



SUMMER WORSHIP



**East Liberty
Presbyterian Church**

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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2022
10AM IN THE COURTYARD**

**116 SOUTH HIGHLAND AVE
PITTSBURGH, PA 15206**



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)

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 — 10 AM SUMMER WORSHIP 13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING MUSIC *(music printed in bulletin)*

Hymn #260

Hymn #90

Hymn #450

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” (vs. 1,3)

“Wait For The Lord” (sing 3x)

“Be Thou My Vision”

HYFRYDOL

WAIT FOR THE LORD

SLANE

WELCOME & CHURCH NEWS

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

* SHARING GOD’S PEACE

Leader: La paz de Cristo esté con ustedes.

People: Y también contigo.

The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Carol & JoAnn Chonoska

Leader: With endless creativity, God forms and shapes our lives.

People: Each of us bears the image of our maker.

Leader: Each of us is made in love.

People: Let us worship our creator, redeemer, and sustainer God!

* OPENING HYMN #698 *(music printed in bulletin)*

TAKE ME AS I AM

“Take, O Take Me As I Am” (sing 3x)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Sara Hackett

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & INTERCESSION

Sara Hackett

Holy God, we confess that we fail to put our trust in you completely. Instead, we calculate our gains and losses, hoarding the things that do not lead to abundant life. Forgive us, and help us to treasure only you, that we may follow you faithfully and discover the blessings only you can give. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

Sara Hackett

Leader: Jesus accompanies us on life’s journey, offering abundant mercy and bountiful forgiveness along the way. Hear the good news of the Gospel.

People: En Jesucristo tenemos perdón.

¡Alaben a Dios!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Praise God!

SUNG RESPONSE HYMN #695 *(music printed in bulletin)*

CHANGE MY HEART

“Change My Heart, O God”

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

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SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18

Matthew Stufft

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 Chapel 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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Rev. Schoenewolf

Presentation of Children:

Sienna Marie Clevenger and Kaley Rose Clevenger (children of Allison and Adam Clevenger)

Profession of Faith

Act of Baptizing

HYMN # 486

“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”

KINGDOM

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

The Rev. Ralph Lowe

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 14: 25-35

The Rev. Lowe

SERMON

“COST OF DISCIPLESHIP”

The Rev. Lowe

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*excepts from the Belhar Confession*)

The Rev. Lowe

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 in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain; that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted; that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways; in that we love one another; that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another.... We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ, its only head, the church is called to confess and to do all these things, even though the authorities and human laws might forbid them and punishment and suffering be the consequence. Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever.

* Indicates where you may rise in body or spirit.

OFFERING INVITATION

Matthew Stuftt

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

“My Lord, What a Mornin’”

H.T. BURLEIGH
ALBERT BLACKWELL

My Lord, what a mornin',
My Lord, what a mornin',
Oh, my Lord, what a mornin',
When the stars begin to fall.

Done quit all my worldly ways,
Joined that heavenly band.

My Lord, what a mornin',
My Lord, what a mornin',
Oh, my Lord, what a mornin',
When the stars begin to fall.

* DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Christ, all crea - tures
here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;
praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

— SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER —

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The Rev. Lowe

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Rev. Schoenewolf
Kevin Moon

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

The Rev. Lowe
The Rev. Schoenewolf

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 #525 *(music printed in bulletin)*

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

LET US BREAK BREAD

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Rev. Lowe

Gracious God, we give you thanks that by the witness of your word, the celebration of baptism, and the sharing of this meal you have opened our hearts and eyes to the presence of Christ among us. Now send us forth from this place by the power of your Spirit to share this good news of your grace, mercy, and love poured out to everyone. Amen

* CLOSING HYMN #754 *(music printed in bulletin)*

BARONITA

“Help Us Accept Each Other”

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The Rev. Lowe



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. Ralph Lowe
Liturgists: Rev. Heather Schoenewolf
Sara Hackett
Carol Chonoska
JoAnn Chonoska
Matthew Stufft
Kevin Moon
Communion: Dr. Ronald Stone
Linda Haddad
Musicians: Dr. Edward Alan Moore,
Organist/Music Director
ELPC Summer Choir
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

If you would like to sponsor flowers for our weekly worship service in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact Norma (412.441.3800 x111).

The cost is \$175 (\$75 when we worship in Courtyard).

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

◆ SUNDAY WORSHIP

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 11

8:45 amJourney Worship. An interactive, energetic service for those seeking a fresh encounter with the gospel of Jesus Christ. In Social Hall. The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf preaching.

11 amSanctuary Worship. Our largest service with a multi-cultural congregation and music from organ, piano and choir. The Rev. Heather Schoenewolf 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

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.

#450 — BE THOU MY VISION



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav - en - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Guitar chords in Pew Edition do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

TEXT: Irish poem; trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905; vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912, alt.

MUSIC: Irish ballad; harm. David Evans, 1927

Music Harm. © 1927 Oxford University Press

SLANE
10.10.10.10

#260— “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” (vs. 1,3)

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter, his the
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in sor - row
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, here on earth our food, our
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o - tent we

throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to -
 now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be - lieves nor
 stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to you from
 own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your foot - stool,

ry a - lone! Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on
 ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him,
 day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners,
 heaven your throne. As with - in the veil you en - tered,

The author regarded this text as a communion hymn, a theme that seems eclipsed by the attention to Christ's exaltation, but a helpful reminder that such hymns are not always quiet and meek. This text is sung to various tunes, but this rousing Welsh one is a favorite choice.

TEXT: William Chatterton Dix, 1866, alt.
 MUSIC: Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831, alt.

HYFRYDOL
 B.7.8.7.D

#260— “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” (vs. 1,3, continued)

JESUS CHRIST: ASCENSION AND REIGN



thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of
when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our hearts for -
earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the songs of
robed in flesh, our great high priest; here on earth both



ev - ery na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?
all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

Refrain (Psalm 27)

The musical score is written for two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/2. The first system contains the lyrics "Wait for the Lord, whose day is near." and the second system contains "Wait for the Lord; be strong; take heart!". The music consists of simple chords and single notes, with some rests. The lyrics are centered under the corresponding notes.

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord; be strong; take heart!

#698— Take, O Take Me as I Am

The musical score is written for voice and piano in 4/4 time, featuring a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are: 'Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.' The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines in both hands.

Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall
be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

The brevity of this text and tune invite repeated singing, either as a sustained chain of sound or as a sung response in a series of prayers. It offers a more reflective approach to the same theme of self-dedication evident in older hymns such as "Just as I Am" (see no. 442).

TEXT and MUSIC: John L. Bell, 1995
Text and Music © 1995 WGRC, Iona Community (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

TAKE ME AS I AM
7.7.7.4

#695— “Change My Heart, O God”

Refrain / Estribillo / 후렴



Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.
Cám - bia - me, Se - ñor, *con tu gran po - der.*
 함 상 진 실 케 내 맘 바 꾸 사



Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.
Haz - me co - mo tú, *tu yo quie - ro ser.*
 주 님 의 모 습 님 게 하 소 서



You are the Pot - ter; I am the clay.
Tú el al - fa - re - ro, *yo el ba - rro soy.*
 주 는 토 기 장 이 나 는 진 흙



Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.
Só - lo a tu j - ma - gen, *quie - ro siem - pre ser.*
 날 빛 으 소 서 기 도 하 오 니

The central image of the potter and the clay in this text comes from Isaiah 64:8 (and there is a similar reference in Jeremiah 18:1-6), while the petition for a changed heart is similar to Psalm 51:10. Such readiness to do God's will is a significant feature of the spiritual life.

TEXT: English and Spanish, Eddie Espinosa, 1982;

Korean trans., The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee, 2001

MUSIC: Eddie Espinosa, 1982

Text and Music © 1982 Mervy/Vineyard Publishing (admin. in North America Music Services)

CHANGE MY HEART

Irregular

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#525— “Let us Break Bread Together”

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)

The first system of the musical score is in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. It features a treble and bass staff. The melody is in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are for three parts: 1. Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees), 2. Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees), and 3. Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees).

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)

The second system of the musical score continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are: let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees), let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees), and let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees).

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

The refrain begins with the melody in the treble staff and the accompaniment in the bass staff. The lyrics are: When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer - cy on me. (on me)

The second line of the refrain continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: O Lord, have mer - cy on me. (on me).

This African American spiritual quite possibly reflects the circumstances of slaves attending early morning communion services in colonial Anglican churches, but its combination of hope (“rising sun”) and supplication (“Lord, have mercy”) speaks to many worshipers’ experience.

TEXT: African American spiritual
MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Melva Wilson Costen, 1988
Music Arr. © 1990 Melva Wilson Costen

LET US BREAK BREAD
10.10 with refrain

#754—Help Us Accept Each Other

The musical score is written for a four-part vocal choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with the piano accompaniment providing a steady harmonic foundation. The lyrics are arranged in four stanzas, each corresponding to a line of the melody.

1 Help us ac - cept each oth - er as Christ ac - cept-ed us;
2 Teach us, O Lord, your les - sons, as in our dai - ly life
3 Let your ac - cep - tance change us, so that we may be moved
4 Lord, for to - day's en - coun - ters with all who are in need,

teach us as sis - ter, broth - er, each per - son to em - brace,
we strug - gle to be hu - man and search for hope and faith.
in liv - ing sit - u - a - tions to do the truth in love;
who hun - ger for ac - cep - tance, for jus - tice and for bread,

Guitar chords in Pew Edition do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The scriptural basis of this text is Romans 15:7, recast as a prayer in the opening two lines of the first stanza. The many implications of living as people who have been accepted by Christ fill the remaining stanzas. This tune was composed for the first publication of this text.

#754—Help Us Accept Each Other (continued)

Be pres - ent, Lord, a - mong us and bring us to be - lieve
Teach us to care for peo - ple, for all, not just for some,
to prac - tice your ac - cep - tance un - til we know by heart
we need new eyes for see - ing, new hands for hold - ing on:

The first system of the musical score is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a vocal melody line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and chords in the right hand. The lyrics are written below the vocal staff.

we are our - selves ac - cept - ed, and meant to love and live.
to love them as we find them, or as they may be - come.
the ta - ble of for - give - ness, and laugh - ter's heal - ing art.
re - new us with your Spir - it; Lord, free us; make us one!

The second system continues the musical score. The vocal melody line concludes with a half note G4. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and a consistent bass line. The lyrics are aligned with the vocal notes.

#486 — “Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”

1 Child of bless - ing, child of prom - ise, bap - tized
 2 Child of love, our love's ex - pres - sion, love's cre -
 3 Child of joy, our dear - est trea - sure, God's you
 4 Child of God, your lov - ing Par - ent, learn to

with the Spir - it's sign, with this wa - ter God has
 a - tion, loved in - deed! Fresh from God, re - fresh our
 are, from God you came. Back to God we hum - bly
 lis - ten for God's call. Grow to laugh and sing and

sealed you un - to love and grace di - vine.
 spir - its; in - to joy and laugh - ter lead.
 give you: live as one who bears Christ's name.
 wor - ship; trust and love God more than all.

This hymn addressed to a newly-baptized child begins each stanza with a facet of the child's identity, culminating in "child of God." By being directed to one person rather than the whole congregation, this text occupies a special category among the "songs of encouragement."

TEXT: Ronald S. Cole-Turner, 1980
 MUSIC: V. Earle Copes, 1959
 Text © 1981 Ronald S. Cole-Turner

KINGDOM
 8.7.8.7
 (alternate tune: STUTTGART)

TODAY AT ELPC

LGBTQ Ministry

TODAY, Sun., Sept. 4: Spiritual Gathering 11:30 am. All allies and LGBTQIA+ folks alike are invited to our **LGBTQ Ministry's next Spiritual Gathering** following worship. To ask questions or RSVP, contact Wil Forrest at Wil@coh.net or 412.441.3800 x218.



Church Tours — Sept 11

A *Hidden Places* tour will be offered on Sunday, Sept 11 after the 11 am Sanctuary service. Please gather in the Highland Lobby to participate in either tour. All are welcome!

Rally Day Preview

On Sunday, Sept 11, we will begin our 2022–2023 Church School year with classes for people of all ages, and resume our two Sunday services with Journey worship at 8:45 am, and Sanctuary worship at 11 am. Worship and adult Church School classes will continue in a hybrid format, while classes for children will be held in person only.

YAM Rally Day Gathering

All Young Adults are invited to gather in the Harambe Room between the two worship services (9:45-10:45am) to meet and greet old friends and new and catch up after the summer. Bagels and Coffee will be provided. Whether you stop by for a few minutes or for the whole hour, we would love to see you!

Registration is Open for Children & Youth

ELPC programming requires registration forms to be completed for every child and youth participating in our programs. Families can complete ONE form per CHILD that will be used for all ELPC programs—from Church School to club one sixteen. You may complete the form online at tiny.cc/elpc-youth-programming, or fill out a paper copy at ELPC on Rally Day, Sun., Sept 11

PW Bible Study: Celebrating Sabbath

Tues., Sept. 6, 10 am–12 pm (Hybrid) | Mon., Sept. 12, 7–8:30 pm (Zoom Only) This year's Bible study, *Celebrating Sabbath*, is an opportunity to embrace Sabbath as a way of marking time and to study what scripture says about Sabbath. For more information and the Zoom link, email PW.ELPC@gmail.com.

Church Life Sampler

On Sun., Sept. 18, our Membership & Outreach Committee is partnering with our Faith Formation Board to host a church-wide celebration combining elements of our annual Sampler and Picnic. Different ministries of our church will have information about how you can get involved in the life of our church; food trucks will provide lunch; music will play; church tours will be offered; there will be balloon art, face painting, and games for kids; and a dunk tank to raise money for our Church School offering. Come and learn more about ELPC, greet friends—both old and new—and bring a friend to our welcoming family of faith.

Volunteers for Church Life Sampler Sept 18 Needed:

Help us welcome neighbors and celebrate our church's many ministries by volunteering to set up, clean up, help at an activity table or pass out free ice cream! Sign up or get more details online or at sign up sheets located in the narthex and Highland lobby.



New Fall Spiritual Life Group: “The

Revolutionary Love Project” — Begins Sept 15

To experience spiritual growth and transformation in our lives we need to practice!! The REVOLUTIONARY LOVE compass helps us practice loving others, opponents, and ourselves. We need internal actions: (breathe, rage, wonder), interpersonal actions (grieve, listen, push) and social actions (fight, reimagine, transition). If this intrigues you, consider joining us this fall on Thursday nights at ELPC, from 5:30pm -7pm, starting on September 15th. Sponsored by the Spiritual Life Committee, contact BJ Woodworth with questions or to RSVP.

Scan the QR code or visit the web site below to see Valarie Kaur's Ted Talk, for a compelling preview, tiny.cc/m91uuz





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

Jon Nelson's cousin Beth,
Dana Carl, recovering from recent surgery,
Carol Chonoska's sister Janet,
Stephanie Creasy, Eric McCarty's sister Christine,
Joel Minnigh, Alison Schleifer,
Libby Parker's husband Dwayne and daughter Ashleigh,
Our deepest condolences to Pastor Patrice whose brother, Christopher Fowler, died on August 27. Prayers for his children Christopher II, Tia, and Jonathan, and the entire family.

*Please send your prayer requests to Megan Leisher
(MeganL@coh.net; 412.441.3800 x222).*



Celebration of the Life of
**Dr. Charles
Huddleston Heaton**
1928-2021

There will be a memorial service for Dr. Charles Huddleston Heaton at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (5801 Hampton St) on Saturday, Sept 10 at 2pm. Prelude music will begin at 1:30pm. A reception will follow the service.

Sat, Sept 10 at 2 pm
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Contemplative Prayer on Mondays — Begins Sept 12

Beginning Monday, Sept 12 from 7:30–8 am, you're invited to a weekly time of quiet contemplation and reflection. The Rev. BJ Woodworth will lead us through a variety of contemplative prayer practices utilizing fixed prayers, scripture, music, silence, art, and our bodies to help us start our day and week in communion with God and one another.

Join us online at www.tiny.cc/contemplative-prayer. Enter meeting ID: 959 8065 3992 and passcode: bestill when prompted. Contact Pastor BJ (BJW@coh.net).



Call for Volunteers at Worship

The Music, Worship and the Arts Committee is looking for Volunteers to Assist at Worship!

Would you like to participate more fully in worship? The WMA Committee is looking for ELPC Members and Friends to serve in the following roles: Usher/Greeter, Communion Server, Beadles (carry the bible), Crucifer (carry the cross), Liturgist, Flower Arrangement Coordinator, and A/V Assistant. We will be holding information/training sessions after worship in the Sanctuary on Sunday, September 25.

In our

COMMUNITY



"Memorial to the Lost" Prayer Walk — Sept 10

ELPC is joining other local congregations, including Eastminster Presbyterian, Calvary Episcopal, and Valley View Presbyterian, to host a *Memorial to the Lost* on Saturday, Sept 10 from 10 am–12 pm. Join us as we respond to God's call to end gun violence, trauma, and despair by walking together to honor victims of gun violence and their families. The prayer walk will begin at Valley View Presbyterian (601 N Aiken Ave) and end at Calvary Episcopal Church (315 Shady Ave).

Josh Fleitman of CeaseFirePA will speak in the Garth Overlook (and Zoom) at 12:30 on Sept. 11.

Meeting ID: 213 262 376 004 Passcode: uumLRB



**Volunteers Needed for
Club 116**

ELPC's afterschool Youth Group
for kids in 1st-12th grade

Starting in Sept, Club 116 meets on Wednesdays from 4:30-6:30 pm. Volunteers have a range of responsibilities depending on their interests, from planning Bible lessons, leading games, serving food, showing up, hanging out, and listening to kids.

We are looking for adults who enjoy working with kids and/or teens either on a regular basis or as a "substitute" when we have another volunteer out sick or away.

If Club 116 sounds like a ministry you might want to be a part of, please contact Sara Hackett for more info (SaraH@coh.net). ELPC requires those who volunteer with youth be vaccinated for Covid-19 and have clearances and trainings as outlined in ELPC's child safety policy.

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