All — July 30

Rest is essential, relaxation is great, but play is even better! Our Young Adult Ministry will host a *Game Day* on Saturday, July 30 from 9 am–3 pm, for all people with various abilities. There is no cost to attend. Food and entertainment will be provided, but we could use some volunteers! To RSVP or volunteer, contact Derail Holcomb (DerailH@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x133).

High School Mission Trip — Aug 6 to 13

Students who have completed grades 8–12 will be traveling to Memphis, TN for our High School Mission Trip from Aug 6-13. We will be serving with Memphis Youth Mission. For info about the trip, trip requirements, and cost, contact Sara Hackett (SaraH@coh.net). Register online at ELPC.church.

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Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) for Ukraine

As the violence continues in Ukraine, the first priority of PDA is to provide funding to partners on the ground with the knowledge and expertise to help the people of Ukraine. Ways you can help include: GIVE (<https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000156>; or call 800.872.3283); ACT (like PDA on facebook and share updates); and PRAY (that through the response of the faith community, survivors and those offering assistance will be reminded of the hope that is found in Christ).

Free COVID Tests

Additional free COVID testing kits are available from the U.S. government. Please visit www.covidtests.gov to order up to eight kits.

Taizé Podcast Now Available

If you are unable to come to our Taizé services in person on Wednesdays at 7 pm, stream or download a 15-minute contemplative recording each week. Each podcast includes a brief time of centering, music, a meditation, and a closing prayer. You can find a link to listen to the recordings at www.ELPC.church, in our *This Week in Worship* email news flash each Friday, or in our new app.

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.

Interim Pastor Nominating Committee Update

As our church entered a period of pastoral transition after **Pastor Randy's departure**, the ELPC Session directed the Nominating Committee to assist in the formation of an Interim Pastor Nominating Committee (IPNC). The IPNC will work to bring an interim pastor to ELPC to serve ahead of the installation of a new senior pastor. We are blessed to have Rev. Patrice Fowler-Searcy and Rev. Heather Schoenewolf serving as co-pastors until an interim pastor is called to ELPC. The IPNC members are:

Hollen Barmer	Damon Bethea
Doug Cooper	Becky Gloninger
Polly Mattila	Drew Simpson
Cami Teacoach	

The IPNC will work with the Pittsburgh Presbytery as we nominate an interim pastor to lead our church.