

## WELCOME TO THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL!

Whether you are a first-time guest, regular visitor, or long-time member,, we are grateful for your presence. We invite you to join us again and to experience the vibrant life of this faith community.

*Please silence all electronic devices as worship begins.*

You are invited to wear a name tag as we greet each other (and visitors!) during morning worship and at coffee hour. Take a stick-on name tag from the welcome pad in the pews, or in Widener Hall after the service.

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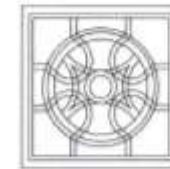
- Resources to support your worship experience, including hearing devices and large print bulletins and hymns, are available. Speak with an usher for assistance.
- If you are a visitor and would like to meet a pastor, tour the church or learn more about us, please speak with an usher.
- All are welcome to Fellowship Hour immediately following worship in Widener Hall.
- If you are interested in exploring church membership, please contact John Wilkinson at the church office or at [jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org).
- If you need a ride to church, please call the church office.
- If you need care or support in any way, please contact one of the pastors or call the church office.
- 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 and other activities 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.
- Lost and Found is located in the church office. Larger items are in a box on the lower level. See Owintier Charles on Sundays with questions, or call the church office during the week.



# Ash Wednesday

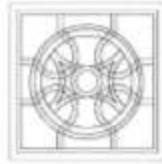
- **Wednesday, February 26**
- **7:30 p.m.**
- **Chapel**

*The service will include hymn, prayers and readings. The Imposition of Ashes will be offered.*



THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL





The Presbytery of Philadelphia  
and the Session and Congregation of  
the Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill  
joyfully request the honor of your presence at the  
Service of Installation of

*John Wilkinson*  
*as*  
*Pastor*

**Sunday, March 15, 2020, 10:00 a.m.**

A reception will follow in Widener Hall  
Child care provided

The Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill  
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19118  
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## NARTHEX NEWS

### February 23, 2020

CHURCH SCHOOL AT A GLANCE			
2/23/2020	Room	Teacher	Topic
<b>Birth - 2 Year Olds</b>	Room 101	Debbie Lambeth and Icilda James	God's Care
<b>Pre-K (3-4 Year Olds)</b>	Room 211	Christen Webber and Lydia Hessel-Robinson	Godly Play
<b>Kindergarten-Grade 1</b>	Room 205	Linnea Johnson and Isaac Hessel-Robinson	Matthew 17:1-9
<b>Grade 2-Grade 5</b>	Room 208	Greg Hocking and Clara Hocking	Matthew 17:1-9
<b>Grade 6-7</b>	Youth Room	Brian Russo	Parable of the Mustard Seed

### CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

#### 3-4-5 FELLOWSHIP

*Sunday, February 23: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm: Board Game Night*  
*Sunday, March 8: 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm: Spaghetti Dinner*

#### CONFIRMATION CLASS

*Sunday, February 23: 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm: The Triune God*  
*Sunday, March 1: 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm: Sacraments, Doctrines, and Heresies*

#### JR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

*Sunday, February 23: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm: Board Game Night*  
*Sunday, March 1: 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm: Escape the Room*  
*Sunday, March 8: 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm: Spaghetti Dinner*

#### SR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

*Sunday, February 23: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm: Board Game Night*  
*Sunday, March 1: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm: Dinner at CinCin*  
*Sunday, March 8: 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm: Spaghetti Dinner*

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# SPAGHETTI DINNER



Sunday, March 8, 2020

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 this summer.

Tickets are available on Sunday at Fellowship Hour.

## MYSTERY WINE TABLE RETURNS

Sunday, March 8, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Wine lovers are invited to donate a bottle (or two!) for the Mystery Wine Table at the Spaghetti Dinner. Donated bottles can be dropped off to the church office through the morning of March 8. On the night of the Spaghetti Dinner, for an additional \$20 donation at the door, diners will receive a mystery bottle to enjoy that night or to take home. Mystery wine is available while supplies last, so late diners need to plan their beverages accordingly. Proceeds will benefit the Music Program and the Youth Mission Trip.

## THE CHURCH GATHERED

### SECOND HOUR @ PCCH: “EXPLORING WORSHIP”

*Today, 11:30 am, Reception Room*

**Prayers: Varieties and Meanings**, led by Brian Russo

*Sunday, March 1*

**Nurturing Children’s Worship**, led by Austin Crenshaw Shelley

*Sunday, March 8*

**The Sacraments**, led by John Wilkinson

### THIRD ANNUAL PCCH GAME NIGHT

*Today, 5:00 pm, Widener Hall*

Note the earlier start time this year, to accommodate PCCH Youth, Confirmation Class, and families with young children! Bring your favorite board games for an evening of fun! The Church Life Committee will provide pizza and soft drinks; attendees may bring other hors d’oeuvres, salads, desserts, and beverages of their choice. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office or feel free to respond to [PCCHChurchLife@gmail.com](mailto:PCCHChurchLife@gmail.com).

### LENTEN “MINI” RETREAT (NOTE NEW DATE)

*Saturday, March 21, 9:30 am to 12:00 noon, led by John Wilkinson.*

We will explore the themes of Advent through a variety of interactive and introspective experiences. Join us to help frame your Lenten experience. Sign-up sheet outside church office.

### REFLECTIONS ON FAITH – A NEW EMAIL RESOURCE

The Adult Education Committee is seeking volunteer writers to contribute to a new weekly series on faith in our everyday lives, brief email devotions to be shared with the congregation. Every Monday, throughout the year we will share these stories with the congregation, giving us all something to think about and hold onto as we go through our daily lives. All ages are welcome to participate. A general template will be provided to help guide you. Interested volunteers should contact John Wilkinson at [jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org)

## GUN VIOLENCE RESPONSE EVENTS

*Sunday, March 8 and Monday, March 9*

Deanna Hollis, the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship's Gun Violence Ministries Coordinator, will be in Philadelphia for a series of events with congregations. Two events will be of special interest to PCCH, building on our work with Souls Shot and Heeding God's Call to End Gun Violence.

*Sunday, March 8 at 6:00 pm.* We will co-sponsor a training event with our partner congregations at Oxford and Cedar Park Presbyterian Churches. We will gather at 6:00 pm at the Cedar Park Church, located at 7740 Limekiln Pike. (You can come to the Spaghetti Dinner and still attend this event!)

*Monday, March 9, from 12:30 to 2:30 pm.* The Presbytery of Philadelphia will host a brown-bag conversation with Deanna Hollis at the Presbytery office, 915 East Gowen Avenue. Contact John Wilkinson for further information.

## “THE AGITATORS” AT THEATRE HORIZON – TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!

*Theatre Horizon, 401 DeKalb Street, Norristown, Sunday, March 22, 3:00 pm*

“Do you believe this can ever be a country for all?” Susan B. Anthony, a white suffragist, asks Frederick Douglass, a black statesman, on the day they first meet. It's the question at the heart of *The Agitators*, a riveting new play about two rebels who became American icons. There are a few tickets remaining in the original block of 15 tickets (\$32 each) for the performance on **Sunday, March 22 at 3 pm** at Theatre Horizon. Please join our group for the show and perhaps an early dinner or drink afterwards to discuss. If you're interested, sign up outside the church office or email [PCCHChurchLife@gmail.com](mailto:PCCHChurchLife@gmail.com). Once we have 15, any additional tickets will be first-come, first-served at the group rate. For more information about the show or the theater, visit <http://theatrehorizon.org/shows/theagitators.php>. Please reach out to Jeff Podraza ([jeffpodraza@gmail.com](mailto:jeffpodraza@gmail.com)) with questions about the show or payment arrangements.

## PCCH BOOK AND MOVIE CLUB

*Wednesday, March 25, 7:00 pm, Harris Room*

We will discuss “Just Mercy,” the book by Bryan Stevenson and the movie by the same name. The movie is still out in theaters – see it if you can. The book is available in a variety of formats. Start reading (and watching) now, and join us for discussion in March.

## EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP GATHERING

*Tuesday, March 31, Widener Hall*

Whether a long-time or recent visitor to PCCH, perhaps you have questions about church membership. On March 31, the Church Life Committee will host an informal dinner and conversation with staff and session members. You're not committed to join if you attend this dinner, it's simply an opportunity to learn more and to get to know you. RSVP at the church office or contact John Wilkinson for further information.

## COMMUNICATIONS/TECHNOLOGY TEAM

Communications and technology needs are rapidly evolving, and the church seeks to respond so that we can effectively communicate and manage information. We are forming a team to evaluate what we are doing and make a plan for moving ahead. If you have interest in serving on this new

team (some expertise or experience is helpful but not required) please contact either Rebecca Bernstein, [rjbernstein@comcast.net](mailto:rjbernstein@comcast.net) or John Wilkinson, [jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org).

## SOCIAL WITNESS COMMITTEE

Let your light shine! Let your voice be heard! During Fellowship Hour in Widener Hall, stop by the Social Witness table. It will have information about important issues, stamped postcards, pens and address lists. Witness to your faith and send a message to your legislators.

## ALTERNATIVE OFFERING CARDS

Many of you pay your pledges online, or monthly or even annually. Did you know that there are offering cards, located in the pew pads, to place in the offering plate to indicate your giving? You are encouraged to use these cards.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

### OUR BROTHER'S PLACE

*Next Sloppy Joe Pick-up Date is Monday, February 24*

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 last 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). **We also supply other food items (rolls and two cases of food-service canned vegetables and fruit) to Our Brother's Place monthly; the fruit and vegetables had been donated for years by a member who is no longer able to do so. We would be grateful for cash donations to offset the cost of these additional items (roughly \$70 per month) and will begin to accept donations every fourth Sunday, when Sloppy Joes are due. We, and the men we feed at Our Brother's Place, thank you for your support!**

### FACE TO FACE PREP DATES

*Future dates for prep only (9:30 am – 1:30 pm) are: February 29 and March 21, 2020*

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 guests 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 Beth Vaccaro ([bethnellvaccaro@gmail.com](mailto:bethnellvaccaro@gmail.com)).

### GERMANTOWN AVENUE CRISIS MINISTRY: Next collection date is Sunday, March 1.

PCCH has been a long-time supporter of Germantown Avenue Crisis Ministry. We collect food cupboard donations the **first Sunday of each month** at the conclusion of worship. Each week, the GACM food cupboard supplies 50 - 60 households with packages that include both fresh and non-perishable foods. Please help with your donations of: canned tuna, chicken and meats; rice, pasta, and potato products (not in glass jars); peanut butter; canned vegetables; powdered milk; hearty

soups and stews; and hot cereals. The goal is to provide food products with which families can provide complete meals. Thank you for your support!

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

*To register for these programs, unless otherwise indicated, please call Mariangela Saavedra at 215-247-4654 or email [msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org)*

#### **MINDFULNESS PRACTICE**

*Tuesdays, Drop In -Start Anytime, 9:30 am –11:00 am, \$12 per session*

*“Like water to the parched traveler; meditation, as well as prayer, quench the inner thirst.” — Unknown*

Many say “it’s too hard.” But its essence is simply awareness of breathing and our sensations and thoughts. All that’s really required is a safe place, a few minutes (or more) and a willingness to stay with it (focused relaxation).

#### **COLORFUL COLLAGE ART WORKSHOP**

*Tuesdays, February 25, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, \$12 per Class- All Supplies included.*

*Registration Required.*

This fun class offers everyone an opportunity to create their own work of art. Using two familiar tools, glue and scissors, each participant will enjoy turning new and recycled papers and magazines into art. All supplies will be provided and no prior experience with art is required. This class is offered on two dates, so you can plan to attend just one or come to both of them for more creative and relaxing fun this winter.

#### **AFTERNOON MOVIE**

**Showing – *Harriet*, Thursday, February 27, 1:30 pm-4:00 pm, \$2 Includes Popcorn**

***PLEASE RSVP if you plan to attend so we make sure we have enough seating!***

The extraordinary tale of Harriet Tubman's escape from slavery and transformation into one of America's greatest heroes, whose courage, ingenuity and tenacity freed hundreds of slaves and changed the course of history.

#### **MANAGING BACK PAIN**

*Tuesday, March 3, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm, Free*

Join us for an interactive presentation addressing one of the most common diagnoses and gateway to disabilities in the US. Learn posture and body mechanics in order to prevent and treat back pain. After this presentation, you will understand back pain as well as how to avoid it with early intervention. We will also discuss natural treatments supplements.

#### **LOVE LOST & FOUND**

***FREE Introductory Presentation, Thursday, March 5, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm. Registration requested***

Learn about LOVE LOST & FOUND, an upcoming workshop running for four weeks in March that is created for a special purpose: to explore love in all its facets -- at all ages. The Workshop will turn your true stories, or stories of your family or friends into the Philadelphia

version of an interactive play, which already had its successful world premiere in Nova Scotia last spring.

#### **DREAM CIRCLES**

*Thursday, March 5, First Thursday of each month, join at any time , 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm, \$5 each session. RSVP REQUIRED by the Tuesday before each dream circle.*

In this group we use basic, interactive methodologies to help each other understand the universal language of dream symbols, to better dialogue with our inner selves and support each other in that process. Brief lecture-discussion on dream-related topics provided as necessary. “New people” are welcome at these monthly gatherings, but do try to be on time for the session you want to attend.

### **WITH OUR NEIGHBORS**

#### **LYRIC FEST CONCERT**

*Saturday, February 29, 4:00 pm, in the Sanctuary*

The Enchanted Flute: Songs for Flute and Voice.

Information available at [www.lyricfest.org](http://www.lyricfest.org)

#### **TEMPESTA DI MARE CONCERT**

*Sunday, March 1, 3:00 pm, in the Sanctuary*

Music by Bach, Rebel and Telemann’s Riff on the 1720 Louisiana Financial Crash.

Tickets available at [www.tempestadimare.org](http://www.tempestadimare.org) or call 215-755-8776.

#### **CHESTNUT STREET SINGERS**

*Friday, March 6, 8:00 pm in the Sanctuary*

Presents “Always Singing”

Information available at [www.chestnutstreetsingers.org](http://www.chestnutstreetsingers.org)

### **NEWS FROM PCCH PRESCHOOL**

#### **PRESCHCOOL SUMMER CAMP 2020**

*June Sessions: May 26 to June 26, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm or 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.*

*July: Our preschool will be closed for the entire month of July.*

*August Sessions: August 3 to August 28, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm or 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.*

We are very excited to announce the second summer of *Adventures in Spanish Camp!* Each week will include a full-day thematic project based curriculum. The program will closely mirror the school year’s rhythms, but will offer more opportunities for water play and a more cohesive focus around one school-wide theme each week. The classrooms are air conditioned and camp faculty will be made up of current PCCH Preschool faculty. Enrollment began February 20.

- \$375 per week for 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
- \$325 per week for 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

- Discount offered when signing up for all 9 weeks till 3:00 pm, as the price drops to \$325 per week

Further information is available by calling the preschool at 215-247-8865 or checking the PCCH website under the preschool.

<b>THIS WEEK AT PCCH</b>
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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

9:00 am	Gallery Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:00 am	<b>Worship (Sanctuary)</b>
10:20 am	Church School (Strouse)
11:15 am	Fellowship (Widener)
11:15 am	Joyful Noise Rehearsal (Chapel)
11:15 am	Youth Choir Rehearsal (Youth Room)
11:30 am	Second Hour Discussion (Reception Room)
5:00 pm	Board Game Night (Widener)
7:00 pm	Confirmation Class (Harris)

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24**

3:30 pm	Girlchoir Rehearsal (Room 3&4)
4:00 pm	Girlchoir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
6:00 pm	Girlchoir Rehearsal (Chapel)
6:15 pm	Yoga Class (Melcher)
7:00 pm	Philomusica Rehearsal (Widener)
7:30 pm	Crossing Board Meeting (Harris)

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

9:00 am	Organ Practice (Sanctuary)
6:00 pm	CY Rehearsal (Choir Room)
6:30 pm	CY Board Meeting (Harris)
7:00 pm	District Boy Scouts (Room 5)
7:00 pm	Well Spouse Support Group (Room 1&2)
7:30 pm	Royal Scottish Country Dancers (Chapel)

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

7:00 am	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>
11:00 am	Rotary Meeting (Widener)
	Bible Study (Reception Room)

1:00 pm  
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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27**

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**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

9:00 am  
9:30 am

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29**

8:00 am  
4:00 pm  
5:30 pm

Staff Meeting (Melcher)  
Girlchoir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)  
Girlchoir Rehearsal (Room 3&4)  
Girlchoir Rehearsal (Widener)  
Watercolor Painting & Instruction (Room 1&2)  
**Ash Wednesday Worship (Sanctuary)**  
Summit Group (Room 3&4)

BNI Meeting (Widener)  
Organ Practice (Sanctuary)  
Outdoor Gardeners Board Meeting (Melcher)  
Music Monkeys (Chapel)  
RSP Against Bullying (Reception Room)  
Cub Scouts (Widener)  
MALT Microsoft Class (Room 5)  
Scout Board of Review (Harris)  
Gallery Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
Boy Scouts (Room 1&2)

Organ Practice (Sanctuary)  
Music Monkeys (Chapel)

Habitat for Humanity (Philadelphia)  
Lyric Fest Concert (Sanctuary)  
Swing Dance Society (Widener)

<b>NEXT SUNDAY AT PCCH</b>
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**SUNDAY, MARCH 1**

9:00 am  
10:00 am  
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**LORD'S SUPPER**

Gallery Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
**Worship (Sanctuary)**  
Church School (Strouse)  
Fellowship (Widener)  
Joyful Noise Rehearsal (Chapel)  
Youth Choir Rehearsal (Youth Room)  
Second Hour Discussion (Reception Room)  
Jr. High Fellowship (Escape the Room)  
Tempesta di Mare Concert (Sanctuary)  
Sr. High Fellowship (Dinner at CinCin)  
Confirmation Class (Harris)

**THIS WEEK AT CENTER ON THE HILL**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24**

9:00 am Nutrition Counseling (Melcher)  
9:30 am Drawing and Sketching Class (Room 1&2)  
10:30 am Italian Conversation Class (Harris)  
12:30 pm Bridge Game (Room 5)  
2:00 pm Qigong Class (Room 3&4)  
2:15 pm Gentle Yoga (Harris)  
2:30 pm French Conversation Class (Room 1&2)  
3:45 pm Zumba Gold Class (Harris)

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

9:30 am Watercolor Workshop (Room 1&2)  
9:30 am Mindfulness Class (Harris)  
10:00 am Tai Chi Level I (Room 3&4)  
1:00 pm Mah Jongg Open Play (Room 5)  
2:00 pm Collage Art Class (Room 1&2))

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

10:00 am Strengthen Your Voice Level I (Choir Room)  
10:00 am Tai Chi Level I (Room 3&4)  
11:00 am Strengthen Your Voice Level II (Choir Room)  
11:15 am Tai Chi Level III (Room 3&4)  
11:30 am Bridge Game (Rooms 1 & 2)  
12:30 pm Diabetes Workshop (Kitchen)  
12:30 pm Tai Chi Level II (Room 3&4)  
2:30 pm Golden Yoga (Harris)

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27**

9:00 am Chair Pilates (Room 3&4)  
9:00 am PCCH Bridge Group (Room 1&2)  
9:00 am Qigong Class (Harris)  
10:00 am Bridge Game (Room 5)  
1:00 pm Private Mah Jongg Group (Room 5)  
1:30 pm Afternoon Movie *"Harriet"* (Harris)

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

9:30 am Yoga with Attitude (Harris)  
10:00 am Scrabble Play (Room 5)  
11:00 am Music Reading: Basics (Choir Room)  
11:30 am Yoga, A Chair and You (Harris)  
12:00 pm Music Reading: Level 2 (Choir Room)  
1:00 pm International Folk Dancing (Room 3&4)  
1:00 pm Mah Jongg Open Play (Room 5)  
2:30 pm Golden Yoga (Harris)