

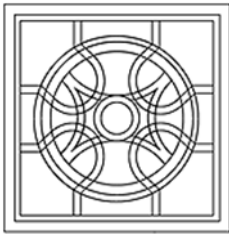
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

An inclusive community of faith

Sunday, August 2, 2026

10 a.m.

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AND LORD'S SUPPER



8855 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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—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 Seminary Intern, Dr. William “Buddy” Storm.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Impromptu
(Op. 90, No. 3)

Franz Schubert
(1797-1828)

INTROIT

Psalms 150

Ned Rorem
(1923-2022)

Praise ye the Lord.
Praise God in his sanctuary.
Praise him in the firmament of his pow'r.
Praise him for his mighty acts.
Praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him with the sound of the trumpet.
Praise him with the psaltery and harp.
Praise him with the timbrel and dance.
Praise him with stringed instruments and organs.
Praise him upon the loud cymbals.
Praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.

CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 145

Leader: All who hunger—gather gladly.
People: We come to feast on the life-giving Word.
Leader: Here, love abounds and grace overflows.
People: Here, blessings multiply as gifts are shared.
Leader: Come—let us pour ourselves out in prayer and praise,
People: and open ourselves to renewal and rest.

*HYMN 460

*Holy God,
We Praise Your Name*

GROSSER GOTT,
WIR LOBEN DICH

**Please stand as you are able.*

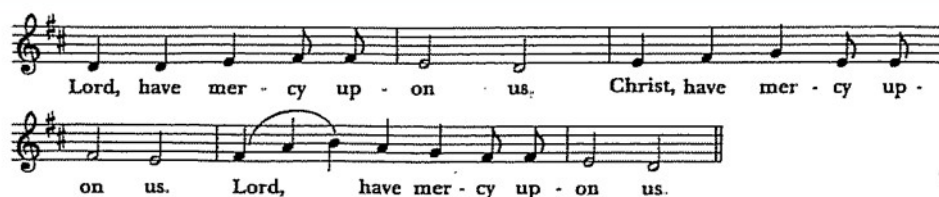
PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of abundance, in your hands
meager offerings become bread to feed a multitude.
Your mercy overflows to fill deserted landscapes
with hope and grace.
In you there is always more than enough.
But we see only scarcity:
too few resources to share with our neighbors,
too little energy to respond to those in need.
We turn from those who suffer
rather than offering compassion and care.
Transform us, we pray.
Open our hands to share freely and generously
and stretch our hearts to new expressions of love. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

Healey Willan
(1880-1968)



PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

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

***GLORIA PATRI**

WESTMINSTER ABBEY
(Hymn 416)

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Providing God, by your Holy Spirit
feed us with your Word,
that we might be filled
with the bread of life. Amen.

PSALM 145:8-9, 14-21

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: **The Lord is good to all,
and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

Leader: The Lord upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.

People: **The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.**

Leader: You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.

People: **The Lord is just in all his ways
and kind in all his doings.**

Leader: The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

People: **He fulfills the desire of all who fear him;
he also hears their cry and saves them.**

Leader: The Lord watches over all who love him,
but all the wicked he will destroy.

People: **My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord,
and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND DISMISSAL

Children depart for church school in the Strouse building.

Children will return to worship for communion.

Joyful Noise will meet today from 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

Parents, your children will be brought to you in Widener Hall.

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.

GOSPEL

Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Enough and Plenty

Ellen Williams Hensle

"And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over
of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full."

Matthew 14:20

*HYMN 280

Amazing Grace, How Sweet The Sound

AMAZING GRACE

*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

His Eye Is On The Sparrow

Charles H. Gabriel
(1856-1932)

Why should I feel discouraged?
Why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart be lonely,
And long for heav'n and home?
When Jesus is my portion,
A constant friend is He.
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.

Let not your heart be troubled.
His tender word I hear,
And rising on His goodness,
I lose my doubt and fear.
Tho' by the path He leadeth,
But one step I may see,
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.

I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free,
For His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.

Whenever I am tempted,
Whenever clouds arise,
When song gives place to sighing,
When hope within me dies,
I draw the closer to Him,
From care He sets me free;
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he cares for me.

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

ALL VOICES *mp*
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. _____

mf _____ Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - - ry. *f* Ho - san - na

mf
in the _____ high - est. Bles-sed is he, O bles-sed is he who comes in the

ff
name of _____ the Lord. _____ Ho - san - na in the _____ high - est. _____

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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

*Let Us Break Bread
Together On Our Knees*

arr. Jay Althouse
(b. 1951)

Let us break bread together on our knees.
Let us drink wine together on our knees.
Let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God, we thank you for this feast of grace and life.
As we have been served, help us to serve our neighbors.
As we have been fed, help us to feed all who are hungry.
As we have been loved, help us to love the world—
because in Christ Jesus you have loved us. Amen.

*HYMN 408

Where Cross The Crowded Ways of Life

GERMANY

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Ricercare

Girolamo Frescobaldi
(1583-1643)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHING

The Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle

LITURGIST AND CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

The Rev. Dr. Frederick Lewis

MUSIC

Dr. Julie Snyder Soprano

Jeffrey DeVault Organist

COMMUNION SERVERS

Liz Podraza, Margaret Spencer and Clarke Woodruff

GREETERS

Rebecca DePasquale and Tennyson Tippy Elders

Jane McGill and Laura Messenger Deacons

USHERS

Harry Spaeth Team #2 Leader

Troy Foxworth, Graeme Frazier, Kate Houstoun, Jason Jones, and Beth Wrigley

FLOWER GUILD

Grace Stewart and Diane Cornely

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in honor of **Annamae Kirlin** and **Virginia H. Murphy**, mothers of **Diane** and **Bill Murphy**.

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COVER ART *Loaves and Fishes*, John August Swanson, acrylic on canvas, 2003. From the artist: "My image of *Loaves and Fishes* emphasizes and reminds us of the basic needs of all humanity. We all share the need for food and for providing for our families and communities. If we take the cosmic view, that there currently exists enough of what we need to sustain the world; we urgently need to consider sharing the resources that have been entrusted to us."

HAPPENING AT PCCH

PCCH NAMETAGS

If you are interested in a PCCH nametag, or need a replacement, please email Mary Frommer at mfrommer@chesstnuthillpres.org. Completed nametags will be placed on the nametag board by the elevator.

PCCH PRESCHOOL ADVERTISING ASSISTANCE

The PCCH preschool is looking for volunteers to display lawn signs advertising open enrollment in their front yards. If you are interested, please stop outside of the main office to pick up a sign!

ACHIEVEABILITY BACKPACK DRIVE

Help Us Send 1,600 Kids Back to School with Confidence! PCCH is partnering with ACHIEVEability to help provide high quality school supplies and backpacks to children and teens in need throughout West Philadelphia. ACHIEVEability's goal is to give away 1,600 fully stocked backpacks to students of all ages, and we can play a big role in making that happen! To sign up to donate supplies scan the QR Code.



Please drop off all supplies in the reception room by next Sunday, August 9. We will be packing all of the backpacks during fellowship on Sunday, August 16.

LABOR DAY OFFICE HOURS

The PCCH Office and Center on the Hill will be closed on Monday, September 7 in recognition of Labor Day.

BIBLE STUDY	LADIES CIRCLE	MEN'S FELLOWSHIP	THEOLOGY ON TAP
Will resume in September	Will resume in September	August 6, 2 p.m. Reception Room Ron Rising 203.206.7299	Will resume in September

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Date SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

08/02 Mallory Becker and Vincent Rota

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Summer Sunday School program (children age three through rising sixth graders) will take place in our air conditioned Chapel. We will meet until 11:30 a.m. each week.



YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

The youth of PCCH are invited to join us for the Youth Group Mission Trip, in Pittsburgh, PA, from August 8 through August 12. All other youth programming will resume in the fall.

CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MUSIC UPDATE

Youth Choir (grades six through twelve) will be on summer break until September. Joyful Noise (our children's choir age three to grade five) will rehearse as part of Sunday School.



IT'S COOL IN THE FURNACE

PCCH Summer Children's Ministry

Join us as we study the story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, rehearse and perform the children's musical *It's Cool in the Furnace*, and explore the many ways that immigrants have contributed and continue to contribute to our communities. Mark your calendar for our performance on Sunday, August 30 during worship!

Children's Ministry Summer Mission Project

Our Children's Ministry is collecting hygiene and household items for the Nationalities Service Center. **The following items will be collected from June 14 through August 30:** Full size shampoo, conditioner, body wash, deodorant, laundry detergent, and Clorox wipes.

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.



Registration is required for all activities and classes at the Center as space is limited. Call 215.247.4654 or email msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org to register.

INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING (*registration required*)

Fridays, ongoing, 12 p.m., \$70 for ten session, \$8 per session, first visit is free

Start your weekend right! Enjoy learning folk dances from the Balkans, Greece, France, the British Isles, and beyond. No partner is needed, as most dances are done in lines and circles. There is always a mix of teaching and “just dancing” and it’s a great place for beginners to pick up the basics in a super friendly group. For more details about our Friday folk dance session, contact Anne Ehrhart at anne.ehrhart@gmail.com

MEDITATION PRACTICE: SHELTER FOR THE HEART AND MIND (*registration required*)

Tuesdays, ongoing, 9:30 a.m., \$12 per session

In these chaotic times it is extremely important to practice brain health through meditation. Components of class include: sitting and walking meditation, and a variety of mind/body exercises. Our class motto is: my whole being is healthy, healed and whole. Our goal is: to breathe and relax our minds. David Dimmack, MEd. was trained by Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh for over thirty-five years.

BRIDGE: OPEN PLAY (*registration required*)

Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m., \$2

This is an opportunity to simply enjoy others’ company and play the game of Party Bridge. Not for beginners: participants should be familiar enough with the game to play without formal instruction.

FRENCH CONVERSATION GROUP

Thursdays, ongoing, 1:30 p.m., \$2 per session

Whether you are refreshing your high school/college French, taught the language yourself, or have maintained fluency through travel, tutors and classes, you will be welcomed. The group sets its own pace and agenda.

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, August 2

Worship

Church School

Fellowship

Joyful Noise

Lord's Supper

sanctuary, 10 a.m.

Strouse, 10:20 a.m.

Widener, 11 a.m.

chapel, 11 a.m.

MONDAY, August 3

Sketching and Watercolor class

Tai Chi Private Practice group

Table Games open play

Qigong class

room 1&2, 10 a.m.

room 3&4, 10:15 a.m.

room 5, 12 p.m.

Harris, 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, August 4

Meditation Practice group

Sketching and Watercolor class

Mah Jongg open play

Harris, 9:30 a.m.

room 1&2, 10 a.m.

room 5, 12:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, August 5

Beginning Tai Chi

Rummy Tiles open play

Continuing Tai Chi

Bridge open play

Golden Yoga class

Widener, 10 a.m.

room 5, 10:30 a.m.

Widener, 11:15 a.m.

room 1&2, 11:30 a.m.

Widener, 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, August 6

Qigong class

Painters group

Mah Jongg group

French Conversation group

Men's Fellowship

Aging in Place group

Harris, 9 a.m.

room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.

room 5, 1:30 p.m.

room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.

reception, 2 p.m.

Harris, 2:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, August 7

Yoga with Attitude class

Scrabble Play group

Yoga, A Chair and You class

International Folk Dancing class

Harris, 9:45 a.m.

room 5, 10 a.m.

Harris, 11:30 a.m.

room 3&4, 12 p.m.

SUNDAY, August 8

Worship

Church School

Fellowship

Joyful Noise rehearsal

sanctuary, 10 a.m.

Strouse, 10:20 a.m.

Widener, 11 a.m.

chapel, 11 a.m.

PCCH Summer Sunday School Presents

It's Cool In The Furnace
performance Sunday, August 30, during worship





PCCH Homecoming Picnic

Sunday, September 13, 2026

**Save the date for Homecoming Sunday and
our 2026-27 program year kick off! Join us
for a festive picnic on the front lawn
following worship.**

**More information on how to
volunteer is coming soon!**

ABOUT PCCH

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL is a lively congregation that has been serving Philadelphia and beyond since 1852. We have been located on this site since 1950. We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Our traditional worship service connects with contemporary approaches to questions of faith and life. We support a wide range of mission partners throughout the city and are home to a number of music groups.

Our membership is drawn from the city and surrounding communities. We aspire to be an inclusive community of faith in our work and worship together.

SESSION

Jill Bown	Melissa Montgomery	Harry Spaeth
Rebecca DePasquale	William Murphy	James Spause
Gregory Dickinson	Elizabeth Podraza	Margaret R. Spencer
Jack Evans	Jeannette Quirus	William Storm
Graeme Frazier	Dominick Rebeck	Tennyson Tippy
Kelley Garner-DiCesare	Diana Rodgers	Clarke Woodruff

BOARD OF DEACONS

Kelly Baughman	Becky Frazier	Thanice Petrak
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CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle Senior Minister and Head of Staff

The Rev. Emily Chapdelaine Associate Minister of Congregational Life (*on leave*)

Dr. William Storm Seminary Intern

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



PCCH links and
online giving options

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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