

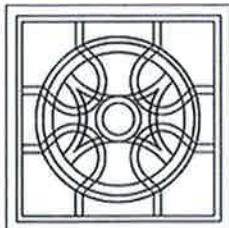
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

An inclusive community of faith

Sunday, December 12, 2021

10:00 a.m.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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 age 3 and older depart from worship for church school.

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.

All are invited for refreshments and fellowship immediately following the service on the south lawn (weather permitting).

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 13.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

As long as there are people, Christ will walk the earth as your neighbor, as the one through whom God calls you, speaks to you, makes demands on you. That is the great seriousness and great blessedness of the Advent message. Christ is standing at the door; he lives in the form of a human being among us.

—Dietrich Bonhoeffer
God Is In The Manger

ORGAN VOLUNTARIES

Christe, Redemptor Omnium
Christ, Redeemer of All

Richard Purvis
(1913-1994)
Healey Willan
(1880-1968)

INTROIT

Christe, Redemptor Omnium

PLAINSONG

O Savior of our fallen race,
O brightness of the Father's face,
O Son who shared the Father's might
before the world knew day or night.

Remember, Lord of life and grace,
how once, to save our fallen race,
you put your human vesture on
and came to us as Mary's son.

O Christ, Redeemer virgin-born,
let songs of praise your name adorn,
whom with the Father we adore,
and Holy Spirit evermore.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: It's a reunion, every time we go home, every time we embrace those we love, no matter how long it has been. It feels like sunrise, like the clouds are parting and the rain has ended.

People: **We rejoice at the thought of going home.**

Leader: The prophet Zephaniah tells us to imagine being set free, being unburdened, to fully live in the grace and wonder of life itself. John the Baptist reminds us that it takes choices to live in this joy. It doesn't just happen; we choose to make life a joy by how we love others, by how we serve and give and care for others, by how we impact the world around us.

People: We light these candles as a sign that we are on our way home.
Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

*HYMN 15

Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers

LLANGLOFFAN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

God of the future, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace.

In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

Richard Proulx
(1937-2010)

The musical score for 'Kyrie Eleison' is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three staves, each with a 'Cantor' part and an 'Assembly' part. The lyrics are: 'Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.' The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final fermata on the last note of each line.

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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(unison)*

Holy God, our hope and strength, by the power of your spirit prepare the way in our hearts for the coming of your Word, so that we may see the glorious signs of your promise fulfilled; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Zephaniah 3:14-20 (p. 876)

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word.

People: Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE

First Song of Isaiah

Jack Noble White

Choir: Refrain

(b. 1938)

Sure-ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be a -
fraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my sure de -
fense, and God will be my Sav - ior.

All: Refrain

Choir Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
from the springs of salvation.
And on that day you shall say,
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon God's name;

All: Refrain

Choir Make God's deeds known among the peoples;
see that they remember that the Lord is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for God has done great things,
and this is known in all the world.

All: Refrain

Choir Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

All: Refrain (*sing twice*)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Congregational Welcome After Baptism

Elder: Through baptism, Ethan Johan has now been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church. God has made him a member of the household of God, to share with us in the priesthood of Christ. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into the peace and unity of the church of Jesus Christ. Our vow is to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of the gospel with you and to help you to know and follow Christ. May God's abundant blessings be always with you.

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.

Children through fifth grade may proceed to the Chapel.

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 3:7-18(p. 60)

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor;' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" ¹³ He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages." As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

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

SERMON

Bearing Fruit in Advent

John Wilkinson

*HYMN 409

Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice

ABERYSTWYTH

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from "Our Song of Hope,"
Reformed Church in America

We sing to our Lord a new song;
we sing in our world a sure hope:
our God loves this world,
God called it into being,
God renews it through Jesus Christ,
God governs it by the Spirit.
God is the world's true Hope.

In each year and in every place
we expect the coming of Christ's Spirit
as we listen to the world's concerns,
hear the cry of the oppressed,
and learn of new discoveries,
God will give us knowledge,
teach us to respond with maturity,
and give us courage to act with integrity.

Come, Lord Jesus:
we are open to your Spirit.
We await your full presence.
Our world finds rest in you alone. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Orlando Gibbons
(1583-1625)

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests
and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?
And he confessed, and denied not, and said plainly,
I am not the Christ.
And they asked him,
What art thou then? Art thou Elias?
And he said, I am not.
Art thou that Prophet? And he answered, No.
Then said they unto him,
What art thou? that we may give an answer unto them that sent us.
What say'st thou of thyself? And he said,
I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness,
make straight the way of 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *(unison)*

Eternal God, as you led your people in ages past, you guide our journey into the future. As we offer these gifts, we give you thanks that you came to us in Jesus, and we await his coming again. Fill us with gratitude overflowing that we may share life and love in praise to you. Amen.

***HYMN 2**

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

HYFRYDOL

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)

God be with you till we meet again,
by his counsels guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you,
God be with you till we meet again.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Postlude on Hyfrydol

Vaughan Williams

**Please stand as you are able.*

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHING

John Wilkinson

LITURGISTS

Brian D. Russo

Roberta J. Kearney

Beth Shalom Hessel

Brenda and Annika Phillips

MUSIC

Gallery Choir

Youth Choir

Ken Lovett Conductor and Organist

GREETERS

Rebecca Bernstein and Ryan Cavanaugh Elders

Kelly Baughman and Charlotte Baughman Deacons

USHERS

Michael Baughman Team #2 Leader; James Burns, Jason Jones and Barbara Olson

FLOWER GUILD

Kathryn Connelly and Sandra Connelly

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the birthday of Virginia Yinger, daughter of Susan and Richard Brown.

COVER ART

Mike Moyers, 2012, *The Days Are Surely Coming*, from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

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GOOD TO KNOW

If you are interested in exploring membership at PCCH, please contact John Wilkinson at the church office or at jwilkinson@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 Brian Russo at the church office or at brusso@chestnuthillpres.org.

If you would like to receive a ride to church for Sunday worship, please contact the church office.

Please see the back cover for information about our church staff and how to contact and connect with us. You can access today's Bulletin online (with links to more information) by scanning the QR code.



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.

MATTHEW 25

Get connected in these ways:

- Read “400 Souls: A Community History of African America, 1619-2019” and join our discussion.
- Visit the Souls Shot Portrait Project exhibition in Widener Hall and reflect on the underlying causes of gun violence, and our response. Today is the last Sunday.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY AT PCCH

Stewardship 2022



STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Thanks to all who have returned your 2022 pledge cards thus far. As of Thursday, December 9, we have received 101 pledges totaling \$464,519.00 in commitments. Thank you!

Your Stewardship Committee hopes you will return your pledge soon, as it helps in our planning for the next year.

You can:

Return your pledge during worship on a Sunday morning.

Mail a completed pledge card to the church office. If you need a pledge card, let us know.

Email a confidential pledge to mmcgowan@chestnuthillpres.org.

BAPTISM

This morning we celebrate the baptism of Ethan Johan Shachtman, child of Michelle Anne and Robert Goldsborough Shachtman.

FELLOWSHIP

Please join us in Widener Hall immediately following worship today. All are welcome!

CHRISTMAS FIREPIT GATHERING

All ages are welcome to join us at the Lutz home today, Sunday, December 12 at 3:00 p.m. Bring a chair. We will provide the fire, the cider and the ingredients for s'mores. Join us for fellowship and holiday cheer! RSVP HERE:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040d4fafa82ca1fe3-fire>

CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT REHEARSAL

There is a mandatory pageant rehearsal today, Sunday, December 12 immediately following worship. Questions, please contact either Brian Russo or Roberta Kearney.

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING

On December 12 and 19, we will receive the Christmas Joy Offering, an offering of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The Christmas Joy Offering supports:

- The assistance program of the Presbyterian Board of Pensions, which supports retired church workers facing critical financial need.
- Three Presbyterian-related academic institutions supporting students of color, in particular Black and indigenous students.

Envelopes are located in your bulletins. Please give generously as you are able. To learn more visit www.pcusa.org/christmasjoy

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Following the Children's Sermon we will dismiss and head to the chapel where we will keep our masks on and maintain physical distancing. Rehearsal with the Joyful Noise choir occurs immediately after Sunday school in the chapel.

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

We are grateful for our teachers (and potential teachers) who are ready to teach our children as soon as parents feel comfortable returning to worship. Please contact Roberta Kearney at rkearney@chestnuthillpres.org for more information on involving your children or to teach our children.

During Advent, Sunday school children will be interacting with a series of Wondering Stories. Families can celebrate Advent at home using the Advent devotional found in the Reverse Advent box.

JOYFUL NOISE

All children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to participate! Weekly rehearsals will begin immediately following church school and end at approximately 11:30 a.m. Your children will be brought to you at fellowship in Widener Hall.

YOUTH CHOIR

Youth choir practices following worship/church school. All young people in grades 6 through 12 are welcome. Rehearsals are held in the youth room of the Strouse Building.

REVERSE ADVENT BOXES

The boxes are ready for pick up in the Reception Room. All are welcome to take a box. The boxes contain a devotional to connect the story of Jesus' coming to the items we place in the box. This year, items for infants previously placed in the box will be presented during Christmas Eve worship at 4:30 p.m.

JR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (5th–7th Graders)

Sunday, December 12, 11:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m.: Christmas Pageant rehearsal

Saturday, December 18, 2:00–4:00 p.m.: Christmas Caroling

SR. HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (8th–12th Graders)

Sunday, December 12, 11:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m.: Christmas Pageant rehearsal

Saturday, December 18, 2:00–4:00 p.m.: Christmas Caroling

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN & CONNECT

UPCOMING SECOND HOUR

Please join us for Second Hour, stimulating discussions on faith and life covering a broad range of topics. All are welcome! We begin at 11:30 a.m. following coffee hour.

- December 12: Caring for God's Creation, Part two, Ecological Principles. Led by Greg Dickinson
- December 19: Christmas Carol Sing—join us during coffee hour to sing our favorites
- December 26: Merry Christmas

CHURCH-WIDE BOOK STUDY

The Adult Education Committee is commending "Four Hundred Souls: A Community History of African America, 1619-2019" as a book to read for the upcoming program year. Edited by Ibram X. Kendi and Keisha N. Blain, this work is an anthology, written by eighty authors from different fields—novelists, historians, sociologists, political scientists, activists, lawyers, and ten poets; each takes a five year period for their brief chapter. The chapters are divided into ten, 40-year sections, and each section is capped by a poem. A copy of the book for borrowing is available in the church office.

BIBLE STUDY

We will meet weekly in December, Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Reception Room. Mark you calendars: December 15 and 22. All are welcome to join us!

CALLING FOR CAROLERS

The PCCH Carolers will be out and about again this year on Saturday, December 18 to troll some ancient yuletide carols, fa la la, outside the homes of some of our PCCH folks. It was a terrific experience last year, and we invite YOU to join our merry troupe of singers! Starting at 2:00 p.m. each of our two teams will visit five or six locations in the Chestnut Hill/Montgomery County areas to sing up a joyful storm before we finish around 4:00 p.m. We're looking for two groups of six (or more) singers. We'll provide caroling booklets and detailed directions for the afternoon. Beth Vaccaro and Rebecca Thornburgh are team leaders; please contact Rebecca at unbecca@gmail.com to join us for a wonderful afternoon of sharing holiday happiness.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap is cancelled for December due to a scheduling conflict. See you in January 2022.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

USHER TEAM OPPORTUNITIES

As we return to worship, we are looking to refresh several of our usher teams. Ushering is a great way to serve, to get to know people and to provide hospitality. Typically, ushers are members of a team that serves once a month, and substitute options are available.

If you'd like to serve, or to learn more, contact Michael Baughman at michael.baughman@troutman.com.

FOOD DONATIONS RECEIVED EVERY SUNDAY AND ALL WEEK

As food insecurity grows, PCCH will continue to receive shelf stable food donations to support several mission partners. You may bring items to the church every Sunday and during the week. **NO GLASS CONTAINERS PLEASE.** Thank you for your support.

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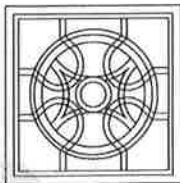
In this holy season, we pray with hope for the health
of our community and justice for our neighbors...

Join us Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m.
in person in our sanctuary and
live stream at www.chestnuthillpres.org

CHRISTMAS EVE

Friday, December 24

- 4:30 p.m. *Pageant of Lessons and Carols*
(for all ages, including families with children)
- 9:30 p.m. - *Prelude – Festival Brass*
- 10:00 p.m. - *A Festival of Lessons and
Carols with the Gallery Choir*



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Christmas Flowers

A Meaningful Way to Remember Loved Ones

During the Christmas season the sanctuary will be overflowing with beautiful flowers and greens in celebration of Christ's birth. By donating to the Christmas Flower Fund, you can remember your loved ones as always. You can also highlight a special family event like a birth or anniversary, or give to the Flower Fund in thanksgiving for a special person, for grandchildren, or in honor of programs you love about our church (for example Music and the Arts, The Mission Trip, or Center on the Hill.) Names of those being honored will be listed in the Christmas Eve bulletins (12/24/2021) and the Sunday after Christmas bulletin (12/26/2021).

**Please submit your names to the church office by
Monday, December 20.**

Your dedication is:

In honor of _____

In thanksgiving for _____

In celebration of _____

In memory of _____

Amount Donated _____

In the past we have suggested a donation of \$25 for those wishing to remember a loved one on these Sundays. That amount does not fully cover our cost. Rather than simply raising the suggested amount, we are trusting your generosity as well as hoping that more in the congregation will take this occasion to lift up someone or some ministry that has been important to them.

Given by: _____

**SOULS
SHOT**
**PORTRAIT
PROJECT**
*Portraits of Victims
of Gun Violence*



Family of Hassan Portrait of Hassan Wood
by Warren Keyser



Portrait of Troy Smith, Jr. by Laura Frazure



Gathered Around Tashaun Portrait of Tashaun Robinson by Marianne Buschini

The Presbyterian Church
of Chestnut Hill
hosts the
2021-2022 portraits
from the
**Souls Shot
Portrait Project**
 November 5th through
December 14th, 2021

*Free and open
to the public*

The Souls Shot Portrait Project pairs fine artists with families and friends of victims of gun violence. The artists create portraits using diverse approaches and emphasize the individuality and uniqueness of the victims portrayed. The exhibition is a truly moving tribute. Please join us for this powerful experience.

Widener Hall Gallery Hours:
 Mondays through Fridays 9 – 5 Sundays noon
 – 2, or by appointment. 215 247 8855
 Visitors are asked to wear masks in the building.
*Please call ahead as there may be groups
using the gallery space from time to time.*



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SOULS SHOT PORTRAIT PROJECT NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We will be moving the Souls Shot Portrait Project artwork on Wednesday morning, December 15. We need a couple volunteers to help pack up the portraits. We will start at 9:00 a.m. and it should take less than two hours. If you are new to handling artwork, we will instruct you! Please let us know by writing soulshotportraitproject@gmail.com or texting 215-740-8678. Thank you.

CENTER ON THE HILL

The Center on the Hill is open for in-person activities! When in person at the Center we are following all recommended guidelines and precautions, including masks, proof of vaccination and strict sanitation practices. New online content, such as virtual tours, fitness videos, art lessons, recorded presentations and more, is still being posted Monday–Thursday at 12:00 noon on our programs page here: <https://www.chestnuthillpres.org/center-on-the-hill/programs/>

HOLIDAY HOURS

The Center on the Hill will be closed from December 20 through January 2 for the Holidays. Classes and events will resume Monday January 3, 2022. Have a wonderful Holiday Season.

Upcoming Classes and Events:

Registration required for all activities and classes at the Center.

Call 215-247-4654 or email msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org to register.

ART SHOW AND SALE

NW Philly Artists: This exhibit and sale is open Monday–Friday 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. No Appointment needed.

Please stop by this exhibition from November 26 to December 17 that features artwork created during the pandemic by the Center’s own NW Artists. Original paintings, photography, drawings, greeting cards, jewelry, and more will be on display and for sale. A percentage of sales will go to support the Center on the Hill.

BRIDGE—OPEN PLAY

Wednesdays, join at any time, ongoing, 11:30 a.m.—3:00p.m. Registration Required, \$2
This is an opportunity to simply enjoy others' company and play the game of "Party Bridge." Not for beginners. Participants should be familiar enough with the game to play without formal instruction.

Thursdays, join at any time, ongoing, 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Registration Required, \$2
Come meet some new friends, and enjoy the game of Bridge on Thursday mornings!
Not for beginners. Participants should be familiar with the game, and have played some before. This Group plays "Rubber Bridge."

MAH JONGG—OPEN PLAY

Tuesdays, join at any time, 12:30—2:30 p.m., \$2

This is an opportunity to simply enjoy others' company and play the game of Mah Jongg. Not for beginners: participants should be familiar enough with the game to play without formal instruction. Over the past years, a small group of people have been meeting to play and would like to expand the number of players.

Wednesdays, join at any time, ongoing, 1:30—3:30 p.m., \$2

Come join some new friends, and enjoy the game of Mah Jongg in a relaxed environment! For beginners and intermediate players. Participants should be familiar with the game and have played some before.

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, December 12

Worship	sanctuary, 10:00 a.m.
Church School	Strouse building, 10:20 a.m.
Joyful Noise Rehearsal	chapel, 11:00 a.m.
Christmas Pageant Rehearsal	sanctuary 11:15 a.m.
Fellowship	Widener, 11:15 a.m.
Second Hour	reception room, 11:30 a.m.
East Fall Pres Youth Group	Melcher, 1:00 p.m.
Christmas Firepit Gathering	off site, 3:00 p.m.

MONDAY, December 13

Preschool Holiday Rehearsal	Widener, 9:30 a.m.
Sketching and Watercolor	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Italian Conversation	Harris, 11:00 a.m.
Bridge Group	room 5, 12:00 p.m.
Watercolor and Drawing Level 2	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Qigong	Widener, 2:00 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	room 3&4, 3:30 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	choir room, sanctuary, 5:30 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	Melcher/chapel, 6:00 p.m.
Philomusica Rehearsal	Widener, 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, December 14

Mindfulness Practice	room 4, 9:30 a.m.
Sketching and Watercolor	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Windows 10 Made Simple	Harris, 10:00 a.m.
Crossing Workshop	Widener, 12:00 p.m.
Mah Jongg Open Play	room 5, 12:30 p.m.
Staff Meeting	reception room 1:00 p.m.
CY Rehearsal	choir room, 6:00 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	Melcher, 6:00 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	sanctuary, 6:30 p.m.
Boy Scouts Round Table	room 1&2, 7:30 p.m.
Royal Scottish Dancers	chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Session	Zoom, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, December 15

Rotary	Widener, 7:30 a.m.
Souls Shot Portrait Take-down	Widener, 9:00 a.m.
Bible Study	reception room, 11:00 a.m.
Open Play Bridge Game	room 1&2, 11:30 a.m.
Crossing Workshop	Widener, 12:00 p.m.
Mah Jongg Beginners	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Golden Yoga	Widener, 3:00 p.m.
GirlChoir Rehearsal	room 3&4/Widener, 6:00 p.m.
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THURSDAY, December 16

Qigong	Harris, 9:00 a.m.
Clergy Consult Group	reception room, 9:30 a.m.
Outdoor Gardeners Board Meeting	Melcher, 9:30 a.m.
Watercolor Painting Group	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Thursday Bridge Group	room 5, 10:00 a.m.
Preschool Holiday Rehearsal	Widener, 10:15 a.m.
Crossing Workshop	Widener 12:00 p.m.
MLE Mah Jongg	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Boy Scouts	room 1&2, 7:30 p.m.
Gallery Choir	sanctuary, 8:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, December 17

Yoga with Attitude	Harris, 9:45 a.m.
Scrabble Game	room 5, 10:00 a.m.
Preschool Holiday Concert	Widener, 11:00 a.m.
Yoga, A Chair and You	Harris, 11:30 a.m.
International Folk Dancing	Widener 12:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, December 18

- GirlChoir Rehearsal all rooms 8:00 a.m.
- GirlChoir Parent Meeting Harris, 9:30 a.m.
- Carolling to Church Member homes Off site, 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, December 19

- Worship sanctuary, 10:00 a.m.
- Church School Strouse, 10:15 a.m.
- Joyful Noise chapel, 11:00 a.m.
- Youth Choir youth room, 11:15 a.m.
- Fellowship and Carol Sing Widener, 11:15 a.m.
- Concert Set-up sanctuary, 12:00 p.m.
- Crossing Concert sanctuary, 5:00 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.

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Jill Bown

Ryan Cavanaugh

Gregory Dickinson

Matthew Eastman

Jack Evans

Robert Fles

Lisa Guyer

Kate Houstoun

James Lutz

Katherine Magid

Ryan Mann

Melissa Montgomery

Jeffrey Podraza

Alison Rudolf

Taylor Slaughter

James Spause

Margaret Spencer

Beth Nell Vaccaro

Christen Webber

Kevin Welsh

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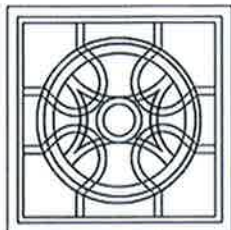
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