

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY AT PCCH

PHILADELPHIA COVID UPDATE

Masks during worship and other gatherings will be optional, not required. Thank you for your prayers and understanding as we seek to navigate in this season with full measures of care and compassion.

SECOND HOUR

Today, June 19: 11:30 a.m. in the Reception Room

We will complete our discussion of "400 Souls" as we read Part 10. Please join us whether or not you have read the book. Part 10 reflects on events that have occurred from 1979-2019.

This will be our final session for Second Hour until we resume in the fall.

PCCH PICKUP CHOIR

Do you want to sing with the PCCH Gallery Choir? Today and next Sunday, June 26, anyone interested in singing may join the Gallery Choir in worship! No audition is required. Please arrive at 9:00 a.m. in the Gallery (organ loft) to rehearse for the 10:00 a.m. service. This is a great chance if you are new, too busy on Thursday nights, or weren't sure how to get involved, to meet one another and get singing! No ongoing commitment is required if you come, but anyone who enjoys the experience and wants to join the Gallery Choir in the fall may audition with Daniel Spratlan after the service or at a later date. If you cannot make it on one of these days but you want to sing in the choir, or if you have any questions, please contact Daniel at danielspratlan@gmail.com.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Sunday, July 3, 2022 has now opened as an available date to donate memorial flowers in the sanctuary in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion. The price for this memorial donation is \$75.

If you are interested, please contact the church office at 215-247-8855.

JOHN WILKINSON RECEIVES LILLY ENDOWMENT GRANT

While still in Rochester, John received a grant from the Lilly Endowment/Louisville Institute. Called a Pastoral Study Project grant, John proposed visiting several congregations for site visits to learn how congregations engage in mission in their communities. One move later, plus a pandemic, John will undertake these visits over the next few weeks. Each visit will include a four-day “immersion” in the life of a congregation, including worship, special events, committees and interviews. This fall, John will report back to PCCH on what he learned. Here is his schedule:

Weekend of June 5—First Presbyterian Church, Omaha, NE

Weekend of June 19—Highlands Presbyterian Church, Paso Robles, CA

Weekend of July 17—New Life Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, GA

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Children are learning the meaning of each phrase of the Lord’s Prayer. We began our seven week study by considering what it means to pray the words, “Our father who art in heaven.” This week we look at praying “Hallowed be thy name.” Sunday, June 26 we continue with praising God by praying “Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

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

We return to observing the City of Philadelphia’s optional mask mandate.

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN & CONNECT

PCCH ORAL HISTORY PROJECT *(from Brian Russo and Jill Bown)*

Conversations with Antonio Kok, Jean Hardwick and Kass Dynecki can be found on the PCCH website. Each conversation was recorded in the participant’s respective home and living room, using only the available lighting, utilizing a three-camera setup. Each conversation lasted about an hour and a half, which was then edited down to about 12-14 minutes. None of these conversations were scripted. The end-product is not a rehearsed documentary, but an authentic and somewhat surprising window into the more significant moments of the lives of our dear ones. If you would like to share and record your own story, please contact Brian at brusso@chestnuthillpres.org.

CENTER ON THE HILL

Center on the Hill is open Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. with all our practices and protocols in place (sanitation practices, limited number of participants per class, 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 12:00 p.m. on our programs page: chestnuthillpres.org/center-on-the-hill/programs
Registration 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.

JUNE ART GALLERY EXHIBIT

Watercolors by: Kathleen Goodhart, Esther Cole and Karen Riedy

The “Gallery” is open for viewing Monday–Friday 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. daily and before and after worship services.

Kathleen Goodhart, and her two daughters, Esther Cole (our church administrator from 2017 to 2021) and Karen Riedy, have put together a wonderful show of their watercolor paintings. Stop by this month and take a look at these works of art.

CLASSIC TABLE GAMES: OPEN PLAY

Mondays, ongoing, join anytime, 12:00–2:00 p.m., \$2

Playing table games are proven to stimulate brain areas that are responsible for memory formation and complex thought processes in all ages. Join us on Mondays for casual and fun open play of classic table games. Bring your own favorite game to play, or choose from ones we have here at the Center.

RUMMY TILES (AKA RUMMIKUB) OPEN PLAY

Wednesdays, ongoing, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., \$2

Join us for this fast-paced, fun and easy game combining elements of the card game rummy and mahjong. Open Play space is limited so please RSVP for each week you plan to come and play. Game sets provided.

AFTERNOON MOVIE

Thursday, June 23, “Amazing Grace: Aretha Franklin,” 1:30 p.m., \$2

Are you looking for an enjoyable activity that’s economical and during the day time so you don’t have to drive at night? Are you looking to see a movie in a relaxing setting with easy parking and no long lines? Then join us for an enjoyable afternoon at the movies.

The critically acclaimed, award winning documentary presenting the live recording of Aretha Franklin’s album Amazing Grace at The New Temple Missionary Baptist Church in Watts, Los Angeles in January 1972.