

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL
An inclusive community of faith

Sunday, August 4, 2024
10 a.m.
ELEVENTH 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 12.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARIES

*Liebster Jesu,
wir sind hier
Canzona*

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)
Richard Purvis
(1913-1994)

INTROIT

Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr.
(1923-1979)

Lord, make us servants of your peace:
where there is hate, may we sow love;
where there is hurt, may we forgive;
where there is strife, may we make one.

CALL TO WORSHIP (from *Psalm 34*)

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times;
People: **his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**
Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,
People: **and let us exalt God's name together.**

*HYMN 487

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess
our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you.
You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways,
in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, O Lord.
forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light,
and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

**Please stand as you are able.*

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

Healey Willan

(1880-1968)

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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)*

Almighty God,
as we hear your gracious Word,
make us hungry for Christ, your holy manna,
that we may feed on him,
the bread of life. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

1 Kings 19:1-15

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites

have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” Then the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram.”

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S MOMENT AND DISMISSAL

*Children through finishing fifth grade depart for church school in the Strouse building.
Parents, your children will be returned to the sanctuary for the Lord’s Supper.*

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

John 6:35, 41-51

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down

from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Simple Food

Dr. Sullivan

*[Elijah] got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food for forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.
(1 Kings 19:8)*

***HYMN 507**

I Come with Joy

DOVE OF PEACE

***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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Come Unto Him
from *Messiah*

G. F. Handel
(1685-1759)

Come unto Him, all ye that labour,
come unto Him that are heavy laden,
and He will give you rest.
Take his yoke upon you, and learn of Him,
for He is meek and lowly of heart,
and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION (*please be seated*)

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

SANCTUS (*remain seated*)

Richard Proulx
(1937-2010)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to come forward down the center aisle when invited by an usher. Take a piece of bread from a server (all bread is gluten free) and partake. Then take a cup from the server and partake. Empty cups may be placed in the pew racks. If you choose not to come forward, servers will come to your seats to serve you.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Harold Friedell
(1905-1958)

Draw us in the Spirit's tether,
For when humbly in your name two or three are met together,
you are in the midst of them;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Touch we now your garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father
break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
So now bind our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of you,
that be caring, helping, giving, we may be disciples true.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
We will serve with faith anew.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

O God, send us out from our Lord's table
to answer his summons into new life
and to follow him with joy and gladness.
Set our feet in Christ's holy way,
that our lives may be signs of his life
and all we do may show forth his love.
Amen.

***HYMN 345**

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

REST

BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Allegro Maestoso
from *Sonata No. 2*

Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

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

MUSIC

Katy Avery soprano soloist

Jeffrey DeVault organist

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Gregory Dickinson

GREETERS

Jill Bown and Harry Spaeth Elders

Sarah Wright and Emily Barth Deacons

USHERS

Harry Spaeth Team #2 Leader

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

COMMUNION SERVERS

Ryan Mann, James Spause, William Storm

FLOWER GUILD

Susan Shuchat

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Anna Mae Kirlin and Virginia H. Murphy, mothers of Diane and Bill Murphy.

COVER ART curated by Rebecca Thornburgh

Daniele da Volterra, *The Prophet Elias*, oil on canvas, circa 1550-1560, Uffizi Gallery, Florence. Daniele Ricciarelli (c. 1509-1566), better known as Daniele da Volterra, was a Mannerist Italian painter and sculptor. He is best remembered for his association with Michelangelo, and his most important works were based on designs made by Michelangelo. Daniele's best-known painting is the *Descent from the Cross* in the Trinità dei Monti (c. 1545). After Michelangelo's death, Daniele was hired to add clothing on the nude figures in the *Last Judgment* in the Sistine Chapel, earning him the nickname Il Braghettone ("the breeches maker").

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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 soloists rehearse 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 soloists are able to focus on their rehearsal.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

HAPPENING AT PCCH

YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP RETURNS

Our youth group and their adult leaders returned yesterday afternoon, Saturday, August 3 at 4:30 p.m. from their week in Bozeman, Montana. Please thank God for their safe return and welcome them back in worship this morning.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

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

GERMANTOWN AVENUE CRISIS MINISTRY FOOD DONATIONS

First Sunday of the month food collection is today, Sunday, August 4

GACM provides food, fuel, clothing, housing and other emergency assistance to those who live in the Northwest section of Philadelphia. We collect food and cash donations for the GACM Food Cupboard on the first Sunday of every month. Please help with your donations.

CHURCH SCHOOL AND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Church School is always looking for new volunteers for our Children's Ministry team. You can contact Julie Snyder at jsbishop717@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School youth volunteers (rising 6th graders and up) are still very much needed.

UPDATE FROM THE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Pastor Nominating Committee would like to update the congregation on our search for our new pastor and head of staff. We continue to be most grateful for the leadership of Dr. Sullivan, volunteer liturgists, and staff during the search process.

Although we are in the heart of summer, the PNC is still hard at work. We have updated our Ministry Discernment Profile to reflect our current needs. In addition, we have continued to communicate with trusted friends of PCCH who shared pastor recommendations with us. We are happy to report that we have been in conversation with several promising candidates and our process continues to move forward. We have added a Pastor Search section to the PCCH website that gives an overview of our process and provides information both for our congregation and for prospective candidates. We are confident that with continued prayer and discernment, a unanimous and enthusiastic decision regarding our new church leadership will emerge. This is a thorough and prayerful process, and we appreciate your patience as we seek the person whom God has called to lead our congregation. Thank you for your ongoing prayers and support as we continue this important search. Your encouragement means a great deal to us.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Date: 8/4 Combined Sunday School for PreK through Grade 5
Mark and Katie O'Dwyer, Tennyson Tippy

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 Sunday 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.



Summer's coming soon!

PCCM Vacation Bible School

we're BZZZZY making plans

Monday-Friday
August 12-16
mornings 9 to noon
ages 3* to grade 5
\$150**

Camp Firelight
Psalm 56:3
A SUMMER CAMP
ADVENTURE WITH GOD

scan for more info or to register NOW!

*must be potty-trained
**limited scholarships available

A QR code is located in the bottom left corner of the advertisement.



TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!

PCCH GOES TO THE IRON PIGS!

Saturday, August 24 6:35pm

The Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs
host the
Rochester Red Wings
(the Washington Nationals top affiliate)



tickets \$12

(includes a \$2 concession credit)

group size limited to 20
carpooling from church available

JOIN US for this fun & family-friendly all-church event!

contact Clarke Woodruff at scw207@hotmail.com

Help shape young hearts & minds! EASY · REWARDING · FUN

TEACH* at PCCH!

*so many ways you can make a difference!
—be a teacher, a shepherd, a children's message team member,
serve on the Christian Ed committee & more!

learn more now!

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: 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.

Please note that the Center will be closed for deep cleaning and summer break from Monday, August 19 through Friday, August 23.

YOGA, A CHAIR AND YOU *(registration required)*

Fridays (ongoing), 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

\$45 per calendar month; first class \$10, walk-ins; \$15 for a single class

Everybody can enjoy the benefits of yoga. It's not necessary to get on the floor to explore this gentle and effective exercise system that creates strength, flexibility and balance. Our class is classically structured with breathing techniques, asana (postures for strength and stretching) and meditation. Added benefits include improving balance and rotation. Standing is optional.

AFTERNOON MOVIES *(registration required)*

Thursday, August 8, 1:30 p.m., \$2

Join us for an enjoyable afternoon at the movies. Popcorn and water provided. You are welcome to bring your own snacks. Showing *Past Lives*

Nora and Hae Sung, two deeply connected childhood friends, are wrested apart after Nora's family emigrates from South Korea. Twenty years later, they are reunited for one fateful week as they confront notions of love and destiny. This film was nominated for several Academy Awards, including Best Picture.

SCRABBLE OPEN PLAY *(registration required)*

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

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

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, August 4

Worship

Summer Church school

Fellowship

Lord's Supper

sanctuary, 10 a.m.

Strouse, 10:20 a.m.

front lawn or Widener Hall, 11 a.m.

MONDAY, August 5

Sketching and watercolor class

Tai Chi practice group

Table games open play

Water media level 2 class

Qigong class

PNC meeting

room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.

room 3&4, 10 a.m.

room 5, 12 p.m.

room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.

Harris, 2 p.m.

zoom, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, August 6

Rotary Board meeting

Mindfulness practice

Sketching and watercolor class

Mah Jongg open play class

room 5, 7:30 a.m.

Harris, 9:30 a.m.

room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.

room 5, 12:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, August 7

Rotary Club meeting

Beginning Tai Chi

Rummy Tiles open play game

Continuing Tai Chi

Bridge game open play

Mah Jongg open play

Golden Yoga class

Weight Watchers meeting

Widener Hall, 7:30 a.m.

Widener Hall, 10 a.m.

room 5, 10:30 a.m.

Widener Hall, 11:15 a.m.

room 1&2, 11:30 a.m.

room 5, 1:30 p.m.

Widener Hall, 3 p.m.

Harris, 5:15 p.m.

THURSDAY, August 8

BNI breakfast meeting	room 3&4, 7:45 a.m.
Qigong class	Harris, 9 a.m.
Thursday painters class	room 1&2, 9:30 a.m.
Afternoon movie <i>Past Lives</i>	Harris, 1:30 p.m.
French conversation group	room 1&2, 1:30 p.m.
Mah Jongg MLE group	room 5, 1:30 p.m.
Alzheimer's Support Group	reception room, 2 p.m.

FRIDAY, August 9

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.
International folk dancing class	room 3&4, 12 p.m.
PCCH Sober and Out group	Harris, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, August 10

Building cleaning	all rooms, 2 p.m.
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SUNDAY, August 11

Worship	sanctuary, 10 a.m.
Summer Church School	Strouse, 10:20 a.m.
Fellowship	front lawn or Widener Hall, 11 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
Shannon Cavanaugh
Rebecca DePasquale
Gregory Dickinson
Matthew Eastman
Jack Evans

Graeme Frazier
Ryan Mann
William Murphy
Elizabeth Podraza
Jeannette Quirus
Dominick Rebeck
Michelle Shachtman

Taylor Slaughter
Harry Spaeth
James Spause
Margaret Spencer
William Storm
Clarke Woodruff

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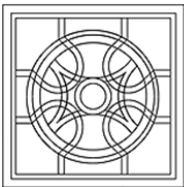
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