

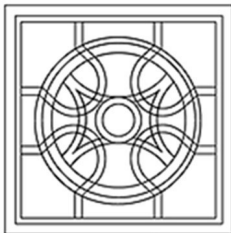
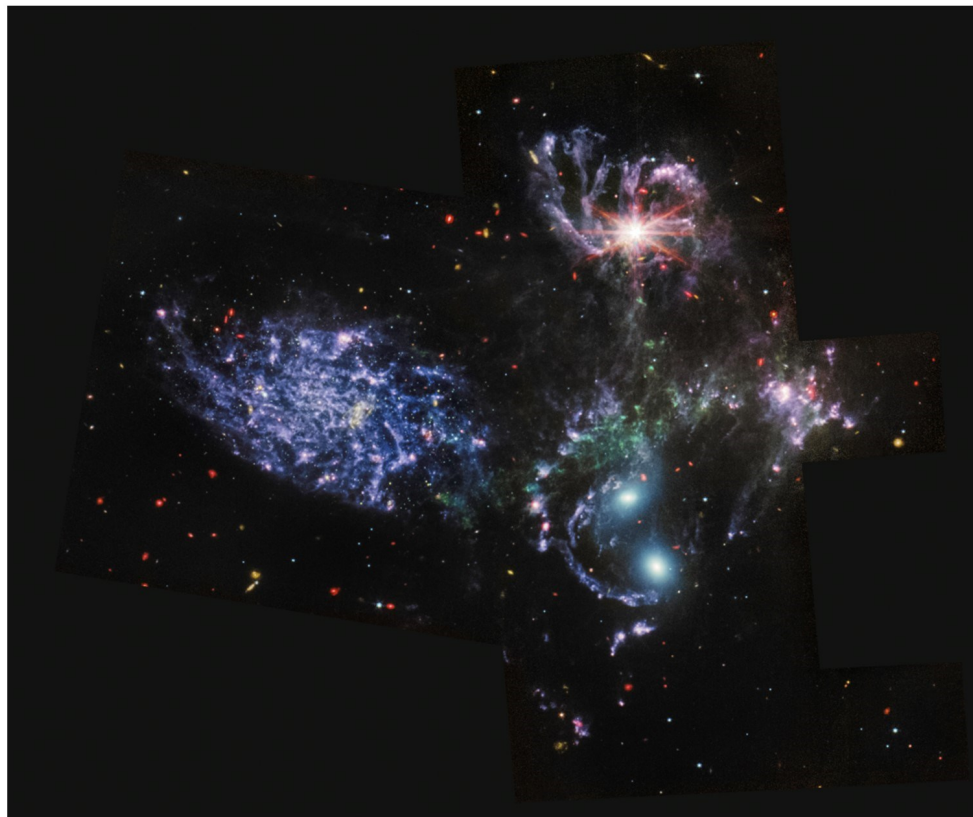
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

An inclusive community of faith

Sunday, November 27, 2022

10:00 a.m.

FIRST 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 longtime 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.

Following the 10:00 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 13.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

In our secret yearnings we wait for your coming,
and in our grinding despair we doubt that you will.

We are surrounded by witnesses who yearn more than do we
and by those who despair more deeply than do we.

Look upon us in this season of hope which runs so quickly to fatigue
and in this season of yearning which becomes so easily quarrelsome.

Give us the grace and the impatience to wait for your coming
to the bottom of our toes, to the edges of our fingertips.

We do not want our several worlds to end.

Come in your power and come in your weakness in any case
and make all things new.

Amen.

—Walter Brueggemann

OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Wachet auf,
ruft uns die Stimme*

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

INTROIT

Advent Introit

Iain Quinn
(b. 1973)

*Our King and Savior draws near;
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 ever shall be;
Amen.*

**Please stand as you are able.*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Leader: We light the first candle of Advent. We kindle it with hope. We long for God to come to our world, to break through and reign with compassion, justice and peace.

The prophets cried to God to tear open heaven and come down. They called God's people to do right. This Advent we call out to God.

People: **Mighty God, creator of the world, break through all that keeps us from you. We ask for your mercy, that you reform us in your image. This Advent, visit us with your justice, love, and peace.**

All: **Shine on us, O God of justice;
Guide our path through gloom of night;
Bear within us wisdom's glory;
Come to us, O Christ the Light.**

*HYMN 2

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

HYFRYDOL

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

God of light and life, as we prepare our hearts this Advent, we are painfully aware of our need for a Savior. We spend hours debating our neighbor but fail to care for them. We turn our eyes from the overlooked in front of us. We cling tightly to our possessions. We speak of a God whose love is boundless yet we carry division in our own hearts. We wait for you with a sobering awareness of our humanity and hypocrisy. And yet, as we pray these words, we are filled with hope, joy, and an inspired awe. Forgive us, and dwell with us. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

Richard Proulx

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.

*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)*

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.

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 13:11-14

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALTER

Psalm 122:1-3, 6-9

PLAINSONG

Choir: Antiphon



I pray for your pros - per - i - ty and peace, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Congregation: Antiphon

I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Now our feet are standing
within our gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city
that is at unity with itself;

Congregation: Antiphon

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
“May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls
and quietness within your towers.

For my brethren and companions' sake,
I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek to do you good.”

Congregation: Antiphon

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Children through 7th grade depart for church school in the Strouse building, followed immediately by Joyful Noise rehearsal in the chapel for children through 5th grade.

Following rehearsal the children will be brought to their families in Widener Hall.

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.

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 24:36-44

But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Advent and Time

John Wilkinson

*HYMN 11

O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from "A New Creed,"
United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. 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

Michael Praetorius
(1571-1621)
arr. Stephen Cleobury
(1948-2019)

Come, thou Redeemer of the earth,
and manifest thy virgin-birth:
let every age adoring fall;
such birth befits the God of all.

Begotten of no human will,
but of the Spirit, thou art still
the Word of God, in flesh arrayed,
the Saviour, now to us displayed.

O equal to thy Father, thou!
Gird on thy fleshly mantle now,
the weakness of our mortal state
with deathless might invigorate.

Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
and darkness glow with new-born light,
no more shall night extinguish day,
where love's bright beams their power display.

O Jesu, virgin-born, to thee
eternal praise and glory be,
whom with the Father we adore
and Holy Spirit, evermore. Amen.

***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*)

Faithful God, your promises stand unshaken through all generations. Renew us in hope, that we may be awake and alert as we watch for the glorious return of Jesus Christ, our judge and Savior, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***HYMN 13**

Prepare the Way

BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Orlando Gibbons
(1583-1625)

Amen.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

"Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us

Paul Manz
(1919-2009)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHING

John Wilkinson

LITURGIST

Brian Russo

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Kate and Chip Magid

MUSIC

Gallery Choir

Jeffrey DeVault organist and conductor

GREETERS

Jim Lutz and Kate Magid Elders

Jane Kaufman and Kristin Lawton Deacons

USHERS

Bill Cobb, Team #3 Leader; **Robert Bausman, Graeme Frazier** and **Doug Olson**

FLOWER GUILD

Linda Pettengill and **Alison Rudolf**

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of the loved ones of Alison Rudolf.

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COVER ART *Stephan's Quintet*, 2022, image via the Webb telescope, NASA, ESA, CSA, STScI. With its powerful, mid-infrared vision, the Mid-Infrared Instrument (MIRI) shows never-before-seen details of Stephan's Quintet, a visual grouping of five galaxies. MIRI pierced through dust-enshrouded regions to reveal huge shock waves and tidal tails, gas and stars stripped from the outer regions of the galaxies by interactions. It also unveiled hidden areas of star formation. The new information from MIRI provides invaluable insights into how galactic interactions may have driven galaxy evolution in the early universe.

Together, the five galaxies of Stephan's Quintet are also known as the Hickson Compact Group 92 (HCG 92). Although called a "quintet," only four of the galaxies are truly close together and caught up in a cosmic dance. The fifth and leftmost galaxy, called NGC 7320, is well in the foreground compared with the other four. NGC 7320 resides 40 million light-years from Earth, while the other four galaxies (NGC 7317, NGC 7318A, NGC 7318B, and NGC 7319) are about 290 million light-years away. This is still fairly close in cosmic terms, compared with more distant galaxies billions of light-years away. Studying these relatively nearby galaxies helps scientists better understand structures seen in a much more distant universe.

This proximity provides astronomers a ringside seat for witnessing the merging of and interactions between galaxies that are so crucial to all of galaxy evolution. Rarely do scientists see in so much exquisite detail how interacting galaxies trigger star formation in each other, and how the gas in these galaxies is being disturbed. Stephan's Quintet is a fantastic "laboratory" for studying these processes fundamental to all galaxies.

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 also can access today's Bulletin online.



MATTHEW 25

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.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY AT PCCH

PHILADELPHIA COVID UPDATE

Masks during worship and other gatherings will be optional, not required. Thank you for your prayers and understanding as we seek to navigate in this season with full measures of care and compassion.

GACM THANK YOU

Thanks to all who contributed food and financial support to the Germantown Avenue Crisis Ministry Thanksgiving basket drive, and to those PCCH members who volunteered their time. Over 100 baskets were given out to community members on Friday, November 18, with even more scheduled to be distributed on Monday, November 21. Eileen Jones, Executive Director of GACM, said “It was such a rewarding day receiving the gifts of generous food donors and volunteers—also seeing so many people helped!” Your contributions have great impact. Thank you again!

ADVENT GIFT-GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Two opportunities are available to you as we prepare for the Advent season:

- Reverse Advent Boxes. Place items in the Reverse Advent box to be distributed among four ministries—Germantown Avenue Crisis Ministry; Face to Face; Philadelphia Interfaith Housing Network (PIHN); and West Kensington Ministry. Bring your boxes to church by **Thursday, December 24**, Christmas Eve. Boxes are available at church or by contacting Megan Petero, mpetero@chestnuthillpres.org.
- Help brighten the holidays by providing gifts to children in West Philadelphia. This Advent season, PCCH has committed to providing gifts for 45 children through ACHIEVEability. Sign up to fulfill a child’s wish list after church, or reach out to Beth Vaccaro directly at bethnellvaccaro@gmail.com. All presents are to be wrapped and delivered to church no later than **Sunday, December 4, 2022**. Please place all presents next to the Christmas tree in Widener Hall or on the stage.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS FOR SALE TODAY

Widener Hall 11:15 a.m., \$20 per wreath

As a fundraiser, the PCCH preschool parent association will be selling decorated live Christmas wreaths at coffee hour today in Widener Hall.

This past Sunday, November 20
was a terrific one in our life together.



During worship, people presented pledge cards as we sang familiar Thanksgiving hymns.

Following worship, we gathered in Widener Hall for a great pancake brunch prepared by the Stewardship Committee. Children (and others!) did Advent crafts and many took home reverse Advent boxes or names for our Achievability gift drive.

Here are some preliminary figures—for which we are grateful!

- 98 total pledges
- \$368,861 total pledged amount

Thanks to all who have pledged already,
and thanks in advance to those who will pledge soon.



It's easy to do—
you can put a completed pledge card in
the offering plate on a Sunday morning,
you can mail it to the church office,
or you can send a confidential pledge
to mcullen@chestnuthillpres.org.

SOULS SHOT PORTRAIT PROJECT™

*Portraits of Victims
of Gun Violence*



*My Gift to Omar, Portrait of Omar Jenkins.
by Sally Berton*



*Josalissa, Portrait of Josalissa Melendez
by Wendy Eliot-Vandivier*

Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill

presents

Souls Shot Portrait Project Exhibition

This 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.

Free and open to the public

**NOVEMBER 4 TO
DECEMBER 15, 2022**

Gallery hours:

M 9-4, T 9-12, 3-4, F 9-4,
or by appointment, 215 247 8855
or 215 740 8678.

Closed November 24 and 25.



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Souls Shot Portrait Project



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 (12/24/2022) and the Christmas day bulletin (12/25/2022).

**Please submit your names to the church office by
Monday, December 19**

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: _____

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Partway through worship, the children are invited to come forward for a children's moment. After that, children through grade 7 will proceed to the Strouse Education Building (church school wing) for church school. Church School classes include a visual story and time for the children to create, read, and play!

Joyful Noise, the musical component of our children's ministry, meets weekly in the chapel immediately following Church School on Sunday mornings, concluding at 11:40 a.m. The children will sing in worship once each month. All children through grade 5 are invited to participate.

Youth Choir rehearses weekly on Sundays from 4:30–5:00 p.m. and sings in worship once each month. All youth in grades 6–12 are invited to participate. Please note that beginning in January 2023 we will have a 45-minute rehearsal time and move our start time to 4:15 p.m.

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

CALLING ALL KIDS

All children ages 3 through grade 5 who like to sing are invited to join Joyful Noise, our children's choir, as they rehearse and perform the musical *Who Built the Ark?*, based on the Old Testament story of Noah. Children who participate will gain confidence, musical and theatrical skills, and an understanding of the relevance of Noah's story to their lives. Church attendance is not required for participation, and friends are welcome to join us.



Rehearsals will take place on Sundays from 11:10 a.m.–12:10 p.m. (children who are not yet in kindergarten will be dismissed at 11:40 a.m.). Rehearsal dates: January 8–May 7 (no rehearsal 2/5, 2/12, 4/9).

Performance date: Sunday, May 14 at 10:00 a.m. during the worship service. Scan the QR code to register. Deadline to register is January 2.

CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT SIGNUP

All children are invited! If you wish to participate in the Christmas Eve Pageant on December 24 at 4:30 pm, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office. The last day to sign up is Sunday, December 4. There will be a mandatory pageant rehearsal on Sunday, December 11 immediately following worship. Questions, please contact either Brian Russo at brusso@chestnuthillpres.org or Megan Petero at mpetero@chestnuthillpres.org.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 27

- 3:30–4:00 p.m. Youth Choir rehearsal (grades 6-12) (special time this week only)
- 4:00–7:00 p.m. Bowling at Our Town Alley, East Norriton

Sunday, December 4

- 11:10–11:40 a.m. Joyful Noise /Youth Choir rehearsal (grades K-12)
- 5:00–6:45 p.m. Dinner at Cin Cin
- 7:00–8:00 p.m. Confirmation class (grades 7-9) “*Prophecy, Poetry, and Wisdom*”

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN & CONNECT

SECOND HOUR

Join us following worship in December for these lively and engaging conversations. Reception room, 11:30 a.m.

- **Sunday, December 4:** *Braiding Sweetgrass* discussion, focusing on the essays *Maple Sugar Moon and Witch Hazel* in the second section “*Tending Sweetgrass.*”
- **Sunday, December 11:** Discussion on the lectionary in Advent. We will explore the three-year Advent lectionary cycle and dive in to this year’s passages.
- **Sunday, December 18:** Prose and poetry of the season. We will look at well-known and lesser-known writings to help us find deeper meaning in this season.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, November 30, 11:00 a.m., Harris room

We will be exploring the lectionary texts for the following Sunday, December 4, 2022. All are welcome to attend as you are available. Any questions, contact John Wilkinson or Brian Russo.

TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER NIGHT

Join us on Friday, December 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of John and Jeannette Quirus. All money goes to the 2023 Youth Mission Trip. Help our hosts by bringing a dish to share. Call the church office if you need the address. Contact Brian Russo with any questions.

CENTER ON THE HILL

Center on the Hill is open Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. with all our practices and protocols in place (sanitation practices, limited number of participants per class, social distancing, and UV air filters). New online content, such as virtual tours, fitness videos, art lessons, recorded presentations and more, is posted Monday to Thursday at 12:00 p.m. on our programs page: chestnuthillpres.org/center-on-the-hill/programs. Registration required for all activities and classes at the Center as space is limited for social distancing. Call 215-247-4654 or email mсаavedra@chestnuthillpres.org.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE CENTER ON THE HILL.

This season we are asking you to help make it possible for us to continue offering our excellent programming at little or no cost to our participants, as well as developing new and engaging activities in the upcoming months. If you have enjoyed Center on the Hill, and our classes and events, will you please consider supporting us by donating to our 2022 Annual Campaign? Your contribution will help us to fulfill our vision of offering quality programming both in-person safely and online, to people who are newly discovering us, as well as those returning to “the place for active adults.”

To donate by credit card please visit us online at tinyurl.com/bdhcbvj2 to donate through our PayPal button on that page. To donate by check, please make checks payable to “PCCH,” write “COTH Donation” on the memo line, and mail them to: Center on the Hill, 8855 Germantown Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19118

Thank you for your support as we look forward to a vibrant year ahead at Center on the Hill.

HOW NUTRITION CHANGES AS YOU AGE

Thursday, December 1, 10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m., free

You often hear that eating healthy is extremely important as you age; however, you seldom hear about some of the changes that take place in your body and how those changes can affect your food choices. This program is just one of the many we use to help educate our communities about taking control of their health and wellness. Presented by Tina Jackson from HUMANA, who enjoys sharing ways we all can take control of our health and wellness.

NORTHWEST ARTISTS ART SHOW & SALE

December 2–17

Opening reception: Friday, December 2, 4:00–8:00 p.m. Join us for our opening festivities featuring traditional holiday fare. Normal gallery and sale hours Monday–Fridays, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

We are pleased to host this exhibition that features artwork created by the Center’s own NW Artists. Original paintings, photography, drawings, greeting cards, jewelry, hand crafted candles and more will be on display and for sale. A reception on Friday, December 2 will create a festive gathering including delicious treats and live music, sure to provide holiday fun and a unique shopping experience. A percentage of sales supports the Center on the Hill.

AFTERNOON MOVIE

Tuesday, December 6, 1:30 p.m., \$2, *Encanto*

From Walt Disney Studios, this is the tale of the Madrigals, an extraordinary family who lives hidden in the mountains of Colombia—in a magical house, in a vibrant town, in a wondrous, charmed place called an *Encanto*. The magic of the Encanto has blessed every child in the family with a unique gift, from super strength to the power to heal—every child except one, Mirabel. But when she discovers that the magic surrounding the Encanto is in danger, Mirabel decides that she—the only ordinary Madrigal—might just be her exceptional family’s last hope.

TRIVIA FOR EVERYONE!

Thursday, December 8, 12:30–1:30 p.m., free

Join us for holiday-themed trivia this December at the Center. Give your brain a workout, learn something new, meet new people, and have a lot of fun! Prizes and snacks provided.

COMMUNITY HOLIDAY PARTY*

Thursday, December 15, 12:30–2:00p.m., \$10 per person in advance, \$12 at the door. Pre-registration and payment is required by Monday December 12, or you will be charged the at the door rate. Join us for this wonderful holiday party with music, friends, festive decorations, light bites and dessert buffet!

*This party is subject to all current CDC Covid guidelines, gathering limits, and social distancing recommendations at the time of the event.

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, November 27

Worship

Church School
 Joyful Noise rehearsal
 Fellowship
 Youth choir rehearsal
 Senior high bowling

Advent I
 sanctuary, 10:00 a.m.
 Strouse, 10:20 a.m.
 chapel, 11:10 a.m.
 Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m.
 choir room, 3:30 p.m.
 Our Town Bowling, 4:00 p.m.

MONDAY, November 28

Sketching & watercolor class
 Italian conversation group
 Classic table games open play
 Bridge group game
 Water media level 2 class
 Qigong class
 Girlchoir rehearsal
 Girlchoir rehearsal
 Philomusica Chorale rehearsal

room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
 Harris, 10:00 a.m.
 room 5, 12:00 p.m.
 room 4, 12:30 p.m.
 room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
 Harris, 2:00 p.m.
 chapel and room 3&4, 4:00 p.m.
 choir room and sanctuary, 5:30 p.m.
 Widener Hall, 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, November 29

PCCH Flower Guild
 Mindfulness practice group
 Sketching and watercolor class
 Create Your Website class
 Mah Jongg open play
 Strong Bones class
 Commonwealth Youthchoirs rehearsal
 MALT Microsoft Word class
 Royal Scottish Country Dancers group
 Philadelphia Women's Music Project rehearsal

Widener/sanctuary, 9:00 a.m.
 room 4, 9:30 a.m.
 room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
 Harris, 10:00 a.m.
 room 5, 12:30 p.m.
 Widener Hall, 1:00 p.m.
 choir room, 6:00 p.m.
 Harris, 6:30 p.m.
 chapel, 7:15 p.m.
 Widener Hall, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, November 30

Rotary Club meeting	Widener Hall, 7:30 a.m.
Beginning Tai Chi class	chapel, 10:00 a.m.
Rummy Tiles open play group	room 5, 10:30 a.m.
Bible study	Harris, 11:00 a.m.
Continuing Tai Chi class	chapel, 11:15 a.m.
Bridge open play group	room 1&2, 11:30 a.m.
Staff meeting	Melcher, 1:00 p.m.
Intermediate Tai Chi class	chapel, 12:30 p.m.
Buddhist Philosophy and Ethics discussion	room 3&4, 1:00 p.m.
Mah Jongg beginner and intermediate open play	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Golden Yoga class	Widener Hall, 3:00 p.m.
Weight Watchers meeting	room 1&2, 5:15 p.m.
Girlchoir rehearsal	all rooms, 6:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, December 1

BNI meeting	Melcher, 7:45 a.m.
PCCH Flower Guild	sanctuary, 9:00 a.m.
Qigong class	Harris, 9:00 a.m.
Thursday Painters group	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
How Nutrition Changes discussion	Harris, 10:00 a.m.
Thursday bridge group	room 5, 10:00 a.m.
Outdoor Gardeners monthly meeting	Widener Hall, 11:00 a.m.
MLE Mah Jongg group	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Boy Scouts meeting	room 1&2, 7:30 p.m.
Gallery Choir rehearsal	choir room, 8:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, December 2

Yoga with Attitude class	Harris, 9:45 a.m.
Scrabble game	room 5, 10:00 a.m.
Mitinger memorial service	sanctuary 11:00 a.m.
Yoga, a Chair and You	Harris, 11:30 a.m.
Mitinger family luncheon	Widener Hall, 12:00 p.m.
International folk dancing group	room 3&4, 12:30 p.m.
Crossing rehearsal	sanctuary, 2:30 p.m.
North West Artists opening reception	COTH hallway, 5:00 p.m.
PCCH Texas Hold'em fundraiser	off site, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, December 3

Crossing rehearsal

sanctuary, 1:30 p.m.

Crossing rehearsal

Widener Hall, 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, December 4

Worship

Lord's Supper/Advent II

Church School

sanctuary, 10:00 a.m.

Joyful Noise/Youth Choir rehearsal

Strouse, 10:20 a.m.

Fellowship

chapel, 11:10 a.m.

Second Hour

Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m.

Pennsylvania Girlchoir concerts

reception room, 11:30 a.m.

Youth group dinner

sanctuary, 3:00 & 6:00 p.m.

Confirmation class

Cin Cin, 5:30 p.m.

Harris, 7:00 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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Jack Evans
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Lisa Guyer
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Kathryn Krantz
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Margaret Spencer
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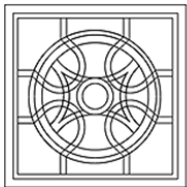
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