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WORLDVIEW NETWORK

2026-2027 Resource Guide



Chatham Worldview Network

Chatham Worldview Network is comprised of religious and spiritual organizations in the Pittsburgh community who are enthusiastic about serving Chatham students. Representatives of participating organizations regularly attend Chatham involvement fairs and meet with students on campus. If you'd like more information about getting connected with any of the Chatham Worldview Network partners, e-mail the Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion at odei@chatham.edu

Campus Organizations

ASIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The purpose of the organization is to represent the Asian and Asian-American community at Chatham University. The Asian Student Association seeks to represent and advocate for Asian, Pacific Islander, and Asian American interests.

PRIMARY CONTACTS: Victoria Streeton, Victoria.Streeton@chatham.edu

ADVISOR: Ryan D'Souza, r.dsouza@chatham.edu

INSTAGRAM: [@chatham_asa](https://www.instagram.com/chatham_asa)

CHATHAM CATHOLIC NEWMAN CLUB

The Chatham Catholic Newman Club works to bring students together in faith and get more students involved in the Catholic faith.

PRIMARY CONTACT: Aubree Tack, aubree.tack@chatham.edu

Broden Zumbano, broden.zumbano@chatham.edu

ADVISOR: Kristin Harty, kharty@chatham.edu

INSTAGRAM: [@chathamcatholic](https://www.instagram.com/chathamcatholic)

CHATHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The CCF is supported by the Coalition for Christian Outreach and they invite people to join their regular bible studies, retreats, and other social events.

PRIMARY CONTACT: Beth Kulp, beth.kulp@chatham.edu

ADVISOR: Kristin Harty, kharty@chatham.edu

INSTAGRAM: [@cu_christianfellowship](https://www.instagram.com/cu_christianfellowship)

CHATHAM DELIGHT

Delight provides an opportunity for the women of Chatham to explore their Christian faith in a nonjudgmental and open environment.

PRIMARY CONTACT: Paige Lorince, paige.lorince@chatham.edu

ADVISOR: Colleen Barrett, c.barrett@chatham.edu

INSTAGRAM: [@chatham_delight](https://www.instagram.com/chatham_delight)

JEWISH STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Jewish Student Association works to serve the undergraduate Jewish community of Chatham university by promoting the expression of Jewish identity and involvement on campus.

PRIMARY CONTACTS: Sheadon Berkson, Sheadon.Berkson@chatham.edu

ADVISOR: Marc Nieson, mnieson@chatham.edu

INSTAGRAM: [@jsa.chatham](https://www.instagram.com/jsa.chatham)

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The Muslim Student Association strives to meet the religious and cultural needs of Muslim students at Chatham as well as build awareness and familiarity with Islam and Islamic culture with the Chatham community.

PRIMARY CONTACT: Basmala Aref, basmala.aref@chatham.edu

ADVISOR: Shimul Chowdhury, s.chowdhury@chatham.edu

INSTAGRAM: [@chathamumsa](https://www.instagram.com/chathamumsa)

Campus Resources

Prayer & Meditation Room

Lower Level of Braun Hall

Prayers rugs are available for use.

Campbell Memorial Chapel

Catholic services are often held in the Chapel on Shadyside Campus. Stay up to date with ODEI and Catholic student groups for specific service dates and times.

Food Options

Café Rachel offers halal options for purchase with Flex and Cougar Dollars.

Community Organizations



within 1 mile of Shadyside Campus



known LGBTQ+ friendly



bus accessible from Shadyside Campus

Chabad House on Campus

4710 Wallington St., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Chabad House offers “the warmest place away from home” for all students. Whether students would like to join us for Shabbat and holidays, or weekly classes, we have staff available around the clock for one-on-one counseling and group events. Chabad House strives to enhance campus life for all students with love of your fellow man and better understanding of Jewish identity in today’s world.

CONTACTS Sara Weinsteinsara@chabadPittsburgh.org
Shmuel Weinsteinshmuel@chabadPittsburgh.org
PHONE 412-390-8153
MEDIA www.chabadPittsburgh.org

Church of the Redeemer

5700 Forbes Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15217

Redeemer holds regular Sunday worship in-person at 9:30 a.m. and in-person/online 10:30 a.m. Fellowship includes a craft group, youth redeemerites group, and Sunday Bible studies. Redeemer also offers unique social justice programming and participates in Pittsburgh PRIDE.

CONTACT The Rev. Canon Natalie Hallnhall@episcopalPittsburgh.org
PHONE 703-963-2789
MEDIA redeemerpittsburgh.org

Coalition for Christian Outreach & Bellefield Presbyterian Church

4001 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

CCO & Bellefield Presbyterian Church offer support for students as we seek to live out our faith in every area of our lives. We do so through Bible study, involvement in the local church, Chatham community, and the Pittsburgh area, and our world. Bellefield’s worship service times and opportunities for involvement can be found at www.bellefield.org

CONTACT Jessica Bonzo, campus ministry staffjbonzo@ccojubilee.org
PHONE 602-831-4613
MEDIA www.bellefield.org

First Trinity Lutheran Church/ Lutheran Student Fellowship

531 N Neville St., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

First Trinity holds Sunday Worship every week at 11:00 a.m. First Trinity hosts Lutheran Student Fellowship and International Student Ministry. The Luther House Student Center is open each semester with expanded times during exam weeks and contains important resources for students. Student Fellowship includes a weekly dinner and Bible study as well as a Lunch after services on Sundays.

CONTACT Rev. Eric R. Andrae, campus pastor..... ericandrae@gmail.com
PHONE 412-266-6719
MEDIA www.LSFPittsburgh.com
Instagram: LSF_Pittsburgh
Facebook: LSFofPittsburgh

Islamic Center of Pittsburgh

4100 Bigelow Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

The ICP aims to be an inclusive and welcoming place for all who seek greater purpose within the Islamic worldview. Their mission is to educate and inspire by coordinating with other masjids, local MSAs, interfaith groups, and educational insitutions. Juma'ah prayer is held every Friday at 1:10 p.m. Juma'ah is also streamed every Friday in Arabic at 12:15 p.m. and in English at 1:15 p.m. Lunch is sold after prayer every Friday except during Ramadan.

CONTACT Imam Christopher J Caras Office@ICP-Pittsburgh.org
PHONE 440-682-5555
MEDIA www.icp-Pittsburgh.com
Facebook: IslamicCenterofPittsburgh

Korean Central Church and Central Student Fellowship

821 S Aiken Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15232

The Korean Central Church hosts worship every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. They offer Discipleship groups for undergraduate students on Friday at 7:00 p.m. They also have on-campus fellowship programming at the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University.

CONTACT Options available at www.centralPittsburgh.org
MEDIA Instagram: @central.pitt

Pittsburgh Chinese Church of Oakland & the Asian Christian Fellowship

134 N. Dithridge St., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

The ACF is PCC's college student ministry, but they are open to all college students in the Pittsburgh area. They offer student-led fellowship and hold regular gatherings and other social events.

CONTACT Christina Choi

E-MAIL gawomc@andrew.cmu.edu

Pittsburgh Students Active in Lutheran Ministry (PSALM)

515 Forbes Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

PSALM hosts worship every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. at the Heinz Chapel. Attendees must register beforehand. They also offer community meals, student fellowship, bible studies, and volunteer opportunities.

CONTACT Pastor Brian Bennett pastor@psalm.online

PHONE 304-657-4438

MEDIA psalm.online

Instagram: PsalmOnline

St. Mary Magdalene Parish (Roman Catholic)



509 S. Dallas Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15208; 7705 Bennett St., Pittsburgh, PA 15208;
718 Franklin Ave., Wilkinsburg, PA 15221

The parish offers participation in Sacraments (weekend and daily Mass, RCIA, Reconciliation), reading, singing/playing at masses, spiritual growth via Bible study, Eucharistic adoration, social ministry volunteering at our food banks, social justice focused on anti-poverty, anti-racism, and peace. The parish also has LGBTQ ministry support for student-led efforts.

CONTACTS Rev. Lawrence D. Adams, pastor LAdams@diopitt.org
Vicki Sheridan, coordinator LGBTQ ministry vs Sheridan68@gmail.com

PHONE 412-661-7222

MEDIA saintmarymagdalenePittsburgh.org

www.facebook.com/smmpPittsburgh

Places to Worship

This information is made available to help the students, faculty, and staff of the Chatham community identify a source of support and community within their faith.



within 1 mile of Shadyside Campus



known LGBTQ+ friendly



bus accessible from Shadyside Campus



near Eden Hall Campus

AFRICAN METHODIST-EPISCOPAL

Bethel AME Church

2720 Webster Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
412-683-2160
www.bethelpittsburgh.org

ANGLICAN

Church of the Ascension

4729 Ellsworth Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-621-4261
www.ascensionpittsburgh.org

BAPTIST

First Baptist Church of Pittsburgh

159 N. Bellefield Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-621-0500
www.fbcpg.org

Mount Ararat Baptist Church

271 Paulson Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15206
412-441-1800
www.mt-ararat.org

St. Paul Baptist Church

6701 Penn Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15208
412-362-4932
www.stpaulbc.org

BUDDHIST

Buddhist Meditation Center of Pittsburgh

2618 Monroeville Blvd
Monroeville, PA 15146
412-229-8128.
www.bmcpitts.org

Pittsburgh Buddhist Center

111 Route 908
Natrona Heights, PA 15065
724-292-2525
pittsburghbuddhistcenter.org

Pittsburgh Shambhala Meditation Center

733 North Highland Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15206
412-345-1759
www.shambhala.org

CATHOLIC

Sacred Heart Church

310 Shady Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15206
412-661-0187
sacredheartparishshadyside.org/sacred-heart

St. Paul Cathedral

108 North Dithridge Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-621-4951
stpaulpg.org

Holy Spirit Byzantine Catholic Church

4815 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-687-1220
www.holyspiritbyzcath.com

Portugese and Spanish Services

**St. Teresa Of Kolata Paroquia-
St. Catherine of Siena Iglesia**
1810 Belasco Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15216
412-531-2135
www.stteresakolkatapgh.org

GREEK ORTHODOX

**St. Nicoloas Greek Orthodox
Cathedral** 
419 South Dithridge St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-682-3966
www.stnickspgh.org

HINDU

Hindu Jain Temple
615 Illini Drive
Monroeville, PA 15146
724-325-2054
www.hindujaintemple.org

Sri Venkateswara Temple
1230 South McCully Drive, P.O. Box 17280
Penn Hills, PA 15235
412-373-3380
www.hindujaintemple.org

Sri Shirdi Sai Baba Temple
1449 Abers Creek Road
Monroeville, PA 15146
412-374-9244
www.baba.org

ISLAMIC

Islamic Center of Pittsburgh  
4100 Bigelow Boulevard
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-682-5555
www.icp-pgh.org

JEWISH

**Rodef Shalom Congregation
(Reform)**  
4905 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-621-6566
rodefshalom.org

**Shaare Torah Congregation
(Orthodox)** 
2319 Murray Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15217
412-421-8855
www.shaaretorah.net

**Tree of Life or L'Simcha
(Egalitarian)**  
5859 Wilkins Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15217
412-521-6788
www.tolols.org

Bet Tikvah (LGBT Minyan) 
bettikvah.org
info@bettikvah.org

LUTHERAN

St. Andrew Lutheran Church  
304 Morewood Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-682-3342
www.standrewpittsburgh.org

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church 
3832 Gibsonia Road
Gibsonia, PA 15044
724-443-8110
www.tlcgibsonia.org

MENNONITE

Pittsburgh Mennonite Church 🚌

2018 S Braddock Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15218
412-271-2104
www.pittsburghmennonite.org

METHODIST

Calvary United Methodist Church 🚌

971 Beech Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15233
412-231-2007
www.calvarypgh.com

First United Methodist Church of Pittsburgh 🚌

5401 Centre Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15232
412-681-4222
www.firstumcpittsburgh.org

MORMON

The Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints 🚌

250 N. Dithridge St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
local.churchofjesuschrist.org/en/us/pa/pittsburgh/250-north-dithridge-street

NON-DENOMINATIONAL CHRISTIAN

Allegheny Center Alliance Church 🚌

250 E Ohio Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15212
717-422-7646
Young Adult Pastor, Ashley Njenga
ashley.njenga@acac.net

Mandarin Services

Pittsburgh Chinese Church Oakland

134 N. Dithridge St. Pgh, Pa, 15213
412-687-3060
www.pccoakland.org

PENTACOSTAL

Iglesia Sion-Spanish Services

Zion Christian Church

31 Warriors Road, Pgh, Pa, 15205
412-564-1600
www.iglesiasion.com

PRESBYTERIAN

East Liberty Presbyterian Church 🚶 🚌

116 South Highland Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15206
cathedralofhope.org

Shadyside Presbyterian Church 🚶 🚌

5121 Westminster Place
Pittsburgh, PA 15232
412-682-4300
www.shadysidepres.org

Grace Reformed Presbyterian Church Ⓜ

3916 Bakerstown Road
Gibsonia, PA 15044
724-473-3449
www.graceingibsonia.org

QUAKER

The Religious Society of Friends 🚌 🌈

4836 Ellsworth Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-683-2669
www.quaker.org/pghpamm

UNITARIAN

First Unitarian Church of Pittsburgh 🚌 🌈

605 Morewood Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-621-8008
www.first-unitarian-pgh.org

Religious Holy Days and Accommodations

August 2026-August 2027

This section is provided to students, faculty, and staff as a guide for the number of religious holy days celebrated at Chatham University. Information regarding recommended academic and food accommodations are valuable when planning classroom activities and appropriate co-curricular events on campus.

POINTS TO REMEMBER

- **Kosher** restrictions refer to dietary guidelines of Jewish law which apply daily, throughout the year. Restrictions include: pork, shellfish (fish is allowed), and mixing meat with dairy.
- **Halal** restrictions refer to foods prohibited according to Islamic dietary law, throughout the year. Restrictions include alcohol and pork.

BUDDHIST HOLIDAYS

Nirvana Day

Nirvana Day, also called Parinirvana Day, is a Buddhist holiday that marks the Buddha's achievement of complete Nirvana upon the death of his physical body.

- Observed Date: February 15

Magha Puja Day

Magha Puja Day commemorates an important event in the life of the Buddha, in which the four disciples traveled to join Buddha.

- Observed Date: Sunday, February 21, 2027

Buddha Day/Visakha Puja

This is traditionally known as Buddha's birthday. It is the major Buddhist festival, commemorating the birth, enlightenment, and death of Buddha.

- Campus Recommendations: Provide food accommodations as requested; offer vegetarian options as Buddhists avoid eating meat on this date
- Observed Date: Thursday, May 20, 2027

CHRISTIAN HOLIDAYS

Christmas

Christmas is an annual celebration commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ, whose message and self-sacrifice began the Christian religion.

- Observed Dates: Begins at sundown on December 24 annually and continues with all day celebration on December 25

Twelfth Night

Twelfth Night is a Christian festival on the last night of the Twelve Days of Christmas, marking the coming of the Epiphany.

- Observed Date: January 5

Epiphany/Three Kings Day

This date commemorates the revelation of God through Jesus Christ and marks the time the three wise men arrived in Bethlehem and presented gifts to baby Jesus.

- Observed Date: January 6

Ash Wednesday

This is the first day of Lent, the period of forty days before Easter in which many Christians sacrifice ordinary pleasures to reflect on Christ's sacrifice.

- Campus Recommendations: Provide food accommodations as requested since most abstain from eating meat this day; faithful wear cross of ashes marked on foreheads.
- Observed Date: Wednesday, February 10, 2027

Palm Sunday

Commemoration of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem

- Observed Date: Sunday, March 21, 2027

Maundy Thursday

Commemorates the Last Supper of Jesus with Apostles; always falls on the Thursday before Easter Sunday.

- Observed Dates Thursday, March 21, 2027

Good Friday

Commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus Christ; always falls on the Friday before Easter Sunday.

- Campus Recommendations: Provide food accommodations as requested – meat is prohibited.
- Observed Date: Friday, March 26, 2027

Easter

Annual commemoration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

- Observed Date: Sunday, March 28, 2027

CONFUCIAN/TAOIST/BUDDHIST HOLIDAYS

Lunar New Year/Chinese New Year

A celebration of the arrival of spring, Lunar New Year denotes the beginning of a new year on the lunisolar calendar. It is the most important holiday in China, and it is also widely celebrated in South Korea, Vietnam, and many other countries.

- Campus Accommodations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities on this day. Many Chinese faculty, staff, and students will request this day off.
- Observed Dates: Begins Saturday, February 6, 2027

HINDU HOLIDAYS

Krishna Janmashtami

This two-day festival celebrates the birth of Krishna, a Hindu god. Krishna is considered a warrior, hero, teacher, and philosopher.

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities on this date.
- Observed Dates: Friday, September 4, 2026

Navaratri

Navaratri is one of the greatest Hindu festivals. The festival celebrates the triumph of good over evil. During this time, Hindus worship Durga, Lakshmi, and Saraswati.

- Observed Dates: October 11-19, 2026

Diwali/Deepavali/Festival Of Lights

Diwali—the “Festival of Lights”—extends over five days celebrating the victory of good over evil. *The Times of India* describes Diwali as a “reaffirmation of hope, renewed commitment to friendship and goodwill, and religiously sanctioned celebration of the simple.”

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities on this date. Hindu faculty, staff, and students will request this day off.
- Observed Date: Sunday, November 8, 2026

Holi/Festival of Colors

This holiday can be traced to Hindu scriptures commemorating good over evil. This date is a celebration of colorful spring and a farewell to the dull winter.

- Observed Dates: Monday, March 22, 2027

Raksha/Bandhan

The Rakhi festival falls in the holy month of Shravan.

- Observed Date: Friday, August 28, 2026

ISLAMIC HOLIDAYS

All Islamic holidays begin at sunset of the prior day

Ramadan

Ramadan is an occasion to focus on faith through fasting and prayer, and is one of the most important Muslim holidays.

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities during this time. Students, faculty, and staff celebrating Ramadan will be fasting during the day (continuously for 30 days) and a Halal dietary restriction applies.
- Observed Dates: February 8-March 8, 2027

Eid Al-Fitr

Eid al-Fitr means “break the fast,” and is the last day of Ramadan, marking the end of a month of fasting.

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities on this date. Halal dietary restrictions apply.
- Observed Dates: March 10, 2027

Eid Al-Adha

Eid al-Adha is a major festival that celebrates the willingness to make sacrifices in the name of one’s faith.

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities on the first day. Halal dietary restrictions apply.
- Observed Date: Monday, March 17, 2027

JEWISH HOLIDAYS

All Jewish holidays begin at sundown of the prior day

Rosh Hashanah

Rosh Hashanah marks the beginning of the Jewish New Year, and stands as the Day of Judgement and remembrance. This holiday commemorates the creation of the world.

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities on this date. Kosher dietary restrictions apply.
- Observed Dates: September 12-17, 2026

Yom Kippur

Considered the holiest day of the year for Jews, and the day is dedicated to atonement and abstinence.

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities.
- Observed Date: Monday, September 21, 2026

Sukkot

A week-long celebration which begins with the building of Sukkah for sleep and meals; Sukkot is named for the huts Moses and the Israelites lived in as they wandered the desert before reaching the promised Land.

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities on the first two days. Kosher dietary restrictions apply.
- Observed Dates: September 26-October 2, 2026

Hanukkah/Chanukah

Hanukkah is the Jewish festival of lights, and lasts for eight days. Hanukkah commemorates the Jewish struggle for religious freedom.

- Campus Recommendations: Kosher dietary restrictions apply.
- Observed Dates: December 5-12, 2026

Purim

Purim commemorates the time when Jews were living in Persia and were saved by the courage of a young Jewish woman named Esther.

- Campus Recommendations: Kosher dietary restrictions apply.
- Observed Date: Thursday, March 23, 2027

Pesach/Passover

Pesach is a week-long observance commemorating the freedom and exodus of the Israelites from Egypt during the reign of the Pharaoh Ramses II (one of three pilgrimage festivals).

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities on the first two and last two days of the holidays. Kosher dietary restrictions apply.
- Observed Dates: April 22-29, 2027

Shavuot

Commemorates receipt of the Torah on Mount Sinai (two of three pilgrimage festivals).

- Campus Recommendations: Avoid scheduling academic deadlines, events, and activities. Kosher dietary restrictions apply.
- Observed Dates: June 11-12, 2027

Tisha B'av

Commemorates a series of Jewish traditions including the destruction of the first and second temples in Jerusalem.

- Observed Date: Thursday, August 12, 2027

NON-RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

Día de los Muertos/All Saints Day/All Souls Day

Día De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) is a two-day Mexican holiday that celebrates life and death. Some Christians also refer to these dates as All Saints Day and All Souls Day, honoring the saints and praying for the dead.

- Observed Dates: November 1-2

Kwanzaa

An celebration of African-American culture, Kwanzaa is based on African harvest festival traditions. During Kwanzaa, a different principle is uplifted each day, called Nguzo Saba (the seven principles of African Heritage).

- Observed Dates: December 26-January 1

Cinco de Mayo

Cinco de Mayo commemorates the anniversary of Mexico's victory over the Second French Empire at the Battle of Puebla in 1862.

- Observed Date: May 5

Juneteenth

Juneteenth commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African-Americans. Some Christians also use this as a day of celebration and prayer.

- Observed Date: June 19

Solstices and Equinoxes

September Equinox

- Tuesday, September 22, 2026

December Solstice

- Monday, December 21, 2026

March Equinox

- Saturday, March 20, 2027

June Solstice

- Monday, June 21, 2027



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