





**TEST YOUR
TREMENDOUS TRIVIA SKILLS!**

PCCH



QUIZZO

night

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 22
7-9 pm

**snacks & lemonade
provided**

\$20 suggested donation
supports PCCH's mission partners



BYO ADULT BEVERAGES!
BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS!

Teams will be made up of 5-7 people.
Form your own team in advance or show up and join one!

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

HAPPENING AT PCCH

FELLOWSHIP

Join us in Widener Hall immediately following worship today for coffee and sweet treats. All are welcome.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Men's Fellowship will meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month. The next meeting of the new Men's Fellowship will be Thursday, February 20 from 2-3:30 p.m. in the reception room. Please call Ron Rising at 203.206.7299 with any questions or concerns.

PCCH WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

We meet on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Harris room. Our next meeting will be on February 12. Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle will be leading the discussion which will focus on the biblical text used for the upcoming Sunday's sermon, **Luke 6:17-26**. All are welcome.

COCKTAIL PARTY WITH THE REV. ELLEN WILLIAMS HENSLE

Join us in a relaxed, social atmosphere to meet Ellen and Tom, hear more about Ellen's vision for the church, and connect with fellow members of our congregation. Our final cocktail party will be held on February 21 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the home of Katie Connelly. Sign up at tinyurl.com/6eu8dnvh or on the bulletin board outside the office.

MEET AND GREET WITH THE REV. ELLEN WILLIAMS HENSLE

On Sunday, February 16, grab a refreshment from Widener Hall and join the Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle in Harris to get to know her better! *Meet and Greets* will be held beginning at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome.

FAMILY AND YOUTH EVENTS WITH THE REV. ELLEN WILLIAMS HENSLE

We are planning events specifically designed for families with children and youth: these will provide more opportunities for our younger members to interact with Ellen in ways that are engaging and fun. Youth (grades six to twelve) are invited to spend time with Ellen today, February 9 after worship. Families and children (kindergarten to fifth grade) are invited to spend time with Ellen on March 9 after worship. More details to follow.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Tuesday, February 18, 7:30 p.m. in the upper room of Campbell's Place, 8337 Germantown Avenue. Ryan Mann will be the presenter. All are welcome. Any questions, please contact the church office.

HAPPENING AT PCCH

PARENTS OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH SOCIAL EVENTS—SAVE THE DATE!

Please hold the evenings of Sunday, March 16th and Sunday, May 18th from 6:30-8:30 for parent social opportunities. The March event will be a meet up at a local bar or restaurant and the May event will be a potluck at a home. Both events will be close to PCCH. More details coming soon. Thank you to everyone who filled out the availability and interest surveys.

If you have a teen who would be interested in babysitting for families in our church community, therefore allowing more parents to attend, please have your teen contact Diana Rodgers at dhrogers@gmail.com.

JOIN US FOR A CREATIVE ARTS WORKSHOP!

Come be part of a unique, joyful, and thought-provoking art project! During Second Hour on Sunday, February 23, the Music & Arts Committee will host an interactive arts workshop to create visual responses to the Gallery Choir's March 8 performance of Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass* ("*Mass in a Time of Anxiety*"). After an introduction to the music by Dan and a discussion with Ellen, we'll work on making art in response to ideas we discover. With an opening reception following the choir concert on Saturday, March 8, the exhibition of our congregation's art will be displayed in Widener Hall throughout March. All ages are welcome—no experience needed, and all materials provided! Let's come together as a community to explore, express, and create. We're still looking for donations of colorful printed materials to use as collage for this project—please drop off your used magazines, flyers, etc. to the box in the church office. Thanks!

SPAM EMAIL NOTICE

We want to alert you to an issue regarding spam emails that have been circulating, falsely using the names of some of our staff. These emails may ask for sensitive information or request that you click on suspicious links. To ensure your digital safety, please make sure to verify that the email address is valid before sending any personal or private information or clicking on any included links. Remember that our staff will never ask you for gift cards or emergency funds via email. If you ever have questions about an email's validity, please feel free to call the office for verification. Thank you.

PCC# Cantatas & Chamber Music series

a fragrant blend
of floral inspired solos & duets

Harmonious Bouquet

Sunday, February 23

5 pm

reception 4:30 pm

Julie Snyder
soprano

Joanna Gates
mezzo-soprano

Cathy Mazza
collaborative pianist

works by

Mendelssohn, Fauré,
Argento, Beach,
& more

Presbyterian Church
of Chestnut Hill
8855 Germantown Avenue

suggested donation \$20

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PCCH YOUTH



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SOUPER BOWL SALE



SUPPORT THE YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP!



SUGGESTED DONATION

\$10

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Date	PreK-2nd Grade	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-8
2/09	Michelle Shachtman and Fred Lewis	stay in worship	stay in worship

Classes will be offered for three different age groups:

- Children ages three to second grade will engage in faith formation through Godly Play curriculum.
- Children in grades three to five 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 school youth in grades six to eight will study *Follow Me: Biblical Practices for Faithful Living*. Youth will explore how they can live out their faith, as Jesus taught, in our modern world. The middle school youth will meet during worship two to three times per month. On the remaining Sundays, youth should participate in the full worship service.

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.

YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

Middle and high school youth will meet immediately after worship each week until noon in the Youth Group room. Lunch will be provided. Youth Group will not meet on the first Sunday of the month but will instead engage in Service Sunday after worship.

CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MUSIC UPDATE

Joyful Noise, our children's choir for ages three grade five, will rehearse today from 11-11:40 a.m. Children will proceed directly from Sunday school to Joyful Noise and will be brought to their parents in Widener Hall after rehearsal. New singers and drop-ins are always welcome.

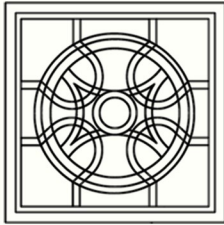
Youth Choir, our youth choir for grades six to 12, will not rehearse today. Youth Choir will not meet the first Sunday of each month in order to engage in community service with the Youth Group. New singers are always welcome.

Forum on the Hill

Presented to a limited number of people in-person at 12:30pm

Recording available online the day after.

chestnuthillpres.org/education/forum-on-the-hill/



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 12:30PM

BETH KEPHART: *MY LIFE IN PAPER*

Paper both shapes and defines us. Baby books, diaries, sewing patterns, diplomas, resumes, letters, death certificates—we find our stories in them. *My Life in Paper* is Beth Kephart's memoiristic exploration of the paper legacies we forge and leave. Kephart's obsession with paper began in the wake of her father's death, when she began to handcraft books and make and marbled paper in his memory. But it was when she read *My Life with Paper*, an autobiography by the late renowned paper hunter and historian Dard Hunter, that she felt she had found a kindred spirit, someone to whom she might address a series of one-sided letters about life and how we live it. This talk will be accompanied by a reading from *My Life in Paper: Adventures in Ephemera*.

Beth Kephart, a National Book Award finalist, is the award-winning author of three-dozen books, a paper artist, and a teacher of memoir. She will be reflecting on the role that paper—doilies, sewing patterns, wills, library cards, and more—shape and hold our lives. Beth writes and posts her art each week on her Substack, The Hush and the Howl.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL

8855 GERMANTOWN AVE, PHILADELPHIA PA 19118

registration required for in-person attendance

Contact 215-247-4654 or email msaavedra@chestnuthillpres.org
chestnuthillpres.org/education/forum-on-the-hill

Visit our website above to watch the recorded version posted the next day.

CENTER ON THE HILL

Open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. New online content is posted Monday through Thursday at 12 p.m. on our programs page: chestnuthillpres.org/center-on-the-hill/programs.

The Center will be closed Monday, February 17, 2025 for President's Day.

Upcoming classes and events

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 to register.

FEBRUARY ART SHOW: THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL PRESCHOOL—MIXED MEDIA

Open for viewing Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and before and after Worship on Sundays.

This month will feature a very special show presenting works by the youngest members of our community, who attend the Preschool here. Expect colorful expressions of creativity to adorn the walls at the center, and be sure to come and see what they have dreamt up in their imaginations to share with us.

“The true sign of intelligence is not knowledge, but imagination!”—Albert Einstein

LET'S PLAY BINGO *(registration required)*

Tuesday, February 11, 1 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. Come out, meet some new people, and have fun!

GOLDEN YOGA *(registration required, start at any time)*

Wednesdays, 3 p.m., \$10 per class, \$35 for four classes, \$85 for ten classes

Golden Yoga is a classical yoga, adapted by the SKY Foundation, to accommodate those who have difficulty getting up and down from the floor. The practices include stretching, breathing, relaxation, and meditation techniques—all done while sitting in a chair or standing.

TRIVIA *(registration required)*

Thursday, February 20, 1 p.m., \$2

Join us for entertaining game of Trivia this month at the Center. The theme is Romance and Love! Give your brain a work out, learn something new, meet new people, and have a lot of fun! Prizes and refreshments provided!

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, February 9

Worship	sanctuary, 10 a.m.
Church School	Strouse, 10 a.m.
Fellowship	Widener Hall, 11 a.m.
Youth Group	Strouse, 11:10 a.m.
Joyful Noise rehearsal	Strouse or sanctuary, 11:10 a.m.
Youth Choir rehearsal	Strouse, 12 p.m.

MONDAY, February 10

Organ practice	sanctuary, 9 a.m.
Sketching and Watercolor class	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Tai Chi practice group	room 3&4, 10 a.m.
Table Games open play	room 5, 12 p.m.
WaterMedia Level Two class	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Qigong	Harris, 2 p.m.
Philadelphia Boys & Girls Choir rehearsal	chapel, choir room, room 3&4, 5:15 p.m.
Philomusica Chorale rehearsal	Widener, 6:30 p.m.
Finance Committee meeting	Harris, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, February 11

Sketching and Watercolor class	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Mindfulness practice group	room 4, 9:30 a.m.
Tai Chi for Arthritis class	room 3&4, 11:30 a.m.
Mah Jongg open play	room 5, 12:30 p.m.
Strong Bones class	Widener, 1 p.m.
Watercolor and Drawing Foundations class	rooms 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Strong Bones	Widener, 1 p.m.
American Dance Wheels class	Widener, 4 p.m.
Royal Scottish Dancers group	chapel, 7 p.m.
Session meeting	Harris, 7 p.m.
Boy Scout meeting	room 1&2, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia Women's Music Project rehearsal	Widener, 7:30 p.m.

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY, February 12

Rotary Club meeting	Widener, 7:30 a.m.
Organ practice	sanctuary, 9 a.m.
Beginning Tai Chi class	Widener, 10 a.m.
Rummy Tiles open play	room 5, 10:30 a.m.
PCCH Bible study	Harris, 10:30 a.m.
Continuing Tai Chi class	Widener, 11:15 a.m.
Bridge open play	room 1&2, 11:30 a.m.
Intermediate Tai Chi class	Widener, 12:30 p.m.
Basics of Android Phones class	Harris, 1 p.m.
Staff meeting	reception, 1 p.m.
Mah Jongg open play	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Golden Yoga class	Widener, 3 p.m.
Weight Watchers meeting	Harris, 5:15 p.m.
Philadelphia Boys & Girls Choir rehearsal	chapel, choir, Widener, room 3&4, 6:15 p.m.
Cub Scout meeting	room 1&2, 6:30 p.m.
MALT Beginning Piano class	Melcher, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, February 13

Qigong class	Harris, 9 a.m.
Painters group	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Forum on the Hill	Widener, 12:30 p.m.
Mah Jongg group	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
French Conversation group	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Alzheimer's Caregiver Support group	Harris, 2 p.m.
Organ practice	sanctuary, 3 p.m.
American Dance Wheels class	Widener, 3:30 p.m.
MALT Ballroom Dancing class	Widener, 6:30 p.m.
Gallery Choir rehearsal	choir room, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, February 14

Saint Valentine's Day	
Yoga with Attitude class	Harris, 9:45 a.m.
Fun with Watercolor Techniques	room 1&2, 10 a.m.
Scrabble play group	room 5, 10 a.m.
Yoga, a Chair and You class	Harris, 11:30 a.m.
International Folk Dancing class	room 3&4, 12:30 p.m.
PCCH Sober & Out group	Harris, 7 p.m.

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, February 15

Building cleaning

SUNDAY, February 16

Worship

Church School

Fellowship

Joyful Noise rehearsal

Meet and Greet with Ellen

sanctuary, 10 a.m.

Strouse, 10:20 a.m.

Widener Hall, 11 a.m.

Strouse or sanctuary, 11:10 a.m.

Harris, 11:30 a.m.

Let's gather!

<p>Saturday, February 22 7-9 pm Quizzo Night \$20, in support of Social Witness</p> <p>Sunday, February 23 5 pm Cantatas & Chamber Music <i>Harmonious Bouquet</i> Julie Snyder, Joanna Gates, Cathy Mazza</p> <p>Saturday, March 8 5 pm Gallery Choir Concert <i>Haydn Lord Nelson Mass</i> Gallery Choir, soloists & orchestra</p> <p>Saturday, March 21 6-9 pm Jim Spause performs at Von C</p> <p>Sunday, March 23 5 & 6 pm Youth Spaghetti Dinner</p> <p>Saturday, March 29 7 pm Poker Night benefiting the Youth Mission trip</p>	<p>Saturday, April 26 7 pm Melody & Comedy</p> <p>Saturday, May 17 5 pm Cantatas & Chamber Music Music of Jonathan Dove Gallery Choir, soloists & organ</p> <p>Sunday, June 8 PCCH Spring Picnic</p> <p>Tuesday, June 17 2:30 pm Center on the Hill Luau</p> <p>Saturday, August 23 6:30 pm Baseball Night Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs vs. Durham Bulls</p>
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PCCH Church Life

more info at chestnuthillpres.org

Dear Saints of PCCH,

Below you will find a summary of the church's finances through December 31, 2024. Thank you to everyone who contributed financially to the life of our community in 2024. We were able to make up a significant gap in congregational giving at the end of the year and finish closer (though not all the way) to a balanced budget. Endowment draws are covering our deficit of \$32,844.

We are still in the process of developing the church budget for 2025. You can help us in this process by making a pledge if you have not done so already. Making and fulfilling a pledge allows you to be intentional in your financial commitment and provides critical information for church leadership as we plan our ministry for the year ahead. Pledges of any size are welcome and valued, and it is never too late to submit one. You can pick up a pledge card in the church office.

If you have questions about your pledge, or would like to learn more about the pledging process, please contact our Church Administrator Rachel Cline: rcline@chestnuthillpres.org. To discuss alternative giving methods such as Qualified Charitable Distributions or donating stock, please contact finance chair Hap Spaeth: hapsaeth@gmail.com.

I am excited for the year ahead and look forward to seeing where God will lead us!

In Christ,
The Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle

2024 OPERATING FUND FINANCIAL SUMMARY January 1—December 31, 2024

	2024 Annual Budget	2024 YTD Actual	2023 YTD Actual
Congregational Response	693,000	619,642	612,805
Endowment Draws	154,073	225,807	158,691
Other Sources of Funds	158,000	187,970	160,036
Total Sources of Funds	1,005,073	1,033,419	951,532
All Expenses and Mission	1,005,073	1,066,263	951,532
Difference	0	32,844	0