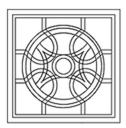
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

An inclusive community of faith

Sunday, June 9, 2024 10 a.m. THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST





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 two is available in the Strouse building—ask an usher for assistance. Children who are three 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.



All children in attendance are invited to attend Sunday School, which takes place immediately after the Children's Message. Please use the QR code to fill out a brief safety waiver for your child.

We encourage you to fill out the black friendship 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

Ich ruf' zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

INTROIT

Christopher Tye (1505-1573)

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name from early morn to setting sun, his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just, and glad the heart:

He makes his mercies known.

Ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before his throne.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord with your whole heart.

People: On the day I called, you answered me. Leader: God's steadfast love endures forever.

People: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN 262 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand NATIONAL HYMN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, have mercy on us, for we have failed to be faithful to you, though you have been faithful to us. You show us your wisdom, but we prefer to go our own way. Our broken relationships with you and one another have created poverty in us and our neighbors. In your mercy, reconcile us to you and one another for the work of justice, peace, and love, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer. Amen.

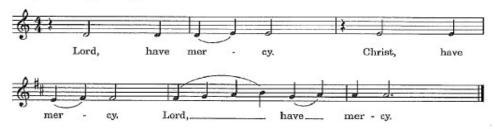
^{*}Please stand as you are able.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

Everyone sings the refrain:



Choir: Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Everyone repeats the refrain.

PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*GLORIA PATRI

WESTMINSTER ABBEY (Hymn 416)

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)

Eternal God, in the reading of the Scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.

FIRST LESSON 1 Samuel 8:1-22

When Samuel became old, he made his sons judges over Israel. The name of his firstborn son was Joel, and the name of his second, Abijah; they were judges in Beersheba. Yet his sons did not follow in his ways, but turned aside after gain; they took bribes and perverted justice.

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them." So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of

your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day." But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles." When Samuel had heard all the words of the people, he repeated them in the ears of the Lord. The Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to their voice and set a king over them." Samuel then said to the people of Israel, "Each of you return home."

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALTER Psalm 138:1-2, 4, 7-9 PLAINSONG

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your love and faithfulness.

When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; he perceives the haughty from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

The Lord will make good his purpose for me; O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND DISMISSAL

Children through finishing fifth grade depart for church school in the Strouse building. Parents, please pick up your children in the Strouse building after worship.

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.

SECOND LESSON Mark 3:20-35

And the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When [Jesus'] family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered."

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

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

SERMON

The Way of the King
But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel;
they said, "No! but we are determined
to have a king over us..."
1 Samuel 8:19

Dr. Sullivan

*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

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

Lord, I trust thee, I adore thee. Ah! Thou friend of man, restore me!

On thy loving grace relying, for the bread of life I'm sighing.

Quench my thirst and let my hunger cease, fill my heart with joy and endless peace.

When the breath of life has left me, may my soul be blended with thee.

*DOXOLOGY LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF THANKGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.
All: Eternal God,

Your son Jesus teaches us that a house divided cannot stand. Together, we offer ourselves and our gifts, that they may be used to extend your grace to others for your glory through Jesus our Lord.

Amen

*HYMN 408 Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life GERMANY

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE Amen McNeil Robinson II (1943-2015)

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Herr Christ,

J. S. Bach

Der einge Gottessohn

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

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

MUSIC

PCCH Summer Choir Daniel Spratlan conductor Jeffrey DeVault organist

CHILDREN'S MOMEN

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

GREETERS

Rebecca DePasquale and Ryan Mann Elders Mark Bernstein and Catherine Brzozowski Deacons

USHERS

Harry Spaeth Team#2 Leader

Troy Foxworth, Graeme Frazier, Kate Houstoun, Jason Jones, Elsbeth Wrigley

FLOWER GUILD

Sandra Connelly, Barbara Frazier, Mary Anne Van Blarcom

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory and in celebration of **the family of Barbara Rubin.**

FLOWERS IN THE NARTHEX are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Stanley W. Elwell** by his family.

COVER ART curated by Rebecca Thornburgh

Crown © Oleksandr Lytvynenko | photo 199098953 | dreamstime.com Rusted, incomplete with its broken link, this iron circlet symbolizes the impermanence and fragility of a crown.

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GOOD TO KNOW

If you are interested in exploring membership at PCCH, please contact Russell Sullivan at the church office or at rsullivan@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 summer 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.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

HAPPENING AT PCCH

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

Please join us on the front lawn immediately following worship for sweet treats, lemonade, and coffee. Everyone is welcome.

CONGRATULATION TO PCCH HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

A special congratulation to the following high school seniors who have been an outstanding part of the youth group over the years. We will miss seeing you regularly but hope you will come back and visit when you are in town.

Max Huertgen, Anna Quirus, Kate Quirus, Grace Rebeck, Lydia Hessel-Robinson

PCCH GALLERY PICK-UP CHOIR

Do you want to sing with the PCCH Gallery Choir? One more Sunday, June 16, when any one interested in singing may join the Gallery Choir in worship! No audition is required. Please arrive at 9 a.m. in the Gallery (organ loft) to rehearse for the 10 a.m. service. If you are new, too busy on Thursday nights, or weren't sure how to get involved, this is a great chance to meet one another and get singing! No 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 want to sing in the choir, or if you have any questions, please contact Daniel at danielspratlan@gmail.com.

PCCH FLOWER MEMORIALS AVAILABLE

Sunday, July 7 is open for anyone who would like to remember a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion such as a birthday or an anniversary. Please contact Evelyn Carpenter in the church office, 215-247-8855. The cost is \$85 per Sunday and you are welcome to take home a bouquet of the memorial flowers after worship.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Date Combined Sunday School

PreK through Grade 5

6/9 Mark and Katie O'Dwyer, Julie Snyder

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS TODAY

This summer during Sunday School our children will Set Sail on a journey to learn how God wants us to love others, serve others, and spend time enjoying the love and peace that God created in the world. Classes will combine in the air-conditioned chapel for this fun summer curriculum.

The first Sundays of the month communion is served in worship and the children will return after Sunday School to sit with their families so that they can participate.

Joyful Noise and Youth Choir rehearsals have paused for the summer months.



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.

JUNE ART SHOW

Center on the Hill Art Instructors and Students Mixed Media

The Gallery is open for viewing Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Fridays 10 a.m.-2 p.m. as well as before and after worship on Sundays.

'Meet the Artists' reception, Thursday June 13, 4–6:30 p.m. Light refreshments served. This show will feature works from our art instructors: Alex Forbes, Rebecca Hoenig, Marcia Jones, and Gabrielle Sivits, and their students from classes taught here at the Center on the Hill. Stop by to see these unique and exciting works of art that will be sure to delight you. Watercolors, sketches, collage, and more will be featured in this unique show.

SKETCHING AND WATERCOLOR CLASS (registration required)

Mondays or Tuesdays, join at any time, 9:30–11:30 a.m., \$32 per month Bring check payment to first class.

Enjoy sketching and watercolor painting in a relaxed class. A variety of mediums will be demonstrated; still lifes and photographs will be used. This drawing and watercolor painting class is for people of all abilities.

Instructor Alex Forbes has been teaching classes in the Chestnut Hill area for the past twentysix years. Alex is an accomplished artist who exhibits at the Chestnut Hill Gallery and has held several of his own local exhibits.

TRIVIA FOR EVERYONE (registration required)

Thursday, June 13, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., \$2

Join us for a fun trivia session at the Center. Give your brain a work out, learn something new, meet new people, and have a lot of fun. Prizes and snacks provided!

LET'S PLAY BINGO (registration required)

Tuesday, June 18, 1-2:30 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. This will be our last one until Fall. Be sure to come out, meet some new people, and have fun.

SOUL LINE DANCING (registration required)

Thursdays, June 20 and 27, 1:30-2:30 p.m., \$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. Gloria, the instructor, will help you make this simple and easy activity, a feel-good form of exercise. No partner is needed. All levels welcome.

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP: WHY DO IT ALONE?

Second Thursday of the month, join at any time, 2-3:30 p.m.

Free in person at the Center, or by zoom or phone

By phone, call 301-715-8592 and enter ID and passcode when prompted: meeting ID: 448 977 3675, passcode: 076567

Zoom by computer: visit www.zoom.us/join and join by entering ID and passcode. For more information, call Jean Kirkley, 215-758-7305 or e-mail jean.kirkley@gmail.com. Share your wisdom, experiences, challenges and joys with others as caregivers for those living with Alzheimer's and related dementias.



Portraits of Victims of Gun Violence



To the Chief Musician Portrait of Darien Owen Griffin by Elisa Abeloff



souls shot portrait project.org

Souls Shot Portrait Project Update

It has been a busy year for Souls Shot Portrait Project, the activist art project born right here at PCCH and supported by you since 2016. We have represented over 250 souls who lost their lives or had their lives changed forever due to gun violence. We have brought solace and a voice to those who grieve and moved visitors to our exhibitions to take a stand and do what they are able to do to in this quest for peace; for sensible gun laws, for enforcing safety measures, for combatting systemic racism.

If you are interested in following the project please consider subscribing to our newsletter by visiting soulsshotportraitproject.org or scanning the QR code below.

This Friday our exhibition, installed at the <u>Philadelphia Episcopal Cathedral</u>, will be an integral part of the <u>Toll The Bell</u> action taking place throughout Philadelphia. Those who have lost someone to gun violence will have the opportunity to ring the bell at the Cathedral at 1pm. There will be a free lunch afterwards.

Monday, prints of our portraits from the New Jersey Chapter will line the path to Wiggins Park in Camden where the Wear Orange event and concert will draw up to 3000 people. (Portraits by PCCH members Rebecca Thornburgh and Laura Madeleine will be featured.) Both events are free and open to the public.

Thank you for your continued support for this important project. We welcome volunteers, participants, funders!

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, June 9 Worship Summer Church school Fellowship COTH meet-up play	sanctuary, 10 a.m. Strouse, 10:20 a.m. front lawn/Widener Hall, 11 a.m. off-site, 5 p.m.
MONDAY, June10	10.2.0.20
Sketching and watercolor class	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
AARP Smart Driver course	Harris, 10 a.m.
Tai Chi practice group Italian conversation class	room 3&4, 10 a.m.
Table games open play	reception room, 11 a.m. room 5, 12 p.m.
Water media level 2	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Qigong class	Harris, 2 p.m.
PNC meeting	zoom, 7 p.m.
Finance Committee meeting	Harris, 7:30 p.m.
TUESDAY, June 11	
Mindful practice	room 4, 9:30 a.m.
Sketching and watercolor class	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
AARP Smart Driver course	Harris, 10 a.m.
Mosaics stained glass class	room 3&4, 10 a.m.
MALT computer class	Melcher, 10 a.m.
Mah Jongg open play	room 5, 12:30 p.m.
Tai Chi for arthritis/falls prevention class	room 3&4, 2:15 p.m.
Session meeting	Harris, 7:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, June 12	
Beginning Tai Chi class	Widener Hall, 10 a.m.
Rummy Tiles open play	room 5, 10:30 a.m.
Continuing Tai Chi class	Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m.
Bridge open play	room 1&2, 11:30 a.m.
Intermediate Tai Chi class	Widener Hall, 12:30 p.m.

Basics of the Android phone class

Staff meeting

Mah Jongg open play

Golden Yoga class

Harris, 1 p.m.

reception room, 1 p.m.

room 5, 1:30 p.m.

Widener Hall, 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, June 13

Qigong class Harris, 9 a.m. Thursday Painters group room 1&2, 9:30 a.m. Trivia game Harris, 11 a.m. Chair Cardio class Harris, 1 p.m. Mah Jongg group room 5, 1:30 p.m. French conversation group room 1&2, 1:30 p.m. Alzheimer's support group Harris, 2 p.m. COTH June Art Show reception COTH hallway, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, June 14

Preschool camp activity Widener Hall, 9:30 a.m. Yoga with Attitude class Harris, 9:45 a.m. Scrabble open play room 5, 10 a.m. Yoga, A Chair and You class Harris, 11:30 a.m. Internation folk dancing class room 3&4, 12:30 p.m. Preschool yoga class Harris, 1:30 p.m. Alexander Technique class Harris, 3:15 p.m. PCCH Sober and Out meeting Harris, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, June 15

Crossing pre-concert talk chapel 2 p.m.

Crossing concert and reception sanctuary/Widener, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, June 16Father's DayWorshipsanctuary, 10 a.m.Summer Church schoolchapel, 10:20 a.m.Fellowshipfront lawn/Widener Hall, 11:15 a.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	William Storm
Jack Evans	Elizabeth Podraza	Beth Nell Vaccaro
Graeme Frazier	Michelle Shachtman	Clarke Woodruff

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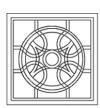
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