

# THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

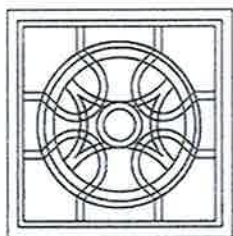
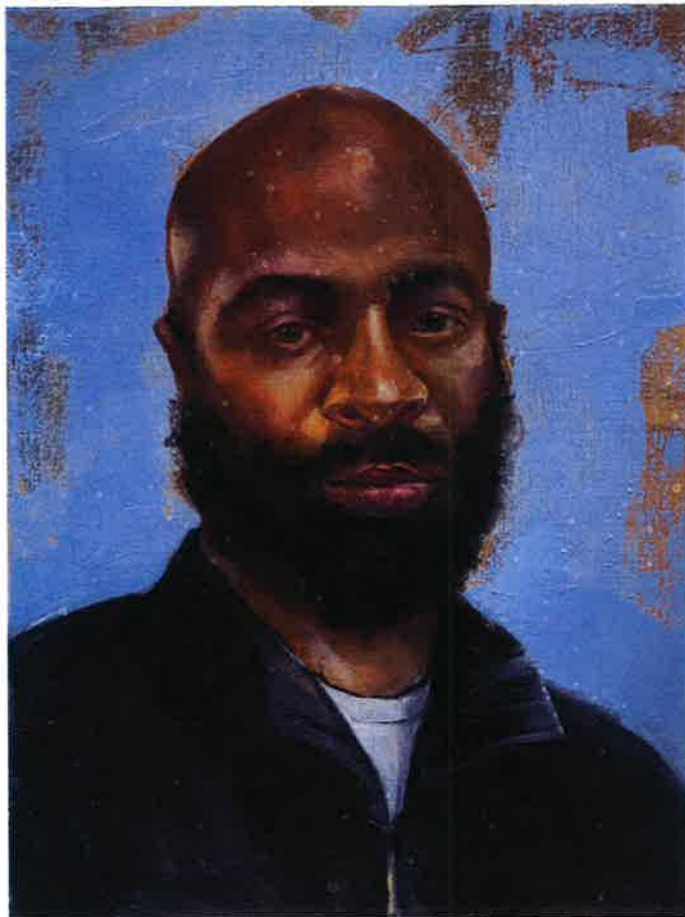
*An inclusive community of faith*

Sunday, October 31, 2021

10:00 a.m.

23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

REFORMATION SUNDAY



8855 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

## WELCOME!

*Welcome to the Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill!*

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

See an usher for hearing devices or large-print bulletins.

Nursery care for infants through age 2 is available in the Strouse building—ask an usher for assistance. Children age 3 and older depart from worship for church school.

We encourage you to fill out the black fellowship pads in the pews, to help us to get to know all who've shared worship with us today.

All are welcome for refreshments and fellowship immediately following the service on the south lawn (weather permitting).

We send regular email updates about worship, church life, and other events. Please contact the church office if you'd like to receive them.

Please silence all electronic devices.

*Find more information about PCCH on page 12.*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

There are no magic formulas that provide an automatic solution to all the theological, ethical, and social problems that confront us in our pluralistic church and society. But...as Christians in the Reformed tradition believe, the one fundamental question behind them all is what the living triune God of scripture is saying and doing in our time and place, and what we have to say and do in thankful response to this living God...

—Shirley C. Guthrie  
*Always Being Reformed*

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Ein Feste Burg*

J. S. Bach  
(1685-1750)

## INTROIT

Thomas Tallis  
(1505-1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments.  
And I will pray the Father,  
and he shall give you another comforter,  
that he may 'bide with you forever;  
e'en the spirit of truth.

## CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Psalm 119)*

Leader: Happy are those whose way is blameless,  
who walk in the law of the Lord.  
People: **Happy are those who keep God's decrees,  
who seek God with their whole heart,**  
Leader: O that my ways may be steadfast  
in keeping your statutes!  
People: **I will praise you with an upright heart,  
when I learn your righteous ordinances.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

God of life: grant us your forgiveness.

We have been heedless in our thoughts, cruel in our words, shameful in our actions. We are indifferent to a world made sad by want and wastefulness. We pass by on the other side when we see our neighbor in need. We wander from the way that leads to peace in paths of our own pleasing.

God of life, grant us your forgiveness and free us to follow you. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

*(Book of Common Order, Church of Scotland)*

KYRIE ELEISON

Craig Phillips  
(b. 1961)

*Everyone sings the refrain:*

*Choir:* Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

*Everyone repeats the refrain.*

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.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FOCUS ON STEWARDSHIP— Social Witness

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

God of the wilderness, in the muteness of isolation, your Spirit whispers a gentle presence; in the brokenness of separation, your embrace is hope and life; when all appears at be at risk—our community, our life, our future—you are present, bearing us to life again.

You are before us, beside and behind us. We trust in you. Amen.

*(United Church of Australia)*

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (p. 163)

Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the Lord your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, so that you and your children and your children's children may fear the Lord your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with

milk and honey, as the Lord, he God of your ancestors, has promised you. Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word.

People: Thanks be to God.

## PSALTER

Psalm 119:1-7

PLAINSONG

Happy are those whose way is blameless,  
who walk in the law of the Lord!

Happy are they who observe his decrees  
and seek him with all their hearts!

Who never do any wrong,  
but always walk in his ways.

You laid down your commandments,  
that we should fully keep them.

Oh, that my ways were made so direct  
that I might keep your statutes!

Then I should not be put to shame,  
when I regard all your commandments.

I will thank you with an unfeigned heart,  
when I have learned your righteous judgments.

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND DISMISSAL

*Children through fifth grade may process to the Chapel.*

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 LESSON

Mark 12:28-34 (p. 49)

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,'—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

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

SERMON

*Formed and Reformed by the Word*

John Wilkinson

\*HYMN 327

*O Word of God Incarnate*

MUNICH

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*unison*)

We are not alone,  
we live in God's world.  
We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others  
by the Spirit.  
We trust in God.  
We are called to be the Church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.  
In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.  
We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God.

*(A New Creed, United Church of Canada)*

**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.



## OFFERING

*Offering plates are available at each sanctuary door, where you may share your offering as you enter or depart. You may continue to send your pledges and other gifts to the church office or through our website. Thank you for your support.*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Philip Stopford  
(b. 1977)

If ye love me,  
keep my commandments.  
And I will pray the Father,  
and he will give you another Comforter;  
even the Spirit of truth.

## \*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

All: Honor and praise be unto you, O Lord our God, for all your tender mercies again bestowed upon us throughout another week. For all the benefits that we have received of your goodness alone, we thank you, and we beseech you to grant us always your Holy Spirit, that we may grow in grace, in steadfast faith, and perseverance in all good works, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(John Knox, c. 1514-1572)*

**\*HYMN 260**

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

EIN FESTE BURG

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Amen*

David Willcocks  
(1919-2015)

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

*Ein Feste Burg*

Helmut Walcha  
(1907-1991)

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Sympathy**

Our sympathy is extended to Troy Foxworth upon the death of his mother.

### **All Saints' Sunday**

Next Sunday, November 7, we will mark All Saints, remembering members and loved ones who have died. Along with naming church members who died in 2020 and 2021, you are invited to add names to the board in the sanctuary this morning or this week, or to contact the church office with names to add.

## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

### PREACHING

John Wilkinson

### LITURGISTS

Brian Russo

Beth Shalom Hessel

Mark Bernstein

### MUSIC

Gallery Choir

Daniel Spratlan Conductor

Ken Lovett Organist

### GREETERS

Allison Rudolf and Kevin Welsh Elders

Jane McGill Deacon

### USHER

Sarah Wright

### FLOWER GUILD

Diane Cornely, Elizabeth Podraza and Ken Lovett

(This morning's arrangements were created as part of Saturday's flower guild workshop.)

**FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Marjorie and Floyd Wright and Doris and Robert Greer** by Dianne Wright Greer and Robert Greer.

### COVER ART

Nancy Bea Miller, 2021, *Our Superman*, portrait of David A. Oliver, oil on canvas, from the fifth annual exhibition of the **Souls Shot Portrait Project**, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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## GOOD TO KNOW

If you are interested in exploring membership at PCCH, please contact John Wilkinson at the church office or at [jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org).

Sunday worship is live-streamed at [chestnuthillpres.org/live](http://chestnuthillpres.org/live) and is recorded for later viewing. This offering extends our reach across the country and beyond. Visit us when you're away and tell your friends about this new opportunity to join us.

Please share any pastoral care needs or concerns with Brian Russo at the church office or at [brusso@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:brusso@chestnuthillpres.org).

If you would like to receive a ride to church for Sunday worship, please contact the church office.

Please see the back cover for information about our church staff and how to contact and connect with us. You can access today's Bulletin online (with links to more information) by scanning the QR code.



MATTHEW 25

The Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill has committed itself to be a Matthew 25 congregation, joining an initiative of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) focused on three areas:

- Building congregational vitality by challenging people and congregations to deepen their faith and get actively and joyfully engaged with their community and the world.
- Dismantling structural racism by advocating and acting to break down the systems, practices and thinking that underlie discrimination, bias, prejudice and oppression of people of color.
- Eradicating systemic poverty by working to change laws, policies, plans and structures in our society that perpetuate economic exploitation of people who are poor.

Over the course of this year, look to get involved with activities and programs across our ministry areas. To learn more, visit our website or [www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25).

# THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

## TODAY AT PCCH

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### IMPORTANT UPDATE

We apologize for the inconvenience and confusion caused by emails you may have received, and we thank you for your understanding. The church online directory was accessed by someone impersonating a church member. They are writing from email accounts using church staff names and requesting money and gift cards. NO ONE from the church will ever request money, gifts cards or personal information via email. Please ignore these emails and DO NOT click on any links or respond to any email. Mark it as a “phishing” scam. We are working with our provider to remedy this situation quickly and fully. Thanks again for your understanding and forbearance.

### NAME TAG INVITATION

As we gradually return, we might need a friendly reminder of names and faces. We are asking everyone to wear a name tag for the next few weeks to help us get re-connected. Name tags are in your worship bulletin. Thank you for your support.

### FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING WORSHIP

Please join us on the front lawn immediately following worship today. All are welcome!

### SECOND HOUR

These gatherings will offer discussions on a variety of topics with leaders from within and beyond the congregation. Plan to stay after church and join us, 11:30 a.m., Widener Hall.

October 31—Panel Discussion: “What we’ve learned during COVID,” featuring Cathy Brzozowski, Beth Vaccaro, Liz Podraza and Greg Dickinson.

### NEW MEMBER GATHERING

Now that we’ve returned to in-person worship, we are convening a gathering for those who might be interested in church membership. Please contact John Wilkinson at [jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:jwilkinson@chestnuthillpres.org) to learn more or express your interest. Even if you’re not ready to join and would like to learn more about PCCH, we’d welcome that conversation!

## Stewardship 2022



Today our 2022 stewardship season under the banner of **Gather\*Bless\*Serve** will focus on our Social Witness Committee. We will hear from Suzan Willcox, member of the Social Witness Committee. We will also hear from Bryan Miller, Executive Director of Heading God's Call to End Gun Violence, and Laura Madeleine, Executive Director and Curator of the Souls Shot Portrait Project. Stewardship Sunday is November 21.

### MEMORIAL TO THE LOST

The Memorial to the Lost, organized by Heading God's Call to End Gun Violence in collaboration with our congregation, is again exhibited on our lawn this fall. The Memorial is a poignant, striking display of t-shirts that memorializes those killed by gun violence in the past year and encourages all who pass by not only to care and mourn but also to act. Our church has hosted this display in previous years.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

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### MEETING ROBERTA KEARNEY

Sunday, November 14, 3:00 p.m.

All are invited (with a focus on families with children) to meet Roberta Kearney, our new Interim Associate Pastor for Faith Formation at the home of Beth Vaccaro and Landon Jones. Watch for details to come, and an email invitation to families.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Following the Children's Sermon we will dismiss and head to the chapel where we will keep our masks on and maintain physical distancing. Please feel free to have your child dressed comfortably as we may move some of our experience outdoors, and please remember to send a clearly labeled water bottle.

Nursery care is available for children ages two and under and is staffed by two fully vaccinated, fully background-checked adults.

Teachers and potential teachers: Thanks to those of you who have already returned your clearance information to Megan McGowan. If you haven't done this yet, or need the detailed information again, please contact Megan at [mmcgowan@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:mmcgowan@chestnuthillpres.org).

## JOYFUL NOISE

All children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to participate! Weekly rehearsals will begin immediately following church school and end at approximately 11:30 a.m. Parents, your children will be brought to you at Fellowship.

## YOUTH CHOIR

Youth choir practices following worship/church school. All young people in grades 6 through 12 are welcome. Rehearsals are held in the youth room of the Strouse building.

## JR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (5th–7th Graders)

Sunday, November 14: 10:20 –11:00 a.m.: Donuts and Discussion

## SR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (8th–12th Graders)

Thursday , November 4–Sunday, November 7: New York College Tour

(The youth are leaving for New York and a two day college trip where we will receive guided tours at Ithaca, Cornell, Syracuse, and Cortland. The last college trip of this kind was a great success, and we look forward to repeating if not improving upon that experience.)

## OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN & CONNECT

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### BIBLE STUDY

We will meet the second and fourth Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Reception Room. These gatherings will explore the lectionary passages for the coming weeks. Mark your calendars for the next Bible study: November 10.

### FORUM ON THE HILL

Thursday, November 11, 12:30 p.m., Widener Hall.

Presented to a limited number of people in-person and streamed online at [www.chestnuthillpres.org/education/forum-on-the-hill/](http://www.chestnuthillpres.org/education/forum-on-the-hill/). Registration required for in-person attendance, contact 215-247-4654 or email [msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org)

Speaker: Sr. Catherine Nerney, Chestnut Hill College, *Forgiveness and Reconciliation: The Great Work of Love in a Wounded World*

The world in which we live today is both wonderful and wounded. Though we don't want to miss its wonders, we, likewise, are called to see and address its wounds, its brokenness. With a willingness to name our present reality, this presentation will invite us to understand the 21st century in which we live, as our moment in salvation history. Here and now, God entrusts us with the gifts to forgive and reconcile that we may be in the world who God is, the unrelenting lover and healer of our wounded world. How do we learn together how to use these gifts, how to model for one another forgiveness and reconciliation as a way of life, counter to the hatred and revenge that too often prevail in the 21st century?

### **FIREPIT GATHERING**

Friday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the PCCH parking lot

We had such a great time at the first gathering, that we are doing it again. Join church members of all ages (kids welcome) for an informal gathering around the firepit. BYO everything, including chairs—we will provide some ingredients for s'mores. To help us in planning, please RSVP to the sign-up genius or contact the church office.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040d4fafa82ca1fe3-fire1>

### **CHURCH-WIDE BOOK STUDY**

The Adult Education Committee is commending “Four Hundred Souls: A Community History of African America, 1619-2019” as a book to read for the upcoming program year. Edited by Ibram X. Kendi and Keisha N. Blain, this work is an anthology, written by eighty authors from different fields—novelists, historians, sociologists, political scientists, activists, lawyers, and ten poets; each takes a 5 year period for their brief chapter. The chapters are divided into ten, 40-year sections, and each section is capped by a poem.

Next session: November 14, Part Two. A copy of the book for borrowing is available in the church office.



## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

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### USHER TEAM OPPORTUNITIES

As we return to worship, we are looking to refresh several of our usher teams. Ushering is a great way to serve, to get to know people and to provide hospitality. Typically, ushers are members of a team that serves once a month, and substitute options are available.

If you'd like to serve, or to learn more, contact Michael Baughman at michael.baughman@troutman.com.

### WINTER WARMTH DRIVE

Our partners at Germantown Avenue Crisis Ministry, in conjunction with Oak Lane Community Association, are holding a winter warmth drive for their clients. We are soliciting new and lightly used and cleaned coats and other winter items that offer warmth, such as socks, hats, gloves mittens, quilts, and blankets. Please bring these to the Reception Room by Sunday, **November 7**, either on Sundays or during the week. Thank you for your support!

If you are interested in volunteering, please see the flyer on the Social Witness bulletin board outside of the Reception Room.

### GERMANTOWN AVENUE CRISIS MINISTRY THANKSGIVING BASKETS

PCCH continues its tradition of helping our neighbors have enough for Thanksgiving, as those in need continue to be disproportionately affected by the economic effects of the pandemic. We will be collecting food donations for Germantown Avenue Crisis Ministry's Thanksgiving basket program **through Sunday, November 14**. They are hoping to serve over 100 households.

Please bring your food donations to church (Sundays or during the week) in **reusable shopping bags** (supporting GACM's efforts to use reusable bags) or make a donation (\$45, the suggested cost of goods for a family) via the church, noting "GACM" on the memo line. Please leave turkeys/chickens in the kitchen freezer.

Here's a list of suggested food items:

Meat: Turkey, turkey breast, roasting chicken

Starch: rice, mashed potatoes, yams, macaroni and cheese, corn stuffing

Vegetables: green beans, green peas

Bread: rolls, corn bread mix

Dessert: cake mix, icing, cookie mix, jello, pie crust, pie filling

Other: gravy, cranberry sauce, seasonings, sugar, flour, juice, iced tea, canned milk

Volunteers are also needed to help distribute baskets! Let John Wilkinson know if you would like to help with this.

GACM's mission is to connect Northwest Philadelphia residents to resources within themselves and the community that resolve their crises, stabilize their lives, and equip them to take the next steps toward self-sufficiency. PCCH is always a significant contributor to GACM, and our support is much appreciated.

### **SUPPORTING FACE TO FACE**

Thanks to those who contributed food or shared their time to prepare casseroles for Face to Face. We had a terrific first experience. Our next Casserole Day will be Sunday, December 5. Stay tuned for ways you can participate.

Face to Face is holding its major fundraiser, the Turkey Trot, on Thanksgiving day. Visit [www.facetofacegermantown.org/yearly-events/](http://www.facetofacegermantown.org/yearly-events/) to learn more. There are a variety of ways to participate—in person and virtually.

### **FOOD DONATIONS RECEIVED EVERY SUNDAY AND ALL WEEK**

As food insecurity grows, PCCH will continue to receive shelf stable food donations to support several mission partners. You may bring items to the church every Sunday and during the week. **NO GLASS CONTAINERS PLEASE.** Thank you for your support.

# SOULS SHOT PORTRAIT PROJECT

*Portraits of Victims  
of Gun Violence*



*I Was Blessed* Portrait of Quashied Bailey  
by Linnie Greenberg



Portrait of Troy Smith, Jr. by Laura Frazure



*Gathered Around Tashaugh* Portrait of Tashaugh  
Robinson by Marianne Buschini

The Presbyterian Church  
of Chestnut Hill

hosts the

2021-2022 portraits

from the

Souls Shot Portrait Project

November 5th through December 14th, 2021

Opening Reception

November 5th, 6:30 – 8:30pm

Program at 7:30pm Concert at 8pm

*Free and open to the public*

The concert will be a performance of **Gabriel Fauré's Requiem** by the Gallery Choir and orchestra along with the Choir of St. Martin-in-the-Fields in the sanctuary of The Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill. The Requiem, which is a mass for the dead, prays for eternal rest and light to shine upon the departed.

The Souls Shot Portrait Project pairs fine artists with families and friends of victims of gun violence. The artists create portraits using diverse approaches and emphasize the individuality and uniqueness of the victims portrayed.

The exhibition is a truly moving tribute.

Please join us for this powerful experience.

Widener Hall Gallery Hours:

Mondays through Fridays 9 – 5 Sundays noon – 2, or by appointment. 215 247 8855 Visitors are asked to wear masks in the building. *Please call ahead as there may be groups using the gallery space from time to time or changes due to covid issues*



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## **Gabriel Fauré - *Requiem***

**The combined choirs of PCCH and Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields**

***Friday, November 5***

**8:00pm Concert (Sanctuary) after the 6:30pm Souls Shot  
Opening Reception (Widener Hall)**

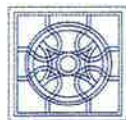
**Free Will Donations Accepted**

Our Souls Shot exhibition will return to Widener Hall with new portraits on Friday, November 5th. The opening reception will begin at 6:30pm with a short program of speakers at 7:30pm, followed by an 8:00pm performance of Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem* by the Gallery Choir and orchestra along with the Choir of Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields in the PCCH Sanctuary. The *Requiem*, or Mass for the Dead is dedicated not only to victims of gun violence, but to all those lost during the pandemic.

***Sunday, November 7, 5:00pm***

**Free Will Donation Accepted**

The performance will be repeated in Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields Sanctuary.



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## CENTER ON THE HILL

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The Center on the Hill is open for in-person activities this fall! When in person at the Center we are following all recommended guidelines and precautions, including masks, proof of vaccination and strict sanitation practices. New online content, such as virtual tours, fitness videos, art lessons, recorded presentations and more, is still being posted Monday–Thursday at 12:00 noon on our Programs page. Registration required for all activities and classes at the Center. Call 215-247-4654 or email [msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org](mailto:msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org) to register. [www.chestnuthillpres.org/center-on-the-hill/programs](http://www.chestnuthillpres.org/center-on-the-hill/programs)

Upcoming classes and events:

### **GOLDEN YOGA**

Wednesdays, start at any time, 3:00–4:00 p.m., \$10 per class, \$35 for 4 Classes, \$85 for 10 classes

Golden Yoga is a classical yoga, adapted by the SKY Foundation, to accommodate those who have difficulty getting up and down from the floor. The practices include stretching, breathing, relaxation, and meditation techniques—all done while sitting in a chair or standing.

### **THURSDAY BRIDGE GAME**

Thursdays, join at any time, ongoing, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., \$2.

Come meet some new friends and enjoy the game of rubber bridge on Thursday mornings! Not for beginners: participants should be familiar with the game of bridge, and have played before.

### **BEGINNERS MAH JONGG GROUP**

Wednesdays, join at any time, ongoing, 1:30–3:30 p.m., \$2.

Come join us, and enjoy the game of Mah Jongg in a relaxed environment! For beginners and intermediate players. Participants should be familiar with the game and have played some before.

### **WEDNESDAY DIABETES AND NUTRITION WORKSHOP**

First and Second Wednesdays of the month, Ongoing, 1:00–2:00 p.m., free.

You can live well with diabetes, pre-diabetes or other chronic disease including obesity with the most nutritious diet. Certified diabetes educator Kirsten Puskar, RDN, CDCES, will help you understand managing your diet and diabetes to stay healthy. All are welcome to take part in her interactive discussions, where participants learn what it takes to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

## NAME THAT TUNE

A fun and interactive approach to music appreciation, Thursday, November 4, 2:30–3:30 p.m., free.

Do you love music? Do you wish you knew a little more about some of your favorite songs? Join us for a fun and interactive music appreciation class this Fall! Back by popular demand, your instructor Michael Kraus, will guide you through lessons featuring songs from the past. Learn about the musical roots of songs you have known since childhood, and songs you still love to sing along with today. This class will be entertaining, engaging, educational and fun! Can you name that tune? Come and find out!

# HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

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## SUNDAY, October 31

Worship	sanctuary, 10:00 a.m.
Church School	Strouse building, 10:20 a.m.
Fellowship	front lawn, 11:00 a.m.
Joyful Noise Rehearsal	chapel, 11:00 a.m.
Youth Choir Rehearsal	youth room, Strouse, 11:00 a.m.
Second Hour	Widener, 11:30 a.m.

## MONDAY, November 1

Sketching and Watercolor	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Italian Conversation	Harris, 11:00 a.m.
Bridge Group	room 5, 12:00 p.m.
Grief Support Group	Reception room, 1:00 p.m.
Watercolor and Drawing Level 2	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Qigong	Widener, 2:00 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	room 3&4, 3:30 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	choir room/sanctuary, 5:30 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	chapel, 6:00 p.m.
Philomusica Rehearsal	Widener, 6:30 p.m.

## TUESDAY, November 2

Mindfulness Practice	Widener, 9:30 a.m.
Sketching and Watercolor	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Mah Jongg Open Play	room 5, 12:30 p.m.
PCCH staff meeting	Widener, 1:00 p.m.
Strong Bones	room 3&4, 1:00 p.m.
Watercolor and Drawing	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Writing Your Life Story	Harris, 1:30 p.m.
Staying Stronger Longer	room 3&4, 2:30 p.m.
CY Rehearsal	choir room, 6:00 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	sanctuary, 6:30 p.m.
Royal Scottish Dancers	chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Scouts District Meeting	Room 1&2, 7:30 p.m.
Personnel Committee	Zoom, 7:30 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, November 3

Rotary	Widener, 7:30 a.m.
Beginning Tai Chi	Widener, 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study	Reception room, 11:00 a.m.
Bridge Open Play	room 1&2, 11:30 a.m.
Continuing Tai Chi	Widener, 11:30 a.m.
Diabetes and Nutrition Workshop	Widener, 1:00 p.m.
Basics of Android Phone	Harris, 1:30 p.m.
Beginner Bridge Lessons	room 3&4, 1:30 p.m.
Mah Jongg Beginners Group	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Golden Yoga	Widener, 3:00 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	room 3&4/Widener, 6:00 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	chapel/sanctuary/choir room, 6:00 p.m.

### THURSDAY, November 4

Qigong	Widener, 9:00 a.m.
Watercolor Painting Group	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Thursday Bridge Game	room 5, 10:00 a.m.
Outdoor Gardeners	Widener, 10:30 a.m.
Mah Jongg	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Name That Tune	Harris, 2:30 p.m.
FSP Against Bullying	Harris, 6:00 p.m.
Boy Scouts	room 1&2, 7:30 p.m.
Gallery Choir Rehearsal	off site, 8:00 p.m.
Youth Group leave for college tour	off-site p.m.

### FRIDAY, November 5

Yoga with Attitude	Harris, 9:45 a.m.
Scrabble Game	room 5, 10:00 a.m.
Yoga, A Chair and You	Harris, 11:30 a.m.
International Folk Dancing	chapel, 12:30 p.m.
Korean New Wave Cinema	Harris, 6:00 p.m.
Souls Shot Opening Reception	Widener, 6:30 p.m.
Souls Shot Opening Concert	sanctuary, 7:30 p.m.



**SATURDAY, November 6**

GirlChoir rehearsal

all rooms, 8:00 a.m.

**SUNDAY, November 7**

Worship

sanctuary, 10:00 a.m.

Church School

Strouse building, 10:20 a.m.

Fellowship

front lawn, 11:00 a.m.

Joyful Noise Rehearsal

chapel, 11:00 a.m.

Youth Choir Rehearsal

youth room, Strouse, 11:00 a.m.

Philomusica Rehearsal

Parking Lot, 2:00 p.m.

Youth Group return from college tour

afternoon TBD

# 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

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Martha Agate	Jack Evans	Jeffrey Podraza
Linda Amsterdam	Robert Fles	Alison Rudolf
Rebecca Bernstein	Lisa Guyer	Taylor Slaughter
Jill Bown	Kate Houstoun	James Spause
Ryan Cavanaugh	James Lutz	Margaret Spencer
Gregory Dickinson	Katherine Magid	Beth Nell Vaccaro
Matthew Eastman	Ryan Mann	Christen Webber
	Melissa Montgomery	Kevin Welsh

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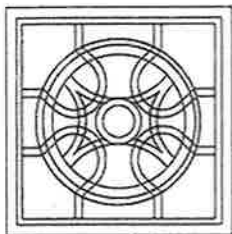
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