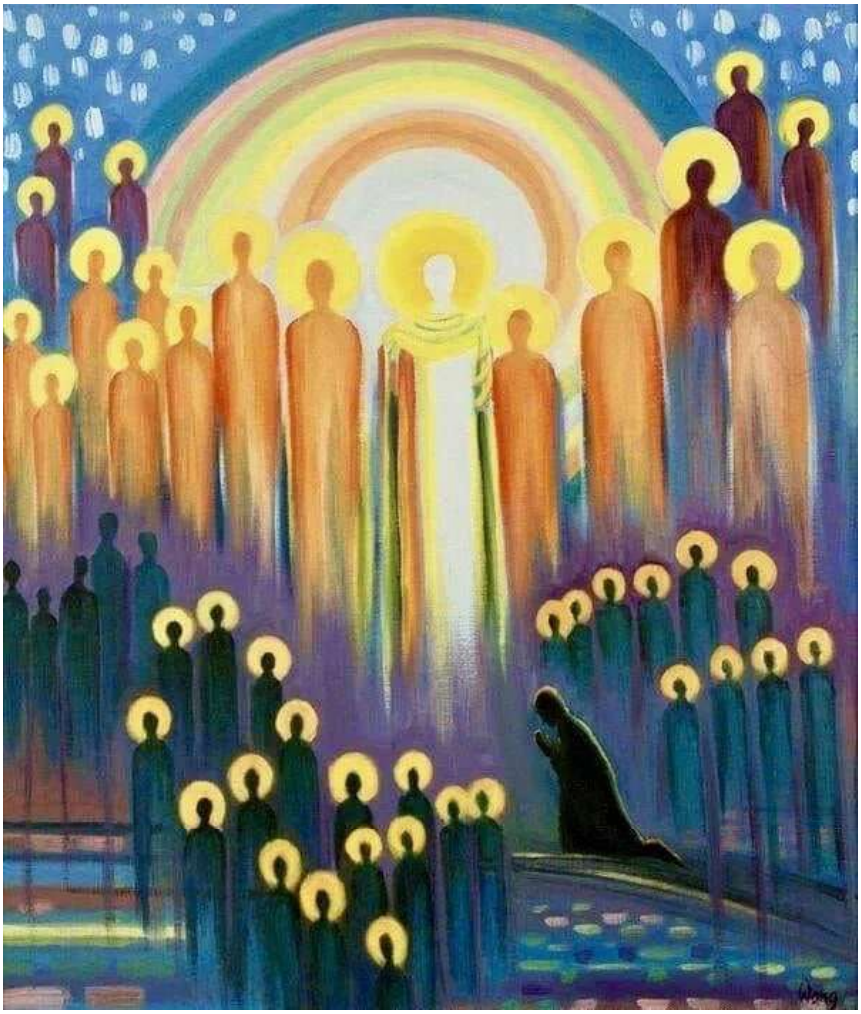
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

An inclusive community of faith

Sunday, November 1, 2026
10 a.m.
ALL SAINT'S DAY



8855 GERMANTOWN AVENUE, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19118

WELCOME!

Whether you're a first time guest or a long time member, we are grateful for your presence with us. There's a place for you here!

Following today's service, we invite you to join us for refreshments and fellowship in Widener Hall.

Accessibility
Please see an usher for listening assistive devices and large-print bulletins.

Families with Children

- Nursery care for children through age two is available in the Strouse building from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.—see an usher for assistance. Children who are three are encouraged to attend the Godly Play Sunday School class, but are welcome to remain in the nursery at the discretion of their guardians.
- Children's *Praise Packs* are available in the narthex to aid children with worship participation. Please return them after the service.
- All children in attendance are invited to attend Sunday School, which begins immediately after the Children's Message. Please scan the QR code to fill out a brief waiver for your child.

Before Worship
Please silence all electronic devices.
Please be mindful of our musicians, who rehearse in the Sanctuary between 9 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. We welcome all to enter the Sanctuary, but ask that you keep your conversations low.

Contact
If you'd like to receive regular updates about worship, church life and other events, please contact Office & Media Coordinator, Mary Frommer. If you are interested in joining PCCH, please contact the Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle. With pastoral care concerns or prayer requests, please contact Rev. Emily Chapdelaine.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Elegy* Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

INTROIT MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing praise to God, who reigns above,
The God of all creation,
The God of power, the God of love,
The God of our salvation;
With healing balm my soul is filled,
And every faithless murmur stilled:
To God all Praise and glory.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: What kind of love has God given us?
People: A love that proclaims we are God's very own.
Leader: What kind of promise has God given us?
People: God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.
Leader: What kind of future has God given us?
People: God will lead us to springs of life-giving water.
Leader: Blessing and glory,
People: wisdom and thanksgiving,
Leader: honor and power and might
People: be to our God, forever and always!

***HYMN 477** *Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim* HANOVER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you call us your own children
and cover us with your love.
We would seek to be merciful as you are,
and to show compassion as you do,
but we fail to live the life to which we have been called.
Where we ought to forgive, we condemn;
the evil we should shun, we embrace.
Forgive our sinful ways, tame our wayward wills,
and make us more like Christ,
until we are raised in perfection on the last day. Amen.
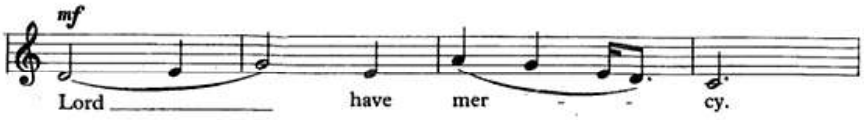
SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

James MacMillan
(b. 1959)

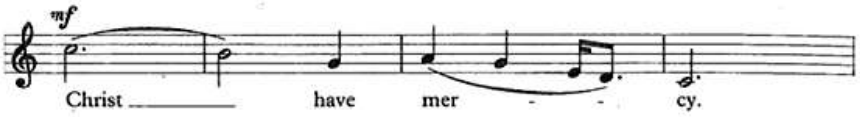
Choir Lord, have mercy.

Congregation
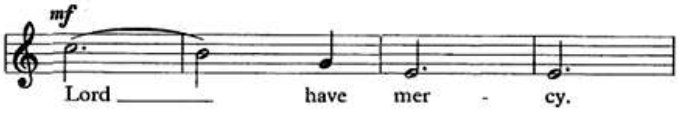


Choir Christ, have mercy.

Congregation



Choir Lord, have mercy.

Congregation



Choir Kyrie eleison.

PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

GLORIA PATRI

REGENT SQUARE
(Hymn 417)

Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever three and ever one;
one in might and one in glory,
while unending ages run.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: As a forgiven people, let us share Christ's peace with one another.
The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOCUS ON STEWARDSHIP

Sandy Sherwood

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pour out your Spirit upon us, O God,
and with your Word enlighten the eyes of our hearts,
that we might live in hope;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

EPISTLE 1 John 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Leader: Holy wisdom, Holy word.
People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND DISMISSAL

Children through second grade depart for church school in the Strouse building.
Joyful Noise will rehearse today from 11 a.m. to 11:40 a.m. in the sanctuary.
Parents, your children will be brought to you in Widener Hall.
Youth Choir will rehearse today from 11:35 to 12:20 p.m. in the sanctuary.

HYMN *(seated)*

TALLIS' CANON

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
Through this and every coming day,
That in your Spirit strong and true,
Our lives may be our gift to you.

NEW TESTAMENT Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."
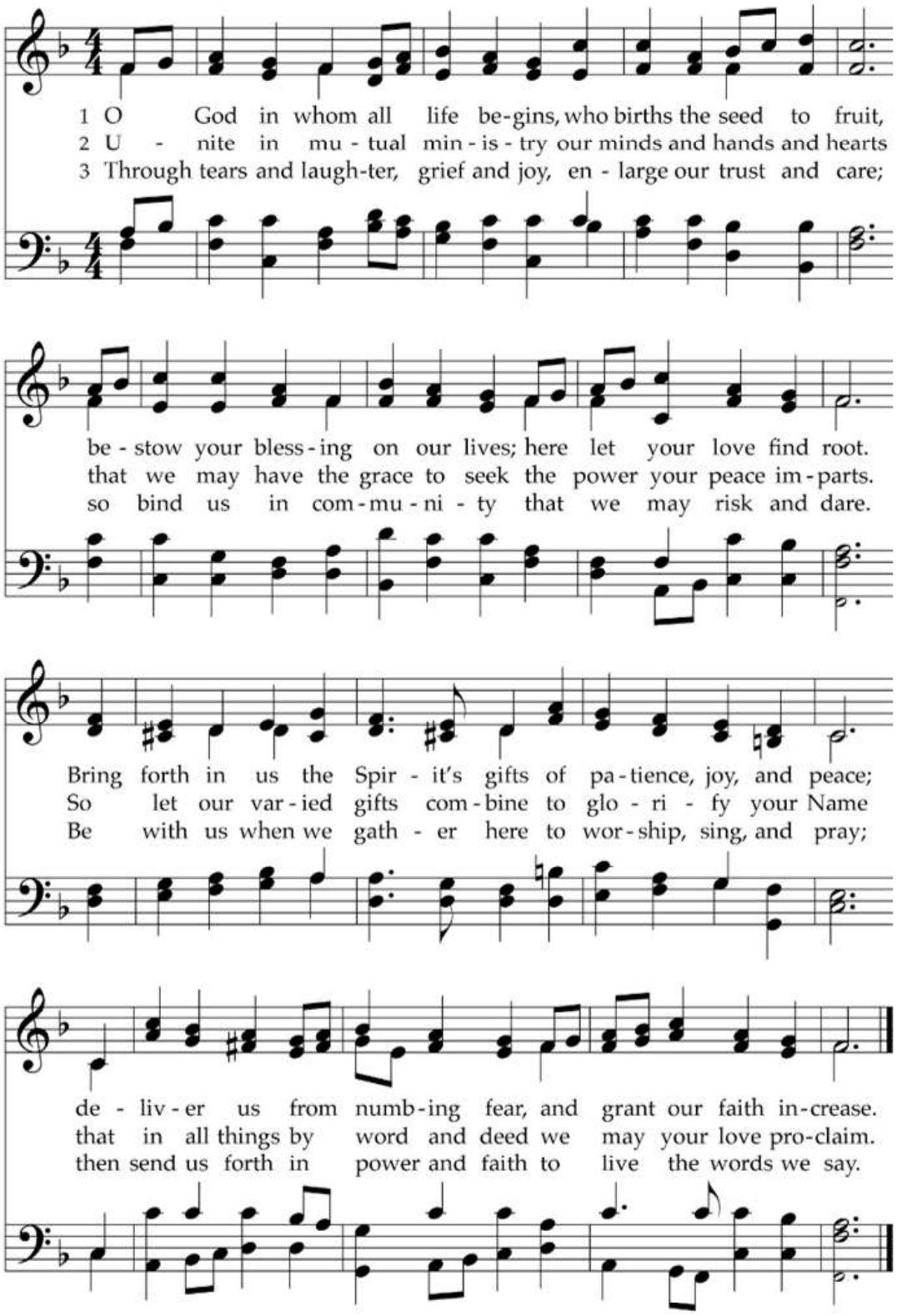
Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Leader: Holy wisdom, Holy word.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON The Communion of Saints Greg Dickinson
Maddie Dickinson
Sandy Sherwood

***HYMN 308** *O God in Whom All Life Begins* NOEL



*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

the Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

In Paradisum, from Requiem

Gabriel Fauré
(1845-1924)

Sopranos:

In Paradisum deducant Angeli in tuo adventu suscipiant te Martyres et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem.

May the angels receive them in Paradise, at thy coming may the martyrs receive thee and bring thee into the holy city Jerusalem.

Choir:

Jerusalem.

Jerusalem.

Sopranos:

Chorus Angelorum te suscipit, et cum Lazaro quondam paupere, aeternam habeas requiem.

There may the chorus of angels receive, thee, and with Lazarus, once a beggar, may you have eternal rest.

Choir:

Aeternam habeas requiem.

May you have eternal rest.
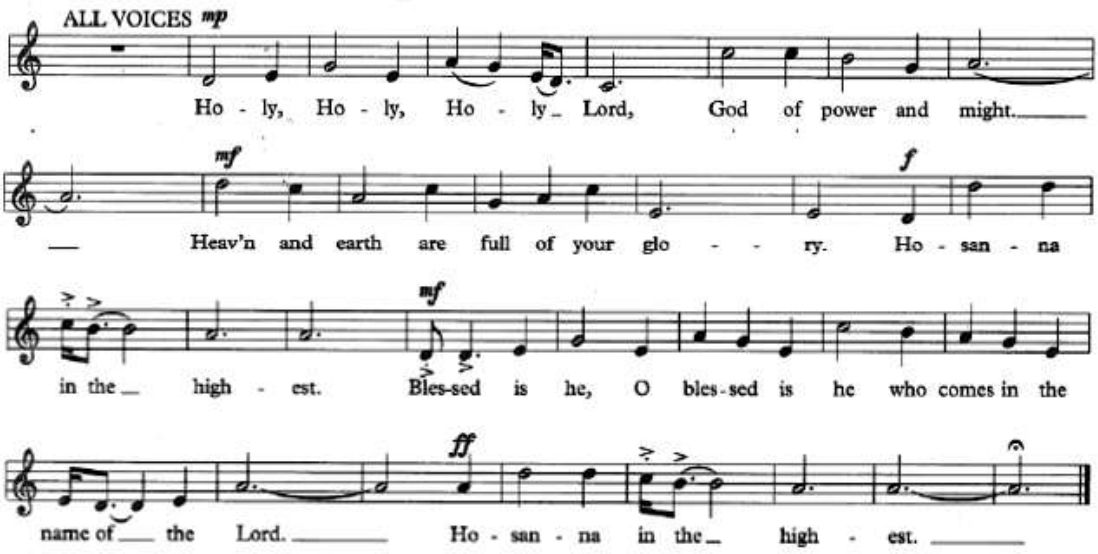
SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

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

SANCTUS

MacMillan



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith:
People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

NECROLOGY

Joan H. Torello
William A. Cobb, Jr.
Antonia Kok

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to come forward down the center aisle when invited by an usher. Take a piece of bread from a server (all bread is gluten-free) and partake. Then take a cup from the server and partake. Empty cups may be placed in the pew racks. If you choose not to come forward, servers will come to your seats to serve you.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Robert Lucas Pearsall
(1795-1856)

Ave verum corpus natum	Hail the true body, born
de Maria Virgine;	of the Virgin Mary;
vere passum, immolatum	You who truly suffered and were sacrificed
in cruce pro homine:	on the cross for the sake of man;
Cujus latus perforatum	From whose pierced side
unda fluxit cum sanguine:	flowed water and blood:
Esto nobis praegustatum,	Be a foretaste for us,
in mortis examine.	in the trial of death.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of glory, in this holy feast
you have made us one with Christ
and with that great multitude of the faithful—
those who hunger and thirst no more
and worship night and day in your temple.
Lead us in the paths of righteousness
and guide us to the springs of the water of life,
until we join the choir of the redeemed,
singing: Salvation belongs to our God
who is seated on the throne,
and to the Lamb: Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN 526** *For All The Saints* SINE NOMINE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

BENEDICTION RESPONSE McNeil Robinson II
(1943-2015)

Amen.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Te Deum* Marc-Antoine Charpentier
(1643-1704)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHER
Greg Dickinson, Maddie Dickinson, and **Sandy Sherwood**

LITURGIST
The Rev. Emily Chapdelaine and **Dr. William "Buddy" Storm**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
The Rev. Emily Chapdelaine

COMMUNION SERVERS
Jill Bown, Dom Rebeck, Diana Rodgers, and **Harry Spaeth**

MUSIC
PCCH Gallery Choir
Jeffrey DeVault Organist

GREETERS
Tennyson Tippy and **Clarke Woodruff** Elders
Sharyn Walker and **Sarah Wright** Deacons

USHERS
Dom Rebeck Team #3 leader
Peter Cooke, Doug Olson, Tom Hensle, Jeannette Quirus, and **John Quirus**

FLOWER GUILD
Linda Pettengill and **Liz Podraza**

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY Are given to the glory of God and in honor of **Marjorie** and **Floyd Wright,** and **Doris** and **Robert Greer,** by **Robert** and **Diane Wright Greer.**

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COVER ART *When we pray at Mass we are united with Christ in Glory and with the gathering of His saints and the souls of Purgatory,* Elizabeth Wang, 2000, oil on board. From the artist: "I had never dreamed I could produce work of such power and beauty - and I was grateful both for the powerful images I'd received from God, and for the opportunity to have made some of them 'concrete'. I had dozens more, all held in my memory, ready for when I had time to record them."

HAPPENING AT PCCH

GERMANTOWN AVENUE CRISIS MINISTRY HOLIDAY BASKET DRIVE

PCCH is partnering with the Germantown Avenue Crisis Ministry (GACM) to provide Thanksgiving meal baskets to those in need in our community. Basket contents should include a protein (turkey, turkey breast, chicken), a starch (rice, yams, mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese), a vegetable, bread (rolls or cornbread mis), a dessert, and any other items you feel would bring joy to a Thanksgiving meal (gravy, cranberry stuffing, beverages). We are hoping to be able to provide completed baskets to GACM by Friday, November 20 so please drop off your completed baskets by Sunday, November 15. If you have any questions or would like information on how to make a monetary donation to support this drive, please call GACM at 215.843.2340.

CANTATAS AND CHAMBER MUSIC—PCCH SOLOISTS IN RECITAL

Join us on Sunday, November 15 at 4 p.m. as the PCCH Soloists perform at our second Cantatas and Chamber Music concert of the season. A reception will be held in the Narthex beginning at 3:30 p.m. This is a pay-what-you-wish event, with a suggested $20 donation.

PCCH HIGH COFFEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDDED

During select Sundays our Hospitality Committee hosts special High Coffee Fellowships in Widener Hall. They are currently looking for assistance setting up and breaking down on the following Sundays during this program year: November 15, December 13, February 7, March 21, and May 16. If you would like to sign up to volunteer please scan the QR Code or visit: https://tinyurl.com/3nccerxb.

PCCH VETERANS DAY HOURS

The PCCH Offices and Center on the Hill will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in honor and recognition of Veterans Day.

PCCH VETERANS DAY RECOGNITION

This Veterans Day PCCH will be honoring those within our community who have served our Country. On Sunday, November 8 we are planning a flag placement in the Memorial Garden, as well as recognizing our service members during coffee hour. We are asking all Veterans (or families) to send a photo of your Vet marked with their name, branch of service, and PCCH relation. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Murphy: 215.778.9074.

BIBLE STUDY	WOMEN'S CIRCLE	MEN'S FELLOWSHIP	THEOLOGY ON TAP
November 4, 10:30 a.m. Harris Room	November 17, 10 a.m. Reception Room	November 5, 2 p.m. Reception Room	To Be Announced
Emily Chapdelaine Mark 2:1-12	Taylor Slaughter praetextem@gmail.com	Ron Rising 203.206.7299	Emily Chapdelaine 812 E Willow Grove Ave

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

Date	Godly Play (age three—kindergarten)	Growing in God's Love (first—second grade)	Christian Studies (third—fifth grade)	Follow Me (sixth—eighth grade)
11/1	**Michelle Shachtman** and **Rebecca DePasquale**	**Dan Pretz** and **Rachelle Pretz**	stay in worship	stay in worship

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Sunday School program (for children age three through grade five) begins with a brief opening in the chapel, after which the children are divided by age into three classes. For more information about our Sunday School classes and children's music program, please scan the QR Code.

YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

Youth Group meets most Sundays from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Additionally, High School youth are invited to gather in Emily's office following worship on Sunday, November 1 for forty-five minutes of fellowship and conversation. Service Sundays are scheduled for the third Sunday of the month and we will not have Youth Group on these days. All youth grades six through twelve are welcome at these, and special youth events, whether their families are members or not! Please contact the Rev. Emily Chapdelaine with any questions.

CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MUSIC UPDATE

Joyful Noise, our Children's Choir (age three to grade five) will rehearse today from 11 a.m. to 11:40 a.m. in the sanctuary. Children will proceed directly from Sunday School to Joyful Noise and will be brought to their parents in Widener Hall after rehearsal. New singers and drop-ins are always welcome.

Youth Choir (grades six through twelve) will rehearse today from 11:35 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. in the sanctuary. Youth Choir typically does not meet on the third Sunday of each month to engage in community service with the Youth Group. New singers and drop-ins are always welcome.



CENTER ON THE HILL

If you have time in your day, we have something fun for you to do! Open Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Friday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. New online content is posted Monday through Thursday at 12 p.m. on our programs page. Scan the QR Code for more information.

The Center on the Hill will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in honor of Veterans Day.

Upcoming Classes and events

Registration for Fall activities and classes is open. Registration is required for all activities and classes at the Center as space is limited for social distancing. Call 215-247-4654 or email msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org to register

SUPPORT YOUR AGING BRAIN (registration required)
Thursdays, November 5 through 19, 2:30 p.m., $63 per person for three-week class
Learn how diet, botanicals, herbal medicines and infrared light solutions can contribute to improved cognitive, mood, and mental function as well as enhance the neurological capacity of your brain. Registration is required through the Mt. Airy Learning Tree (MALT) call 215.843.6333 or visit mtairylearningtree.org to register.

LUNG CANCER AWARENESS (registration required)
Thursday, November 5, 11 a.m., *free*
November is lung cancer awareness month; in the United States alone, an estimated 124,990 people die from lung and bronchus cancers each year. Katerina from Fox Chase Cancer Center discusses risk factors, symptoms, and screening tests for lung cancer, and what you can do to lower your risk for developing this life-threatening illness. *Presented by Fox Chase Cancer Center.*

HEALTHY BONES EXERCISE CLASS (registration required)
Tuesdays, November 10 through December 15, 2:15 p.m., $72 for full session (no drop in's)
This class focuses on strengthening, balance, and posture exercises based on the Strong Bones program developed by bone health expert Joanne Fagerstrom PT,CFP. This is a class for those who want to be proactive about their bone health, reduce fall risk, and improve function for everyday activities. Please bring your own mat, all other equipment is provided.

FORUM ON THE HILL—CHRIS PETRAK (registration required)
Thursday, November 12, 12:30 a.m., $5 requested donation
Chris Petrak, a retired Presbyterian minister, is an avid birder and self-taught naturalist. He has written several books on his birding experiences and research, the most recent being: "American Ornithology": Alexander Wilson's Pioneering Work on American Birds. Join us for an in depth look at Wilson as the first field naturalist, highlighting some of his "new" birds and insights.

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, November 1	**All Saint's Day**
Fellowship	Widener, 11 a.m.
Youth Group	Harris, 5 p.m.
MONDAY, November 2	
Quiver Farms visit	front lawn, 9:30 a.m.
Sketching and Watercolors class	room 1&2, 10 a.m.
Tai Chi Practice group	room 3&4, 10:15 a.m.
Table Games—Open Play group	room 5, 12 p.m.
WaterMedia Level Two class	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Qigong class	Harris, 2 p.m.
TUESDAY, November 3	
Meditation Practice group	Harris, 9:30 a.m.
Sketching and Watercolor class	room 1&2, 10 a.m.
Mah Jongg—Open Play group	room 5, 12:30 p.m.
Watercolor and Drawing Foundations Level Two class	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Films by the McDonaugh Brothers viewing	Harris, 2 p.m.
Deacons' meeting	Harris, 6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, November 4	
Beginning Tai Chi class	Widener, 10 a.m.
Bible Study	Harris, 10:30 a.m.
Rummy Tiles—Open Play group	room 5, 10:30 a.m.
Continuing Tai Chi class	Widener, 11:15 a.m.
Bridge—Open Play group	room 1&2, 11:30 a.m.
Intermediate Tai Chi class	Widener, 12:30 p.m.
Staff meeting	reception, 1 p.m.
Intro to Interior Design	Harris, 1:30 p.m.
Golden Yoga class	Widener, 3 p.m.
Intro to Ping Pong class	Strouse, 3:15 p.m.
Social Witness Committee meeting	Zoom, 7:30 p.m.
AA meeting	Harris, 8 p.m.
THURSDAY, November 5	
Qigong class	Harris, 9 a.m.
Painters group	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Community Partners meeting	room 3&4, 10 a.m.
Learn to Play Mah Jongg class	room 5, 10:30 a.m.

Lung Cancer Awareness workshop	Harris, 11 a.m.
French Conversation group	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Mah Jongg group	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Men's Fellowship meeting	reception, 2 p.m.
Aging in Place group	Harris, 2:15 p.m.
Support your Aging Brain workshop	room 3&4, 2:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, November 6

Yoga with Attitude class	Harris, 9:45 a.m.
Scrabble Open Play group	room 5, 10 a.m.
Yoga, A Chair, and You class	Harris, 11:30 a.m.
International Folk Dancing class	room 3&4, 12:30 p.m.
November Art Show: Meet the Artist reception	COTH hallway, 4 p.m.
Sober and Out meeting	Harris, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, November 7

Worship	sanctuary, 10 a.m.
Fellowship	Widener, 11 a.m
Youth Group meeting	Harris, 5 p.m.

The Friends of PCCH Preschool

Pick up in Widener Hall after worship on November 29,
or outside the Preschool on December 1 and 2

HOLIDAY WREATH SALE



ORDERS ACCEPTED THROUGH NOVEMBER 23

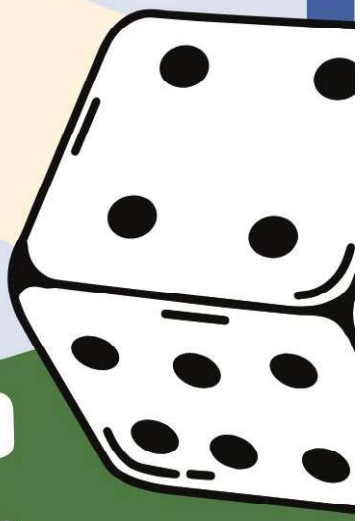
18" and 22" wreaths made in Lancaster, PA
with Frazier Fir, White Pine, and Arborviate

$30 for an 18" wreath
$35 for a 22" wreath

PCCH PRESCHOOL
·founded 1961·

Friday, November 13

doors open at 5:30 p.m.
games begin at 6 p.m.



Bring your favorite game to

GAME NIGHT



Sponsored by PCCH Church Life & Children's Ministry Committees

ALL AGES WELCOME!

Please bring a salad or a side to share!
Tomato pie and lemonade will be provided.
Adult beverages are BYO.

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle Senior Minister and Head of Staff
The Rev. Emily Chapdelaine Associate Minister of Congregational Life
Dr. Daniel Spratlan Director of Music
Jeffrey DeVault Organist and Associate Director of Music
Dr. Julie Snyder Director, Children's Education, Joyful Noise, and Youth Choir
Rachel Cline Church Administrator
Megan Cullen Director, Preschool
Mariangela Saavedra Director, Center on the Hill
Mary Frommer Office and Media Coordinator
Felix Delgado Full Time Sexton
Nakeem Coleman Part Time Sexton
Debbie Lambeth Sunday Child Care Giver
The Rev. Cynthia A. Jarvis Pastor Emerita

WE ARE A MATTHEW 25 CONGREGATION

PCCH is a Matthew 25 Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA). We are committed to building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism, and eradicating systemic poverty. Scan the QR Code to learn more.

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