

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
February 11, 2018**

| CHURCH SCHOOL AT A GLANCE | | | |
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| 2/11/2018 | 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 | Jennifer Miller and Clara Hocking | Godly Play |
| Kindergarten-Grade 1 | Room 205 | Christen Webber and Rebecca DePasquale | Jesus Is Changed |
| Grade 2-3 | Room 208 | Sandra Connelly and Ali Frazier | Jesus Is Changed |
| Grade 4-5 | Room 209 | Elise Hocking and Mark Bernstein | Jesus Is Changed |
| Grade 6-7 | Youth Room | Linda Amsterdam | True Greatness; Parable of the Lost Sheep |

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

JR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, February 11: 5:00 – 6:00 pm: Regular Youth Group (Youth Room)

Sunday, February 18 (Presidents' Day Weekend): No Youth Group

Sunday, February 25: 5:30 – 7:30 pm: Dinner Church

SR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, February 11: 11:30 am – 12:30 pm: Theology and Pretzels at Iron Hill Brewery

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Sunday, February 18 (Presidents' Day Weekend): No Youth Group

Sunday, February 25: 1:45 pm – 4:30 pm: Les Mis Performanc at Penn Charter (RSVP)

Sunday, February 25: 5:30 – 7:30 pm: Dinner Church

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION
TODAY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP
IN THE SANCTUARY
FELLOWSHIP WILL FOLLOW AT 12:30 PM IN WIDENER HALL**

TICKETS AVAILABLE TODAY AT FELLOWSHIP
IN WIDENER HALL

The Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill

SPAGHETTI DINNER



Sunday, March 11, 2018

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Widener Hall

Adults: \$12.00; Children: \$8.00

Family Maximum: \$35.00

All money generated from ticket sales and donations will go directly to
the youth Mission Trip help this summer.

THE CHURCH GATHERED

2ND HOUR @ PCCH

Sunday, February 11, 11:15 am, Sanctuary

PCCH Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Sunday, February 18, 11:30 am, Reception Room

“Living Well, Dying Well.” During Lent, we will be thinking together about how our plans at time of death reflect what has mattered to us in our lives. Cindy will begin the discussion with a survey of some favorite obituaries. Be thinking about what you might like included in your own!

FEBRUARY’S CHURCH LIFE OUTING – A NIGHT WITH THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA CONDUCTED BY PCCH MEMBER CRISTIAN MACELARU

*Saturday, February 24, 8:00 pm followed by a champagne reception. Our group tickets will cost approximately \$40, a significant discount from the regular ticket price! **Three tickets still remain available.** The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the church office.*

The program that evening, “Beethoven, Brahms, and Brass,” features one of America’s most acclaimed and most frequently performed living composers, Philadelphian Jennifer Higdon, with a brilliant new work, this time for those stalwarts of the brass section, the trombones and tuba. Hear them shine in this rare turn in the spotlight. Beethoven’s Eighth Symphony may seem overshadowed by the magnificent Ninth that followed, but there’s compositional genius (and humor) to burn here. Zoltán Kodály’s Dances of Marosszék are the rural counterpart of Brahms’s more urbane Hungarian Dances; they make wonderful bookends for this strikingly original program. If you are interested, please see Jeff Podraza or email pcchchurchlife@gmail.com

BRAHMS’ REQUIEM CONCERT

Sunday, March 4, 4:00 pm, Sanctuary, Reception in Widener to follow

The PCCH Gallery choir will be joined by Lyric Fest co-founder Laura Ward and PCCH organist Ken Lovett on four-hand piano for a concert of Brahms’ *Requiem*. Come hear this masterwork scored for piano four-hands by Brahms himself, performed on the church’s new beautifully refurbished Steinway Model A. Admission is by Free Will Offering (Cards, Cash, and Checks Accepted).

Johannes Brahms-Ein Deutches Requiem

PCCH Gallery Choir featuring Laura Ward and Ken Lovett, piano four-hands

Jackson Williams - baritone, Rebecca Siler - soprano, Daniel Spratlan - conductor

HOW YOU CAN HELP

SAVE YOUR PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS

Some of you may be familiar with the sleeping mat’s for the homeless project we’ve started at PCCH and the Center on the Hill. We are transforming donated plastic bags into sleeping mats. With the help of Cindy, we reached out to Sister Mary Scullion at Project Home. Sister Mary told us about Hub of Hope, a center which is now open in Suburban Station to help serve the homeless of Philadelphia. See the link below to learn about it. Leslie Lefer has spoken to Maureen Scully at

Project Home. She is delighted to be able to distribute the sleeping mats once we get the project off the ground. To date, we've had three sessions to introduce the project. The first session was part of the 2nd Hour @ PCCH in the beginning of January. The other two sessions were during the day and part of the Center on the Hill programming. At these two sessions we taught volunteers how to cut the bags into "plarn" (plastic yarn) and crochet the plarn together. We had a great response! At the first session we had 35 volunteers and at the second session over 50.

<http://www.philly.com/philly/business/transportation/philadelphia-transit-septa-homeless-center-opioid-addiction-services-20180130.html>

In the meantime we need for you to continue to save your grocery-sized plastic bags (Acme, Giant, Wegmans, etc. – but none larger and none smaller please! If you have any questions, please contact Leslie Lefer in the Center on the Hill.

OUR BROTHER'S PLACE

Next Sloppy Joe Pick-up Date is Monday, February 26

The Social Witness Committee would like to offer special thanks to all members who continue to help with our outreach at the OBP Shelter. We will continue to provide dinner on the fourth Sunday of each month, but will no longer send volunteers to serve. **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).

FACE TO FACE

Next serving dates are Saturday, February 17; and Saturday, March 31 (These upcoming dates are all holiday weekends, when volunteerism is low but the need is still great. Please consider signing up for one or more of these dates sooner rather than later to ensure that we cover these needs.)

The Social Witness Committee is happy to inform the congregation that our service at Face to Face is doing extremely well. All are welcome to join us. Face to Face is a well rooted, well managed community service organization located in Germantown, just 15 minutes from church. It provides various services to area residents. Face to Face also provides them with meals—and this is where PCCH is helping out. There is a sign-up sheet on the table below the Social Witness bulletin board outside the church office. Those who would like to involve themselves in this service opportunity should contact Emily Camp-Landis (camplandis120@yahoo.com) or Melissa Montgomery (melissamon70@yahoo.com).

WITH OUR NEIGHBORS

TEMPESTA DI MARE ARTIST RECITAL SERIES

Saturday, February 24, 5:00 pm, Chapel

THIS SCEPTER'D ISLE. Rebecca Harris, Violin with Richard Stone, Lute. Tempesta's principal second violin journeys to her native England and the dawn of the eighteenth century, with music by Britons from its palaces, coast, and ballrooms. Tickets at www.tempestadimare.org or for more information call 215-755-8776.

SPEAKER SERIES AT OLD PINE STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, March 4, 1:00 pm, 412 Pine Street, Philadelphia

Daisy L. Machado, Ph.D. will speak on "Faith in the Public Square and the Challenge of Immigration." Light refreshments will be provided. Limited on-street parking is available. To register go to <https://opc250-faith-and-immigration.eventbrite.com>.

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@chestmuthillpres.org

SEVEN WEIRD THINGS THAT HAPPEN TO YOUR FEET AS YOU GET OLDER

Monday, February 12, 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm, Free

Everything about your body has changed in time, so it's little wonder that your feet also undergo some alterations, both subtle and not-so-much, as you age. Fortunately, taking a few moments to tend to your sole health can minimize age-related issues. Dr. John Scanlon, podiatrist, Chestnut Hill Hospital, will discuss seven common foot complaints that often arise with age. Learn what can be done to relieve pain, improve comfort, and prevent small foot problems from becoming major down the road. Enjoy light refreshments.

INTERGENERATIONAL VALENTINE'S DAY CRAFT PROJECT

Tuesday, February 13, 10:00 am – 11:00 am, Free, Pre-registration required by Thursday, February 8.

The Center on the Hill and the church Pre-School are partnering once again for another intergenerational project. This time we'll be helping children ages 3-5 create a one-of-a-kind Valentine's Day craft. Get ready to enjoy the company of these dynamic and very cute children.

DESSERT WITH A DOCENT

Tuesday, February 13, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm, \$5, Registration and payment due by Tuesday, February 2

Docent Deena Gerson returns to the Center on the Hill to share her passion and knowledge of art with us. She'll discuss American Art: portraits, still lives, and soup cans. Together we'll explore the beginnings of art in America...right up to the late 20th century! Have your questions answered while enjoying delicious desserts.

PUCCINI'S *LA BOHEME*: THEN AND NOW

Thursdays, February 15 and 22, 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm, \$10 per class

Join our merry band of Bohemians! Why is *La Boheme* one of the most popular operas ever written? Perhaps because its romantic story of hope and tragedy is as relevant today as it was in 1896, when it was first performed in Turin. Its lush and lyrical score still exerts an immediate emotional pull as we watch the little seamstress and her poet boyfriend play out their bittersweet love story.

The class will visit a local movie theater to view the Met Opera's HD broadcast of Zeffirelli's lavish production with a new understanding and appreciation of the performance. Ticket

availability is an issue. Please sign up for this class ASAP to ensure a seat for the Met performance. (Movie tickets not included in the price of this course.)

HOW TO PROTECT YOUR LARGEST ASSET

Tuesdays, February 20, 27 and March 6, 10:30am – 11:30am, Free

Do you currently own a home, have a home to sell, or are interested in buying a home? For most people, their home is the largest asset they will ever own. There are many ways to protect your largest asset, many of which you may not know. Homeownership has its perks, like some special programs designed specifically for home owners to save money, but only if you know about them. In this three-part series, Realtor Michelle Magee of Keller Williams Real Estate – Blue Bell will share with us how to protect your home and property including lots of useful tips.

For our first class (February 20), we will discuss: A program designed to save homeowners money every year in both Montgomery County and Philadelphia and how to find out if you are eligible. Documents needed to apply will be provided as well as guidance on filling out the forms.

The state of our current real estate market in the surrounding areas and how it may affect your home and property values. Our second class (February 27), we will tackle: Ideas for increasing the value of your home. Why you should use a realtor and how to choose a realtor. Different strategies for marketing your home for sale. How to find the home of your dreams. And the third class (March 6), we will review: How to protect your home itself. Issues such as radon gas, lead paint, mold and more can be safety concerns. Learn what buyers are looking for on inspection reports before they buy your home. Suggestions for bringing your house up to standard not only to sell your home, but for the safety of you and your family as well as protecting your investment.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

4:30 pm
6:00 pm
6:15 pm
6:30 pm
6:45 pm
7:00 pm

Girlchoir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
Mostly Waltz (Chapel)
Yoga (Melcher)
Girlchoir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
Feldenkrais Class (Harris)
PhiloMusica (Widener)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

6:30 pm
7:00 pm
7:15 pm
7:30 pm

Girlchoir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Zentangle Class (Room 3&4)
Royal Scottish Country Dancers (Chapel)
Session (Melcher)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

7:00 am
11:00 am
5:30 pm
8:00 pm

ASH WEDNESDAY

Rotary (Widener)
Bible Study (Harris)
Girlchoir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Summit Group (Room 3&4)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

9:30 am
6:00 pm
6:30 pm
7:30 pm
7:45 pm

Clergy Discussion Group (Reception Room)
Penn Mindfulness (Harris)
Cub Scouts (Widener)
Boy Scouts (Widener)
Gallery Choir (Choir Room)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

9:00 am

Organ Practice (Sanctuary)

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| THIS WEEK AT PCCH |
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

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| 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 | PCCH Annual Meeting (Sanctuary) |
| 11:30 am | Theology and Pretzels (Iron Hill Brewery) |
| 12:00 pm | Julie Bishop Student Rehearsal (Chapel) |
| 12:30 pm | Fellowship (Widener) |
| 2:00 pm | Crossing Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |
| 5:00 pm | Jr/Sr. High Fellowship (Youth Room Strouse) |

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

9:00 am
9:00 am
11:00 am

Girlchoir Rehearsal (Sanctuary/Choir Room)
MALT Hands-On Upholstery Class (Harris)
Crossing Rehearsal (Widener)

NEXT WEEK AT PCCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

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 2nd Hour Discussion (Reception Room)
2:00 pm Crossing Rehearsal (Widener)

THIS WEEK AT CENTER ON THE HILL

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

9:30 am Sketching and Drawing Class (Room 1&2)
12:30 pm Bridge Game (Room 5)
12:30 pm Weird Things and Your Feet (Harris)
2:00 pm Qigong (Room 3&4)
2:15 pm Gentle Therapeutic Yoga (Harris)
2:30 pm French Conversation (Room 1&2)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

9:30 am Watercolor Class (Room 1&2)
9:30 am Mindfulness Practice (Harris)
10:00 am Valentine Program with PreSchool
1:00 pm Dessert with a Docent (Harris)
1:30 pm Singing & Dancing to Oldies (Room 3&4)
3:00 pm Zumba Gold (Room 3&4)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

9:00 am PCCH Bridge Group (Room 1&2)
9:00 am Pilates (Room 3&4)
9:00 am Qigong (Harris)
10:00 am Bridge Game (Room 5)
10:30 am Meditation with Lama Coulter (Harris)
1:00 pm Individual Medicare Counseling (Room 1&2)
1:30 pm Sleeping Mat Project (Widener)
4:00 pm Zumba Gold in a Chair (Room 3&4)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

9:30 am Yoga with Attitude (Harris)
10:00 am Scrabble (Room 5)
11:00 am Mah Jongg Private Group (Room 1&2)
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)