# 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.

#### Sunday mornings before worship—a gentle reminder

The Gallery Choir rehearses in the sanctuary on Sunday mornings from 9 to 9:45 a.m. All are welcome to enter the sanctuary during this time, but please remember to keep conversations low so that the choir is able to focus on its rehearsal.

# HOLY WEEK

### PALM SUNDAY March 24

10 a.m. Worship in the sanctuary and online Dr. Craig Barnes preaching When Jesus Comes to Town (John 12:12-19)

## Wednesday March 27

10:30 a.m. Bible study

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY March 28

7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service with the Lord's Supper in the sanctuary and online Dr. Craig Barnes preaching Homily: Death of the Hero (John 18:15-17)

#### GOOD FRIDAY March 29

7:30 p.m. Good Friday Service/Cantatas and Chamber Music in the chapel
J. S. Bach — BWV 12, Weinen, Klagen, Sorgen, Zagen
Soloists of the Gallery Choir with PCCH Consort
Daniel Spratlan conducting

#### **EASTER SUNDAY March 31**

10 a.m. Worship service in the sanctuary and online Dr. Craig Barnes preaching Looking for Jesus (John 20:11-18)

Easter Egg Hunt immediately following worship





# EASTER FLOWERS REMEMBRANCES

The PCCH Flower Guild invites you to remember loved ones at Easter with a donation of flowers

On March 31st, Easter Sunday, the sanctuary will once again be blooming with beautiful spring flowers given to the glory of God and in memory of or in thanksgiving for loved ones.

If you'd like to make a donation of flowers in the name of someone special, please complete and return this form to the church office no later than Sunday, March 24th.

Name(s) of contributor(s)
In loving memory of
In loving memory of
or
In honor of /in thanksgiving for (please circle one)

The suggested minimum donation is \$35. Please make your check payable to PCCH, and include "Easter flowers" on the memo line.



# THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT PCCH

#### ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

One Great Hour of Sharing envelopes are placed in the pews today, Palm Sunday, for adult giving opportunities. Please make checks payable to PCCH with One Great Hour on the memo line.

Our Sunday School children will be collecting money for *One Great Hour of Sharing*, which helps people around the world affected by hunger, disaster, and injustice. Children can help by bringing change and small bills to Sunday School to put in our collection jar, as a way to remind them of "almsgiving." Our collection will end on Easter Sunday during the Egg Hunt.

#### PCCH WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

We meet on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Harris room. This Wednesday, March 27, Dr. Craig Barnes will be leading the discussion which will focus on the biblical text used for the Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday worship services The reading for Maundy Thursday is John 18:15-27 and for Easter Sunday is John 20:11-18. All are welcome.

#### HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE EASTER HIGH COFFEE

There will be a special high coffee on Easter Sunday, March 31 after the 10 a.m. worship service. All are invited to attend. Any questions, please contact Sandy Connelly at sandyconnelly@gmail.com or Emily McCahery at emma.camp327@gmail.com.

#### SECOND HOUR-Sunday, April 7

We are pleased to welcome to Second Hour the Rev. Dr. Elmarie Parker, the Presbyterian Regional Liaison for Syria, Lebanon, and Iraq. Dr. Parker has served in the Middle East since 2013. According to our denomination's website: "The heartbeat of her work is to help deepen and strengthen the relational ties between the church in her region and the church in the United States and to develop the practical ministries that are birthed from these relationships. More specifically, she facilitates Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) support for partner programs and activities and implements partnership strategy." Join us in the Harris Room, at 11:30 a.m., on Sunday, April 7, for this interesting presentation about this challenging region of the world and our church's response to it.

#### YOUTH SUNDAY AND SPAGHETTI DINNER—Sunday, April 14

PCCH youth will lead worship on Sunday morning, April 14, at 10 a.m. with song and prayer. In the evening, they return for our annual youth-sponsored Spaghetti Dinner! The youth will prepare and serve delicious spaghetti at 5 p.m. and at 6 p.m. Tickets will be on sale at fellowship hour each Sunday. You can purchase wine at the Mystery Wine Table (sponsored by the Music & Arts Committee) or bring your own bottle. Proceeds directly support the youth mission trip to Montana this summer. This will be a Sunday you don't want to miss! See page 16 for more information.

#### SOCIAL WITNESS COMMITTEE

Opportunity to help residents of Dawn's Place



Dawn's Place has been at the forefront of providing direct services to women recovering from the trauma of sex trafficking and exploitation. You can help to furnish a room for an incoming resident—just visit the Amazon wish list set up just for PCCH. When checking out, please use the shipping address that will populate for "Meaghan Patterson's Gift Registry Address." Any questions, please reach out to Melissa Montgomery, at melissamon70@yahoo.com or 610-506-0898.

# AN EVENING OF MELODY & COMEDY: SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS Saturday, April 27—save the date and (please) donate!



Part of the evening's perennial fun is the delightful and eclectic array of marvelous items that you can take home with a winning bid in the silent auction. To make that possible, we'd love for *you to donate something cool* to add to this year's wonderful offering!

Think jewelry, tickets (theater, concerts, sports events), gift baskets (themes like a garden starter, a movie night, a spring picnic), lessons, a

dinner at a local restaurant, time at a vacation house, or works of art.

Let us know what you can add to the auction! Please complete the online form before April 19. Questions? Rebecca Thornburgh, unbecca@gmail.com

The Music and Arts Committee hopes you'll add to the fun by participating—offering a performance or a donation—and *especially* by coming out to see the always excellent show and to bid on the always awesome auction.

All of this benefits the exceptional Music & Arts programming here at PCCH—see you on April 27 for this super fun evening!



# CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Date	Godly Play	Christian Studies	Feasting on the Word
	PreK-2nd Grade	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-8
3/24	Michelle Shachtman and Steve Bishop	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

Joyful Noise will rehearse at 11:10 a.m. today and Youth Choir will not rehearse today. All children are welcome to sing with either Joyful Noise or the Youth Choir—drop-ins are welcome!

### 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: 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.

The Center will be closed on Good Friday, March 29 and Easter Monday, April 3 for Easter break.

#### MARCH ART SHOW

PCCH member Ron Rising's exhibit ends in just one week. Please be sure to stop to see his beautiful photography from around the world. The Center on the Hill gets a percentage of every picture that is sold. These lovely framed photographs would make an excellent Easter gift for a loved one.

# HAND REFLEXOLOGY and Massage Techniques for Arthritis Care and Prevention (registration required)

Wednesday, March 27, 2-3:30 p.m., \$25

Hand reflexology is an ancient technique for supporting the health of the body by placing light pressure on specific points on the front and back of the hands. It is very helpful for preventing and caring for arthritic conditions. In this class, we will learn the map of the hands and how to stimulate areas that correspond with the many organs, glands and systems of the body. Then we will learn massage techniques which relate to arthritic conditions and support the flexibility and health of the hand.

Michelle Carlino has been studying multiple styles of yoga since 1985. She has developed programs for use with cardiac patients and for adults and children with various special needs. She is certified in multiple styles of yoga and holistic wellness, and has been an instructor since 1992. She is a foot reflexologist and chair yoga practitioner.

#### GOLDEN YOGA (registration required)

Wednesdays, start at any time, 3-4 p.m., \$10/class, \$35/four classes, \$85/ten 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.

Barbara Levitt, has practiced and taught Classical Yoga for more than forty-five years. Barbara is Secretary of the SKY Foundation and is a yoga instructor for the Jefferson-Myrna Brind Center of Integrative Medicine.

#### TABLE GAMES OPEN PLAY (registration required

Mondays, ongoing, join anytime, 12-2 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. Give your brain a workout by joining us on Mondays for casual and fun open play of table games. Bring your own favorite game to play, or choose from ones we have here at the Center like Clue, Parchisi, Boggle, Phase 10, Scattergories, dominos, Battleship, Mystery Date, Monopoly, and more.

#### INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING (registration required)

Fridays, ongoing start anytime, 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

\$60 for ten sessions, \$7 per session at the door. Your first visit is free.

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.



