\*Singing Our Faith **# 467** *“Trust and Obey”*

\*Blessing and Dismissal

\*Postlude

**Scatter to Serve God & Neighbor**

***Welcome to all!*** *We gather to praise God for the innumerable blessings given to us and to grow deeper in the Spirit. Joyfully, let us lift our hearts to God.*



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 *Chestnut Hill United Methodist Church*

 10:30 a.m. ~ February 16, 2025 ~ Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Our ministry vision for the Virginia Annual Conference is ***“to be***

***disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners, who influence others to serve.”***

***Welcome! Join us in worshiping God!***

Prelude *“More About Jesus”*  by J. Sweney

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

*Welcome in the name of Christ our Lord. Please register your attendance, printing your name, address, phone, and email, on the attendance pad provided on your pew. Thank you for silencing cell phones as we gather to worship God.*

Invocation

\*Greeting

**Children of God: welcome!**

**Welcome to this place of love and grace,**

Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

**God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,**

God invites all of us to share in the good news:

**We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.**

In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

*(Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog. ‘Hold Fast to What Is Good’. Used with permission.)*

\*Singing Our Faith **# 701** *“When We All Get to Heaven”*

Opening Prayer

**Gracious Lord, as we embark on this sacred time of worship, we earnestly seek Your guidance and wisdom. Grant us the discernment to understand Your will and the insight to apply it meaningfully to our lives. As stated in James 1:5, “If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault.”**

**Illuminate our hearts and minds with Your divine understanding, enabling us to navigate this service with clarity and purpose. May Your wisdom act as a guiding light, steering our thoughts and actions towards Your truth and righteousness. In Jesus’ name, Amen**

Special Music *“Praise Him! Praise Him!* By M. Hayes

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Prayer of Illumination Linda Jessen

**Guide us, O God, by your word, and Holy Spirit, that in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

Scripture Lesson Deuteronomy 10:17-22 Linda Jessen

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Singing Our Faith **# 337** *“Only Trust Him”*

The Good News ***“Do we value an Antiracist Future?”***

Bringing Forward God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

\*Doxology **# 95 Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all Creatures here below;** **praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

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