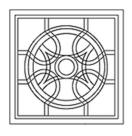
# THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

An inclusive community of faith

Sunday, February 4, 2024 10 a.m. FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY





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 who are 3 are encouraged to attend Godly Play but are welcome to remain in the nursery at parental discretion.

Children's "Praise Packs" to aid with worship participation are available in the narthex. Please return these after worship.

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.

Following the 10 a.m. service, all are invited for refreshments and fellowship in Widener Hall.

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

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** 

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Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

INTROIT Gloria Festiva Emily Crocker
(b. 1949)

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Et in terra pax hominibus. (Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace to all humankind.)

Let the nations now rejoice, Let the earth resound with gladness. Lift your praise with voices strong And join the mighty throng.

Come all rejoice in the light, And banish fear and sorrow. O wondrous love, surround us, And grant us peace eternal.

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: What shall we return to the Lord

for all the good God has bestowed upon us?

People: We will lift up the cup of salvation,

and call on the name of the Lord.

Psalm 116:12, 13

\*HYMN 220 All People That on Earth Do Dwell OLD HUNDREDTH

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand as you are able.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

I have deceived myself, dear Christ, I confess it; I have fallen from the heights to the depths. Well I know that delusion came because I wanted it. If I presume again, I'll fall again and fall to my undoing. Forgive my arrogance, and lift me up again by the grace of your salvation. It cannot be that I alone shall find you hard and unresponsive.

St. Gregory of Nazianzus (d. 390)

#### SILENT CONFESSION



James MacMillan (b. 1959)

#### 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

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Creator God, as your Spirit once moved over the face of the deep, shoving aside the darkness and chaos to create light and beauty, come now and move over our minds and hearts as we hear your holy word. Amen

Philippians 4:2-7

#### SCRIPTURE LESSON

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND DISMISSAL

Children through 5th grade depart for church school in the Strouse building. Joyful Noise will rehearse at 11:10 a.m. Youth Choir will rehearse at 11:45 a.m. Parents, your children will be brought to you in Widener Hall after Joyful Noise.

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.

SERMON The Power of Gentleness Dr. Craig Barnes

Let your gentleness be known to everyone.

Philippians 4:5

\*HYMN 282 If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

The Apostles' Creed

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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**

Anonymous (16th century)

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks.

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu. Amen.

\*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.

#### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### **INVITATION** (please be seated)

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 (remain seated)

James MacMillan (b. 1959)



#### LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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**

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the man that trusteth in him.

#### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

All: We thank you, O God,

that through Word and Sacrament

you have given us your Son

who is the bread from heaven and food of eternal life.

So strengthen us in your service

that our daily living may become an expression of gratitude;

through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

\*HYMN 145 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! MARION

\*BENEDICTION

#### **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Lord God, you now have set your servant free to go in peace as promised in your word; my eyes have seen the savior, Christ the Lord, prepared by you for all the world to see, to shine on nations trapped in darkest night, the glory of your people, and their light.

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** 

Music for a Festival

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

COVER ART Thomas Gainsborough, The Painter's Daughters Chasing a Butterfly, ca. 1756, oil on canvas, National Gallery of Art, London. In this unfinished portrait Mary and Margaret, about five and six, are running hand-in-hand through a dark landscape in pursuit of a cabbage white butterfly, which has landed momentarily on a tall thistle. Margaret reaches out her hand for the butterfly, while Mary clutches her looped-up muslin apron like a net. The children's attempt to catch the elusive butterfly may be intended to suggest the fleeting nature of childhood. Born in Sudbury, Gainsborough (1727-1788) is considered one of the most important British artists of the second half of the 18th century. He painted quickly, and the works of his maturity are characterized by a light palette and easy strokes. Despite being a prolific portrait painter, Gainsborough gained greater satisfaction from his landscapes; later in his career, Gainsborough developed a type of portrait in which he integrated the sitter into the landscape. Painting his own children allowed Gainsborough the freedom to experiment with handling paint, which gives this portrait its remarkable spontaneity and freshness. The pinkish-brown ground is left clearly showing through Margaret's dress, her apron and her outstretched foot, while thick streaks of white suggest the movement of the fabric in the sunlight. The girls' faces are highly finished, but elsewhere Gainsborough's brushwork is loose and expressive.

#### **LEADING WORSHIP TODAY**

#### **PREACHER**

The Rev. Dr. M. Craig Barnes

#### **LITURGISTS**

Wesley Bishop

The Rev. Dr. Russell C. Sullivan, Jr.

#### **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Julie Snyder

#### **MUSIC**

Gallery Choir, Daniel Spratlan conductor

Youth Choir, Julie Snyder Director

Ken Lovett guest organist

#### **COMMUNION SERVERS**

Jill Bown, Rebecca DePasquale, Bill Murphy

#### **GREETERS**

Lisa Guyer and Kate Houstoun Elders

Becky Frazier and Ann Goslin Deacons

#### **USHERS**

Bill Cobb Team #3 Leader, Robert Bausman, Peter Cooke, Doug Olson, Dom Rebeck

#### FLOWER GUILD

Jane Kaufman and Barrett Stewart

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given to the glory of God and in celebration of **all God's children** by Sharon Kelly and family.

#### **COVER ART CURATED BY**

Rebecca Thornburgh

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#### GOOD TO KNOW

If you are interested in exploring membership at PCCH, please contact Craig Barnes at the church office or at cbarnes@chestnuthillpres.org.

Sunday worship is live-streamed at 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 Russell Sullivan at the church office or at rsullivan@chestnuthillpres.org.

Please see the back cover for information about our church staff and how to contact and connect with us. You also can access today's Bulletin online.

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, dismantling structural racism, eradicating systemic poverty.

Visit our Matthew 25 page: chestnuthillpres.org/matthew-25 for more information about Matthew 25 news and events.

#### PCCH NEW MEMBER CLASS

Saturday, February 24, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Harris room

All of those applying for membership are asked to attend this meeting even if joining us from another Presbyterian congregation. During this class we will get to know you better and you will have the opportunity to become better informed about our church. Some of our elders will also attend this class—at its end there will be a vote to accept new members. New members will be presented to the congregation in worship on Sunday, February 25. Please contact the church office if you would like to attend this class, 215-247-8855.

#### **PCCH PLEDGE ENVELOPES**

If you ordered pledge envelopes for 2024, they are available on the table under the Social Witness bulletin board outside the church office. If you want envelopes and did not order them, please contact the church office.

#### PCCH END OF YEAR STATEMENTS

Your 2023 contribution statement will be mailed to you shortly. Please keep it for your records and for tax filing purposes. Should you need your statement sooner, please email rcline@chestnuthillpres.org to request a digital copy. Thank you.

# THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

#### UPCOMING EVENTS AT PCCH

#### GERMANTOWN AVENUE CRISIS MINISTRY FOOD DONATIONS

First Sunday of the month food collection is today Sunday, February 4. Next collection will be Sunday, March 3.

#### PCCH WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

We meet on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Harris room. This Wednesday Dr. Craig Barnes will be leading the discussion which will focus on the biblical text used for the upcoming Sunday sermon. The reading for February 7 is Philippians 4:8-9. All are welcome.

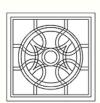
#### THEOLOGY ON TAP

Tuesday, February 20, 7:30 p.m., Campbell's Place Join us at Campbell's Place, upper room, on Germantown Avenue. All are welcome. Craig Barnes will be this month's discussion leader. Any questions please contact the church office.



# Forum on the Hill

Presented to a limited number of people in-person at 12:30pm then recorded and posted online starting at 5pm. www.chestnuthillpres.org/education/forum-on-the-hill/







# FEBRUARY 8 REBECCA YAMIN DIGGING IN THE CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE STORIES FROM PHILADELPHIA ARCHAEOLOGY

Historic Philadelphia has long yielded archaeological treasures from its past. Excavations required by the National Historic Preservation Act have recovered pottery shards, pots, plates, coins, bones, and other artifacts relating to early life in the city. Rebecca will be here to discuss her book, Digging in the City of Brotherly Love and about how we continue to use archaeology to learn about and understand people from the past. She will talk about several major discoveries from recent finds including unmarked early eighteenth-century burial grounds, one of which associated with the first African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church, in the oldest part of the city; a nineteenth-century working-class neighborhood built along the path of what is now Route I-95 and was once home to Native American life; and the remains of two taverns found on the site of the current Museum of the American Revolution. She will also discuss the research and state-of-the-art techniques used to study these exciting discoveries.

Rebecca Yamin is a historical archaeologist specializing in urban archaeology and the former director of the Philadelphia branch office of John Milner Associates, Inc., a company that specialized in historic preservation and cultural resource management. She is the author of Archaeology at the Site of the Museum of the American Revolution (Temple), which won the 2022 James Deetz Book Prize given by the Society for Historical Archaeology, and Rediscovering Raritan Landing: An Adventure in New Jersey Archaeology.

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# Registration Required for in-person attendance.

Contact 215-247-4654 or email msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org
<a href="https://www.chestnuthillpres.org/education/forum-on-the-hill/">https://www.chestnuthillpres.org/education/forum-on-the-hill/</a>
Visit our website above to watch the recorded version after 5pm.

#### CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Date	Godly Play	Christian Studies	Feasting on the Word
	PreK-2nd Grade	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-8
2/4	Greg Dickinson and Sarah Wright	Diana Rodgers	stay in worship

Classes will be offered for three different age groups:

- Children ages 3 to 2nd grade will engage in faith formation through Godly Play curriculum.
- Children in grades 3-5 will increase their Bible literacy while learning about the richness of our Christian history and faith in a fun, structured setting. We will be using the Memoria Press Christian Studies curriculum.
- Middle schoolers in grades 6-8 will wrestle with deep faith questions in classes on alternating weeks. On the other weeks, they will attend worship with their families.

Most Sundays, we will begin Sunday School with a brief opening in the chapel. On Sundays when Communion is served in worship, the children will return to sit with their families so that they can participate.

#### CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MUSIC UPDATE

Joyful Noise will rehearse at the usual time today, 11:10-11:40 a.m. and Youth Choir will rehearse at its new time starting today from 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Strouse building. All children are welcome to sing with Joyful Noise and Youth Choir—drop-ins are welcome!

#### YOUTH UPDATE

Mark your calendars for Quizzo trivia night at PCCH on Saturday, February 10 at 7 p.m. (kids over 12 invited) and SOUPerbowl Sunday with the youth group making and selling delicious chili on Sunday, February 11 after worship in Widener Hall. Proceeds will benefit the youth mission trip to Montana this summer 2024.

Senior high youth group will begin meeting at their new time starting today, directly following Youth Choir rehearsal at 12:30 p.m.

Any questions please contact Kate Magid, katemagid@gmail.com



#### CENTER ON THE HILL

The Center on the Hill is open Monday-Fridays, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. with all our practices and protocols in place (sanitation, social distancing, and UV air filters). New online content, such as virtual tours, fitness videos, art lessons, recorded presentations and more, is posted Monday-Thursday at 12 p.m. on our programs page here: www.chestnuthillpres.org/center-on-the-hill/programs

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.

#### **INTRODUCTION TO ZENTANGLE** (registration required)

Contact MALT at 215-843-6333 or mtairylearningtree.org to register Monday, February 5, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., \$32 plus \$15 material fee Learn four to six basic Zentangle-inspired designs. This art form is relaxing, creative, meditative and quite fun. Each structured pattern will be broken down into small steps, and what results are beautiful, creative and unique images. Tangles are created on small paper tiles using a special black drawing pen. You will leave class with one or two completed tiles and new skills to continue tangling on your own. No talent or experience is needed. \$15 materials fee for pens, pencil, and Zentangle tiles will be collected upon registration. Learn more at zentangle.com.

#### TRAVEL TALKS WITH LYN (registration required)

Alaska by Land and by Sea, Thursday, February 8, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., free If the last frontier is something you have been thinking about let's take a look at options to see all of Alaska. There are national parks, excursions filled with food and fun but you might also want to spend time on location to have a more in-depth view. Alaska is known for tall mountains, volcanoes, lakes, and numerous glaciers. Discover what Princess Cruise Lines has in store.

#### **EXPRESSIVE COLLAGE** (registration required)

Contact MALT at 215-843-6333 or mtairylearningtree.org to register Fridays, February 16 and 23, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., \$49 for two classes. This class is for anyone who wants to have fun and play with paper. Absolutely no previous art experience is necessary. You will be amazed at how easy, relaxing, and rewarding it is to make a collage. Please bring a pair of scissors, some paper (old magazines, wrapping paper, newspaper, calendars etc.), and some form of adhesive such as glue or a glue stick. Instructor Rebecca Hoenig has been an active artist and teacher for over thirty years.

#### MINDFULNESS PRACTICE (registration required)

Tuesdays, Drop in, start anytime, 9:30-11 a.m., \$12 per session

Many say "but it's too hard". 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). The instructor and the group's energy also usually make it easier. Simply come with a light, wholehearted willingness to participate, and a beginner's mind. David Dimmack, M.Ed., has been practicing holistic healing and mindfulness meditation for over twenty-five years.

# HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, February 4	Lord's Supper
Worship	sanctuary, 10 a.m.
Church school	Strouse, 10:20 a.m.
Joyful Noise rehearsal	Strouse 11:10 a.m.
Fellowship	Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m.
Music and Arts committee	Harris, 11:30 a.m.
Youth Choir rehearsal	Strouse, 11:45 a.m.
Senior High youth group	vouth room, 12:30 p.m.

#### MONDAY, February 5

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Sketching and watercolor class	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
AARP SMART driver course	Harris, 10 a.m.
Tai Chi private group	room 3&4, 10 am
Introduction to Zentangle	room 3&4, 10 a.m.
Italian conversation class	Harris, 11 a.m.
Table games open play	room 5, 12 p.m.
Grief support group	reception room, 1 p.m.
WaterMedial level 2	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Qigong group	Harris, 2 p.m.
PNC committee meeting	zoom, 7 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, February 6

Mindfulness class	room 4, 9:30 a.m.
Miliululliess class	100111 <b>7</b> , 9:30 a.111.
Sketching and watercolor class	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
AARP SMART driver course	Harris, 10 a.m.
Mah Jongg open play	room 5, 12:30 p.m.
Tai Chi for arthritis and falls prevention	room 3&4, 1 p.m.
Strong Bones class	Widener Hall, 1 p.m.
Board of Deacons meeting	Harris, 6:30 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, February 7

Beginning Tai Chi class
PCCH Bible Study group
Rummy Tiles open play
Continuing Tai Chi class
Bridge open play
Intermediate Tai Chi class
PCCH Staff meeting
Basics of Android phone class
Mah Jongg open play
Golden Yoga class
Social Witness committee

Widener Hall, 10 a.m.
Harris, 10:30 a.m.
room 5, 10:30 a.m.
Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m.
room 1&2, 11:30 a.m.
Widener Hall, 12:30 p.m.
reception room, 1 p.m.
Harris, 1 p.m.
room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Widener Hall, 3 p.m.
Melcher, 7:30 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, February 8

Qigong class
Preschool activity
Thursday Painters group
Drawing or Painting still life
Travel Talk with Lyn: Alaska
Forum on the Hill
Chair Cardio class
French conversation group
Mah Jongg group
Gallery choir rehearsal

Harris, 9 a.m. choir room, 9:30 a.m. room 1&2, 9:30 a.m. room 3&4 10:30 a.m. Harris, 11 a.m. Widener 12:30 p.m. Harris, 1 p.m. room 1&2, 1:30 p.m. room 5, 1:30 p.m. choir room, 8 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, February 9

Yoga with Attitude class
Fun with Watercolor Techniques
Scrabble open play
Yoga, A Chair and You class
International Folk Dancing class
PCCH Sober and Out group

Harris, 9:45 a.m. room 1&2, 10 a.m. room 5, 10 a.m. Harris, 11:30 a.m. room 3&4, 12:30 p.m. Harris, 7 p.m.

#### SATURDAY, February 10

PCCH Quizzo Event

Widener, 6 p.m.

# SUNDAY, February 11

Worship Church School Joyful Noise rehearsal Fellowship Youth Choir rehearsal Senior High fellowship sanctuary, 10 a.m. Strouse, 10:20 a.m. Strouse 11:10 a.m. Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m. Strouse, 11:45 a.m. Youth room, 12:30 p.m.

## CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Dr. M. Craig Barnes Interim Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Russell C. Sullivan, Jr. Minister of Visitation

The Rev. Cynthia A. Jarvis Pastor Emerita

Daniel Spratlan Director of Music

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Julie Snyder Director, Children's Education, Joyful Noise, and Youth Choir

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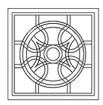
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