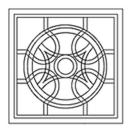
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

An inclusive community of faith

Sunday, February 25, 2024 10 a.m. SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT





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

Preludes in C major and E flat minor

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

INTROIT Lenten Introit

Iain Quinn (b. 1973)

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy; 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: As a deer longs for flowing streams,

so my soul longs for you, O God.

People: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

Leader: Why are you cast down, O my soul,

and why are you disquieted within me?

People: Hope in God, for I shall again praise my help and my redeemer.

Psalm 42:1-2, 5

*HYMN 483 Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above MIT FREUDEN ZART

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Behold, Lord, an empty vessel that needs to be filled. I am weak in faith; strengthen me. I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent. Fill me with such hope that I may be a light to the house of my neighbor.

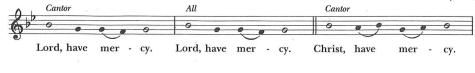
Martin Luther

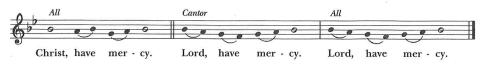
^{*}Please stand as you are able.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

Richard Proulx (1937-2010)





PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE Wondrous Love

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am, while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing; while millions join the theme, I will sing!

*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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word; from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

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 LESSON

John 11:17-27

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

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





Congregation: Antiphon

Soloist O thou chief Cornerstone, Right Hand of the Father:

Way of Salvation, Gate of Life Celestial:

cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

Congregation: Antiphon

JOYFUL NOISE ANTHEM

For Love Shall Be Our Song

Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952)

God is love, God is peace, God is joy and gladness, may we then live our lives in love, in peace, in joy with Christ our Lord.

For love shall be our song, as we lift our hearts to the Lord; so as members of the family of God, rejoice, give thanks and praise.

And when others do us wrong, patience we will show, to forgive as Christ did us; seeds of love we'll sow.

Children through 8th grade depart for church school in the Strouse building.

Joyful Noise will not rehearse today.

Parents, please pick up your children in the chapel after worship.

Youth Choir will rehearse from 11-11:40 a.m. today.

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 11:28-37

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

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

SERMON

Beyond Belief
I am the resurrection and the life... Everyone
who lives and believes in me will never die.
Do you believe this?
John 11:25-26

Dr. Craig Barnes

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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.

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Thomas Tomkins (1572-1656)

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, yea, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall not die for ever.

*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: Holy God, we know that to whom much is given much is required. So

we present these offerings as a sign of our devotion to serving your

work in the church and its mission in the world. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

John Rutter (b. 1945)

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in D minor

Johann Krebs (1713-1780)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHER

The Rev. Dr. M. Craig Barnes

LITURGISTS

Louisa Rodgers-Genuardi The Rev. Dr. Russell C. Sullivan, Jr.

MUSIC

Joyful Noise, Julie Snyder conductor Gallery Choir, Daniel Spratlan conductor Jeffrey DeVault organist

GREETERS

Michelle Shachtman and Taylor Slaughter Elders Iane McGill and Barbara Olson Deacons

USHERS

Harry Spaeth Team #2 Leader, Troy Foxworth, Graeme Frazier, Kate Houstoun, Jason Jones, Beth Wrigley

FLOWER GUILD

Barrett Stewart and Grace Stewart

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Anna Mae Kirlin** by her daughter Diane Kirlin Murphy.

COVER ART curated by Rebecca Thornburgh

Léon Bonnat, *The Resurrection of Lazarus*, 1857, color on canvas. Léon Joseph Florentin Bonnat (1833–1922) was a French painter, Grand Officer of the Légion d'honneur, art collector, and professor at the Ecole des Beaux Arts. Born in Bayonne, Bonnat lived in Madrid as a young man. While tending his father's bookshop there, he developed a passion for drawing by copying engravings of works by master painters like Velázquez, Jusepe de Ribera, Titian, and van Dyke. Bonnat's vivid portraits of contemporary celebrities are his most characteristic works, but his most important works are arguably his powerful religious paintings, such as his *Christ on the Cross*. As a teacher, he encouraged freedom of expression and execution. He urged students to visit the Prado Museum in Madrid, and introduced in Paris the tendency to paint in the Spanish way, which influenced the evolution of French painting.

MUSIC AND TEXTS reprinted and performed with permission. CCLI copyright license #3140916; streaming license #4387474.

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.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

During the season of Lent, 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 (to remind them of "almsgiving"). Our collection will end on Easter Sunday during the Egg Hunt.

One Great Hour of Sharing envelopes will be placed in the pews on Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024 for adult giving opportunities.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

UPCOMING EVENTS AT PCCH

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE HIGH COFFEE TODAY

Please join us today after worship in Widener Hall for a special Lenten high coffee. Save the date for our next high coffee on Easter Sunday, March 31. All are invited to attend. Any questions, please contact Sandy Connelly at sandyconnelly@gmail.com or Emily McCahery emma.camp327@gmail.com.

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 Lent 3 on Wednesday, February 28, is John 11:38-44. All are welcome.

GERMANTOWN AVENUE CRISIS MINISTRY FOOD DONATIONS

First Sunday of the month food collection is next Sunday, March 3

GACM provides food, fuel, clothing, housing and other emergency assistance to those who live in the Northwest section of Philadelphia. We collect food and cash donations for the GACM Food Cupboard on the first Sunday of every month. Please help with your donations of canned tuna and chicken, rice, pasta, peanut butter, canned vegetables and beans, hearty soups and stews, and breakfast cereals. Regular sized products, not family size, and packaged in non-glass containers are appreciated.

CHURCH SCHOOL EASTER EGG HUNT DONATIONS

There will be a donation box in the church office if you would like to donate small, wrapped candy, without peanuts or peanut butter please, to be placed in the plastic eggs for our annual church school Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday. Please drop off your donations by Sunday, March 3.

MELODY AND COMEDY—Calling all performers!

Melody and Comedy, our annual church-wide variety show and silent auction, is scheduled for Saturday, April 27 at 7 p.m. Acts of all types, by performers of all ability levels, are invited to take the stage. If you are interested in performing, please contact Julie Snyder at jsbishop717@gmail.com or speak to any member of the Music and Arts committee.

FESTIVALOF MUSIC & ARTS



SUNDAY, MARCH 3

ART EXHIBIT

Widener Hall works by PCCH children & youth

CHOIR CONCERT

12 noon, sanctuary

Mass Transmission by Mason Bates

PCCH Gallery Choir Jeffrey DeVault, organ Daniel Spratlan, conductor

free will donation to benefit Music & Arts programming

lunch will be served in Widener Hall following worship, before the concert

About the music

Commissioned by the San Francisco Symphony for their 2012 Mavericks Festival, Mass Transmission brings to life the true story of a loving mother and daughter speaking over the first long-distance radio transmissions between Holland and Java. Ethereal choral sonorities processed through a haze of radio static unfold into virtuosic organ toccatas. The texts for outer movements of the work — from the eyes of the mother — are adapted from an obscure 1928 government publication about the technological advances made by the Dutch in communicating with their colonists. The text for the central portion of the work — from the eyes of the daughter — is adapted from the diary of a Dutch girl growing up in Java.

About the art

After learning the story that inspired *Mass Transmission*, the children and youth of PCCH have created art works and commentaries responding to the ways people can communicate to share their love.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Date	Godly Play	Christian Studies	Feasting on the Word
	PreK-2nd Grade	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-8
2/25	Michelle Shachtman and Fred and Connie Lewis	Rebecca and Ella DePasquale, and Amy Rap	Kate Magid bhael

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 not rehearse today. Youth Choir will rehearse from 11-11:40 a.m. in the Strouse building. All children are welcome to sing with Joyful Noise and the Youth Choir—drop-ins are welcome!

YOUTH UPDATE

Sunday, February 25

Middle school will work on their art service project for the Music and Arts Festival. High school will meet after worship to head to Iron Hill for lunch and discussion. Any questions, please contact Kate Magid, katemagid@gmail.com



POKER NIGHT

3

16

24

7 PM | SATURDAY EMILY AND RAY MCCAHERY'S HOUSE

BRING AN APP OR DRINK

TO SHARE

RSVP TO INFO @ CHESTNUTHILLPRES.ORG

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.

SOUL LINE DANCING (registration required)

The last two Thursdays of the month, 1:30-2:30 p.m., ongoing, join anytime, \$5 Where can you dance with a room full of people, yet dance by yourself? Get fit and have fun as you line-dance to R&B, jazz, hip-hop, the Philly sound, classic oldies, the latest soul favorites, and more. This is a simple and easy activity, a feel-good form of exercise. No partner needed. All levels welcome. Instructor Gloria Kingcade, master soul line dance teacher, has more than two decades of experience.

NUTRITION AS YOU AGE—A Healthy Cooking Class (registration required)

Tuesday, February 27, 1:30-2:30 p.m., free

Please join Sunrise of Lafayette Hill and Fox Rehabilitation to learn about the best ways to build a healthy plate incorporating satisfying portion sizes. Focus will be on nutritional habits, and cooking practices to support healthy eating including cooking demonstration, and complimentary homemade plate and dessert option provided by Sunrise of Lafayette Hill and Continuous Home Care.

LAUGHING INTO LEAP YEAR—AN IMPROV COMEDY CLASS (registration required) Thursday, February 29, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m., \$5

They say laughter is the key to feeling youthful and energetic. They also say that comedy is a great way to keep your mind and wit sharp! Improvisation (Improv) is a centuries-old art form that has been used mainly in the performing arts, specifically in live comedy. Join us for this fun and entertaining class where we will learn about and practice Short Form Improv. Through the interactive exercises and activities taught in this class, you will be able to experience learning on an intellectual and physical level, while having a great time! Instructor Mariangela Saavedra has been working in theater for 27 years in cities across the country. She is the founder and artistic director of Casabuena Cultural Productions, a community theater and film company based in Germantown/Mt Airy.

SCRABBLE—OPEN PLAY (registration required)

Fridays, join at any time, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., \$2

Do you love to play board games? Are you a great speller or do you *want* to be a great speller? Then join in on this classic crossword game that is full-on fun. You can feel the excitement begin as soon as you rack up your letters, choose a great word, and hope to land on a tripleword score. Scrabble game provided.

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

SAVE THE DATE MARK YOUR CALENDAR



HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

Lent 2

SUNDAY, February 25

Worship	sanctuary, 10 a.m.
Church school	Strouse, 10:20 a.m.
Youth choir rehearsal	Strouse, 11 a.m.
High Coffee fellowship	Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m.
High school youth group	Lunch at Iron Hill, 11:15 a.m.
MONDAY, February 26	
Sketching and watercolor class	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Mah Jongg 101 class	Harris, 10 a.m.
Tai Chi practice group	room 3&4, 10 a.m.
Italian conversation group	reception room, 11 a.m.
Table games open play	room 5, 12 p.m.
Grief Support group	reception room, 1 p.m.
Water Media level 2 class	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Qigong class	Harris, 2 p.m.
PNC committee meeting	Harris, 7 p.m.
TUESDAY, February 27	
Mindfulness class	room 4, 9:30 a.m.
Sketching and watercolor class	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
WordPress class	Melcher, 10 a.m.
Mah Jongg open play	room 5, 12:30 p.m.
Comprehensive Christianity group	Harris, 1 p.m.
Strong Bones class	Widener Hall, 1 p.m.
Nutrition As You Age demonstration	Kitchen, 1:30 p.m.
Watercolor and Drawing Foundations	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Well Spouse support group	by phone, 7 p.m.
Church Life committee meeting	Podraza home, 7:30 p.m.
Christian Ed committee meeting	zoom, 8 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, February 28	
Beginning Tai Chi class	Widener Hall, 10 a.m.
PCCH Bible Study group	Harris, 10:30 a.m.
Rummy Tiles open play	room 5, 10:30 a.m.
,	,

Continuing Tai Chi class Bridge open play Intermediate Tai Chi class PCCH Staff meeting Mah Jongg open play Golden Yoga class Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m. room 1&2, 11:30 a.m. Widener Hall, 12:30 p.m. reception room, 1 p.m. room 5, 1:30 p.m. Widener Hall, 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, February 29

Qigong class
Thursday Painters group
Drawing or painting still life
Laughing into Leap Year class
French conversation group
Mah Jongg group
Making Art Makes Us Smarter class
Soul line dancing
Aging In Place group
Gallery Choir rehearsal

Harris, 9 a.m. room 1&2, 9:30 a.m. room 3&4 10:30 a.m. Harris, 11 a.m. room 1&2, 1:30 p.m. room 5, 1:30 p.m. room 3&4, 1:30 p.m. Widener Hall, 1:30 p.m. Harris, 2:15 p.m. choir room, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, March 1

Preschool games Yoga with Attitude class Scrabble open play Yoga, A Chair and You class International folk dancing class PCCH Sober and Out group Widener Hall, 9:30 a.m.
Harris, 9:45 a.m.
room 5, 10 a.m.
Harris, 11:30 a.m.
room 3&4, 12:30 p.m.
Harris, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, March 3

Worship Church School Festival of Music & Arts art exhibit Festival of Music & Arts concert

Lent 3/Lord's Supper sanctuary, 10 a.m. Strouse 11:10 a.m.

Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m. sanctuary, 12 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

Jeffrey DeVault Organist/Associate Director of Music

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

Katherine McGill Magid Director of Youth Ministry

Rachel Cline Church Administrator

Megan Cullen Director, Preschool

Mariangela Saavedra Director, Center on the Hill

Leslie A. Lefer Communications Coordinator

Evelyn F. Carpenter Administrative Assistant

Felix Delgado Sexton

Donna Marciel Sunday Sexton

Debbie Lambeth Sunday Child Care Giver

CONTACT PCCH

Church office 215.247.8855
Preschool 215.247.8865
Center on the Hill 215.247.4654

info@chestnuthillpres.org

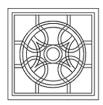
chestnuthillpres.org

f PCCHestnuthill

chestnuthillpres.org/live



PCCH Bulletin online



The Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill 8855 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19118