

WELCOME TO THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL!

**PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES
BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF WORSHIP.**

Resources for those with special needs are available. Speak with an usher for assistance.

If you are a visitor and would like to meet the ministers, take a tour of the church, ask some questions, or go to coffee hour, please speak with an usher.

If you need a ride to church, please call the church office at 215-247-8855.

If you need pastoral care, please speak with one of the ministers or call the church office.

If you need child care, a nursery for infants and children through age 2 is available before worship in the Strouse building; children age 3 and older should accompany parents to worship and join in the Children’s Moment, after which they will be dismissed for the Church School Gathering. Bags with coloring pages and crayons are available in the narthex; please return the bags after the service.

In case of an emergency, there are three exit doors behind you in the narthex. If you are sitting near the front of the sanctuary, use the door near the lectern.

In case of a medical need, please alert an usher – first aid supplies and a wheelchair are available.

Narthex News

January 15, 2017

CHURCH SCHOOL AT A GLANCE

1/15/2017	Room	Teacher	Topic
Birth - 2 Year Olds	Room 101	Ms. Debbie and Ms. James	God’s Care
Pre-K (3-4 Year Olds)	Room 211	Emilyanne Shelley, Amanda Raphael, and Deborah Robinson	Godly Play
Kindergarten-Grade 1	Room 205	Zach Raphael, Miller Huertgen, and Barbara Olson	Called by God
Grade 2-3	Room 208	Kimberly Nye	Called by God
Grade 4-5	Room 209	Lyn and Nicole Huertgen	Called by God
Grade 6-7	Youth Room	Numbers and Deuteronomy	Amy Raphael

2017 PLEDGE ENVELOPES FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN
If you requested pledge envelopes for 2017, they are available for pick up today in the Narthex. Children’s pledge envelopes are also available for pick-up.
If you would like a book of pledge envelopes and did not request them, please call the church office.

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

JR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Today, January 15, 6:00 pm: Regular Youth Group (Youth Room)

Sunday, January 15, 7:00 pm: Confirmation Class (Harris)

Sunday, January 22: No Youth Group

SR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Today, January 15: No Youth Group

Saturday, January 21, 8:00 am: Habitat for Humanity Workday

Sunday, January 22, 11:45 am: Theology and Pretzels, Iron Hill Brewery

HOW YOU CAN HELP

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE FOR YOUTH MISSION

THE TREE IS DOWN BUT A FEW ORNAMENTS REMAIN!

Look for the remaining ornaments hanging on the bulletin board outside the church office. The congregation has a unique opportunity to help support the Youth Mission Trip to Calgary, Alberta, Canada from July 23 to July 30, 2017. Check out the remaining paper ornaments and then mail the ornament back to the church with a check for the respective supply and cost. (DO NOT purchase the actual item listed on the ornament!) Make the check payable to PCCH with 2017 Youth Mission Trip on the memo line. Address the envelope ATTN: Brian Russo.

2017 MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Would you like to memorialize a loved one or give thanks to God as you celebrate a wedding anniversary or celebrate the birthday of your child or grandchild? Consider donating the flowers in the chancel on a Sunday morning. Available Sundays for 2017 are: March 19 and May 5. To sign up, please contact the church office at 215-247-8855.

USHERS NEEDED

Thank you Shannon Cavanaugh for volunteering to be one of our new ushers. We could still use two or three more volunteers. Please contact Mike Baughman at baughmanm@pepperlaw.com or the church office if you are interested. It would be great if we could get some of our youth interested in this ministry. You will only serve one Sunday per month and it is a good opportunity to get to know the congregation. Please consider joining one of our teams.

THE CHURCH GATHERED

CHRISTMAS THANK YOU!!

On behalf of the people who benefitted from your generosity, the Social Witness Committee extends a big, wrapped in red paper with a sparkly green bow, thank you to everyone who contributed to the various mission Christmas giving opportunities in December. Twenty-five children from ACHIEVEAbility had their holiday brightened with gifts from their wish lists. About 50 men at Our Brothers Place shelter have new tee shirts, underwear, and socks to be clean and dry; and have gift cards to places like Dunkin Donuts for warm cups of coffee and sandwiches. West Kensington Ministry will put your cash donations to good use supporting their carpentry skills project with EvolveBuild. Thank you for your generosity to all!

SECOND HOUR AT PCCH – WHERE HE IS LEADING US – I: THE CALL OF DISCIPLESHIP

Today, January 15, 11:30 am, Reception Room

The Season of Epiphany is a time when the church reflects on what it means to follow Jesus. Following our discussion on race, religion and reconciliation this fall, we will broaden the conversation and, with the help of the sermon just preached on Jesus' call of Andrew and Simon in John 1:29-42, we will talk about our own sense of "call" and share the ways we try to be disciples in our daily lives.

Sunday, January 22, 11:30 am, Reception Room

WHERE HE IS LEADING US – II: THE PROBLEM OF DISCIPLESHIP

Turning to Matthew's story about Jesus call of the disciples (4:12-23), we will talk about what keeps us from discipleship. What are the excuses we are given, the obligations that are at odds with the life of faith, the obstacles in society that make following Jesus difficult?

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY OF SERVICE 2017

Monday, January 16, Unitarian Society of Germantown, Lincoln Drive at Wayne Avenue

The Martin Luther King Day of Service is a wonderful opportunity to affirm your support for the values of justice and compassion that ran through the life and legacy of Dr. King. Every year for over two decades, more than 500 volunteers have come to the Unitarian Society of Germantown, to participate in MLK Day of Service Projects both on-site (at the church) and off-site (at locations near the church). You can see this year's projects and also Pre-register by going to <http://www.mlkphillyuus.org>. Pre-registration closes at 12:00 noon on Saturday, Jan. 14. On-site registration and check-in will begin at 8:00 am on Monday, January 16. Coffee, bagels, and other light refreshments will be provided. A brief non-denominational worship service will begin at 9:00 am led Rev. Kent Matthies, and focusing on Dr. King's life and accomplishments. Volunteers leave for their projects at 9:30 am. Projects last for varying amounts of time. Most will be completed before 12:30 pm

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Tuesday, January 17, 7:30 pm

Join us in the upper room at Campbell's Place for a beer and conversation. Join Brian and other "Thinkers" for a round of pints and enlightenment. Any questions, please contact Brian Russo or the church office.

SOCIAL WITNESS COMMITTEE – DISCUSSION ON OUR HUNGER RELATED MISSION WORK

Wednesday, January 18, 7:00 pm, Reception Room

Please join the Social Witness Committee as we discuss changes to our hunger-related mission work. Welcomed are ideas for new directions and energy to make them a reality! Any questions, please contact Emily Camp-Landis (camplandis120@yahoo.com).

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Saturday, January 21, 8:00 am – 2:30 pm, Meet in PCCH parking lot at 8:00 am

PCCH has been asked to provide 6-8 volunteers to work alongside Habitat volunteers. If you are interested or just want to learn more, please contact Brian Russo (brusso@chestnuthillpres.org) or Mark Conti (marksconti@gmail.com) or sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office. **No special skills are needed, but volunteers must be at least 16 years old.** We will post additional work days as they become available.

PCCH CHILI COOK-OFF

Sunday, February 12, 11:30 am, Widener Hall

Mark your calendars! Do not miss this fun event! If you have a great recipe for chili, please see the sign-up sheet on the office bulletin board. Sign your name and come with a pot of chili (preferably in a crockpot) on Sunday, February 12. The congregation will be the judge and will pay for the privilege to raise money for 2017 mission. If you don't want to make chili, please see the sign-up sheet for contributions of cornbread and desserts.

OUR BROTHER'S PLACE – A WORD OF THANKS

The Social Witness Committee would like to offer special thanks to all members who continue to help with our outreach at Our Brother's Place Shelter (part of Bethesda Project). For many years, your donations of batches of Sloppy Joes, canned goods, and baked goods (especially at Christmas!) has helped nourish and brighten the lives of the men at the shelter. Your response to special offerings is also greatly appreciated by OBP!

In 2017, we will continue to provide dinner on the fourth Sunday of each month, but will no longer send volunteers to serve. We are looking for other opportunities to provide volunteers to serve our hunger and homelessness outreach, particularly those where youth and families may help (which is not possible at OBP). The Committee is evaluating other opportunities, and if you have suggestions, please let Emily Camp-Landis (camplandis120@yahoo.com) or Jeff Podraza (jeffpodraza@gmail.com) know!

We continue to need monthly donations of sloppy joes (simple recipe: brown two pounds of ground beef or turkey, add a can of Manwich sauce, freeze flat in a ziploc bag and bring to the freezer in the Church kitchen.). Thanks so much for your continued support of OBP, and we hope to provide additional volunteer opportunities soon!

WITH OUR NEIGHBORS

TEMPESTA DI MARE – SARA AND HER SISTERS

Sunday, January 22, 4:00 pm, in the Sanctuary

The extraordinary story in music from the collection of three Jewish patronesses from 18th-century Berlin and Vienna, who formed a human link from the Bach family to a young Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Felix Mendelssohn and the modern baroque music revival. For tickets call 215-755-8776 or visit tempestadimare.org.

CENTER ON THE HILL ... *the place for active adults*

To register for these programs, unless otherwise indicated, please call Leslie Lefer at 215-247-4654 or email llefer@chestnuthillpres.org

EASY CHAIR EXERCISES

Tuesday, January 17, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, Free

In this session, you will learn simple exercise to keep you flexible and pain free. Wear loose fitting, comfortable clothing and proper shoes for safety and support.

BALANCE AND STABILITY WORKSHOP

Wednesdays, January 18, February 15 and March 15, 2:00 – 3:30 pm, \$30 for the three classes or \$12 per individual class, Minimum of 8 students. Please pre-register.

The Schock Fitness Balance & Stability class will provide you with a knowledge of which muscles provide us with our balance and stability along with exercises to do in order to develop these muscles. The class will be a combination of both information as well as activity. Please come dressed to move and wear comfortable shoes that are secure on your feet.

THERAPEUTIC LAUGHTER

Mondays, January 23 and 30, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm, \$10 for two sessions or \$5 per session, minimum of five students

Therapeutic Laughter is full of FUN with benefits! We all know, LAUGHTER is the BEST Medicine. Traditionally, “therapy” has referred to fixing something, but developments in positive psychology and medicine are now extending the concept of therapy to: Strengthening what is good, Restoring Balance & creating Stress Resistant Personality traits. We LAUGH because we all need to have more, LAUGHTER in our own personal world and because sometimes, it’s the best expression for our energy outlet. We just have to accept that life is sometimes silly, absurd and just plain funny. Our LAUGHS are WITH each other, not at each other. There are no jokes being told - we will enjoy good hearted, good natured laughter in a non-intimidating safe place to LAUGH freely without inhibitions. We will also talk about looking for and “finding the Positive” using “Ways to Good Hearted Living” to help prevent “hardening of the ATTITUDES”. Wear comfortable clothing and do your best to leave your worries at the door. Everyone is welcome! Let’s share our laughter!! Join us and give yourself permission to laugh out loud!

THE JOY OF MEDITATION: LEARN TO RELIEVE YOUR UNWANTED STRESS

Tuesdays, January 24 – March 7, 9:30 am – 11:00 am, \$90 for seven sessions

In a comfortable small group setting, we will provide concise, simple, easy to understand instructions. Our intention is for you to discover ways to self-regulate, leading to peace, understanding, clarity and resilience. Throughout time human beings have practiced meditation, conscious breathing, calming and relaxing body, mind, heart and spirit. When the grip of hurry and worry are released we return to our natural state: balanced, vital and healthy. In addition to traditional sitting, you will also be invited to participate in gentle enjoyable mindful movements. The millions who meditate around the globe all come to their practice with a beginners mind. In this class no experience is necessary. All that is requested is your full whole-hearted participation.

POSTURE EXERCISES FOR BALANCE

Tuesday, January 24, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, Free

We all need to build a stronger spine. Learn how to maintain your posture to create a stronger torso and legs. This will increase balance and stability to keep you strong and independent.

THIS WEEK AT PCCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

9:00 am	Gallery Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
10:15 am	Church School (Strouser)
11:00 am	Church School Sings (Chapel)
11:15 am	Fellowship (Widener)
11:30 am	Second Hour Discussion (Reception Room)
1:00 pm	Piffaro Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
4:00 pm	Keeping the Faith Campaign Committee (Harris)
6:00 pm	Jr. High Youth Group (Youth Room)
7:00 pm	Confirmation Class (Harris)

MONDAY, JANUARY 16

4:30 pm	Girlchoir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
6:15 pm	Yoga (Melcher)
6:30 pm	Girlchoir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
7:00 pm	PhiloMusica Rehearsal (Widener)
7:30 pm	Adult Ed Committee (Room 1&2)
7:30 pm	Crossing Board Meeting (Harris)

OFFICE CLOSED FOR MLK HOLIDAY

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

10:00 am Circle 4 (Reception Room)
 7:30 pm Theology on Tap (Campbell's Place)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

7:00 am Rotary (Widener Hall)
 11:00 am Bible Study (Harris)
 5:30 pm Super Bones Class (Harris)
 5:30 pm Cy/Keystone Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
 6:30 pm Girlchoir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
 6:45 pm Awareness Through Movement (Harris)
 7:00 pm Social Witness Committee (Melcher)
 8:00 pm Summit Group (Room 3&4)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

6:00 pm Penn Mindfulness Class (Harris)
 6:30 pm Cub Scouts (Widener)
 7:00 pm MALT Wordpress Class (Room 5)
 7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Widener)
 7:45 pm Gallery Choir (Choir Room)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

9:00 am Organ Practice (Sanctuary)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

8:00 am Habitat for Humanity (Meet in Parking Lot)
 9:00 am Girlchoir Rehearsal (Sanctuary/Choir Room)

NEXT WEEK AT PCCH**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22**

9:00 am Gallery Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
 10:15 am Church School (Strouse)
 11:00 am Church School Sings (Chapel)
 11:15 am Fellowship (Widener)
 11:30 am Second Hour Discussion (Reception Room)
 11:45 am Theology and Pretzels (Iron Hill Brewery)
 3:00 pm Tempesta di Mare Pre-Concert Discussion
 (Chapel)
 4:00 pm Tempesta di Mare Concert (Sanctuary)

THIS WEEK AT CENTER ON THE HILL**MONDAY, JANUARY 16****CENTER CLOSED FOR MLK HOLIDAY****TUESDAY, JANUARY 17**

9:30 am Watercolor Class (Room 1&2)
 10:00 am Assemble Care Packages (Harris)
 10:00 am Introduction to Computers (Room 5)
 11:00 am Easy Chair Exercises (Room 3&4)
 1:30 pm Basic Bridge Part II (Room 5)
 1:30 pm Zumba Gold (Room 3&4)
 5:30 pm Alzheimer's Support Group (Room 1&2)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

10:00 am Beginning Tai Chi (Room 3&4)
 11:15 am Level III Tai Chi Chuan (Room 3&4)
 11:30 am Bridge Game (Room 1&2)
 12:00 pm Wednesday Diabetes Workshop (Room 5)
 12:30 pm Level II Tai Chi Chuan (Room 3&4)
 2:00 pm Balance and Stability Workshop (Room 3&4)
 2:30 pm Golden Yoga (Harris)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

9:00 am PCCH Bridge Group (Room 1&2)
 9:00 am Qigong Class (Harris)
 9:00 am Super Bones Level II (Room 3&4)
 10:00 am Bridge Game (Room 5)
 10:30 am Super Bones Class (Harris)
 1:00 pm Super Bones Level II (Room 3&4)
 1:30 pm Beginning Bridge (Room 5)
 2:00 pm All About Dreams Discussion (Harris)
 2:00 pm Individual Medicare Counselling (Room 1&2)
 5:30 pm CHCE Board Meeting (Room 1&2)
 5:45 pm Soul Line Dancing (Room 3&4)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

9:30 am Yoga with Attitude Class (Harris)
 11:30 am Yoga, A Chair and You (Harris)
 1:00 pm International Folk Dancing (Room 3&4)
 1:00 pm Mah Jongg Open Play (Room 5)
 2:30 pm Golden Yoga (Harris)

2016 Operating Fund Summary

The Budget & Actual Financial Standing through December 30, 2016

	Our Projections for the Year	Where Should We Be Today	This is Where We Are Today	Here is the Difference
	2016 Annual Budget	2016 YTD Budget	2016 YTD Actual	2016 Variance
Congregational Response *	\$703,522	\$703,522	\$718,011	\$14,489
NOTE: Current Member Pledges	\$620,000	\$620,000	\$585,185	(34,815)
NOTE: Plate Offering (Annual Pledges & Offerings)	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$41,996	\$16,996
Endowment Draws (Our Invested Funds Available)	\$131,078	\$131,078	\$176,541	\$45,463
Other Sources of Funds	\$107,400	\$111,400	\$115,859	\$4,459
Our Total Sources of Funds	\$946,000	\$946,000	\$1,010,411	\$64,411
Our Expenses & Mission Outreach (This is How We Use the Funds)	\$946,000	\$946,000	\$953,818	\$7,818
DIFFERENCE	\$0	\$0	56,593***	\$56,593

****Note: \$48k of surplus is a carry-over Draw for a 2015 Deficit**
>For 2016, we are behind in pledge collections by ~\$34,815
> Unfulfilled pledges from previous years are still welcomed anytime.

Did You Know? Your PLEDGES help to repair our church, pay for salaries, elevator maintenance, among other expenses.

Did You Know? Your PLEDGES are the backbone of the budget for PCCH each year!

Did You Know? Your PLEDGES are the heart of our mission giving for PCCH each year!

Mission Outreach includes:

Germantown Avenue Crisis Ministry, Habitat for Humanity, Kensington Ministry, PIHN, and others.