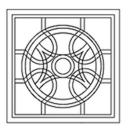
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

An inclusive community of faith

Sunday, January 7, 2024 10 a.m. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS





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 11.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Holy, Holy, Holy

arr. Mark Hayes (b. 1953)

INTROIT Iain Quinn (b. 1973)

The Lord has shown forth his glory; come let us adore him.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever;
Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness.

Come into God's presence with singing.

People: For the Lord is a gracious God,

whose mercy is everlasting,

and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

*HYMN 138 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! NICAEA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Eternal God, you make all things new and forgive old wrongs we cannot forget. We have walked too far down wrong paths. Now the years are hastening on, and we are hastening with them. Forgive our past, and do not let it cripple or shame us. Lead us into your future, free from sin and free to love and serve your Son, our Savior.

^{*}Please stand as you are able.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

James MacMillan (b. 1959)

Choir Lord, have mercy.

Congregation



Choir Christ, have mercy.

Congregation



Choir Lord, have mercy.

Congregation



Choir Kyrie eleison.

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)

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed we may become more fully alive. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:41-52

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to

them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND DISMISSAL

Children through 8th grade depart for church school in the Strouse building. Parents, your children will be brought back to worship for communion. Joyful Noise will rehearse in the sanctuary today at 11:10 a.m.

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 Losing Jesus Dr. Craig Barnes

Look, your father and I have been searching for you with great anxiety.

Luke 2:48

*HYMN 515 Now to Your Table Spread LOVE UNKNOWN

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

Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)

We have seen His star in the East, and are come with our offerings to worship the Lord.

*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)



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

William Byrd (1540-1623)

Sacerdotes Domini incensum et panes offerunt Deo: et ideo sancti erunt Deo suo et non polluent nomen eius. Alleluia.

The Priests of our Lord offer the burnt sacrifice and breads to God, and therefore they shall be holy to their God, and shall not pollute his name. Alleluia.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

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 show our gratitude; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*HYMN 292

All Beautiful the March of Days

FOREST GREEN

*BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Matthew Glandorf (b. 1973)

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give unto you.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in G minor

Johann Krebs (1713-1780)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHER

The Rev. Dr. M. Craig Barnes

LITURGIST

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Julie Snyder

MUSIC

Gallery Choir, Daniel Spratlan conductor Jeffrey DeVault organist

GREETERS

Jill Bown and Clarke Woodruff Elders Emily Barth and Sarah Wright Deacons

USHERS

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

COMMUNION SERVERS

Lisa Guyer, Ryan Mann, Taylor Slaughter, Buddy Storm

FLOWER GUILD

Jill Bown and Susan Shuchat

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **our dad, David Nation**, by his children, Emily, Chris, and Rob Nation.

COVER ART William Holman Hunt, *The Finding of the Saviour in the Temple*, 1860, oil on canvas, Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, Birmingham, England. After joining and then rebelling against the Royal Academy in Britain, Hunt (1827-1910) formed the Pre-Raphaelite movement in 1848, after meeting the poet and artist Dante Gabriel Rossetti. Along with John Everett Millais, they sought to revitalize art by emphasizing the detailed observation of the natural world in a spirit of quasi-religious devotion to truth. Hunt intended this painting as an ethnographically accurate version of the subject traditionally known as 'Christ Among the Doctors,' an illustration of the child Jesus debating the interpretation of the scripture with learned rabbis.

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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 WINTER WEATHER CANCELLATION INFORMATION

If Sunday worship service is to be cancelled because of inclement winter weather, it will be posted on the church website, chestnuthillpres.org, or by a recording on the church office telephone line 215-247-8855. The decision to cancel worship will be at the discretion of the head of staff, Dr. M. Craig Barnes.

PRAYER REQUESTS

MATTHEW 25

Only to one who prays can God make himself vivid. (Harry Emerson Fosdick)

The Prayer Team of the congregation values deeply the spirituality and practice of prayer and would love to receive any prayer requests that you have. Please share your requests by contacting Deacon Kelly Baughman at kellybaughman@yahoo.com or Russell Sullivan at rsullivan@chestnuthillpres.com.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

UPCOMING EVENTS AT PCCH

ANNUAL DEACONS BRUNCH

Join the Board of Deacons for a New Year's brunch today, January 7, in Widener Hall immediately following worship. All are invited.

2024 PLEDGE ENVELOPES

If you ordered pledge envelopes for this year, they will be available within the next few weeks. They were ordered a bit late this year and we apologize for the delay. We will let you know as soon as they arrive. Thank you for your patience. Your pledge checks will be attributed to your account without problem until your envelopes arrive.

YOUTH MISSION GIVING TREE

Thank you to all who took an ornament from our Mission Giving Tree this holiday season. We are delighted to report that we collected \$500. Your tremendous support will help send our high school youth on their mission trip to Montana this summer.

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 January 10 is Mark 1:16-20. All are welcome.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Tuesday, January 16, 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.

CONSTELLATION MEN'S ENSEMBLE CONCERT



Saturday, January 27, 7 p.m. in the sanctuary tickets are not needed, free-will donation Constellation Men's Ensemble is a premier professional a cappella ensemble from Chicago. They bring their recently recorded work *Man Up/Man Down* by composer Robert Maggio to compliment a concert program of exquisite musicianship, powerful vocals, and moving messages. The program is available on our bulletin boards. For additional information: tinyurl.com/7tmv4tjs

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HIL

Day of Service

Sunday, January 14

Many opportunities after worship to help Face to Face. Join us for a light lunch and then choose a project!

- Make turkey sausage casseroles
- Make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, decorate lunch bags, and pack lunches
- Assemble toiletry kits
- And—enjoy spending time with fellow PCCH members while assisting our neighbors in need

Youth are welcome for all projects, and younger children are encouraged to help out

We need donations of ingredients for casseroles, lunches, and toiletry kits. Sign up to donate ingredients or to help out at Coffee Hour on January 7, or use the QR code below.

If you won't be at church on January 14, another great way to participate is to drop off needed items before January 14 or to make a donation toward purchasing ingredients.

Cash and check donations are welcome—please make checks out to Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill.



Questions? Contact Beth Vaccaro bethnellvaccaro@qmail.com

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

| Date | Godly Play | Christian Studies | Feasting on the Word |
|------|----------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| | PreK-2nd Grade | Grades 3-5 | Grades 6-8 |
| 1/7 | Holly Harris and Sarah Wright | Dom Rebeck | Steve Bishop |

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 and Youth Choir will rehearse as usual today.

If you have any questions or concerns at any time, please don't hesitate to reach out to us: Julie Snyder, jsbishop717@gmail.com

Kate Magid, katemagid@gmail.com

YOUTH UPDATE

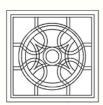
Sunday, January 7 (today): high school youth group will meet after worship to go out to lunch Sunday, January 14: middle school Epiphany party during Sunday school

Sunday, January 14: middle and high school Day of Service in Widener Hall following Sunday school This is an all-church event.

Sunday, January 21: middle and high school youth groups to River Rink at Penn's Landing

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/







JANUARY 11 BRETT MANDEL PHILADELPHIA, CORRUPT AND CONSENTING A CITY'S STRUGGLEAGAINST AN EPITHET

More than a century after muckraking journalist Lincoln Steffens derided the city of Philadelphia as being "corrupt and contented," Philadelphia struggles to rise above this unfortunate characterization. Brett joins us to discuss his book, Philadelphia, Corrupt and Consenting. It is the story of a city's confrontation with a history that threatens its future. He examines the costs of corruption, both financial and nonpecuniary, and considers the opportunity cost that corruption imposes. Mandel explores the nature and development of Philadelphia's unique culture of corruption, emphasizing how machine politics and self-dealing are entwined with city history, creating a culture that allows corruption to thrive. In addition, he provides practical, achievable policies and actions that can produce positive change in Philadelphia and elsewhere.

Brett H. Mandel is a Philadelphia-basedwriter and consultant who engages in civic activism and government reform whenhe is not serving as Chief Financial Officer and Utility Player for hisstart-up, Baseball BBQ. He has also served as the Executive Director of theNational Education Technology Funding Corporation; Executive Director of thecitizens' organization, PhiladelphiaForward; and Director of Financial and Policy Analysis for the Office of the Philadelphia City Controller.

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Registration Required for in-person attendance.

Contact 215-247-4654 or email msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org

https://www.chestnuthillpres.org/education/forum-on-the-hill/

Visit our website above to watch the recorded version after 5pm.

CENTER ON THE HILL

The Center on the Hill is open Monday-Fridays9 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.

STRONG BONES EXERCISE CLASS (registration required)

Session 1: January 9-February 13, 1-2 p.m., \$72 for six week session or \$15 per class drop in Clinical studies have indisputably proven that doing the right exercises, improving your balance, and making some lifestyle changes, are critical factors in building stronger bones. This class will include standing and floor exercises to improve postural alignment, balance, and strength. Bring your own mat, but all other equipment will be provided.

LET'S PLAY BINGO (registration required)

Tuesday, January 9, 1-2 p.m., free

Join us for your favorite game, with prizes and snacks provided by some of our partners and friends from different organizations in the area. Meet some new people, and have fun!

INTRODUCTION TO TAI CHI FOR ARTHRITIS

AND FALLS PREVENTION (registration required)

Tuesdays, January 16-February 6, 1-2 p.m., \$60

Tai Chi for Arthritis and Falls Prevention (TCA) is an evidence-based program recommended by the CDC and the Arthritis Foundation. TCA is based on Sun style tai chi, a style chosen because of its healing component, its unique Qigong elements and its ability to improve mobility, confidence, and balance. We will learn an excellent set of warm-ups that you'll love doing daily, invigorating Qigong breathing exercises, and safe, flowing and soothing tai chi movements.

CHANGING YOUR DEMENTIA CARE MINDSET (registration required)

Thursday, January 18, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., free

Repetitive questions. Personal insults and verbal aggression. Making a mess by rummaging in cabinets and drawers. Your loved one is doing the best they can to communicate. Shifting the way you think about the dementia experience will actually reduce these troubling behaviors and bring you greater peace.

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

| SUNDAY, January 7 | Lord's Supper |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Worship | sanctuary, 10 a.m. |
| Church school | Strouse, 10:20 a.m. |
| Joyful Noise rehearsal | sanctuary 11:10 a.m. |
| Deacons Brunch | Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m. |
| Senior High fellowship | off site, 11:15 a.m. |
| Music & Arts Committee | Harris, 11:30 a.m. |
| Youth Choir rehearsal | Strouse, 4:15 p.m. |
| MONDAY, January 8 | |
| Sketching and watercolor class | room 1&2, 9:30 a.m. |
| Italian conversation group | Harris, 11 a.m. |
| Classic table games open play | room 5, 12 p.m. |
| Water Media level 2 class | room 1&2, 1:30 p.m. |
| Qigong class | Harris, 2 p.m. |
| PNC committee meeting | zoom, 7:30 p.m. |
| Finance committee meeting | Harris, 7:30 p.m. |
| TUESDAY, January 9 | |
| Mindfulness class | room 4, 9:30 a.m. |
| Sketching and watercolor class | room 1&2, 9:30 a.m. |
| Mah Jongg open play | room 5, 12:30 p.m. |
| Bingo | Harris, 1p.m. |
| Strong Bones class | Widener Hall, 1 p.m. |
| Session meeting | Harris, 7p.m. |
| WEDNESDAY, January 10 | |
| Rummy tiles open play | room 5, 10:30 a.m. |
| PCCH Bible Study group | Harris, 10:30 a.m. |
| Bridge open play | room 1&2, 11:30 a.m. |
| PCCH Staff meeting | reception room, 1 p.m. |
| Mah Jongg open play | room 5, 1:30 p.m. |
| Golden Yoga class | Widener Hall, 3 p.m. |
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THURSDAY, January 11

Harris, 9 a.m. Qigong class Thursday Painters group room 1&2, 9:30 a.m. Travel Talk with Lyn: River Cruising Harris, 11 a.m. Forum on the Hill presentation Widener Hall, 12 p.m. French conversation group Room 1&2, 1 p.m. Mah Jongg group room 5, 1:30 p.m. Alzheimer's support group Harris, 2 p.m. Meet the Artist reception COTH hallway, 3 p.m. PCCH Gallery choir rehearsal choir room, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, January 12

Yoga with Attitude class Harris, 9:45 a.m. Scrabble game open play room 5, 10 a.m. Yoga, A Chair and You class Harris, 11:30 a.m. International Folk Dancing class room 3&4, 12:30 p.m. PCCH Sober and Out group Harris, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, January 14

PCCH Day of Service Worship sanctuary, 10 a.m. Church School Strouse, 10:20 a.m. Fellowship Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m. Day of Service Widener Hall/kitchen, 11:15 a.m. Youth Choir rehearsal Strouse, 4:15 p.m. Senior High youth group youth room, 5 p.m.

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 | Lisa Guyer | Taylor Slaughter |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Shannon Cavanaugh | Kate Houstoun | Harry Spaeth |
| Rebecca DePasquale | James Lutz | James Spause |
| Gregory Dickinson | Ryan Mann | Margaret Spencer |
| Matthew Eastman | William Murphy | Willliam Storm |
| Jack Evans | Elizabeth Podraza | Beth Nell Vaccaro |
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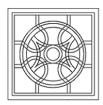
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